THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, REDBANKS ROAD, MALLALA ON MONDAY 27 OCTOBER 2014, COMMENCING AT 7:00PM

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Peter Sellar
ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AGENDA

1. ATTENDANCE
   1.1 Present
   1.2 Councillors Apologies
   1.3 Councillors Absent

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
   2.1 Council Meeting held on Monday 13 October 2014 (MB Folios 12864 to 12874, inclusive).

3. BUSINESS ARISING
   3.1

4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS’ INTEREST
   4.1

5. OPEN FORUM
   5.1 Speakers
6. **BRIEFINGS**
   6.1 Stephen Barry and Tony Williams – Investigations and Tactical Support – Environmental Protection Agency

7. **MAYOR’S REPORT**
   7.1 Meetings Attended and / or Discussions Held (CON12/1199)

8. **MINUTES AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS**
   8.1 Economic Development Advisory Committee
       8.1.1 No Minutes

   8.2 Community Development Advisory Committee
       8.2.1 Community Development Advisory Committee Minutes 8 October 2014 (CON12/1100)

   8.3 Audit Committee
       8.3.1 Audit Committee Minutes 1 October 2014 (CON12/522)

   8.4 Mallala and Districts Museum Committee
       8.4.1 No Minutes

   8.5 Mallala and Districts Homes Committee
       8.5.1 No Minutes

   8.6 Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee
       8.6.1 Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee Minutes 13 October 2014 (CON14/35)

9. **QUESTIONS WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**
   9.1 Questions on Notice
       9.1.1 No Questions on Notice

   9.2 Notice of Motion
       9.2.1 No Notice of Motion
10. **QUESTIONS WHICH NOTICE HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN**

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* Questions and replies are not entered in the minute book unless expressly required by resolution.
* No debate shall be allowed on any question or reply to any question.

11. **PETITIONS**
11.1 No Petitions

12. **DEPUTATIONS**
12.1 No Deputations

13. **ITEMS FOR NOTING / INFORMATION / ACTIVITY REPORTS**
13.1 **Items for Information / Noting**
13.1.1 Finance Report (CON12/491)
13.1.2 Community and Library Services Report (CON12/1046)
13.1.3 Review of Section 41 Committee Structure (CON12/1159)
13.1.4 First Council Meeting – First Term (CON12/1199)
13.1.5 Marine Parks Declared Sanctuary Zones within the District Council of Mallala (CON12/1192)
13.1.6 Allocation of iPad’s for Elected Members (CON12/544)
13.1.7 Two Wells Ageing in Style Expo Summary (CON13/18)

13.2 **Activity Reports**
13.2.1 Corporate and Community Services Status Report (CON12/1199)

14. **ITEMS FOR DECISIONS**
14.1 Future of Northern Connections Nc21 (CON12/584)

15. **URGENT BUSINESS**
15.1
16. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS
16.1 Nil Confidential Items

17. CLOSURE
CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MONDAY 27 October 2014

Items:

2.1 Council Meeting held on Monday 13 October 2014 (MB Folios 12864 to 12874, inclusive).
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA
HELD IN THE MALLALA COUNCIL CHAMBERS, REDBANKS ROAD, MALLALA ON
MONDAY 13 OCTOBER 2014, COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM

1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Present
Crs D Kennington (Mayor), P Daniele, T Keen, Y Howard, M Strudwicke, B Summerton,
J Heley, M Wasley, K McColl, S Jones (from 7.04 pm), A Picard (from 7.06 pm) and
Messrs P Sellar (Acting Chief Executive Officer), G Mavrinac (General Manager,
Infrastructure and Planning Services), Ms C Muzyk (Strategic Projects Coordinator) and
Mrs A Humphrys (Minute Secretary).

1.2 Councillors Apologies
Nil

1.3 Councillors Absent
Nil

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Daniele Seconded Cr Heley
"that the minutes of meeting held on Monday 22 September 2014 (MB Folios 12857 to
12863, inclusive), be accepted as read and confirmed."
CARRIED (2014/412)

3. BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Nil

4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTEREST

4.1 Nil
5. **OPEN FORUM**

The Mayor sought leave of the meeting to suspend Part 2 of the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013 for ‘Open Forum’. The meeting was suspended at 7.01 pm.

5.1 **Mel Lawrence**  
*Two Wells*

- When will it show on the rate notices that the Carbon Tax will be refunded as stated by the Federal Government?

As answered by P Sellar (Acting CEO) – The regulation will need to be changed to reflect the change as there is prescribed details that can be shown on rate notices. The Local Government Association (LGA) will work as a collective and may come out with a position, although the Carbon Tax to date has not been a cost passed on to Rate Payers of the District Council of Mallala.

5.1 **Con Lazopoulos**  
*Lewiston*

- Received a letter from Council stating that dogs numbers registered to his property will be inspected as will the supporting infrastructure. The inspection of dog numbers was conducted but infrastructure was not. Resident is requesting for inspections of properties and related infrastructure be conducted in particular the Lewiston/Animal Husbandry Area. Neighbouring properties are not complying; registration of dogs is being addressed, but has concerns around the kennelling of animals on properties with particular interest to kennels.

Meeting resumed at 7.22 pm

6. **BRIEFINGS**

6.1 Nil

7. **MINUTES AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS**

7.1 **Facilities and Infrastructure Advisory Committee**

7.1.1 Minutes of Meeting held on 16 September 2014 (CON12/1102)

7.2 **Environmental Management Advisory Committee**

7.2.1 No Minutes

7.3 **Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee**

7.3.1 No Minutes
### 8. QUESTIONS WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

#### 8.1 Questions on Notice

8.1.1 Nuclear Free Zone (CON12/537)

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<th>Preamble</th>
<th>On 26th July 2010 motion (2010/226) Nuclear Free Zone for District Council Mallala (9.24.1.1) carried, as outcome was 10 in favour, 1 against,</th>
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<td>Question 1:</td>
<td>What has progressed from resolution of Motion (2010/226)? Please provide all outcome detail</td>
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**Answer:**

The following Notice of Motion from Cr Picard was carried at the 26 July 2010 Council meeting:

> “that the Council district be declared a ‘Nuclear Free Zone’, including nuclear power stations, nuclear processing and enrichment plants, storage dump or any other facility using nuclear materials, but excluding nuclear isotopes for medical treatment and that this policy be included in Council’s Development Plan”

After an investigation on this matter there has been no evidence found of what action had been taken regarding this matter. Unfortunately staff that may have been involved in implementing this decision are no longer in the employment of Council.

#### 8.2 Notice of Motion

8.2.1 No Notice of Motion

### 9. QUESTIONS WHICH NOTICE HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN

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Cr Summerton called for a Point of Order as the discussion was considered to have become a debate, and Council was at the question and answer section of the agenda.

The Mayor did not accept the Point of Order, as the Councillor speaking at the time was asking a question in line with the meeting agenda.

10. **PETITIONS**

10.1 No Petitions

11. **DEPUTATIONS**

11.1 No Deputations

12. **ITEMS FOR NOTING / INFORMATION / ACTIVITY REPORTS**

12.1 Items for Information / Noting

12.1.1 Gawler River Flood Management Authority Minutes Report (CON12/314)

Moved Cr Picard Seconded Cr McColl

“that the Council, having considered Item 12.1.1 Gawler River Flood Management Authority Minutes of Meetings dated 13 October 2014, receives the report.”

CARRIED (2014/413)

12.1.2 Animal Management Plan – First Quarter Report (CON12/171)

Moved Cr McColl Seconded Cr Picard

“that the Council, having considered Item 12.1.2 Animal Management Plan – First Quarterly Report dated 13 October 2014, note that the report be received.

CARRIED (2014/414)

Cr Heley called for a Point of Order as Councillors were talking among themselves while another Councillor was standing and speaking to the motion.

The Mayor did accept the Point of Order, and requested that Councillors remain quiet while a Councillor was standing and speaking to a motion.

12.1.3 Salt Creek Remediation Working Party – Progress Report (CON13/25)

Moved Cr Summerton Seconded Cr Strudwicke

“that the Council, having considered Item 12.1.3 Salt Creek Remediation Working Party – Progress Report dated 13 October 2014, receive the report.”

CARRIED (2014/415)
12.1.4 Long Plains Sealed Road Access - Post Consultation (CON12/435)
Moved Cr Jones Seconded Cr Keen
“That the Council, having considered Item 12.1.4 Long Plains Sealed Road Access - Post Consultation dated 13 October 2014, receive the report.”
CARRIED (2014/416)

12.1.5 Code of Conduct Summary (CON12/512)
Moved Cr Daniele Seconded Cr Jones
“That Council having considered Item 12.1.5 Code of Conduct Summary, dated 13 October 2014, notes and receives the report.”
CARRIED (2014/417)

12.1.6 Waste Management Strategy – First Quarter Report (CON12/332)
Moved Cr McColl Seconded Cr Wasley
“That the Council, having considered Item 12.1.6 Waste Management Strategy – First Quarterly Report dated 13 October 2014, note that the report be received.”
CARRIED (2014/418)

12.2 Activity Reports
12.2.1 Infrastructure Services Activity Report (CON12/1191)
Moved Cr Strudwicke Seconded Cr Summerton
“That the Council, having considered Item 12.2.1 Infrastructure Services Activity Report dated 13 October 2014, receive the report.”
CARRIED (2014/419)

12.2.2 Planning Services Activity Report (CON12/1191)
Moved Cr Summerton Seconded Cr Jones
“That Council, having considered Item 12.2.2 Planning Services Activity Report dated 13 October 2014, receive the report.”
CARRIED (2014/420)

12.2.3 Development Plan Amendment Activity Report (CON12/248)
Moved Cr Daniele Seconded Cr
“That Council, having considered 12.2.3 Development Plan Amendment Activity Report dated 13 October 2014 receive the report.”
CARRIED (2014/421)
13. **ITEMS FOR DECISIONS**

13.1 Local Government Finance Authority Nominations (CON12/504)

Moved  Cr Strudwicke  Seconded  Cr Jones

“That Council having considered Item 13.1 LGFA Nominations dated 13 October 2014, endorses J W Frogley and, J L Sanderson for the two vacant positions on the LGFA Board of Trustees.”

**CARRIED**  (2014/422)

The Mayor sought leave of Council to discuss item 13.2 LGA Annual General Meeting Notice of Motions (CON12/510). Leave was granted. The meeting was suspended at 8.21 pm.

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<td>Amalgamation of Councils with less than 60,000 Residents (City of Salisbury)</td>
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<td>That the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to investigate the amalgamation of metropolitan Councils comprising less than 60,000 residents.</td>
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<td>AGM311014/8.2</td>
<td>National Police Certificate Requirement for Local Government Election Candidates (City of Burnside)</td>
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<td>That the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to investigate whether there is sufficient evidence across Local Government for:</td>
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<td>The Minister for Local Government to be requested to consider introducing a Bill to amend:</td>
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<td>2.1.1 part 19(2) of the Local Government (Elections) Act, 1999 to require that nominations from candidates for election to an office of a council must be accompanied by a National Police Certificate (dated not less than three (3) calendar months before the date of nomination);</td>
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<td>2.1.2 part 21 of the Local Government (Elections) Act, 1999 to require that a National Police Certificate be also displayed, together with the valid nomination in the principal office of the Council, and</td>
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<td>2.1.3 item 2 of Schedule 3 of the Local Government Act, 1999 to require that a National Police Certificate be included as part of the information which must be contained within a primary return and an ordinary return.</td>
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| AGM311014/8.3 | **Taxation of Council Member Allowance (Port Pirie Regional Council)**  
That the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA, in partnership with the ALGA, to lobby the Australian Government for amendments to taxation law to exempt Council Member allowances and benefits from the application of income tax. | Support |
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| AGM311014/8.4 | **Research to Inform a Future Review of the Code of Conduct for Council Members and Associated Processes (City of Marion)**  
The General Meeting requests that in order to inform a future review of the Code of Conduct and associated processes, the LGA conduct a review of findings and reports from the Ombudsman’s Office and the Office of Public Integrity related to Code of Conduct complaints received since the new Code took effect on 1 September 2013. | Support |
| AGM311014/8.5 | **Codes of Conduct – Free Speech (Port Adelaide Enfield)**  
That the Annual General Meeting:  
Considers “that there has been a worrying increase in the spate of code of conduct violations brought by Mayors against Councillors, and asks the Local Government Association to a full review the wording of Local Government Codes of Conduct to ensure that they both allow free speech by elected members even when criticising the actions or decisions of fellow elected members in their roles as elected members, and prevent the use of an elected member’s position to bully others.” | Support |
| AGM311014/8.6 | **State-Local Government Relations Agreement (Mid Murray Council)**  
That the Annual General Meeting requests the Local Government Association to undertake a review of the existing State-Local Government Agreement with the State Government to include the production of new Local Government Cabinet Impact Statements for all cabinet submissions by Government Departments to consider and document the impacts on Local Government of any policy or legislative reform (including consideration of resource impacts on Local Government, costs and benefits) and that a program of annual monitoring of the Agreement be undertaken to review progress and identify areas that may require further attention. | Support |

At this juncture, Cr 8.28 pm Cr Keen left the Chamber
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<td>That the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to continue to advocate for the retention of pensioner concessions by State Government.</td>
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<td>Non Owner Occupied Rates (District Council of the Copper Coast)</td>
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<td>That the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to investigate and provide a suitably prepared request to the State Government with a persuasive argument that councils should be given the ability under legislation to decide on differential rates for rateable land according to whether or not the land is the principal place of residence of the owner.</td>
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<td>Property Flood Insurance (City of West Torrens)</td>
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<td>That the Annual General Meeting request that the LGA approach the insurance Council of Australia seeking clarity on recent changes to property flood insurance premiums specifically on how they were derived and how the changes can be better managed to avoid excessive increases in premiums sought.</td>
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<td>Mediation for Development Assessment Process (City of Unley)</td>
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<td>That the Annual General Meeting requests that the Local Government Association investigate options for including a legislated mediation process, separate from the Environment and Resources Development Court, in the development assessment system.</td>
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<td>Water Sensitive Urban Design Solutions (City of Marion)</td>
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<td>That the General Meeting requests the LGA secretariat investigate whether there is sufficient support across Councils to consider advocating for changes to relevant legislation and processes to ensure water sensitive urban design solutions are incorporate in all infill development by:</td>
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<td>1. Identifying flood plain mapping within all Development Plans so that properties likely to be inundated with water after high rainfall events are identified as ‘flood prone’, and therefore exempt form the application of Residential Development Code assessment except where AHD or ARI requirements specified in the Development Plan are met.</td>
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<td>2. Requiring as part of the assessment of an application under the Building Code of Australia (BCA) that new development that increases the impervious surface on a site within the greater Adelaide metropolitan area is required to accommodate</td>
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stormwater retention on site, incorporating water sensitive urban design solutions which meet the requirements of the relevant Catchment Management Plan, and in particular:
a) promote rainwater reuse;
b) utilise appropriate water sensitive urban design drainage solutions, and
c) provide for the first 15mm of rainfall on all impervious surfaces in any given 24 hour period to be retained on site.

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<td>That the LGA investigates whether there is sufficient evidence</td>
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<td>across Local Government to establish a Memorandum of Understanding</td>
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<td>• Initiate a breeding program of local little penguins from identified populations to ensure longevity</td>
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<td>of their unique DNA and to enhance their survival as a sub species.</td>
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<td>• Introduce a management plan and implement strategies for the control of the New Zealand Fur Seals</td>
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<td>That the Annual General Meeting requests that the Local Government Association lobby the State Government</td>
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<td>that the 11th day of November be proclaimed as a ‘special holiday’ for the years 2015-2018 (inclusive)</td>
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with section 4 of the Holidays Act 1910 for the purpose of celebrating the centenary of the First World War and such holiday to be known as “Remembrance Day”.

AGM311014/9.1 Late Item
Increase in Level of Fines and Interest on Unpaid Rates (Regional Council of Goyder)
That the LGA request the State Government to amend:
1. Section 181(17) of the Local Government Act 1999 to reflect an increase in the amount of fine on unpaid rates to be applied from the existing 2 per cent to up to but not exceeding 10 per cent at the discretion of the individual Council; and
2. Section 181(17) of the Local Government Act 1999 to reflect an increase in the amount of interest on unpaid rates to be applied from the existing formula to 7 per cent above the Reserve Bank of Australia official rate at all times.

Meeting resumed at 8.50 pm

13.2 LGA Annual General Meeting Notice of Motions (CON12/510)
Moved Cr McColl Seconded Cr Wasley

“that the Council having considered Item 13.2 LGA Annual General Meeting Notice of Motions dated 13 October 2014 notes and receives the proposed voting for each of the Council Notice of Motions at the LGA General Meeting to be held on the 31 October 2014.”
CARRIED (2014/423)

14. URGENT BUSINESS
14.1 No Urgent Business

15. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS
15.1 No Confidential Items
16. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8.51 pm.

Confirmed as a true record.

Mayor: ......................................................................

Date:  ____/____/___

Date: ___ / ___ / ___
Items:

3.1 Business Arising
Items:

4.1 Declaration of Members' Interest
Items:

5.1 Open Forum
Items:

6.1 Stephen Barry and Tony Williams – Investigations and Tactical Support – Environmental Protection Agency
MONDAY 27 October 2014

Items:

7.1 Activities and Meetings Attended
7.1 Meetings Attended and / or Discussions Held

Container No: CON12/1199
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Report Date: 27 October 2014
Prepared by: Mayor Duncan Kennington

Corporate Objective: N/A

Activities and Meetings attended

Friday 26 September 2014
Wakefield Group

Tuesday 30 September 2014
CEO and Deputy Mayor Briefing

Wednesday 1 October 2014
Audit Committee Meeting

Tuesday 7 October 2014
CEO and Deputy Mayor Briefing

Sunday 12 October 2014
Long Plains Red Cross Branch Concert

Monday 13 October 2014
Ordinary Council Meeting

Monday 13 October 2014
Strategic Infrastructure and Planning Committee Meeting

Tuesday 14 October 2014
CEO and Deputy Mayor Briefing

Friday 17 October 2014
Mayor Brian Hurn Retirement Function

Tuesday 21 October 2014
CEO and Deputy Mayor Briefing

Thursday 23 October 2014
Wakefield Group Meeting
Saturday 25 October 2014
Pony Rescue Incorporated Fundraiser (Two Wells)

Saturday 25 October 2014
Parham Social Club Quiz Night
Items:

8.1 Economic Development Advisory Committee Reports
8.1.1 No Minutes

8.2 Community Development Advisory Committee
8.2.1 Community Development Advisory Committee Minutes 8 October 2014 (CON12/1100)

8.3 Audit Committee
8.3.1 Audit Committee Minutes 1 October 2014 (CON12/552)

8.4 Mallala and Districts Museum Committee
8.4.1 No Minutes

8.5 Mallala and Districts Homes Committee
8.5.1 No Minutes

8.6 Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee
8.6.1 Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee Minutes 13 October 2014 (CON14/35)
1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Present
A Porter, Jasmin Daniele, B Reid, B Sowerby, P Thompson, Cr Daniele, S Nieuwenhuizen, L Seccafien - Community Development Officer, A Sawtell – Customer and Library Services Coordinator

1.2 Members Apologies

1.3 Members Absent
Cr Heley, RDA Barossa delegate

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Cr Daniele  Seconded: Jasmin Daniele
‘that the minutes of the meeting held Thursday 14 August 2014 be taken as read and confirmed’

CARRIED (2014/12)

3. BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Town Signs – Dublin to be installed pending depot staff workload. L Seccafien to meet with the Pt Parham Sports and Social Club Committee to seek feedback on the location of the Parham sign after Council staff identified the selected location was unsuitable.

3.2 Lewiston Playground – Cairn replacement plaque – L Seccafien currently waiting on quotes for new plaque in brass and brushed steel. In addition, Cr Daniele has undertaken to source quotes for a granite plaque.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Community Bus
Jasmin Daniele provided a verbal report. Jasmin has also provided council with bus passenger statistics from the past few years. L Seccafien has placed the information into Council electronic records system.
4.2 Community Partnerships Fund  

4.2.1 Project Reports

Moved: Cr Daniele Seconded: Barb Reid

‘that the committee endorse the final report from the Mallala Football Club for 2011-12, the Two Wells Community Centre Committee, the Mallala Bowling Club and the Dublin History Group for 2013-14’

CARRIED (2014/13)

Funding Guidelines – L Seccafien to provide committee members with information for consideration regarding Community Partnerships guidelines with regard to funding permanent structures on private land.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 Dublin History Group provided an invitation to all members of the CDAC Committee to their Remembrance Day event.

5.2 Pt Parham Sports and Social Club requested additional flyers for the Community Passenger Network – to be posted to Barb Reid.

5.3 Mid North Community Passenger Network – user statistics for DCM region. L Seccafien to provide information via email to all committee members.

5.4 A Porter requested there be a sign at Lewiston Playground re keeping the BBQ clean.

5.5 Library Author Event to be held on Wednesday 19 October

5.6 Volunteer JP Service is now available at the Two Wells Library each Saturday.

5.7 The Citizen of the Year Awards’ are now open. Committee members were encouraged to submit applications for worthy contributors.

6. NEXT MEETING

A special meeting is to be held at the Old Council Chambers, Old Pt Wakefield Rd, Two Wells on Thursday 11 December 2014 at 7.00pm to review funding applications.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.40 pm.

Confirmed as a true record.

Chairman: .................................................................

Date: ____/____/___
1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Members Present
John Comrie (Chairman), Peter Fairlie-Jones, Cr Duncan Kennington and Cr Mark Wasley

Administration / Guests: Peter Sellar (Acting Chief Executive Officer), Gary Graham (Finance Coordinator), Christine Kelly (Executive Assistant), and Derek Lawson (Governance Coordinator)

1.2 Members Apologies
Cr Yvonne Howard

1.3 Members Absent
Nil

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Wasley Seconded P. Fairlie-Jones

“that the Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting dated 1 May 2014 be taken as read and confirmed following the correction recommended by the Committee”

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

4. REPORTS

4.1 Audit Committee Action List and Annual Program

Moved P. Fairlie-Jones Seconded Cr Wasley

“that the Committee having considered Item 4.1 Audit Committee Action List and Annual Program Report dated 1 October 2014 receives and notes the Report”.

CARRIED
4.2 Audit Committee Governance Plan 2014 Update
Moved Cr Wasley Seconded P. Fairlie-Jones
“that the Committee having considered Item 4.2 Audit Committee Governance Plan Report dated 1 October 2014 notes and receives the report”.
CARRIED

4.3 Governance Policies Review
Moved P. Fairlie-Jones Seconded Cr Kennington
“that the Committee having considered Item 4.3 Financial Management Policies Review Report dated 1 October 2014 recommends Council adopts the:
- Disposal of Surplus Land Policy;
- Gifts and Benefits Policy;
- Internal Review of Council Decisions Policy; and
- Residents Contribution to Road Sealing Policy
subject to recommended changes to the Internal Review of Council Decisions Policy”.
CARRIED

“that the Committee having considered Item 4.3 Financial Management Policies Review Report dated 1 October 2014 recommends Council rescind the Lands Under Roads Policy”.
CARRIED

4.4 Internal Financial Controls
Moved Cr Kennington Seconded Cr Wasley
“that the Committee, having considered Item 4.4 Internal Financial Controls dated 1 October 2014, recommends to Council that it receives and notes the report”.
CARRIED

Moved Cr Kennington Seconded Cr Wasley
“that staff provide a report to the next Audit Committee meeting identifying the progress of an independent review of the Internal Controls”.
CARRIED

4.5 Review of Draft Annual Financial Statements Report
Moved Cr Wasley Seconded P. Fairlie-Jones
“that the Committee, having considered item 4.5 Draft 2013/2014 Annual Financial Statements Report in accordance with Section 126(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Audit Committee advises that it has reviewed the annual financial statements of Council for the year ended 30 June 2014 and following minor
adjustments to Notes 1 and 7 is satisfied they present fairly the financial state of affairs of Council.”

CARRIED

Moved  Cr Wasley      Seconded  P. Fairlie-Jones

“that the Audit Committee, having considered item 4.5 Draft 2013/2014 Annual Financial Statements Report, subject to the External Auditor Mr. Ian Mc Donald signing the Certificate of Audit Independence, request the Acting Chief Executive Officer and the Chairperson of the District Council of Mallala Audit Committee sign the statement to certify the independence of Councils auditor, Mr Ian McDonald.”

CARRIED

4.6 Asset Management Plans (Information Report)

Moved  P. Fairlie-Jones      Seconded  Cr Wasley

“that the Committee having considered Item 4.6 Asset Management Plans (Information Report), dated 1 October 2014, receives and notes the Report and that an update report discussing the asset sustainability ratio result for 2013/14 and projections for future years and the proposed timing of the review of the Buildings Asset Management Plan be provided at the next Audit Committee meeting.”

CARRIED

5.  GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1  External Auditor Correspondence 24 May 2014

Moved  P. Fairlie-Jones      Seconded  Cr Wasley

“that the Committee having considered Item 5.1 receives and notes the correspondence.”

CARRIED

5.2  Council Response to External Auditor Correspondence 9 July 2014

Moved  P. Fairlie-Jones      Seconded  Cr Wasley

“that the Committee having considered Item 5.2 receives and notes the correspondence and request further information clarifying the External Auditor’s findings regarding Tender documents”

CARRIED

6.  NEXT MEETING

TBA

7.  CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 3:05 pm.
Confirmed as a true record

Chairperson: ............................................................................

Date: 01/10/2014
MINUTES OF THE STRATEGIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, REDBANKS ROAD, MALLALA ON MONDAY 13 OCTOBER 2014, COMMENCING AT 8.55 pm

1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Present
Crs D Kennington (Mayor), P Daniele, Y Howard, M Strudwicke, B Summerton, J Heley, M Wasley, K McColl, A Picard, S Jones and Messrs P Sellar (Acting – Chief Executive Officer), G Mavrinac (General Manager, Infrastructure and Planning Services) Ms C Muzyk (Strategic Projects Coordinator) and Mrs A Humphrys (Minute Secretary).

1.2 Councillors Apologies
Cr Keen

1.3 Councillors Absent
Nil

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Wasley Seconded Cr Strudwicke
“that the minutes of Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee held on Monday 11 August 2014 (MB Folios 1 to 3, inclusive) be accepted as read and confirmed.”

CARRIED (2014/006)

3. BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Nil

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

4.1 Nil
5. **BRIEFINGS**

5.1 Nil

6. **REPORTS**

6.1 Gawler River and River Light Flood Prone Areas Development Plan Amendment (CON12/249)

   Moved Cr Picard  
   Seconded Cr Summerton

   “that the Committee, having considered Item 6.1 Gawler River and River Light Flood Prone Area Development Plan Amendment dated 13 October 2014, recommends to Council that it receives the report.”

   CARRIED  (2014/007)

7. **CLOSURE**

   There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9.04 pm.

   Confirmed as a true record.

   Mayor: ..............................................................

   Date: ___/___/___
Items:

9.1 Questions on Notice

9.1.1 No Questions on Notice
9.2 Notice of Motion

MONDAY 27 October 2014

Items:

9.2 Notice of Motion

9.2.1 No Notice of Motion
Items:

10. Questions which notice has not been given

10.1
Items:

11 Petitions

11.1 No Petitions
Items:

12  Deputations
12.1 No Deputations
Items:

13.1 Items for Noting/ Information
13.1.1 Finance Report (CON12/491)
13.1.2 Community and Library Services Report (CON12/1046)
13.1.3 Review of Section 41 Committee Structure (CON12/1159)
13.1.4 First Council Meeting – First Term (CON12/1199)
13.1.5 Marine Parks Declared Sanctuary Zones within the District Council of Mallala (CON12/1192)
13.1.6 Allocation of iPad’s for Elected Members (CON12/544)
13.1.7 Two Wells Ageing in Style Expo Summary (CON13/18)

13.2 Activity Reports
13.2.1 Corporate and Community Services Status Report (CON12/1199)
## 13.1.1 Finance Report

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<th>5.5.2 Develop and maintain long term financial planning, management and reporting ensuring resources are provided to deliver services and manage Council's assets.</th>
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<th>Purpose:</th>
<th>To provide Council with an update of Financial Position as at 30 September 2014 including funds and performance against budget.</th>
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## Impact Summary

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<td>$361,225</td>
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<td>(2) Other</td>
<td>134,119</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>$495,344</strong></td>
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*Note*

(1.b) LGFA Overdraft Debenture*  

$(2,325,000)$

Cash balance at the end of each month:
### District Council of Mallala

**Capital Work Projects For Period Ending September 2014**

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<th>Capital Project</th>
<th>YTD Actuals</th>
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<td>Foot Paths</td>
<td>7,371</td>
<td>46,340</td>
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<td>Land &amp; Buildings</td>
<td>69,854</td>
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<td>Office &amp; ICT Equipment</td>
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<td>Roads - Sealed</td>
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<td>165,733</td>
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<td>Reserves &amp; Playgrounds</td>
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<td>Mallala CWMS</td>
<td>857,938</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,384,516</strong></td>
<td><strong>4,067,165</strong></td>
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### District Council of Mallala

**Income Statement for Period Ending September 2014**

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<th>YTD Actual $'000</th>
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<td>Rates</td>
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<td>Operating Grants &amp; Subsidies</td>
<td>322</td>
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<td>Reimbursements</td>
<td>178</td>
<td>156</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>372</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other Revenue</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>(9)</td>
<td>39</td>
<td>39</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
<td><strong>8,139</strong></td>
<td><strong>8,081</strong></td>
<td><strong>58</strong></td>
<td><strong>9,504</strong></td>
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| **Expenses**            |                  |                  |                   |                       |                     |
| Employee Costs          | 1,118            | 1,126            | 8                 | 4,740                 | 4,740               |
| Materials, contracts & other expenses | 1,066       | 1,070            | 4                 | 3,915                 | 3,915               |
| Finance Charges         | 18               | 18               | 0                 | 455                   | 455                 |
| Depreciation            | 549              | 549              | 0                 | 2,197                 | 2,197               |
| **Total Expenses**      | **2,751**        | **2,763**        | **12**            | **11,308**            | **11,308**          |

**NET SURPLUS /(DEFICIT)** | 5,388 | 5,318 | 64 | (1,804) | (1,804)
Year to Date Variances Explanations (Variances over $40,000)

September 2014  Year to Date

No significant operating variance to report for the year to September, the first installment of the financial assistance grant (FAG) suggests the full year allocation will be $1,288,212 around $70,000 higher than initially budgeted, official confirmation of the FAG amount generally occurs in October.

Development fees are slightly higher year to date providing a favourable variance in Statutory Charges and the workers compensation scheme rebate was higher than anticipated giving rise to a favourable variance in Reimbursements.
13.1.2 Community and Library Services Report

Corporate Objective:

1.2 A sense of place and pride through a supportive community with a strong volunteer base.
1.4 A creative and learning community.

Purpose:

To inform and update on new programs and advise on forthcoming events, developed and implemented by Community and Library Service staff.

Recommendation 1

"that Council having considered Item 13.1.2 Community and Library Services Report dated 27 October 2014, receives and notes the report."
Background

In order to meet the needs of the District Council of Mallala residents, it is imperative that Community and Library Services instigate and develop new programs, services and events which also reflect the demographics and cultural diversity of the area.

Discussion

Listed below are three new services and one forthcoming event which have recently been developed by staff. Council is very fortunate that our residents are willing to volunteer their services to assist the broader community at large. Although staff are heavily involved with the set up of these new volunteer services including ensuring that all volunteers are trained as per Council's Volunteer Policy, once the programs have been established and reviewed; staff input is limited to a "liaison and supportive" role.

Two Wells Young Writers Club

In the middle of this year local resident and recently qualified, middle school teacher Haze Sackey approached Council staff seeking support to establish a Young Writers Club for school aged children. Although there are many sporting opportunities for young people in this Council, there was not another established Club for children keen to share their writing ideas and stories, as well as seeking feedback from both the mentor and colleagues; in a supportive environment.

Club members first met at the Two Wells Library's Reading Room on Wednesday, August 27 2014. However, as the Club membership grew to seventeen children it was decided to move the Young Writers to the Two Wells Old Council Chambers.

The Two Wells Young Writers Club meets every two weeks on a Wednesday night from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm. interestingly, although the Club is based at Two Wells; some of the young writers reside further afield, including Mallala.

Justice of the Peace (JP) Volunteer Service

Many Councils offer a Justice of the Peace Service which can be based at the Council Office, Library or Council Chambers, at set opening times. It has been noted by Library and customer service staff of an increase in the number of people seeking the services of a Justice of the Peace, with the District Council of Mallala’s Community Information booklet offering details of providing nearby Justice of the Peace services. Anne Porter, Chair of Mallala Council’s Community Development and Advisory Committee spoke to Council’s Community and Communications Officer on establishing a regular ‘after hours’ Justice of the Peace service.

It was deemed by Council staff that the Two Wells Library's Reading Room was a suitable room for the Justice of the Peace service, offering privacy with staff in attendance whilst the service is operating on Saturday mornings. Moreover, to keep staff's role to a minimal there are no bookings, members of the public are requested to wait in the Library until the Justice of the Peace is free.
The Community and Communications Officer is currently promoting this new service through local media outlets as well as flyers being available at both Council Offices and the Libraries, as well as being featured on the Council website.

Six Justice of the Peace (and one casual) have agreed to be regularly rostered to work at the Two Wells Library on a convenient Saturday morning.

This service recently started on Saturday, 11 October 2014.

**Library School Holiday Programs**

During the recent October School Holidays the Library held a program specifically aimed for primary school aged children. On Wednesday 1 October 2014 Circus Elements ran a workshop with the children participating in juggling, walking on stilts and other circus activities. It is planned to conduct another school holiday program in late January 2015 “Laygo” a run on “Lego”, with the aim of offering two school holiday programs in the future. These events not only encourage the children to learn, offering entertainment; enabling more opportunities for children and parents to access the resources of the Library Services.

**Author Event – Fiona McIntosh – Wednesday 19 November 2014**

Over the last two years, the Library has been holding regular author/ media celebrity events, which have continued to be well patronised. Our last author visiting the Two Wells Bowling Club for 2014 is the international, best selling author of novels for both adults and children, Fiona McIntosh; who will be embarking on a national tour in November to promote her latest book, titled “Nightingale”. Author events have grown from purely educating and entertaining our guests to also playing an important social function as our guests also have the opportunity to stay back and talk after the author visit.

**Summary**

In the last few months Community and Library Services staff have instigated new programs and events for the District Council of Mallala.
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<td><strong>Corporate Objective:</strong> 5.1 Effective governance, leadership and teamwork.</td>
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**Purpose:** To inform Council on the proposed changes to the structure of Section 41 Committees.

**Recommendation 1:** “that the Council having considered Item 13.1.3 Review of Section 41 Committee Structure Report dated 27 October 2014 notes and receives the Report.”
## Impact Summary

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Background

At a Special Meeting of Council held on 5 July 2010, Council was presented with a proposed restructure of its Section 41 Committees; at its 21 January 2011 Ordinary Meeting Council accepted the proposal subject to consultation and some minor inclusions.

The intent of the 2011 restructure was to ensure that the decision making framework aligned with the Strategic Plan. The benefits of this restructure where to provide identified responsibility and accountability resulting in improved performance in achieving Strategic Plan outcomes.

In summary the objectives were to:
- better align Section 41 Committees to Council's strategic direction and decision making framework;
- identify opportunities to enhance and simplify the process of administering Section 41 Committees; and
- identify and address any governance issues.

Discussion

Current Terms of References of Council’s committee’s state:

‘that the appointment to the Committee shall be for the term of the Council or as amended by Council,’

To comply with this clause all committee members, including community members, would need to be re-appointed for the term of the new Council. The newly elected Council, at its first meeting, need to determine if it wishes to retain its current structure of Advisory Committees and then instruct staff to call for expressions of interest for the committees community representatives. Given that the call for community members would lead into Christmas, at best the committee membership would only be considered by Council in its January 2015 meeting, an alternative suggestion is provided.

Council at its first meeting appoint its elected member representatives on the various committees but resolve that the community representatives or independent members on those committees retain their positions until the newly appointed Council consider the committee structure at a meeting proposed early in 2015. Expressions of Interest can then be sought in February or March 2015 for community representatives with an end date for the current membership and structure set for either 31 March 2015 or 30 April 2015.

This option would maintain the committee’s momentum in any projects they are involved in and allow them to continue business without disruption. For example, the Community Development Advisory Committee if this option is endorsed would look to call a Special meeting of the Committee in December to consider the Community Partnerships applications for funding which closes on 17 November 2014. If the committee membership ceases at the end of the current term of the Council the Community Partnerships applications would not be considered, at the earliest, February 2015.
Where this option is adopted a Draft Policy Report will be presented to Council outlining the requirements and administrative practices in identifying and selecting members to Council's Section 41 Committees and Subsidiaries. This report would be scheduled for one of the February 2015 meetings. This timeframe will allow Council time to consider, in particular, the Advisory Committee structure with a couple of the Advisory Committees at times having trouble obtaining a quorum.

Summary
Council's Section 41 Committee structure needs to be aligned in an effort to deliver key outcomes and ensure resources are appropriately allocated and ongoing business is not interrupted.
13.1.4  First Council Meeting – New Term

Corporate Objective:  5.1  Effective governance, leadership and teamwork.

Purpose:  To provide members with information on the proposed scheduling of the first Ordinary Meeting of the new Council.

Impact Summary

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Background

Section 81(4) of the Local Government Act 1999 requires:

The Chief Executive Officer must also appoint the time and place at which the first ordinary meeting of a Council will be held –

(b) after a general election of Council.

Discussion

The 2014 periodic Local Government Election will conclude on Saturday 8 November 2014 depending on the complexity of the count. At the provisional declaration of the result of the election candidates have 72 hours to call for a recount. If that is the case then a declaration of the result of the election could occur by Wednesday 13 November 2014. With that in mind it is proposed to schedule the first meeting of the newly elected Council on Monday 17 November 2014 to be held at the Mallala Council Chambers.

The first Council meeting will predominately cover statutory and governance arrangements such as Councillor Declarations, appointment of Deputy Mayor, determination of meeting times, locations and appointment of Council delegates on Committees and Regional Subsidiaries.

After discussion with the current Mayor and Deputy Mayor and at Senior Management it is proposed that the first Ordinary Meeting only, commence at 6.00pm Monday 17 November 2014 with informal drinks and a light supper at the conclusion of the meeting. It is proposed that a photographer be arranged to take photographs of the newly elected Council, either during or at the conclusion of the meeting.

The decision of the future time and place of Council Meetings following the first Council meeting is a decision for members at the 17 November 2014 meeting. Currently Council meets on the second and fourth Monday’s of the month with one (1) meeting held in January on the fourth Monday. Meetings in December are usually held one (1) week earlier than in other months so as a meeting is not held in the week of Christmas Day.

In considering the meetings for the remainder of 2014, which will be a decision of Council, it is proposed for the Ordinary Meetings to be held on Monday 1 December and Monday 15 December. This will allow a two (2) week break in between meetings for the three (3) remaining meetings for 2014 and not schedule a meeting in the week of Christmas. Alternatively Council may choose to only hold one (1) meeting in December being Monday 15 December 2014.
| 13.1.5 Marine Parks- Declared Sanctuary Zones within the District Council of Mallala |
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| Corporate Objective:         | 4.1.1 Promote and support natural resource management initiatives at a local level. |

| Purpose:                     | To provide information to Council regarding the declaration of a Sanctuary Zone within the District Council of Mallala. |

| Recommendation 1:            | “that the Council, having considered Item 13.1.5 Marine Parks-Declared Sanctuary Zones within the District Council of Mallala dated 27 October 2014, receives and notes the report.” |
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Background

In 2009, the South Australian Government developed the South Australian Representative System of Marine Protected Areas (SASMPA) as part of the National Representative System of Marine Protected Areas (NRSMPA). In conjunction with the community, the Government has designed a network of 19 marine parks encompassing the major ecosystems and habitats found within South Australian waters as a significant contribution to the NRSMPA. The marine parks cover an area of 26,655km², which is 44% of the state-managed marine waters within the South Australia. The marine parks also include 267km² of coastal lands and islands.

The reason for establishing a network of marine parks is to protect marine habitats and biodiversity while continuing to support sustainable marine activities.

The Upper Gulf St Vincent Marine Park spans the waters of the upper reaches of the gulf north of Parara Point and Port Gawler. It is one of the 19 marine parks contributing to the South Australian Representative System of Marine Parks. A large portion of the coastline and land (including the Light River Delta) in the District Council of Mallala is within the Upper Gulf St Vincent Marine Park.

Discussion

The Marine Parks Act 2007 (the Act) provides the legislative basis for marine parks. The Act establishes the management objectives for the network of marine parks.

Section 8 of the Act, describes the Objects of (Attachment 1). The functions of the Minister with regard to the administration of the Act are described in Section 22 of the Act (Attachment 2).

Pursuant to Section 23 of the Act, the Minister may delegate to a person or body (including a person for the time being holding or acting in a specified office or position) a function or power of the Minister. Unless an Elected Member or member of Council Administration is appointed as a delegate, the District Council of Mallala has no administering powers within marine parks within the council boundary.

The Act also requires the development of management plans for each marine park. It is the responsibility of the Minister to, as soon as practicable after the establishment of a marine park, to commence the process for the making of a management plan in relation to the park and to review the management plan at least once every ten (10) years.

The Act states that the management plans
- must be consistent with the objects of the Act, set out strategies for achieving those objects and establish the various zones for each marine park; and
- may define special purpose areas, direct the day-to-day management of issues associated with marine parks and provide guidelines for the granting of permits for various activities within marine parks.
The Act provides for the establishment of marine park zones within each marine park. These zones are as follows:

- General management zone - being a zone established so than an area may be managed to provide protection for habitats and biodiversity within a marine park, while allowing ecologically sustainable development and land use.

- Habitat protection zone - being a zone primarily established so that an area may be managed to provide protection for habitats and biodiversity within a marine park, while allowing activities and uses that do not harm habitats or the functioning of ecosystems.

- A sanctuary zone - being a zone primarily established so than an area may be managed to provide protection and conservation for habitats and biodiversity within a marine park, especially by prohibiting the removal or harm of plants, animals and marine products.

- A restricted access zone - being a zone primarily established so that an area may be managed by limiting access to the area.

A sanctuary zone has been established along the coastline within an area between Middle Beach and Light Beach, and including the Light River Delta (Attachment 3). Council Administration have ascertained that this land is Crown Land currently leased to Ridley Dry Creek Pty Ltd and does not contain any land that is either owned by, or under the care and control of Council.

The rules that apply to activities within the Sanctuary Zone are described in Section 8(2) of the Marine Parks (Zoning) Regulations 2012 (Attachment 4).

Pursuant to Section 19 of the Act, the Minister may grant a permit to a person to engage in an activity within a marine park, or a zone or other area of a marine park, which would otherwise be prohibited.

Given that the land that has been declared sanctuary zone is currently owned by Ridley Dry Creek Pty Ltd (and is not land under the care and control of Council), and no member of Council or staff have been appointed as an Authorised Officer pursuant to Section 32 of the Marine Parks Act 2007, Council has no management obligations or enforcement powers with regard to the subject lands.

**Summary**

A sanctuary zone has been established along the Mallala coastline within an area between Middle Beach and Light Beach, and including the Light River Delta. Given the land that has been declared sanctuary zone is not land under the care and control of Council, and no member of Council or staff have been appointed as an Authorised Officer pursuant to Section 32 of the Marine Parks Act 2007, Council has no management obligations or enforcement powers with regard to the subject lands.
Attachment 1

to report 13.1.5
dated 27 October 2014

Marine Parks - Declared Sanctuary Zones within the District Council of Mallala
Objects of the Marine Parks Act 2007

(1) The objects of this Act are—

(a) to protect and conserve marine biological diversity and marine habitats by declaring and providing for the management of a comprehensive, adequate and representative system of marine parks; and

(b) to assist in—

(i) the maintenance of ecological processes in the marine environment; and

(ii) the adaptation to the impacts of climate change in the marine environment; and

(iii) protecting and conserving features of natural or cultural heritage significance; and

(iv) allowing ecologically sustainable development and use of marine environments; and

(v) providing opportunities for public appreciation, education, understanding and enjoyment of marine environments.

(2) For the purposes of this Act, ecologically sustainable development comprises the use, protection, conservation, development and enhancement of the marine environment in a way, and at a rate, that will enable people and communities to provide for their economic, social and physical well-being and for their health and safety while—

(a) sustaining the potential of the marine environment to meet the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations; and

(b) safeguarding the life-supporting capacities and processes of the marine environment; and

(c) avoiding, remedying or mitigating any adverse effects of activities on the marine environment.

(3) The following principles should be taken into account in connection with achieving ecologically sustainable development for the purposes of this Act:

(a) decision-making processes should effectively integrate both long term and short term economic, environmental, social and equity considerations;

(b) if there are threats of serious or irreversible harm to the marine environment, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for postponing measures to prevent harm;

(c) decision-making processes should be guided by the need to evaluate carefully the risks of any situation or proposal that may adversely affect the marine environment and to avoid, wherever practicable, causing any serious or irreversible harm to the marine environment;
(d) the present generation should ensure that the health, diversity and productivity of the marine environment is maintained or enhanced for the benefit of future generations;

(e) a fundamental consideration should be the conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity;

(f) environmental factors should be taken into account when valuing or assessing assets or services, costs associated with protecting or restoring the marine environment should be allocated or shared equitably and in a manner that encourages the responsible use of the marine environment, and people who obtain benefits from the marine environment, or who adversely affect or consume natural resources, should bear an appropriate share of the costs that flow from their activities;

(g) if the management of the marine environment requires the taking of remedial action, the first step should, insofar as is reasonably practicable and appropriate, be to encourage those responsible to take such action before resorting to more formal processes and procedures;

(h) consideration should be given to Aboriginal heritage, and to the interests of the traditional owners of any land or other natural resources;

(i) consideration should be given to other heritage issues, and to the interests of the community in relation to conserving heritage items and places;

(j) the involvement of the public in providing information and contributing to processes that improve decision-making should be encouraged;

(k) the responsibility to achieve ecologically sustainable development should be seen as a shared responsibility between the State government, the local government sector, the private sector, and the community more generally.
Attachment 2

to report 13.1.5
dated 27 October 2014

Marine Parks - Declared Sanctuary Zones within the District Council of Mallala
Functions and powers of Minister

(1) The Minister has the following functions under this Act:

(a) to examine and keep under review the need for areas to be constituted as marine parks;
(b) to seek and assess community nominations for marine parks after taking into account the objects of this Act;
(c) to prepare and keep under review marine park management plans;
(d) to ensure necessary protections are in place through the prohibition or restriction of activities within marine parks under this Act;
(e) to issue permits for activities that may be allowed within marine parks under this Act;
(f) to consult with relevant persons, bodies or authorities, including indigenous peoples with an association with a marine park, about the measures that should be taken to further the objects of this Act;
(g) as far as reasonably practicable and appropriate, to act to integrate the administration of this Act with the administration of other legislation that may affect a marine park;
(h) to institute, supervise or promote programs to protect, maintain or improve marine parks;
(i) to conduct or promote public education in relation to the protection, improvement or enhancement of marine parks;
(j) to keep the state of marine parks under review;
(k) to enforce the general duty of care;
(l) such other functions as are assigned to the Minister by or under this or any other Act.

(2) The Minister has the power to do anything necessary, expedient or incidental to—

(a) performing the functions of the Minister under this Act; or
(b) administering this Act; or
(c) furthering the objects of this Act.

(3) Without limiting subsection (2), the Minister may, subject to and in accordance with, the Land Acquisition Act 1969, acquire land for the purposes of this Act.
Attachment 3
to report 13.1.5
dated 27 October 2014

Marine Parks - Declared Sanctuary Zones within the District Council of Mallala
Attachment 4
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Marine Parks - Declared Sanctuary Zones within the District Council of Mallala
### Sanctuary rules and expiation fees

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<td>(a) A person must not contravene a habitat protection rule.</td>
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<td>(b) A person must not erect in the zone a structure of any kind, including (without limitation) a wharf, dock, jetty or breakwater.</td>
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<td>(c) A person must not engage in aquaculture in the zone.</td>
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<td>(d) A person must not engage in a prescribed activity of environmental significance specified in Schedule 1 clause 3(2) or 8(7) of the Environment Protection Act 1993 if the activity involves a discharge into waters in the zone.</td>
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<td>(e) A person must not dredge in the zone.</td>
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<td>(f) A person must not deposit in the zone solid matter removed as a consequence of dredging.</td>
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<td>(g) A person must not establish a mooring in the zone.</td>
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<td>(i) by a port operator; or</td>
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<td>(ii) in accordance with a statutory authorisation under the Harbors and Navigation Act 1993.</td>
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<td>(h) A person must not, for fee or reward, conduct a tour of the zone or otherwise carry on a business comprising tourism in the zone.</td>
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<td>(j) A person must not conduct scientific research for commercial or professional purposes in the zone.</td>
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Sanctuary rules

This rule does not apply to the conduct of scientific research—

(i) by a scientific observer authorised to conduct the research under the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*; or

(ii) authorised by a statutory authorisation under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972* or *Wilderness Protection Act 1992*.

(k) A person must not, for a commercial purpose while in the zone, film, photograph, videotape or otherwise record images or sound.

This rule does not apply to conduct authorised by a statutory authorisation under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972* or *Wilderness Protection Act 1992*.

(l) A person must not—

(i) remove from the zone the whole, or any part of or reproductive product of, a plant or animal (whether dead or alive); or

(ii) harm a plant or animal in the zone; or

(iii) feed or interfere with a wild animal in the zone; or

(iv) use berley in the zone; or

(v) engage in an act preparatory to, or involved in, an act referred to in a preceding subparagraph.

Note—

Consequently, a person must not engage in a fishing activity in the zone.

However, this rule does not apply in relation to—

(a) a lawful fishing activity (including berleying) carried on in the zone before 1 October 2014;

(b) removal or harm that arises incidentally in the ordinary course of a lawful activity in the zone and cannot reasonably be avoided.

(m) A person must not remove water from the waters of the zone or extract salt or any other substance from the waters of the zone.
Sanctuary rules

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<td>A person must not discharge wastewater from a vessel into water, or onto land, in the zone.</td>
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| (o) | A person must not engage in a motorised water sport in the zone.  

Nothing in this rule prohibits or restricts a person traversing a zone in a motorised vessel. | $150 |
| (p) | A person must not bring a domestic animal into the zone or allow a domestic animal to remain in the zone unless, at all times—  

(i) the animal is confined to a motor vehicle, trailer or vessel; or  
(ii) the animal is a dog and the dog is on a lead that is 2 metres or less in length; or  
(iii) the animal is in an area in which, under a council by-law, animals of that kind may be exercised or be present and any requirements of the by-law in relation to the animal are complied with. | $75 |
### 13.1.6 Allocation of iPad's for Elected Members

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#### Corporate Objective:

5.1.2 Strengthen the governance role and teamwork of Councillors through induction, training and development.

#### Purpose:

To provide Council with options for managing the allocation of iPad's for elected members.

#### Recommendation 1:

“that Council having considered Item 13.1.6 Allocation of iPad's for Elected Members, dated 27 October 2014, receives and notes the report.”
## Impact Summary

### Organisational and Governance

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<th>Financial</th>
<th>Estimated fair value of existing iPad's from $180 to $200. To replace existing iPad's with new would see an approximate cost of $700 per iPad.</th>
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Background

Back in late 2011 Apple iPad's were issued to elected members with a Council generated email address and outlook account for Council use. This was mainly to receive Council Agendas electronically and receive and send emails. Since then Cr Picard has handed back her iPad declining to use the device.

As per the above current elected members are utilising a total of ten (10) Council provided devices. Depending on the election results a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of five (5) new members would join Council. At a minimum two (2) existing members will no longer be in Council after the election.

Discussion

Given that the iPad's are only three (3) years old and after discussion with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor it is recommended that the returning members retain their current devices. A review of the changeover of iPads will be conducted in early 2015. If the decision is to replace the current devices a budget bid would be submitted for member's consideration.

The options for the new members being provided with a device are as follows:

- Purchase a new device,
  Or,
- Be provided with one of the devices from an existing member who is no longer on Council until the review of the changeover of the devices is conducted.

If the first option is preferred the devices cannot be ordered until after the election, given the uncertainty of how many new members there would be. An indicative cost of a new iPad is approximately $700. If the second option is selected the number of devices available will more than match the number required.

A question previously asked was if a current member who was no longer a part of the newly elected Council could purchase the iPad that they currently utilise. Should Council choose to allow ex-members to purchase their current allocated device, it has been established that a fair value would be in the range of $180 to $200 based on current purchasing websites.

Summary

This report has been collated as information only, however; if an indication of what option the members present prefer, a report to the 17 November Council meeting will be presented with the favoured recommendation.
Corporate Objective:  1.1.1 Advocate and promote access to programs, services, and facilities to aged care, health, family support and special needs.

Purpose: To provide information to members of the recent Two Wells Ageing in Style Expo held on Thursday 14 August 2014.

Recommendation 1: “that the Council having considered Item 13.1.7 Two Wells Ageing in Style Expo Summary dated 27 October 2014 notes and receives the Report.”
## Impact Summary

### Organisational and Governance

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**Background**

On Thursday 14 August 2014, the District Council of Mallala hosted the inaugural ‘Ageing in Style Expo’ at the Two Wells Community Centre.

**Discussion**

Funded primarily by the Seniors Collaborative Action Project (SCAP) and organised by Community Development Officer, Lynette Seccafien the event was supported by members of SCAP and Janine Harding Community and Communications Officer.

The aim of the Expo was to showcase the diverse range of activities and services available for older adults in the local area, with a primary focus on increasing the connection and participation in the community. The event was designed to provide information and advice for seniors and to give them opportunities to try something new.

Relevant local community and sporting groups, business and health services and service providers were invited to participate in the event.

With over 40 stalls set up on the day, the event was well received by the community. While no specific attendance was recorded, we believe in excess of 100 people attended. Of the 50 surveys completed at the event, 37 people rated the event as ‘very useful’, with 10 rating it as ‘somewhat useful’ (3 did not comment). A copy of the full survey results is included.

General feedback provided was very positive, with comments made through the survey on the wide array of information available and the friendly atmosphere.

SCAP is one of twelve collaborative projects funded by the Commonwealth to provide ‘sector support and development’ through the establishment of a regional structure that actively engages with services that support the Home and Community Care target group (those over 65). SCAP is auspiced by the Barossa Council and is managed through a structure including an Executive Committee, a regionally representative Project Forum and regional Working Groups.

The SCAP Consumer Engagement Working Group, comprising of Council representatives from each of the SCAP regions (Barossa, Light, Gawler and Mallala), has brought to fruition the regional expo road show program, with each of the four Councils areas in the SCAP region hosting an ‘Ageing in Style Expo’. The combined experience of the working group members provide fantastic region-specific events enhanced by a common thread of collaboration.

Funding for marketing materials has been provided from two of the Medicare Locals that cover the region – Northern Adelaide Medicare Local and the SA Country North Medicare Local.
## TWO WELLS AGEING IN STYLE EXPO - 2014 - SURVEY RESPONSES

### HOW USEFUL WAS THE EXPO FOR YOU PERSONALLY?

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<th>VERY USEFUL</th>
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### WHAT DID YOU LIKE THE BEST?

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<td>Craft</td>
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<td>Very helpful people</td>
<td>Free tea and coffee</td>
<td>Stalls and everything</td>
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<td>Bloom (Hearing Specialists)</td>
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<td>Dancing girls (x3)</td>
<td>Lots of stalls and good crowd</td>
<td>All very informative</td>
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<td>Useful contacts / chats with all</td>
<td>Different types of stalls and information</td>
<td>So much information available at one place</td>
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<td>I found the stalls were very useful and helpful</td>
<td>Information for all areas, aids, and help for aged</td>
<td>Great information for older person</td>
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<td>Friendly informative with all stalls</td>
<td>Well represented subjects for the elderly</td>
<td>Well done to the organisers! Friendly atmosphere. The wide variety of information available was quite useful</td>
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<td>Age care (x3)</td>
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<td>Access to information</td>
<td>Great variety of information</td>
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<td>Everything good</td>
<td>All good</td>
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### PLEASE SUGGEST ANY CHANGES TO IMPROVE THE EXPO

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<td>All ok</td>
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<td>Was well run, cant see where you could improve</td>
<td>More room, corner stalls crowded in</td>
<td>Cuppa &amp; scones – an excellent idea thank you</td>
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<td>Not sure – very impressed with everything</td>
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<td>Leave as is</td>
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### HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE EXPO? (tick as many as applicable)

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### WHAT IS THE BEST THING ABOUT GETTING OLDER?

- **Grandchildren (x 3)**: Retirement and enjoying it
- **You get wiser**: Going out with friends
- **More time on my hands**: Getting wiser
- **Waking up each morning and friends**: You can’t be blamed for making mistakes - they blame your age!
- **Friends**: You forget to do things
- **Freedom**: You don’t care as much
- **Enjoying retirement and being able to travel**: People helping us
- **Time to do things for self**: Looking forward to retirement
- **Relaxing and seeing friends and family more often**: The valuable help people give and functions provided
- **When you find out – tell me**: Being here
- **We are just very fortunate to be getting older!**: Having someone look after me at home
- **Waking up each day**: More time for things
- **Time to do what you want**: ooOoo

- **Not much**
- **Get waited on**
- **Nothing**
- **Being able to forget and not being in trouble**
- **Retirement**
- **Relaxing and enjoying life**
- **Having lots of friends calling in**
- **None (x2)**
- **Nothing/community activities/home services**
- **Freedom to be happy and please yourself**
- **If you are healthy its OK**
- **Good friends/happy memories**
13.2.1 Corporate and Community Services Status Report

| Corporate Objective: | 1.2.2 Support and strengthen volunteers, community groups and organisations. |
| | 1.3.1 Promote District sporting and community organisations and the availability and advantages of Council sporting and recreational facilities and programs. |
| | 1.4.1 Promote and develop library services that support quality educational opportunities. |
| | 5.1.3 Ensure governance policies, procedures and activities align with legislative requirements and best practice. |
| | 5.3.1 Provide and promote professional corporate and administrative services supporting Council operations and the needs of the community. |
| | 5.5.2 Develop and maintain long term financial planning, management and reporting ensuring resources are provided to deliver services and manage Council’s assets. |

Purpose: To inform the Council on the progress of Corporate and Community projects being undertaken by Council.

Recommendation: “that the Council, having considered Item 13.2.1 Corporate and Community Services Status Report dated 27 October 2014, receive the report.”
## Background

This report details the activities of the Corporate and Community Services team up to the month of September 2014.

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### Community Services

| Library Events | Latest Library Author Event: Tricia Stringer presented on Wednesday 10 September at the Two Wells Bowling Club. Good feedback received from those that attended. Next event is Fiona McIntosh to be held on Wednesday 19 November 2014 at the Two Wells Bowling Club. Two Wells Young Writers Club commenced on 27 August 2014. | In Progress | Nov 2014 |
| Citizenship Ceremony | Citizenship Ceremony was held on Thursday 18 September. | Complete | Sept 2014 |

### Governance & Other

| Sale of Council Land | Back in March 2011 Council resolved to place Lot 3 Germantown Road, Redbanks on the market. The proposed sale is nearing finalisation with a confidential report tabled at the 28 April and 10 June Council meetings to authorise the signing of the land transfer documentation. Settlement is expected during October 2014. | In Progress | 2014 |
| Local Government Elections 2014 | Local Government Elections are due to be held in November 2014. Summary information provided to members April 2014 meetings with a follow up report to the 14 July 2014 meeting. Nominations closed on 16 September. | In Progress | Nov 2014 |

### Summary

The activity report is presented to provide an indication as to the progress of projects being undertaken within the Corporate and Community Services team.
Items:

14.1 Future of Northern Connections Nc21 (CON12/584)
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<th>Support strategic alliances, stakeholder forums and advisory committees that assist Council in policy development and service planning.</th>
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<td>Recommendation 1:</td>
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<td>Recommendation 2:</td>
<td>“that Council having considered Item 14.1 Future of Northern Connections Nc21, dated 27 October 2014, support the review of Nc21 and promote a model of regional partnership and economic development and continue to work with the State Government and Local Government Authorities involved in Nc21.”</td>
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### Impact Summary

#### Organisational and Governance

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Background

Nc21 (formerly the Northern Adelaide Regional Collaboration) was formed following a meeting on 15 July 2011 of Mayors, Council Chief Executives and Members of State and Federal Parliament. The collaboration aims to provide:

- A platform for the region to speak with one voice to all levels of government,
- A forum to discuss regional issues across interest groups and municipalities,
- Better results through more effective coordination and integration of information, effort and resources,
- Improved prioritisation and coordination of regional projects and initiatives,
- The opportunity to align policy and planning of major regional organisations with regional plans and priorities,
- A commitment between all partners to contribute and be accountable for improving outcomes in the region.

The collaboration covers the region encompassing the Cities of Salisbury and Playford, the Town of Gawler, Light Regional Council and the District Council of Mallala. Secretariat support is provided by Northern Connections.

Back in late July of this year Council received correspondence from the Hon Zoe Bettison MP outlining the achievements of Nc21, seeking advice on whether Council wishes to continue the current Nc21 arrangement and, if so, whether Council is prepared to participate in a dialogue to determine priorities and operational parameters of such an arrangement. A copy of this correspondence is provided as Attachment 1.

In August of this year Mayor Kennington responded to Minister Bettison acknowledging receipt of the correspondence and stating that a formal response would be forthcoming after the matter had been considered by Council.

Discussion

Since receiving the correspondence, meetings of Nc21 have been held with this matter discussed. There appears to be a general agreement that a regional approach to many of the challenges and opportunities as identified should be supported.

Given this commitment for regional collaboration a review of the current structure of Nc21 is timely also given that the current arrangements have been in place for some years and the economic environment has changed somewhat. As per the attachment it shows that Nc21 has achieved some successful outcomes and a continuation of some form of collaboration with both State and Local Government Authorities in the area has great merit.

As such the recommendation is for Council to continue to be involved in regional dialogue and partnerships and support the review of Nc21 with the current partners.
Dear Mayor Kennington

As the Minister responsible for Northern Connections, I am writing to each of the Mayors of member councils about our partnership, nc21, which has been operating for two years. It is timely for us to reflect on what has been achieved so far and whether we wish to continue in this way or change these arrangements.

As you know, when you entered into this voluntary collaboration in 2011 it was seen as a mechanism to combine effort and speak as one voice to capitalise on the opportunities, both economic and social, that population growth would bring to our region. These had been highlighted by The 30-Year Plan for Greater Adelaide and several locally commissioned reports.

In 2014, the landscape has changed again with the impending closure of Holden. This has major implications for the economic and social prosperity of northern Adelaide and presents significant challenges and opportunities.

These changing circumstances mean that our priorities may be different, that a different structure may be required, or that our individual resolve for collaboration in the current form has changed.

As such, I am seeking from you a response as to:

(a) whether or not your council wishes to continue a particular partnership arrangement with the state government and others; and if so,

(b) your preparedness to engage in a dialogue with each other (as northern Adelaide councils) and the State Government to determine priorities and the operational parameters of such an arrangement.
In the coming weeks, I will raise this with my Cabinet colleagues, and ask that you do the same with your elected members and staff. I would appreciate a response from you within the next four to six weeks so that meetings can be arranged between those parties that wish to engage in further dialogue.

To assist your council in its deliberations I am attaching a summary of nc21’s achievements in its first two years, along with some background to nc21’s history.

Yours sincerely,

Hon Zoe Bettison MP
MINISTER FOR COMMUNITIES AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

30 / 7 / 2014

Encl. Overview of nc21 achievements and background
nc21 Overview and Achievements

nc21 (formerly NARC) is often described as:

a voluntary collaboration of the three tiers of government, universities, business and the community sectors – who collaborate to achieve positive outcomes in agreed priority areas. Its reach spans the local government areas of Salisbury, Playford, Gawler, Light and Mallala.

Formation

nc21 (formerly the Northern Adelaide Regional Collaboration) was formed following a meeting on 15 July 2011 of local Mayors and Council Chief Executives and State and Australian Government MPs. Councils who participated in this meeting included Tea Tree Gully, Salisbury, Playford, Gawler, and Light. There was agreement during the meeting that Mallala Council shared many of the same issues and an invitation to participate in future meetings should be extended to them.

This meeting was chaired by the State Minister for the Northern Suburbs, and discussed the advantages that a regional approach presented in capitalising on future opportunities and addressing challenges across northern Adelaide. Recently commissioned reports, including the Northern Adelaide Education, Skills and Workforce Development Blueprint and Unleashing the Potential: (on developing the economic potential of northern Adelaide) provided useful background to the discussions. A copy of the agreed Communiqué from that day is included as Appendix I.

In the latter part of 2011, councils put the proposal for a regional structure to their elected members, and council chief executives and Northern Connections staff began to meet to draft Terms of Reference and operationalise the proposed arrangements. The Minister for the Northern Suburbs wrote to his colleagues seeking participation of State Government agency chief executives on the (then) NARC Group, advised his Cabinet colleagues of the formation of the Collaboration, and wrote to potential NARC Group members inviting their participation.

In December 2011 the City of Tea Tree Gully advised that they were not proceeding as a member of the proposed Collaboration, however all other councils agreed to join the Collaboration.

The NARC Group first met in March 2012. Task-Groups in each of the three priority areas met and scoped out initial areas of work. Since then a range of groups have met to continue this work. These include: Council Chief Executives and Northern Connections, the Planning and Infrastructure Task-Group, the Education, Skills and Workforce Task-Group, the Engagement & Aspirations Working Group, the Northern Adelaide Early Childhood Development Steering Committee and the Northern Adelaide Positive Education Partnership.
Vision

The Terms of Reference describe a shared vision that:

By 2025 Northern Adelaide will be one of South Australia’s most desirable places for living, learning, working and economic investment. It will be well known for its flourishing communities, its natural and planned physical environment and its commitment to environmental sustainability. Its broad based, prosperous economy will provide major dividends to the state and a wide range of employment and skill development opportunities for local residents.

It was intended that the Collaboration provide:

- A platform for the region to speak with one voice to all levels of government
- A forum to discuss regional issues across interest groups and municipalities
- Better results through more effective coordination and integration of information, effort and resources
- Improved prioritisation and coordination of regional projects and initiatives
- The opportunity to align policy and planning of major regional organisations with regional plans and priorities
- A commitment between all partners to contribute and be accountable for improving outcomes in the region

Priority areas

nc21’s agreed priority areas at the time of its formation were:

- Business and economic development
- Education, skills and workforce development
- Planning and Infrastructure

These are further described in the Terms of Reference as follows:

Business and Economic Development
We must bring together government and employers in a deliberate and organised way to ensure we maximise opportunities for attracting and retaining a diverse range of businesses in our region and ensuring their ongoing success. The strategic use of business/industry clusters, land use and other such policy drivers along with research and innovation should form part of our efforts to do this.

Education, Skills and Workforce
We must ensure that local people have the education and skills necessary to access available employment opportunities and be active citizens in their communities. Our allocation of resources and efforts to achieve this must align across governments, non-government organisations, education and training organisations and employers. This effort will occur across all stages of life’s journey from early childhood to retirement.

Planning and Infrastructure
We must set aside, protect and use land to provide current and future choices for residential, industrial, commercial, social and other needs, while minimising impact on the natural environment. Key economic and service centres of the region must be vibrant and attractive, supporting a mix of residents, businesses and
community activity. In addition, we must ensure that the release of new land across our region makes adequate provision for necessary physical and social infrastructure needs and takes account of existing community needs and the future wellbeing of our citizens.

In late 2013 the Collaboration (nc21) endorsed three additional areas of work: the development and implementation of both an economic strategy and a wellbeing strategy for the region, and further scoping of work to address improving the image of northern Adelaide.

Achievements

Since its inception there have been many projects supported by nc21, with as many as 30 projects underway at any given time. These include short-term responses to specific issues or opportunities, through to complex projects occurring over one or more years. Projects may be principally driven by a lead partner with support from others, or may evolve from joint work and include a range of contributing partners. A sample of the Collaboration's achievements in the first two years, which shows the diversity of its work, is included below.

Economic Development

- Fund and support a regional Development officer to assist automotive and other manufacturing companies to diversify their activities (partners include DMITRE, the Stretton Centre, Northern Connections, UniSA and the Cities of Playford and Salisbury)
- Establish a regional Taskforce to oversee and coordinate local activity to support 400 workers offered Voluntary Separation packages by GM Holden in July 2013 (partners included GM Holden, Northern Connections, Department of Human Services, DFEEST, Local Employment Coordinator, DEEWR, Cities of Salisbury, Playford and Tea Tree Gully, and relevant unions and Ministerial staff)
- Support a (successful) bid to the Regional Development Australia Fund for the Penfield Intermodal Export Freight Precinct ($7m secured as part of a $16.3m project) (partners include Northern Connections, the City of Playford and RDA Adelaide)

Workforce Development

- Establish collaborative industry led regional workforce development in growth sectors, commencing with aged care (partners include Northern Connections, ACH Group, Anglicare, ECH, Helping Hand, Padman's Health Care, Resthaven, Uniting Communities, Community Services & Health Industry Skills Council – Workforce Innovation Network, Northern Adelaide State Secondary Schools Alliance, DFEEST, Northern Futures, Flinders University, Local Employment Coordinator (DEEWR), and Skills Connect – Department of Industry).
- Better connect unemployed young people to training and employment in growth employment areas (warehousing, health and social assistance and horticulture) (approximately $1m funding from SA Government - DFEEST)

Engagement and Aspirations

- Development, trialling and implementation of the Children's University. The first graduation was held in November 2013 and the program continues to expand across northern Adelaide. (led by the University of Adelaide with support from the City of Playford and Northern Connections)
- Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program (HEPP) – supported the SA Consortium to
secure $9.2m funding to deliver the *Journey to Higher Education* program, which incorporates a suite of initiatives including the COMPASS program and others across the region. (partners include the University of Adelaide, UniSA and Flinders University)
Planning and Infrastructure

- Begin development of a framework to prioritise regional planning and infrastructure issues (City of Playford, City of Salisbury, Town of Gawler, District Council of Mallala, Light Regional Council, Department of Transport, Planning and Infrastructure and Northern Connections)
- Support development of the Northern Adelaide Irrigation Scheme and the Virginia and Northern Adelaide Horticultural Plains Study (City of Playford and District Council of Mallala)

Wellbeing

- Lead the development and implementation of a regional wellbeing strategy, using the work of former Thinker in Residence, Professor Martin Seligman - which has grown to include a partnership of approximately 40 schools and pre-schools in the region (partners include Northern Connections, public schools from the Northern Adelaide and Barossa regions, Department of Education and Child Development, Town of Gawler, District Council of Mallala, Light Regional Council, City of Playford, City of Salisbury, SA County Health, Northern Adelaide Region - SA Mental Health, Northern Futures, Holy Family Catholic School and Trinity College)
- Launch completed research around how to better improve outcomes for Aboriginal families and children, and more broadly support the achievement of outcomes from the Closing the Gap's Urban and Regional Initiative in northern Adelaide (Northern Connections and The Australian Centre for Social Innovation)

Early Childhood

- Development and funding of the Strong Start Program in northern Adelaide, which provides a targeted service response for birthing women with complex needs (Funding of $3.3m over 4 years from State Government)
- Hosted with the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth a trial of the Common Approach to Assessment, Referral and Support in northern Adelaide. (Partners included Northern Connections, the Department for Education and Children's Services, Women's & Children's Health Network, Families SA, Lyell McEwin Hospital, Goodstart Early Learning, Anglicare, and Drug and Alcohol Services SA)

Resourcing the work of nc21

Unlike other partnership arrangements operating in the region or elsewhere, nc21 does not have its own funds derived from co-contributions or external sources.

nc21’s operations have been largely resourced by the South Australian Government, via Northern Connections. Northern Connections has provided leadership to most working groups, as well as secretariat and executive officer functions for the nc21 Group, the council chief executives/ Northern Connections meetings, and all of the working groups. During 2012 secretariat functions for each of the three priority area Task-Groups were also provided by Northern Connections. From 2013 onwards two of these were taken over by councils whose chief executive chaired that Task-Group (ie the City of Playford assumed responsibility for the Planning and Infrastructure Task-Group and the City of Salisbury for the Business and Economic Development Task-Group).

Funding for specific projects, initiatives and contracted services has come from a range of sources. Some initiatives have been funded entirely by the SA Government, or a particular lead partner and in-kind
contributions provided by others. Where appropriate, the five councils and Northern Connections have co-contributed (based on a formula agreed on each occasion).
Appendix 1 – Communiqué meeting 15 July 2011

Background

The Minister for the Northern Suburbs invited the Mayors and Chief Executives of the local government areas of Tea Tree Gully, Salisbury, Playford, Gawler and Light; local federal and state MPs and two people with significant business experience in Northern Adelaide to a meeting to discuss the formation of a regional collaboration. This would focus the aspiration and effort of three levels of government, the non-government sector and the private sector on a small number of agreed priorities addressing issues of importance to the region as a whole over the coming years.

This meeting was held on 15 July 2011 and was also attended by the Chief Executive, Department of Planning and Local Government and Northern Connections.

Context

Regional collaboration has occurred in varying degrees between the councils present. At the outset of the day a number of points were made by those present which supported the case for greater regional collaboration. These included:

- The State Government’s 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide providing significant new opportunities for Northern Adelaide and SA as a whole.
- A regional approach on agreed priorities providing a significant critical mass in arguing the case for funding and policy priorities.
- Increasingly both Australian and South Australian governments are preferring to deal with regions and not individual councils on issues related to economic and community development.
- Two recent reports commissioned by Northern Futures point to areas where economic development, skills, workforce and employment and regional prosperity could be improved. Both reports recommend a governance structure that enshrines a regional approach to tackling these issues.

Summary of discussion/ issues raised

Those present agreed that regional collaboration ‘made sense’ and a healthy discussion ensued about the role and focus of such collaboration. While agreement was reached on some matters (see below), further discussion is needed on others. That said, participants noted the importance of striking a balance between ‘getting the foundations right’ and ‘keeping things moving’ in this process. Experience from collaborations in other places suggests that there may necessarily be several iterations over time as people learned how to make things work best.

Some of the issues raised during the discussion included:

- The need to recognise that most councils are already involved in other “alliances” eg Wakefield Group, Eastern Councils, Barossa RDA – and that an either/or situation was not desirable.
- The participation of Mallala and Barossa as part of the ‘regional collaboration’ should be considered.
- Involvement of other parties be considered on the basis of priorities determined.
- The importance of keeping each other and the community informed about the progress and achievements of any such collaboration.
- The need for a small number of manageable priorities – and not to dilute the focus too much.
- The need to have clear goals and targets and to be able to track and measure progress toward these.

A short presentation on the socio-demographic and economic profile of the region, combined with an analysis of the strategic plans of the five local government areas, state plans and federal government priorities identified around half a dozen areas of ‘common focus’ and that the similarities and differences across the region were as much within local

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government areas as between them. The discussion following this drew out three areas where it was agreed that regional collaboration may lead to improved outcomes for our people and communities. These were:

- Business/economic development
- Education/skills/employment
- Planning and development

It was also agreed that social capability (in the broadest sense) and sustainable communities was an integral part of 'success' in each area.

The discussion then turned to the structure of the collaboration (and how it might work). While some aspects of the final structure were seen as needing further discussion, those present were broadly comfortable with the following:

- 'A regional priority setting forum'
  (meets once per year; and agrees on regional priorities and receives feedback on progress against goals and targets)

- 'A regional steering group'
  (meets four times per year, establishes task groups to achieve the agreed priorities, monitors progress against targets and problem solves/ elevates issues as required)

- 'Task groups'
  (assigned tasks with terms of reference by the steering group, meet as required, chaired by an appropriate leader, include a wide range of stakeholders and report progress on a regular basis to the steering group)

Membership of the Regional Steering Group

- Minister for the Northern Suburbs (Chair)
- Chief Executives of participating Local Government Areas
- Director, Northern Connections (Northern Connections is secretariat)
- University representation (University of SA and University of Adelaide)
- Non-government sector representation
- Skilled persons with broad private sector experience
- Relevant State Government CEs or senior managers
- Relevant Australian Government senior managers

The group then revisited some of the reasons why previous collaborations have worked less well than desired. It was agreed that the following would be important in this collaboration being successful:

- Members having equal status;
- Clear targets and measurement of progress toward goals;
- Constructive leadership;
- Keeping each other accountable; and
- Demonstrated commitment from all those involved

This commitment was thought to mean that each of the individuals/their organisations would be expected to:

- Endorse the partnerships development agenda
- Tangibly lead and support initiatives in line with this agenda

Agreements reached/ next steps

At the close of the meeting it was agreed that:

1. Regional collaboration is a good idea
2. There would be three priority areas to commence the collaboration: (i) business/economic development, (ii) education/skills/employment, and (iii) planning and development
3. The structure was broadly right, but would need some further discussion and development as it rolled out
4. That this communiqué would be prepared for use by the Mayors and Chief Executives of the five local government areas
5. That the Mayors and Chief Executives would discuss participation in the regional collaboration with their elected members
6. A meeting of elected council members and Members of Parliament would be convened at a date to be determined
15  URGENT BUSINESS

MONDAY 27 October 2014

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