

# NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING

Pursuant to the provisions of section 83(2) of the  
*Local Government Act 1999*

## The Special Meeting of the



will be held in

**Council Chamber  
Redbanks Road  
Mallala**

on

**Monday 11 July 2022 at 6.00pm**




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James Miller

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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 <b>Adelaide Plains Council</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>Regional Public Health Plan 2022</b>
	<b>Department:</b>  <b>Report Author:</b>	<b>Development and Community</b>  <b>General Manager – Development and Community</b>
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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- The *South Australian Public Health Act 2011* requires that each council develop a public health plan.
- The current Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Public Health Plan was developed as a regional collaboration between the four (4) Councils and was adopted in 2014. The Act requires a regional public health plan must be reviewed at least once in every 5 years.
- The four Council's agreed to continue collaborating for the development of a new Regional Public Health Plan (Attachment 1).
- A range of stakeholder activities were undertaken to inform the content of the new Regional Public Health Plan.
- The draft Plan underwent public consultation with a summary of the public consultation process and outcomes is provided in Attachment 2.
- Following consultation the draft plan was amended and it was agreed at the recent steering group meeting (Council staff member and Elected Member from each Council) that the revised plan should be presented to each Council for endorsement and submission to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**“that Council, having considered Item 4.1 – *Regional Public Health Plan 2022*, dated 11 July 2022:**

- 1. Endorse the amendments and adopts the Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Regional Public Health Plan in accordance with Section 51(16) of the SA Public Health Act 2011, subject to the final approval of the Minister for Health and Wellbeing**
- 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (in association with the adjoining councils) to submit the Plan to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing.”**

## **BUDGET IMPACT**

Estimated Cost:	Preparation of the Draft RPHP has been in accordance with the allocated consultancy budget.
Future ongoing operating costs:	Operational budget allocated to undertaking public health planning activity
Is this Budgeted?	Yes

As a local public health authority, Council is responsible for:-

- action to preserve, protect and promote public health within its area;
- cooperate with other authorities involved in the administration of this Act;
- ensure that adequate sanitation measures are in place in its area;
- insofar as is reasonably practicable, to have adequate measures in place within its area to ensure that activities do not adversely affect public health;
- identify risks to public health within its area;
- as necessary, to ensure that remedial action is taken to reduce or eliminate adverse impacts or risks to public health;
- assess activities and development, or proposed activities or development, within its area in order to determine and respond to public health impacts (or potential public health impacts);
- provide, or support the provision of, educational information about public health and to provide or support activities within its area to preserve, protect or promote public health;
- such other functions assigned to the council by the Act

Noting the business-as-usual activities of councils and the experiences of the initial public health plan, the review working group has sought to develop a plan that has specific projects that could be monitored, and report how the councils have succeeded in implementing its regional public health plan to the Chief Public Health Officer pursuant to Section 52 of the Act.

Implementation of the new plan is dependent upon a new governance framework as detailed in Section 8.2 of the plan. It is proposed that a new Advisory Group be established to provide oversight for the delivery of the three projects, supported by individual Working Groups for each of the projects.

Implementation of the plan is dependent upon resources to assist the Advisory Group and the Regional Project Working Groups through representation or project leads. It is also recommended that the councils support the establishment of a new Plan Coordinator role that will provide overall project management in support of the Advisory and Working Groups. Should the regional plan be adopted by the Councils and approved by the Minister, it is intended that a further report will be presented to each Council to look at the resourcing that is needed to successfully deliver on the plan in a meaningful way for the community in the region.

## **RISK ASSESSMENT**

By adopting the recommendation Council will meet the legislative requirements of the *South Australian Public Health Act 2011*.

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## **Attachments**

1. Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Public Health Plan.
2. Consultation Summary

## **DETAILED REPORT**

### **Purpose**

To seek endorsement from Council on the post consultation version of the Regional Public Health Plan, and to submit the Plan to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing in accordance with the *SA Public Health Act 2011*.

### **Background/History**

The *South Australian Public Health Act 2011* (the Act) aims to provide a modernized, flexible legislative framework, to ensure South Australia better responds to new public health challenges as well as traditional hazards.

The Act and the *State Public Health Plan 2019-2024* acknowledge the important role of local governments in public health and require that each council develop a public health plan. The establishment of regional public health plans that cover multiple council areas are encouraged to support the collaboration of councils and stakeholders to improve regional outcomes.

The *State Public Health Plan* recognises Council as a primary health provider, with a role to lead and coordinate on behalf of our community, deliver services and initiatives and to advocate, regulate and partner with other agencies as appropriate. The State Plan does not imply that Council's area of responsibility should increase to encompass all aspects of public health. Rather, it is acknowledged that protecting, promoting and improving public health requires the effort and interventions of local, state and commonwealth governments, along with non-government and private providers.

Pursuant to Section 27 of the *South Australian Public Health Act 2011*, councils are responsible for leading public health planning in their community as a local public health authority. It is important to note that they are not necessarily responsible for every issue identified by the planning process.

Pursuant to Section 51-52 of the *Public Health Act 2011*, the Adelaide Plains Barossa, Light, and Gawler councils have collaborated in the development of a regional public health plan.

The Act requires that regional public health plans must be reviewed at least once in every five years with the four Councils undertaking a review of the Regional Public Health Plan and preparation of the new public health plan.

The Barossa, Gawler, Adelaide Plains and Light Councils have supported a regional collaboration in the preparation of the Public Health Plan. A regional working group was established to oversee the promotion, implementation and review of the Regional Public Health Plan prepared for the four partnering Council.

## Discussion

The four councils endorsed a draft Plan to undertake agency and community consultation in January 2022. Consultation on the draft Plan was undertaken at a regional level between 9 February 2022 to 7 March 2022, with support from each of the four councils and the consultant.

In finalising the Plan, Council must consider any comments made by the Chief Public Health Officer, SA Public Health Council, and any other body at the conclusion of the consultation processes.

A copy of the Public Consultation Summary Report is provided in [\*Attachment 2\*](#). A tabulated summary of submissions and feedback received is provided. Key themes from consultation included:

- Regional Lighthouse Project 3 – Community Participation received the most support.
- Public transport has been identified as a priority
- Concerns about the effectiveness of a mental health check in van -
- Concerns about investment in cycling paths that won't be used or when current assets are sufficient
- Suggestions for more permanent locations for community to meet and connect
- Desire for stronger acknowledgement of the important role of sport and to better support clubs to deliver programs that encourage inclusive participation in sport (e.g. all abilities and non-competitive programs)
- Desire for stronger acknowledgment of youth and the need to better support youth in the region
  - through facilities, sport, programs, support, and education in schools
- Varying views about the regional roll out of programs and facilities.
- Suggestions for partnering opportunities with existing regional mental health programs or opportunities (eg. a new mental health alliance, Enhancing Barossa Mental Health Project, Barossa
- RDA, new hospital, Headspace
- Suggestion for focus on literacy and childhood development.

Amendments to the plan are focused on the consultation feedback and the actions within each of the three Lighthouse Projects. It is intended that these actions remain flexible, and allow the individual working groups to review and determine appropriateness going forward.

The revised *Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Regional Public Health Plan* ([\*Attachment 1\*](#)) is now being presented to each of the four councils for adoption, as per the following timeframe.

Adelaide Plains Council – 7 July 2022

The Barossa Council – 21 June 2022

Town of Gawler – 28 June 2022

Light Regional Council – 28 June 2022

The final Plan will then be submitted to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing.

Preparing the plan included demographic and public health research and early engagement with community, stakeholders, council employees and Elected Members. Whilst acknowledging the many business as usual activities that councils undertake that address public health, the plan proposes three regional 'lighthouse' projects that the councils will collaborate to deliver.

Lighthouse projects are considered those that focus council efforts by addressing multiple challenges through their response. Each of the lighthouse projects can address all the top public health challenges for the region and has been identified to respond to input received through the engagement.

Each project includes a series of actions that will be delivered collaboratively by the councils. Discussions were had with public health planners at each council about what actions would be feasible to deliver. The draft RPHP acknowledges that delivery of the actions will be dependent upon availability of funding in council budgets in any given year, as well as funding and delivery partnerships with other governments and organisations. The lighthouse projects are project 1 - Community transport, project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention and project 3 - Community participation.

### New Governance Framework

The draft RPHP proposes a collaboration structure and delivery cycle to support delivery of the plan and achievement legislative requirements of the Act.

Regional collaboration is the cornerstone that will support the success of this plan. The councils will engage with Public Health Partner Authorities and other relevant groups and organisations to deliver the regional lighthouse projects and to add value to existing efforts. The councils will engage to better understand community needs and partner activities so that actions delivered through this plan have the best impact and reach (within local government responsibilities).

The proposed collaborative governance framework is shown below.



- A new **Regional Public Health Advisory Group** is proposed to replace the current regional (staff representatives) working group to oversee the preparation, implementation, reporting and review of the Plan. The Advisory Group to include a senior manager and one Elected Member from each constituent council.
- A **Plan Coordinator** is proposed to project manage the development, review and reporting for the RPHP. This position can either be a rotating position between the councils or a new co-funded position (full or part time).
- **Regional Project Working Groups** to work collaboratively to plan and deliver regional 'lighthouse' projects with **Project Leads** to provide guidance and assist in any operational or political barriers

The RPHP will be delivered through a cycle of planning, implementation, reporting and review.



Implementation of the plan is dependent upon staff resources to assist the Advisory Group and the Regional Project Working Groups through representation or project leads. In addition, the draft RPHP proposes a Plan Coordinator to project manage the development, review and reporting for the plan. Should the plan be endorsed by Council and Minister, a further report around resourcing the implementation of the Plan will be presented to the four (4) Council's. In particular the engagement of a plan co-ordinator verses the use of existing Council staff resources.

## **Conclusion**

The *South Australian Public Health Act 2011* requires that Regional Public Health Plans must be reviewed at least once in every five years. In 2019 the four Council's agreed to continue collaborating for the development of a new regional public health plan.

A range of stakeholder activities have been undertaken to inform the content of the new draft Regional Public Health Plan. Pursuant to Section 51-52 of the Act, the Adelaide Plains Barossa, Light, and Gawler councils have reviewed and updated the Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Regional Public Health Plan.

The Plan is presented to Council to endorse the amendments to the draft plan following consultation and adopt the Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Regional Public Health Plan in accordance with Section 51(16) of the *SA Public Health Act 2011*, subject to the final approval of the Minister for Health and Wellbeing.

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## **References**

### Legislation

*South Australian Public Health Act 2011*



# Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Regional Public Health Plan (DRAFT)

A regional plan for the councils of Adelaide Plains, Barossa,  
Gawler and Light Regional





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The councils acknowledge the Ngadjuri, Peramangk and Kurna people as the traditional custodians of the land for which this plan applies.

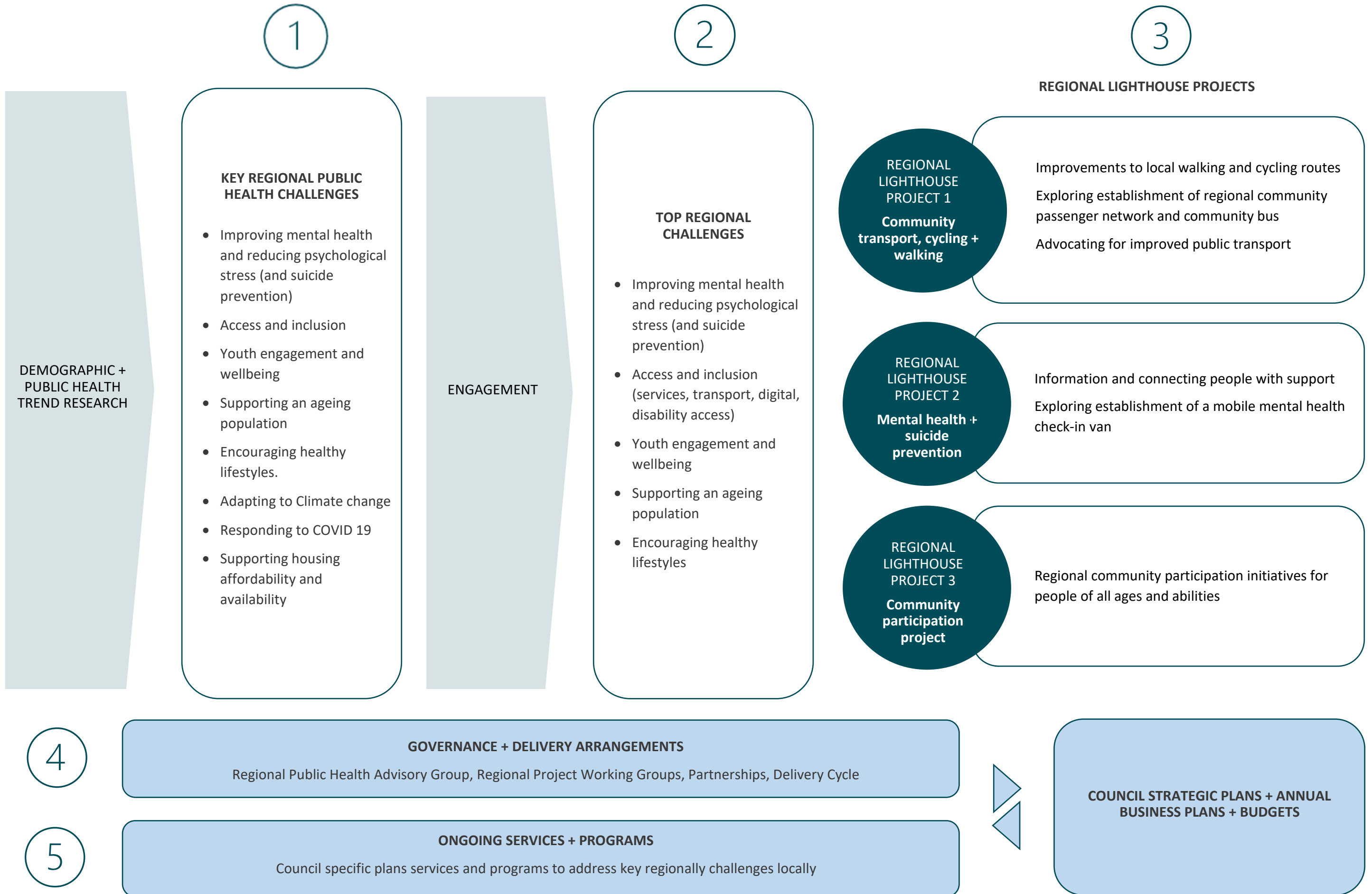
We acknowledge their ancestral connection to land and pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

# 1. Executive summary

**This plan establishes three regional lighthouse projects and governance arrangements to address top regional challenges for public health in the Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region.**

The diagram on the next page provides an overview of the councils' approach to preparation and delivery of this plan as well as a summary of the plan itself.

- 1 Demographic and public health trends were researched to identify **key regional public health challenges** (ie. those challenges that exist at a regional scale).
- 2 Engagement was undertaken with community, stakeholders, council employees and Elected Members to understand, of the key regional public health challenges, what they see as the **top regional challenges** and how could the councils address these.
- 3 Engagement feedback was used to identify **3 regional lighthouse projects** to address the top regional challenges. Lighthouse projects are considered those that focus council efforts by address multiple challenges through their response.
- 4 **New governance and project delivery arrangements** underpin the councils approach to public health planning and will support ongoing collaboration and delivery of the regional lighthouse projects as well as addressing emerging public health issues and providing an avenue to share learnings and resources.
- 5 Although this plan focuses on public health challenges and projects that are significant at a regional level, it is noted that each council is unique and will have its own challenges and strengths. As such, this plan acknowledges that each council will provide its own **public health services, infrastructure and programs** that support community health and wellbeing on an ongoing basis



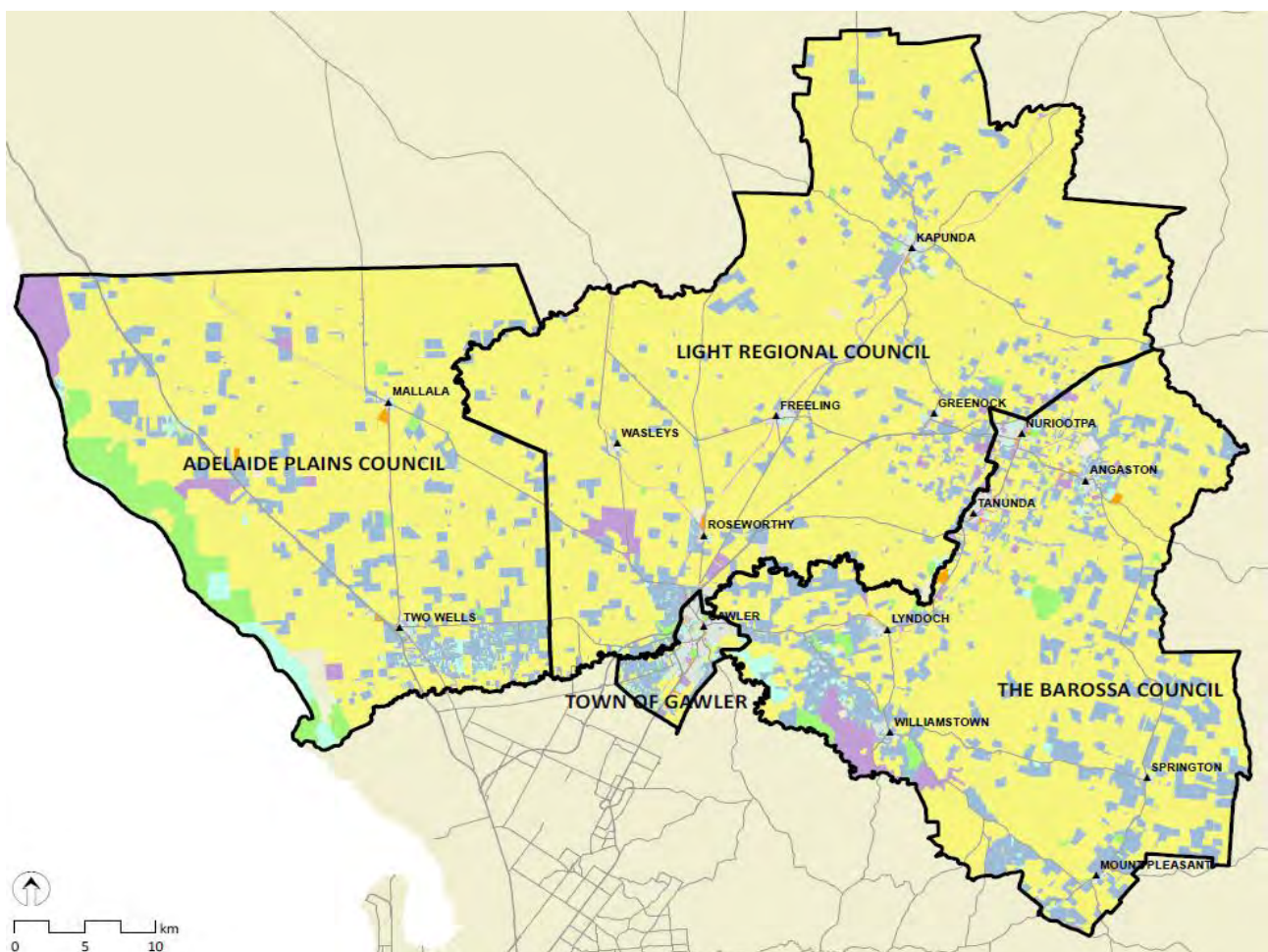


## 2. About this plan

This plan presents a collaborative regional public health response for councils in the Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region (Figure 1).

The *South Australian Public Health Act 2011* (Public Health Act) and the *South Australian State Public Health Plan 2019-2024* acknowledge the important role of local governments in public health and require that each council develop a public health plan. The establishment of regional public health plans that cover multiple council areas are encouraged to support the collaboration of councils and stakeholders to improve regional outcomes.

This plan has been prepared by the councils of Adelaide Plains, Barossa, Gawler and Light Regional in consultation with community and stakeholders. It is the second regional plan that the councils have prepared together.



### Figure 1 - Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region

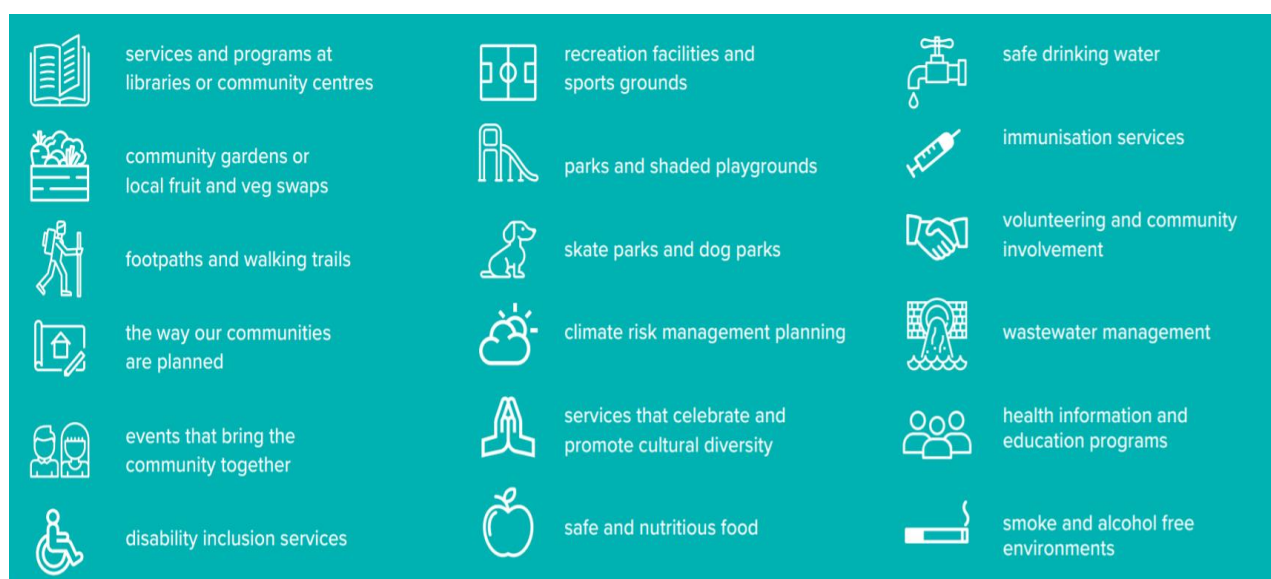


### 3. About public health

Public health protects and promotes the health and wellbeing of communities. It is influenced by many different aspects of our lifestyles and communities from what we put in our bodies and how much we exercise, to sanitation, community services, and how our communities are planned and built.

Public health is influenced by an individual's ability to make healthy choices and access services and infrastructure that support wellbeing. It is also influenced by the ability of our communities to plan for and respond to environmental influences such as climate change or disease outbreaks.

The factors that have an impact on the health and wellbeing of individuals and communities are many and varied and include where we are born, live and work, the state of the environment, genetic factors, our income and education level, and our relationships with other people.



**Figure 2 - Examples of the domains of public health (Source: State Public Health Plan 2019-2024)**

#### 3.1 A shared responsibility

Public health is a shared responsibility. Councils, community, public health services and agencies and governments all contribute to community wellbeing.

Councils support public health outcomes through the provision of open space and recreation infrastructure, immunisation programs, environmental health regulation, community programs, libraries and community centres, home aged care support, and planning services that enable inclusive buildings and environments.

Councils also work with public health service providers or agencies to share their education resources with communities and by referring community members to their services.




Councils in the region are of varying sizes and have differing capacities to deliver public health activities. Collaborating in regional public health provides the opportunity to share information, resources and programs to improve regional outcomes. The extent of what councils can achieve can be increased by partnership support from State and Federal Governments and through the efforts of local services and community groups.

## 4. Our region

### 4.1 Snapshot of our region

This section presents demographic characteristics for the region that have an influence on public health. Comparisons are made to the Greater Adelaide region where relevant.

Sources: PHIDU 2019 Population Health Profile and ABS Census 2006 and 2016.

<b>Population</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 70,123 people</li><li>• Forecast to increase by 24.6% (23,359 people) by 2036</li><li>• Larger proportions of people aged 5 to 19 years and 45 to 74 years</li><li>• Smaller proportions of people aged 85 years and over and 20 to 45 years</li></ul>
	
<b>Age</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The region's population is ageing</li><li>• Most growth in retirees, seniors and elderly</li><li>• Slowest growth in infants and children</li></ul>
	
<b>Health and wellbeing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Lower % of adults (&lt; half) meet daily fruit consumption guidelines</b></li><li>• <b>Higher % of adults experiencing psychological distress</b></li><li>• <b>Higher % of males, and lower % of females report mental health problems</b></li><li>• <b>Markedly higher % of clients of community mental health service</b></li><li>• <b>Slightly higher % of type 2 diabetes prevalence</b></li><li>• <b>Higher % of smokers</b></li><li>• <b>Markedly higher % of obese adults – highest in women</b></li><li>• <b>Twice the premature death rate in people aged 15-24 years</b></li><li>• <b>Markedly higher rate of suicides</b></li><li>• <b>Higher % of people being physically inactive (but below the Regional SA rate)</b></li><li>• Lower % of people self-assess their health as fair or poor</li><li>• Lower % of people having trouble accessing healthcare</li><li>• Lower % of Home and Community Care clients living alone or speaking a language other than English at home</li><li>• Marginally higher % of people feel they get support in times of crisis</li><li>• Markedly higher % of people feel safe walking alone after dark</li><li>• Local Drug Action Teams and Suicide Prevent Networks providing support</li></ul>
	

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#### Disability and long-term illness



- **A larger % of people under 65 years needing assistance with core activities**
- A similar % of people needing assistance with core activities
- A similar % of people providing unpaid care
- A smaller % of people over 65 years needing assistance with core activities
- Slightly lower % of people receiving a Disability Support Pension

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#### Early life and childhood



- **Higher % of women smoking during pregnancy**
- Lower % of children living in low income welfare dependent households
- Higher % of children consuming an adequate fruit intake
- Lower % of children who are clients of the Adolescent Mental Health Service
- Lower % of children are obese
- A similar % of 5 year olds are fully immunised

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#### Housing



- **Lower supply of residential aged care places**
- **Lower supply of social housing**
- Similar % of low-income households under mortgage stress
- Similar % of low-income households under rental stress
- Lower % of households receiving rent relief

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#### Cultural diversity and language proficiency



- **Markedly higher % of people are not accepting of other cultures**
- Lower % of people born in predominantly non-English speaking countries
- Significantly lower % of people not speaking English well or at all
- Slightly lower % of people who recognise themselves as of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent

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#### Employment, income and education



- **Markedly higher % of 16 year olds not in full time secondary education**
  - **Lower % of school leavers enrolled in a University**
  - **Slightly lower % of young people earning or learning**
  - **Slightly higher % receive an Age Pension or held a Pensioner Concession Card**
  - **Lower % of households with access to a motor vehicle**
  - A similar level of socio-economic disadvantage
  - Significantly lower % of people receiving unemployment benefits
  - Lower % of people holding Health Care Cards
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## 4.2 Snapshot of the councils

The following health trends have been compiled from the PHIDU 2019 Population Health Profile for the Region and highlight key differences between the councils in the region.

<b>Health and wellbeing</b>	Smoking during pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Gawler and Adelaide Plains (19.7% and 19% respectively)</li> </ul>
	Daily fruit intake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Barossa (48.6%). Lowest in Gawler (44.7%)</li> </ul>
	Adults experiencing psychological distress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Gawler (15.7%) and Adelaide Plains (15.4%)</li> </ul>
	Type 2 diabetes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adelaide Plains (4.9%), Gawler (4.7%) and Light (4.5%) all above the metropolitan average, Barossa below (3.8%)</li> </ul>
	Smoking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adelaide Plains (17.0%), Light (16.3%) and Barossa (15.5%) above the metropolitan average</li> </ul>
	Obesity in Adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest for males and females respectively in Light (34.5%, 38.4%), Adelaide Plains (33.6%, 37.1%) and Gawler (32.5%, 37.0%)</li> </ul>
	Physical inactivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adelaide Plains (73.7%), Light (72.4%) and Gawler (71.9%) and Barossa (69.7%) all above the metropolitan average of 67.0%</li> </ul>
	Death in 15-24 year olds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Barossa (2.57 x metropolitan rate) and Light (2.1 times the metropolitan rate)</li> </ul>
	Suicide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adelaide Plains and Light (55% and 20% above the metropolitan rate)</li> </ul>
	Community mental health clients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substantially higher in Gawler (72% higher than metropolitan average. Barossa and Adelaide Plains 4% above)</li> </ul>
<b>Disability and long-term illness</b>	People living with profound or severe disability (largest proportions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Largest proportions of 0-64 year old's – Gawler (4.5%) and Adelaide Plains (3.9%)</li> <li>65 year old's and over- Gawler (15.1%) and Adelaide Plains (314.8%)</li> </ul>
	People receiving the Disability Support Pensions (16-65years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler (8.2%) and Adelaide Plains (6.6%) both had proportions of people (16-65yrs) receiving the Disability Support Pension above the Metropolitan rate (6.3%)</li> </ul>
	Assistance with core activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Gawler and Adelaide Plains for both children (4.6% and 3.9%) and adults (15.1% and 14.8%)</li> </ul>
<b>Early life and childhood</b>	Clients of Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler was the only Council area with a proportion of clients above the Metropolitan average</li> </ul>
	Obesity in children (2-17 years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler and Adelaide Plains both above the Metropolitan rate for boys and girls</li> </ul>

	Children (<16 years) in a low income, welfare-dependent family	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler (30%) is the only Council above the Metropolitan average</li> </ul>
<b>Cultural diversity and language proficiency</b>	Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Adelaide Plains (3.2 %) and Gawler (1.1 %) however Barossa and Light had similar actual numbers of people of Aboriginal &amp; Torres Strait Islander background</li> </ul>
	People born in non-English speaking countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler (1,077 people), Barossa (720 people), Light (416 people) and Adelaide Plains (397 people)</li> </ul>
	Most common non-English speaking Countries of birth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Germany – highest proportions in Barossa (0.7%)</li> <li>Italy - highest proportions in Adelaide Plains (0.7%)</li> <li>Philippines – highest proportions in Adelaide Plains (0.3%) and Gawler (0.4%)</li> </ul>
<b>Employment, income and education</b>	Social disadvantage (IRSD score)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler (955) has the greatest relative social disadvantage Light (1025) was relatively the most advantaged</li> </ul>
	People receiving unemployment benefits (16-64 years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler was the only area with a larger proportion (8%) than the Metropolitan average receiving unemployment benefits</li> </ul>
	16 year olds not in full time secondary education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All above the Metropolitan rate- Adelaide Plains (16.9%), Light (16.1%), Barossa (15%) and Gawler (13.5%)</li> </ul>
	School leavers enrolled in a University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lowest in Adelaide Plains (14.5%) other LGAs between 21.5% and 23.3%</li> </ul>
	Young people (15-24 years) earning or learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Light (87.7%) and Barossa (86.4%). Lowest in Adelaide Plains (80.9%)</li> </ul>
	Aged Pension recipients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Gawler (79.5%) 17% above the Metropolitan rate</li> </ul>
	Concession Card Holders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highest in Gawler (30.5% of people over 15 years)</li> </ul>
	Access to a motor vehicle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All councils were below the metropolitan rate</li> </ul>
<b>Age</b>	Age profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler has more children and young people (ages 5 to 19 years) and more at older ages (from 50 years for males and from 55 years for females)</li> <li>Barossa has more at the younger ages, and more at the older ages starting from 35 years; and there are fewer people over 75 years</li> <li>Light has more people at ages under 40 years and fewer at age 45 to 59 years for males and 40 to 59 years for females</li> <li>Adelaide Plains has an age profile similar to Metropolitan Adelaide</li> </ul>
<b>Housing</b>	Low income households under mortgage stress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adelaide Plains (10.4%) and Gawler (9.5%) above the Metropolitan rate</li> </ul>

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Low income households under rental stress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>31.8% in Gawler, 29.8% in Adelaide Plains, 29.0% in Barossa and 28.8% in Light</li> </ul>
Households receiving rent relief	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gawler (23.6%) is the only Council above the Metropolitan rate</li> </ul>

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## 5. Key regional challenges for public health planning

The following key challenges for public health planning were identified through the review of the regional public health statistics. The focus of this plan is on identifying regional collaborative projects that address challenges that are significant across all councils.

### 1. Encouraging healthy lifestyles

Adult obesity, unhealthy diets, lack of exercise and smoking are an issue across the Region. Obesity is more prevalent in women and smoking during pregnancy is as high as 20%. Obesity in children in Gawler and Adelaide Plains was more prevalent than in Greater Adelaide. Substance misuse is also a concern.

### 2. Improving mental health and psychological stress

People in the community need support to manage their high levels of psychological stress and mental health. A high rate of people are clients of community mental health services and the rate of suicide is higher than Greater Adelaide. Adult men in particular are reporting mental health problems. Although stress and mental health is a greater issue for adults regionally, Gawler has a high rate of clients to the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service.

### 3. Youth engagement and wellbeing

Fewer young people (>16 years) in the region are earning or learning. Compared to Greater Adelaide a markedly higher rate of 16 year olds are not in full time secondary education and a lower % of school leavers enrol in a University degree. Sadly, death in young people is more common – two times the rate of Greater Adelaide – and the majority of deaths were from avoidable causes (predominantly suicide and road accidents).

### 4. Supporting an ageing population

The proportion of people over the age of 65 in the Region is increasing and there is a low supply of residential aged care places.

### 5. Adapting to Climate change

Climate change can impact a community's physical and mental health, lifestyle and budgets. It is also a Priority Area of the State Public Health Plan.

### 6. Responding to COVID 19

The COVID-19 pandemic has turned our lives upside down. The response of local governments has played a critical part in ensuring the early success of the response to the virus in South Australia. However, with the ongoing risk of outbreaks there will be challenges to maintain vigilance and avoid complacency across the community, particularly in the likely scenario of a protracted pandemic.

### 7. Supporting housing affordability and availability

In addition to having a low supply of residential aged care places, the Region has a lower rate of supply of social housing. Although the Region is relatively more advantaged than Greater Adelaide, it has a similar proportion of low-income households suffering mortgage or rent stress. The number of people experiencing homelessness is also a particular issue for people in the Town of Gawler.

## **8. Access and inclusion**

The region has a higher proportion of young people living with disability and an ageing population. Also, more people do not have access to a motor vehicle. People are also concerned about the availability of health services, transport options and digital literacy.

### **5.1 Top regional challenges**

Engagement was undertaken with community, stakeholders, council employees and Elected Members to understand, of the above challenges, what they see as the most significant for the region. The following challenges were most consistently identified across community, stakeholders, council employees and Elected Members:

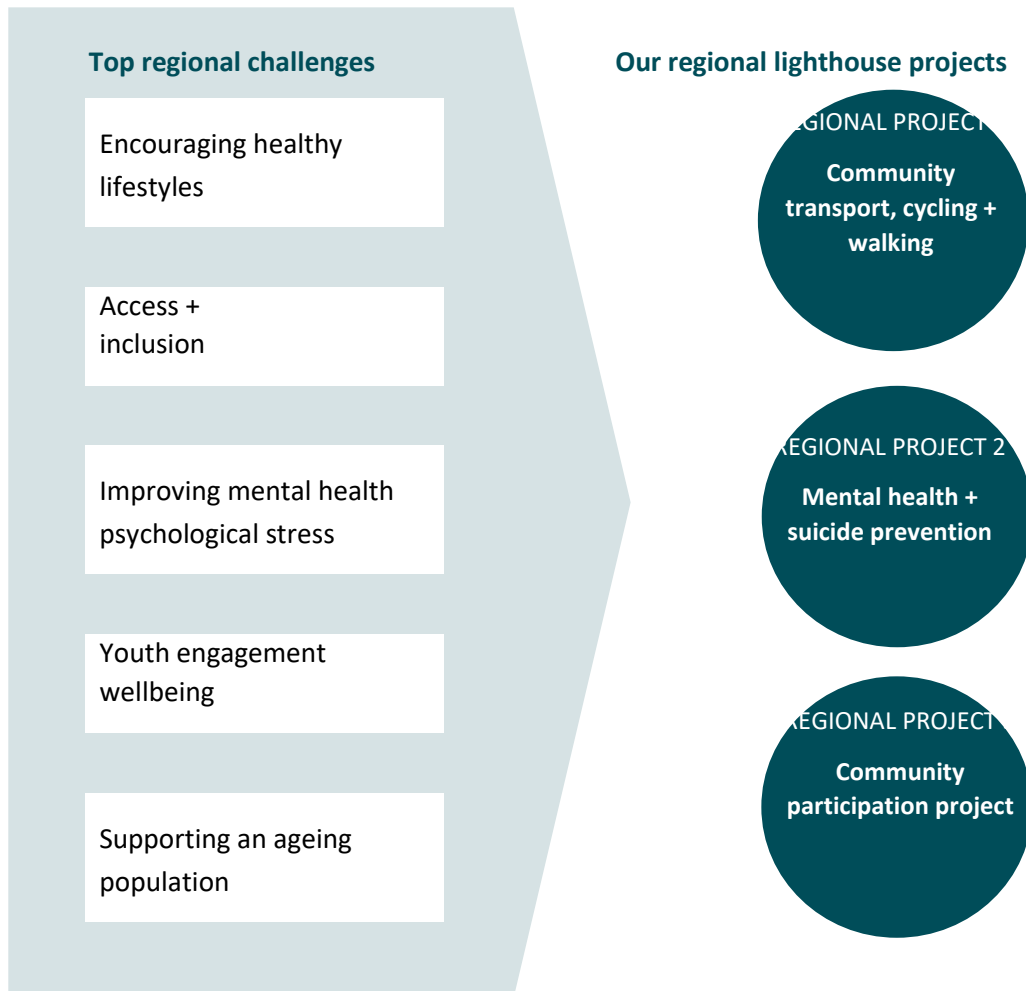
- Improving mental health and reducing psychological stress (and suicide prevention)
- Access and inclusion (services, transport, digital, disability access)
- Youth engagement and wellbeing
- Supporting an ageing population
- Encouraging healthy lifestyles.



## 6. Our response

This plan presents three regional 'lighthouse' projects) that will be the focus of action for this plan. Each project will address multiple of the top public health challenges for the region.

### 6.1 3 regional 'lighthouse' projects



The lighthouse projects will actively seek to engage with the State Public Health Plan priority populations:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people (ATSI) ✓
- People living in rural and regional areas ✓
- People experiencing socioeconomic disadvantage ✓
- People from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds (CALD) ✓

## 6.2 Ongoing services, programs and plans

The focus of action for this plan is the three regional lighthouse projects. However, this plan acknowledges that each council will also continue to deliver its own ongoing services, programs and plans to address its unique situation because:

- The lighthouse projects intend to address the top regional challenges, not all the council's public health roles and responsibilities
- Each council is unique and will have its own challenges and strengths that require a local council response
- The key regional challenges not identified as a "top regional challenge" in this plan (adapting to Climate change, responding to COVID 19, and supporting housing affordability and availability), still require a response.

### Ongoing services, programs and plans

#### Access and inclusion

- Disability Access and Inclusion Plans
- Reconciliation Action Plans
- Community transport services

#### Recreation and sport

- Walking and cycling plans
- Recreation and open space plans and facilities

#### Climate change and emergency management

- Climate Change Adaptation Plans
- Emergency Management Plans

#### Community participation

- Gawler Youth Space
- Community centres and libraries
- Community grants and programs
- Volunteer services

#### Public health prevention and regulation

- Public health inspections and regulation
- COVID-19 response
- Animal management/pest control
- Local nuisance
- Immunisation

#### Ageing well

- Commonwealth Home Support Program
- Seniors Collaborative Action Project

#### Mental health

- Barossa Cares
- Suicide prevention networks

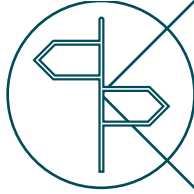
#### Drugs and Alcohol

- Local Drug Action Teams and Alcohol and Drug Foundation resources

#### Planning and advocacy

- Planning policy and assessments to encourage new development that supports public health outcomes (eg. climate resilience and accessibility and affordability)
- Advocacy to State and Federal Governments for improved regional provision of health and transport services and social housing

## 7. Our regional 'lighthouse' projects



Regional 'lighthouse' project 1  
**Community transport**



Regional 'lighthouse' project 2  
**Mental health + suicide prevention**



Regional 'lighthouse' project 3  
**Community participation**

This section presents each of the regional lighthouse projects. It provides preliminary lists of actions and partnerships that will be explored for each project. The actions and partnerships may evolve as the projects are explored and refined overtime in response to emerging needs and opportunities that arise.



## Regional 'lighthouse' project 1 - Community transport

<b>Objective</b>	<p>To improve health and wellbeing and access to community destinations through targeted improvements to local walking and cycling routes</p> <p>To improve transport to community centres and local services through exploring establishment of regional community passenger network and shared purchase and operation of a community bus</p> <p>To advocate from improved public transport</p>
<b>Actions</b>	<p>Walking and cycling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Map existing cycle and walking routes across the region and identify priority areas in each council to enhance connectivity, amenity, comfort and access for all ages and abilities</li><li>• Design and implement improvements in each council including exploring government funding, regional signage and promotion, and community event partnerships</li><li>• Encourage and promote local, community-led walking and running groups</li></ul> <p>Community transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore opportunities to broaden the shared use of existing community bus assets to maximise their effective engagement across the region</li><li>• Undertake a feasibility study for the establishment of an east-west passenger service to complement existing Community Passenger Networks in the region</li><li>• Undertake a review of the Barossa Region Community Transport Scheme to explore whether this may be expanded</li></ul> <p>Public transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Develop a shared approach to strategically advocate for improved, accessible public transport, including engaging with privately operated providers</li></ul>
<b>Potential Partners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Health Partner Authorities (see section 7.1)</li><li>• Heart Foundation</li><li>• Bike SA, Walking SA and local walking and cycling groups, Active Living Coalition</li><li>• Disability advocacy or service providers</li><li>• Community Passenger Networks in the region</li></ul>
<b>State Plan Strategic Priorities</b>	<p>PROMOTE: Build stronger communities and healthier environments</p> <p>PROTECT: Protect against public and environmental health risks and respond to climate change</p> <p>PREVENT: Prevent chronic disease, communicable disease and injury</p> <p>PROGRESS: Strengthen the systems that support public health and wellbeing</p>



## Regional 'lighthouse' project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention

<b>Objective</b>	To support positive mental health outcomes and help prevent suicide through providing information, connecting people with support and undertaking studies and further research to inform advocacy on related service needs in the region
<b>Actions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Deliver training to frontline council staff and volunteers to enable them to recognise people in mental or suicide distress and connect them with appropriate support</li><li>• Engage with existing initiatives to explore the potential expansion of the current models (e.g. 'Community Connector,' 'Gawler Youth Space' and 'Enhancing Barossa Mental Health Project') tailored to the needs of particular age groups across the region</li><li>• Explore opportunities to offer locations in public buildings for use by inclusive external mental health services</li><li>• Undertake further research into local stressors to inform decision making, including advocacy for additional outreach services to support residents, equivalent to those of comparable regions</li><li>• Investigate facilitating the creation of a 'Mental Health Alliance' with input from non-Government Organisations, SAPOL, SA Ambulance Service and service providers</li></ul>
<b>Potential Partners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Health Partner Authorities (see section 7.1)</li><li>• Premiers Council for Suicide Prevention</li><li>• Suicide Prevention Networks in the region</li><li>• Mental health support services</li></ul>
<b>State Plan Strategic Priorities</b>	<p>PROMOTE: Build stronger communities and healthier environments</p> <p>PREVENT: Prevent chronic disease, communicable disease, injury and suicide</p> <p>PROGRESS: Strengthen the systems that support public health and wellbeing</p>



## Regional 'lighthouse' project 3 - Community participation

<b>Objective</b>	To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs
<b>Actions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engage with service providers (e.g. Volunteering Barossa and Light) to explore ways to support a regional volunteering, mentoring and work experience program offering intergenerational learning and skills development</li><li>• Develop a model for the regional promotion of programs, facilities and services</li><li>• Establish a list of community resources (spaces, programs, people to assist, tools) available across the region</li><li>• Explore expansion of the Gawler Youth Space Model across the region to provide training and activities in satellite centres as well as sponsorship programs across the region</li><li>• Explore the feasibility of a new community "centre" being established based on need and partnership support (eg. shared women's shed program or a new community centre as part of the Local Health Network)</li><li>• Engage with community groups, including sporting organisations, to explore opportunities to increase participation</li><li>• Identify programs that fit local needs (e.g. literacy/ digital literacy, early development, life-skills, healthy eating) and explore opportunities to deliver related programs broadly to maximise economies of scale</li></ul>
<b>Potential Partners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Health Partner Authorities (see section 7.1)</li><li>• Community Centres SA</li><li>• Volunteering SA</li><li>• Aboriginal and multi-cultural groups and organisations</li><li>• Community groups</li><li>• Sporting clubs and organisation</li></ul>
<b>State Plan Strategic Priorities</b>	<p>PROMOTE: Build stronger communities and healthier environments</p> <p>PROTECT: Protect against public and environmental health risks and respond to climate change</p> <p>PREVENT: Prevent chronic disease, communicable disease and injury</p> <p>PROGRESS: Strengthen the systems that support public health and wellbeing</p>

## 8. Delivering the plan

This section outlines how the councils will organise and resource themselves to best deliver this plan whilst also meeting any legislative requirements of the Public Health Act.

Regional collaboration is the cornerstone that will support the success of this plan. A governance structure has been developed to support collaboration between the councils and partners to deliver the plan and its regional projects.

Delivery of the actions within the regional lighthouse projects will be dependent upon availability of funding in council budgets in any given year, as well as funding and delivery partnerships with other governments and organisations.

### 8.1 Partnerships

The councils will engage with Public Health Partner Authorities and other relevant groups and organisations to deliver the regional lighthouse projects and to add value to existing efforts. The councils will engage to better understand community needs and partner activities so that actions delivered through this plan have the best impact and reach (within local government responsibilities).

Potential partners could include:

- Public Health Partner Authorities
- Heart Foundation
- Bike SA, Walking SA and local walking and cycling groups Walking SA' or 'Active Living Coalition'
- Disability advocacy or service providers
- Cultural groups
- Aboriginal groups and service providers
- Premiers Council for Suicide Prevention
- Suicide Prevention Networks
- Mental health support services
- Community Centres SA
- Volunteering SA
- Community groups
- Regional Development Australia Barossa Gawler Light Adelaide Plains
- Northern and Yorke Landscape SA Board.

## Public Health Partner Authorities

The State Public Health Plan and the Public Health Act introduced the establishment of Public Health Partner Authorities to improve population health and wellbeing through collaboration.

Public Health Partner Authorities are agencies which:

- Contribute to key priority areas within the State Public Health Plan, and those emerging through regional public health planning
- Operate or impact at a state-wide or regional population level
- Are a key stakeholder for addressing significant public policy issues that impact on population level health and wellbeing.

### Current Public Health Partner Authorities are:

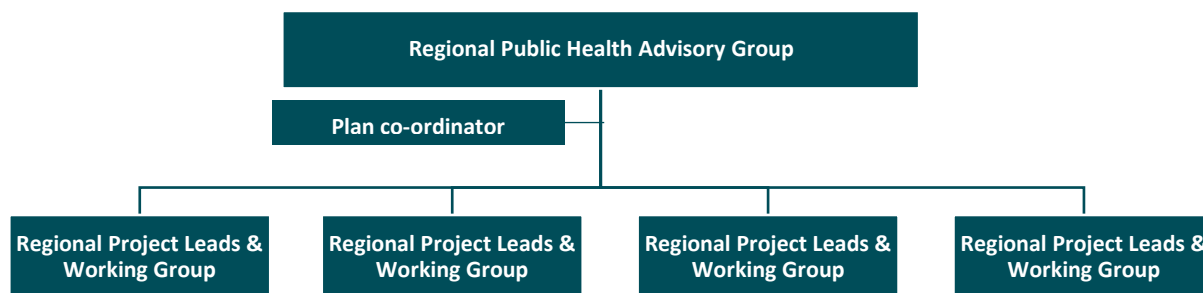
- Alcohol and Drug Foundation
- Biosecurity SA
- Council on the Ageing SA
- Department of Correctional Services
- Department of Education
- Department of Human Services (DHSSA)
- Department for Environment and Water
- Department for Transport
- Kidsafe SA
- Primary Health Networks (eg Country SA PHN)
- Renewal SA
- SafeWork SA and ReturnToWork SA
- South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute – Wellbeing and Resilience Centre
- SA Council of Social Services
- University of South Australia.

The councils will engage with relevant Public Health Authorities as required to support understanding and a strengthened response of the Regional Lighthouse Projects as well as the individual services and programs of each council.

(Source: [sahealth.sa.gov.au](https://sahealth.sa.gov.au))



## 8.2 Collaboration structure



	Role	Membership
<b>Regional Public Health Advisory Group</b>	<p>To oversee the preparation, implementation, reporting and review of the Plan.</p> <p>Rotating chair by a CEO or senior staff member of one of the constituent councils (eg. one per year) and supported by the Plan Coordinator.</p> <p>Meet quarterly.</p>	<p>A senior manager from the community services/planning or environmental health portfolios.</p> <p>One Elected Member from each constituent council- appointing one as the Chairperson for the Advisory Group or having an independent Chairperson.</p>
<b>Plan Coordinator</b>	<p>To project manage the development, review and reporting for the Plan.</p> <p>Assist with the delivery of regional projects, collaboration and advocacy.</p> <p>Collation and reporting of regional projects and associated data to the Advisory Group and SA Health.</p> <p>Responsible for calling Advisory Group meetings and managing their agendas and minutes.</p>	<p><u>Option A</u></p> <p>A rotating position between the councils. Suggest annual rotation.</p> <p><u>Option B</u></p> <p>New co-funded position (full or part time) to be explored. Councils to agree on level of funding to help support preparation, implementation, reporting and review of the Plan.</p>
<b>Regional Project Leads</b>	<p>To project manage delivery of a nominated regional project.</p> <p>To call, chair and minute actions from project working group meetings.</p> <p>To document project plans and ensure accountability of action delivery by project working group members.</p>	<p>A senior Council Manager to act as Project Sponsor to provide guidance and assist in any operational or political barriers.</p> <p>An operational staff member to act as the Regional Project Manager.</p>
<b>Regional Project Working Groups</b>	<p>To work collaboratively to plan and deliver regional “lighthouse” projects identified in this Plan.</p> <p>To gather and provide data relevant to the project to the Plan Coordinator for the purpose of regional reporting.</p>	<p>An operational staff member from each of the partnering constituent councils, and external regional stakeholders or service providers who provide services for people associated with a lighthouse project</p> <p>Led by the Regional Project Lead (see above).</p>

## 8.3 Delivery cycle: delivering the plan and tracking our progress

The plan will need to be delivered through a cycle of planning, implementation, reporting and review.

A description of each of the steps below is provided in the table on the following page.



Cycle step	Description	Who	How	When
<b>1. 12 month priorities agreed by the Advisory Group</b>	Advisory Group meets to collaborate and prioritise on directions for the coming year. Most notably relating to the regional projects but other directions may be discussed relating to the Goals of this Plan or other emerging issues	Advisory Group	Workshop	Annually
<b>1a. Individual Council business planning + budget processes</b>	Each council secures council support for the activities for the year through its own business plan and budget processes	Each Council	As per council business plan and budget process	Annually
<b>2. Regional Project Teams prepare project plans</b>	Regional Project Teams convene to identify stakeholders, plan actions and measures of success (data collection requirements) Plan prepared by Project Lead	Regional Project Teams	Initiation meeting	Annually
<b>2a. External funding and partnerships established to support delivery</b>	Partnerships and external funding (where appropriate) established to support delivery of project actions	Regional Project Teams	Meetings with partners Funding applications	Annually
<b>3. Actions implemented</b>	Regional Project actions and other actions implemented across the year	Regional Project Teams Plan Coordinator Individual Councils	As per project plans	Throughout the year
<b>4. Track progress</b>	Data collected (based on measures agreed to at 2.) and regional project progress evaluated and reported to Advisory Group. Approaches adjusted as required to improve outcomes	Plan Coordinator (with Project Leads)	Collected as per project plans Project meetings to adjust approach Report tabled to Advisory Group meeting	Every 6 months
<b>5. Annual reporting to Advisory Group and Councils</b>	Prepare annual reports of progress for each regional project. Outcomes measured and considerations for following year identified.	Plan Coordinator (with Project Leads)	Report tabled to Advisory Group meetings and distributed to councils	Annually

Cycle step	Description	Who	How	When
<b>6. Reporting to Chief Public Health Officer (SA Health)</b>	Prepare a report to the Chief Public Health Officer (SA Health), as required by the Public Health Act, that collates the regional projects' evaluations from the annual reports	Plan Coordinator	Report emailed to SA Health	Every two years
<b>7. Review the Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Plan</b>	Review the Plan in light of what has gone well, gaps, emerging trends or new opportunities.  Plan approved by constituent councils and the Chief Public Health Officer (SA Health)	Led by the Advisory Group and the Plan Coordinator	Research and engagement with Advisory Group, Project Teams, councils, stakeholders and community	Every five years

## 9. Further information and contacts

Further information on public health planning, regional trends and community and stakeholder engagement undertaken to prepare the plan can be found in the following documents:

- Review Report: Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Public Health and Wellbeing Plan (available from the constituent councils)
- Early Engagement Summary Report: Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Public Health and Wellbeing Plan (available from the constituent councils)
- Population Health Profile: Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Regions. Comprising of Adelaide Plains (DC), Barossa (DC), Gawler (T), and Light (RegC). (PHIDU, 2019)
- State Public Health Plan 2019-2024 (SA Health, 2019) [sahealth.sa.gov.au/statepublichealthplan](https://sahealth.sa.gov.au/statepublichealthplan)

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The councils acknowledge that some statistics may raise concern for people in our community. If the information raises concern for you, please contact one of the services below:

- lifeline – 13 11 14 [www.lifeline.org.au](https://www.lifeline.org.au)
- Kids Helpline (5-25 years) – 1800 55 1800 [www.kidshelpline.com.au](https://www.kidshelpline.com.au)

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# 1. Why did we engage?

The councils of Adelaide Plains, Barossa, Gawler, and Light are working collaboratively to prepare their second regional public health plan.

The councils are committed to ensuring that the community and stakeholders are involved in the preparation of the plan over two stages:

- Stage 1 - Early engagement to inform the development of the draft plan
- Stage 2 - Consultation on the draft Plan.

Stage 1, Early Engagement was undertaken from 10 to 31 May 2021 with the region's community and stakeholders to identify the top public health challenges for the region and what councils could do to address these challenges.

The input gathered through early engagement was used to prepare the draft regional public health plan.

Stage 2, consultation on the draft Plan took place from 10 January to 7 March 2022.

This report summarises how the draft Plan consultation was undertaken, and the level of support and key themes of feedback received on the draft Plan.

## 2. How did we engage?

### 2.1 Summary document

A summary document (Appendix A) was prepared to provide background and a summary of the key content of the draft plan.

The background paper was available to view/download from the Town of Gawler website ([www.gawler.sa.gov.au/your-voice/regionalplan](http://www.gawler.sa.gov.au/your-voice/regionalplan)) and was distributed to stakeholders invited to participate in the engagement.

### 2.2 Online survey

An online survey was established on the Town of Gawler website ([www.gawler.sa.gov.au/your-voice/regionalplan](http://www.gawler.sa.gov.au/your-voice/regionalplan)) and was open from 10 January to 7 March 2022.

The survey asked respondents the extent to which they agreed that the regional lighthouse projects of the draft Plan are the right projects for the region. It then asked respondents if they support the actions and potential partners for each of the regional lighthouse projects. Participants were also asked how strongly they support the draft Plan overall. Opportunity was also provided for any other feedback.

The survey was promoted via a public notice in local papers, through an email to participants of Stage 1 early engagement and through posts on council social media platforms.

A copy of the survey questions is provided in Appendix B.

### 3. What did we hear?

This section summarises the results of the online survey.

A small number of respondents (17) completed the survey. 5 respondents were employees of one of the councils. As such the feedback can't be seen as a broad perspective of the community and stakeholders in the region. Quantitative results have been presented as number of respondents rather than as a proportion.

#### 3.1 Key themes of feedback

In reading this analysis it needs to be kept in mind that only 20 responses were received and 5 were from Council staff.

Key themes of feedback included:

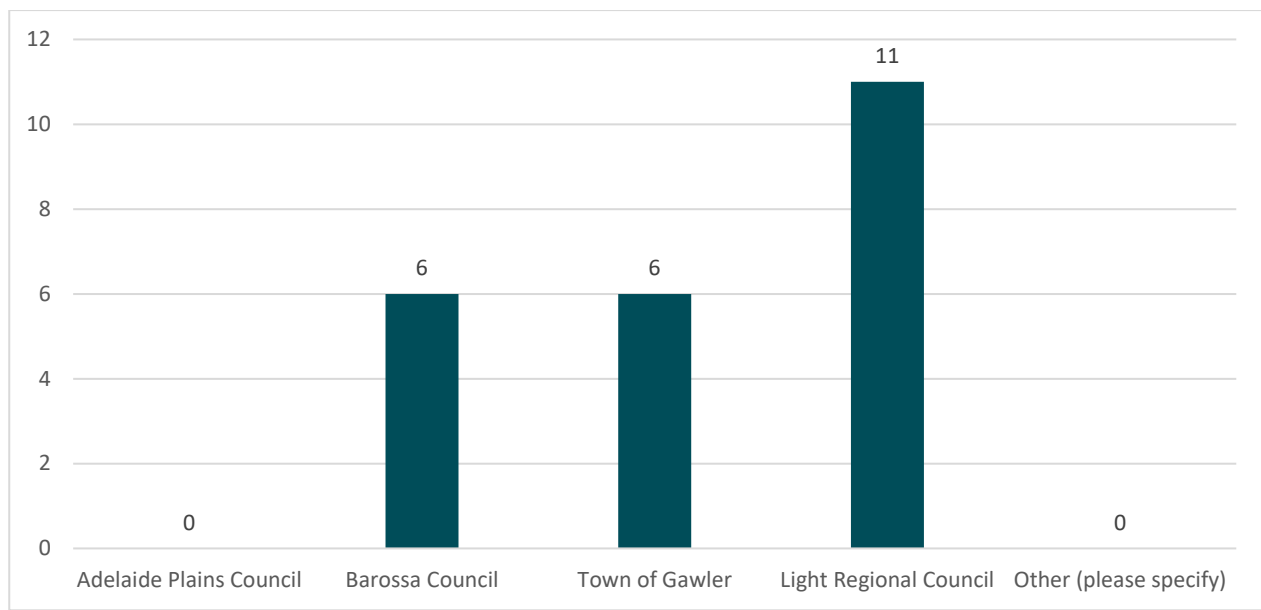
- Regional Lighthouse Project 3 – Community Participation received the most support.
- Support that public transport has been identified as a priority
- Concerns about the effectiveness of a mental health check in van - that it won't get used due to stigma or low frequency of the service, that there are lots of resources that people can access already, and that people need face to face opportunities to connect
- Concerns about investment in cycling paths that won't be used or when current assets are sufficient
- Suggestions for more permanent locations for community to meet and connect or discretely access service on a regular basis as well as supporting existing spaces. These spaces could be in "every town" and supported by local health and service providers and trained/upskilled volunteers to link with services and support and provide a space for people to "have a cuppa" and connect.
- Desire for stronger acknowledgement of the important role of sport and to better support clubs or deliver programs that encourage inclusive participation in sport (e.g. all abilities and non-competitive programs)
- Desire for stronger acknowledgment of youth and the need to better support youth in the region through facilities, sport, programs, support, and education in schools
- Some varying views about the regional roll out of programs and facilities. Some respondents did not think regional delivery of a community bus service, volunteer program, Gawler Youth Hub model or Barossa Cares model was worthwhile
- Suggestions for partnering opportunities with existing regional mental health programs or opportunities (eg. a new mental health alliance, Enhancing Barossa Mental Health Project, Barossa RDA, new hospital, Headspace
- Suggestion for focus on literacy and childhood development.

### 3.2 Who responded?

20 people started the survey. 17 people completed the survey.

Around half of respondents lived, worked or paid rates in Light Regional (11 respondents) (Figure 1). Five respondents (30% of people completing the survey) identified themselves as employees of one of the councils (Barossa or Light Regional).

Verbatim responses are provided in Appendix C.



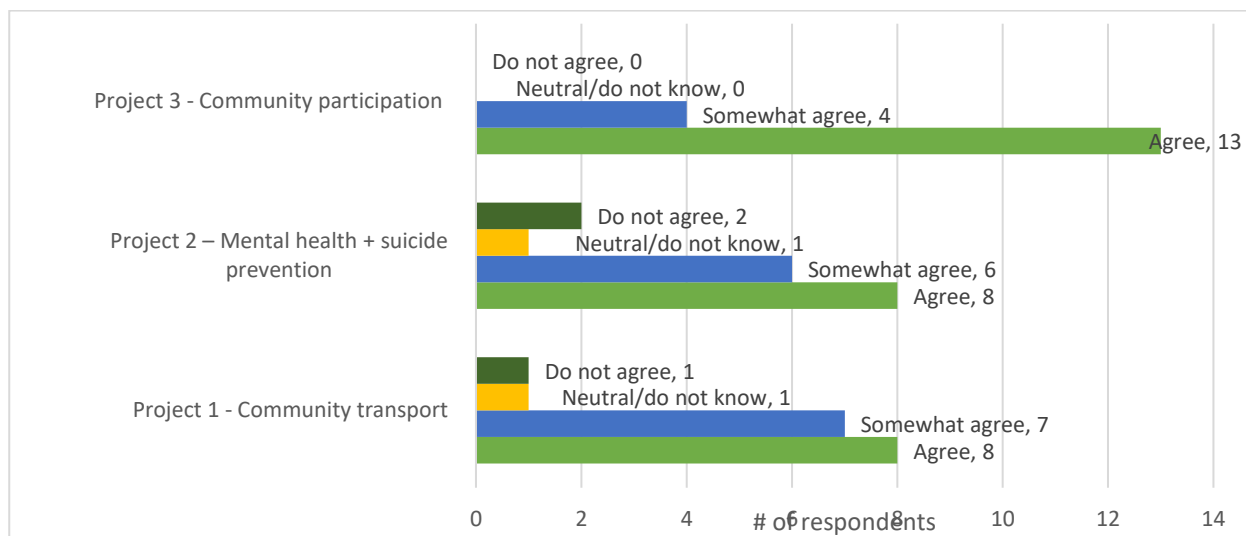
**Figure 1 – Origin of survey respondents (live, work or pay rates)**

### 3.3 Level of agreement with regional lighthouse projects

Respondents were asked if they agree that the three regional lighthouse projects are the right projects for the region.

Figure 2 shows that 'Project 3 - Community participation' received the highest respondent support of the three projects (13 of the 17 respondents agree it is the right project for the region).

Most respondents also either 'agreed' or 'somewhat agreed' that 'Project 1 - Community transport' and 'Project 2 – Mental health and suicide prevention' were the right regional lighthouse projects for the region. However, 3 respondents did not agree that one or both projects are right.



**Figure 2 – Level of agreement for regional lighthouse projects (# of respondents).**

Reasons for lower agreement with project 1 or 2 included concerns about the effectiveness of a mental health check in van, concern in investment in cycling paths and suggestion for more permanent locations for community to connect. In general some respondents had a desire for stronger reference of sport and youth.

Comments provided by respondents included:

- 2 comments of gratitude that public transport is being looked at as a priority to improve community access and support an ageing population
- 2 comments questioning investment in cycling and walking trails due to the quality of existing routes or the lack of use of existing routes.
- 2 comments seeking for the value sporting clubs provide towards public health to be acknowledged:
- 2 comments wanting youth to be represented in the Plan (activities, facilities, support, healthy, eating education in schools)/
- 3 comments suggesting that more permanent locations for people to attend and connect are needed (eg. warm, non-clinical, socially inclusive spaces)

- 3 comments not in support of a mental health check in van. Suggestions were made to instead engage with people with lived experience to find out what would work, to roll out existing Barossa programs regionally, to have permanent locations for people to connect.
- 1 comment not supporting a community bus service.

### 3.4 Support for regional lighthouse project actions and potential partners

#### 3.4.1 Project 1 Community transport

Most respondents support some or all of the actions and potential partners for regional lighthouse Project 1 Community Transport. 1 respondent did not support any. (Figure 3)



**Figure 3 - Level of support for the actions and potential partners of regional lighthouse Project 1 Community transport (# of respondents).**

Comments provided on regional lighthouse project 1 included:

- 3 comments of support for all actions or actions 3-6.
- 2 comments questioning an east west community passenger network either before a review of the current Network, or a view that the current network and community bus service is sufficient
- A comment to not invest in bike tracks that don't get used. Support sport clubs instead.
- Other ideas including a community walking and running group, or a taxi service.

### 3.4.2 Project 2 - Mental health + suicide prevention

Most respondents support some (respondents) or all (6 respondents) of the actions and potential partners for regional lighthouse Project 2 Mental health + suicide prevention. 3 respondents were unsure. (Figure 4)



**Figure 4 - Level of support for the actions and potential partners of regional lighthouse Project 2 Mental health + suicide prevention (# of respondents).**

Comments provided on regional lighthouse project 2 included:

- 5 comments not in support of a mental health check in van due to concern that people may not attend due to stigma, or it not being available when they need it (ie. may just visit GP instead). Suggestions for a permanent space where people can catch up for “a cuppa”, or for information sharing and social inclusion programs.
- 2 comments to provide community spaces. One comment suggested these could be in each town and be supported by service providers and trained people to provide mental health support. Another suggested upskilling volunteers to provide support (plenty of online information and hubs already available).
- 1 comment suggesting to lobby for a Headspace satellite site and to co-design suicide prevention and alcohol and drug misuse programs.
- A comment not in support of rolling out Barossa Cares regionally.

### 3.4.3 Project 3 – Community participation

Most respondents support some or all of the actions and potential partners for regional lighthouse Project 3 Community participation (Figure 5Figure 4Figure 3).



**Figure 5 - Level of support for the actions and potential partners of regional lighthouse Project 3 Community participation (# of respondents).**

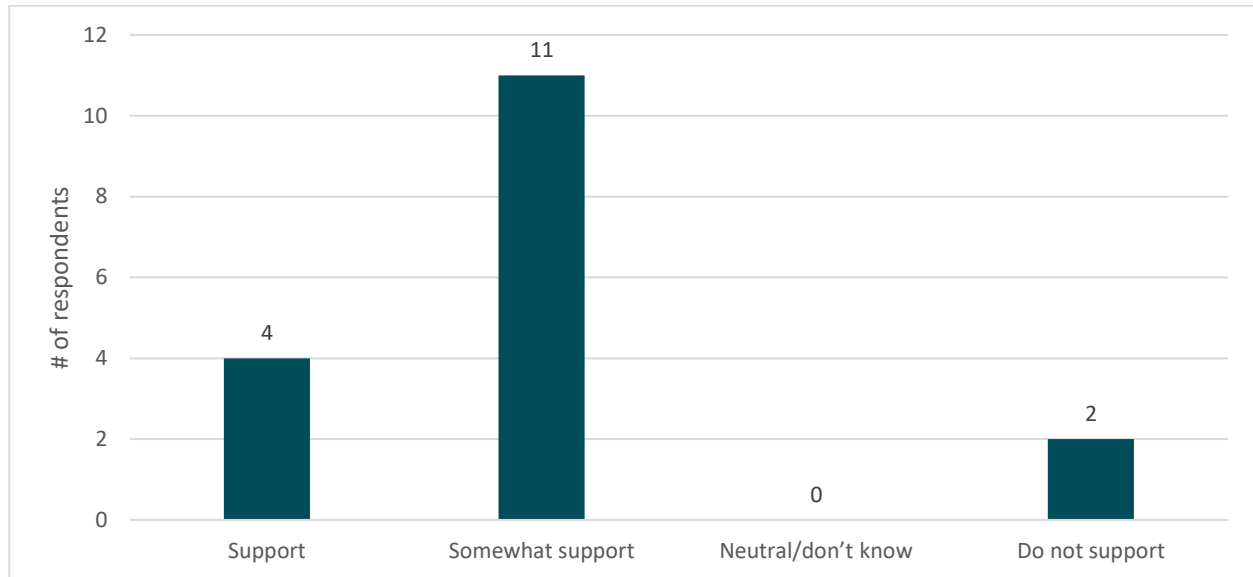
Comments provided on regional lighthouse project 3 included:

- A comment that community and public transport is needed to assist people to get to services also should consider adult literacy and childhood development.
- A comment to work with the Enhancing Barossa Mental Health Project steering committee, Barossa RDA (in consultation on location for the new hospital) and to include Wellbeing SA as a partner.
- A comment of support "fantastic idea!"
- A comment that need better support for the volunteers and community places that are already in place
- 2 comments that sport needs to be a priority including all abilities non-competitive programs
- A comment questioning whether a community centre could be done as part of the local health network
- A comment not supporting a regional volunteer program, or expansion of the youth space model
- A comment of support for the expansion of youth spaces.



### 3.5 Support for the draft plan as a whole

Most of the respondents (11 of 17) somewhat support the plan. 4 support the plan and 2 do not support the plan.



**Figure 6 - Level of support for the actions and potential partners of regional lighthouse Project 3 Community participation (# of respondents).**

Respondents were asked if they had any other feedback on the draft plan. comments included:

- desire for wider statistical valid sample of community across the region (eg door knocking) to better capture community need.
- desire for more focus on the development of the community (eg. Early Development, literacy, homelessness) and getting to the root causes of what is causing mental health issues etc.
- desire for a Mental Health Alliance with input from NGOs, Police, SAAS, service providers.
- desire for more detail. Only aspirational at the moment.
- the plan is mostly what Council would normally do in its role.

## Appendix A – Summary document



# Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Regional Public Health Plan (DRAFT)

The Councils of Adelaide Plains, Barossa, Gawler, and Light have prepared the draft Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Regional Public Health Plan and invite your feedback.

The draft plan has been developed using early input gathered from community and stakeholders in May 2021. It establishes three collaborative regional lighthouse projects to address the top regional challenges for public health in the Region.

This document provides a summary of the key directions of the draft plan. The full draft plan can be viewed at the website address below.

Public consultation is open until 5pm 7 March 2022 at [www.gawler.sa.gov.au/your-voice](http://www.gawler.sa.gov.au/your-voice)

## Top regional challenges

Encouraging healthy lifestyles

Access + inclusion

Improving mental health psychological stress

Youth engagement wellbeing

Supporting an ageing population

## Our regional lighthouse projects

REGIONAL PROJECT 1

Community transport, cycling + walking

REGIONAL PROJECT 2

Mental health + suicide prevention

REGIONAL PROJECT 3

Community participation project

## Regional 'lighthouse' project 1 - Community transport

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### Objective

To improve health and wellbeing and access to community destinations through targeted improvements to local walking and cycling routes

To improve transport to community centres and local services through exploring establishment of regional community passenger network and shared purchase and operation of a community bus

To advocate for improved public transport

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### Actions

- Map existing cycle and walking routes across the region and identify priority areas in each council to enhance connectivity, amenity, comfort and access for all ages and abilities
  - Design and implement improvements in each council including exploring government funding, regional signage and promotion, and community event partnerships
  - Undertake a feasibility study for the shared purchase of regional community transport bus and explore a model for shared use
  - Undertake a feasibility study for the establishment of an east-west passenger service to complement existing Community Passenger Networks in the region
  - Consider and implement recommendations
  - Develop a shared approach to strategically advocate for improved public transport
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### Potential Partners

Public Health Partner Authorities, Heart Foundation, Bike SA, Walking SA and local walking and cycling groups, Active Living Coalition, Disability advocacy or service providers, Community Passenger Networks in the region.

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## Regional 'lighthouse' project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention

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### Objective

To support positive mental health outcomes and help prevent suicide through providing information, connecting people with support and exploring the establishment of a mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region

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### Actions

- Deliver training to frontline council staff and volunteers to enable them to recognise people in mental or suicide distress and connect them with appropriate support
  - Determine a regional model for the provision of mental health support information in council centres
  - Explore expansion of the Barossa Cares online mental wellbeing hub across the region
  - Undertake a feasibility study for establishment of a shared mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region
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### Potential Partners

Public Health Partner Authorities, Premiers Council for Suicide Prevention, Suicide Prevention Networks in the region, Mental health support services

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## Regional 'lighthouse' project 3 - Community participation

### Objective

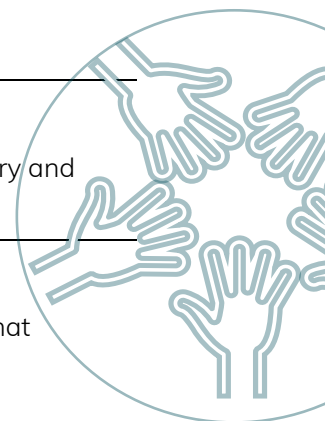
To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs

### Actions

- Explore establishing a regional volunteering, mentoring and work experience program that supports intergenerational learning and skills development
- Develop a model for the regional promotion of programs, facilities and services
- Establish a list of community resources (spaces, programs, people to assist, tools) available across the region
- Explore expansion of the Gawler Youth Space Model across the region to provide training and activities in satellite centres as well as sponsorship programs across the region
- Explore the feasibility of a new community "centre" being established based on need and partnership support (eg. shared women's shed program or a new community centre as part of the Local Health Network)

### Potential Partners

Public Health Partner Authorities, Community Centres SA, Volunteering SA, Aboriginal and multi-cultural groups and organisations



## Ongoing services, programs and plans

The focus of action for this plan is the three regional lighthouse projects. However, the plan acknowledges that each council will also continue to deliver its own ongoing services, programs and plans to address its unique situation

### Access and inclusion

- Disability Access and Inclusion Plans
- Reconciliation Action Plans
- Community transport services

### Drugs and Alcohol

- Local Drug Action Teams and Alcohol and Drug Foundation resources

### Recreation and sport

- Walking and cycling plans
- Recreation and open space plans and facilities

### Community participation

- Gawler Youth Space
- Community centres and libraries
- Community grants and programs
- Volunteer services

### Public health prevention and regulation

- Public health inspections and regulation
- COVID-19 response
- Animal management/pest control
- Local nuisance
- Immunisation

### Mental health

- Barossa Cares
- Suicide prevention networks

### Climate change and emergency management

- Climate Change Adaptation Plans
- Emergency Management Plans

### Ageing well

- Commonwealth Home Support Program
- Seniors Collaborative Action Project

### Planning and advocacy

- Planning policy and assessments to encourage new development that supports public health outcomes (eg. climate resilience and accessibility and affordability)
- Advocacy to State and Federal Governments for improved regional provision of health and transport services and social housing

## Appendix B – Online survey questions

## **HAVE YOUR SAY**

**The councils of Adelaide Plains, Barossa, Gawler, and Light have prepared the draft Barossa, Light and Lower Northern Region Regional Public Health Plan and invite your feedback.**

**The draft plan has been developed using early input gathered from community and stakeholders in May 2021.**

**The focus of action for the plan is three collaborative regional lighthouse projects to address the top challenges for public health in the Region. The plan acknowledges that each council will also continue to deliver its own ongoing services, programs and plans to address its unique situation.**

**This survey seeks your feedback on the draft plan's regional lighthouse projects as well as the plan as a whole. Content from the draft plan is provided within the survey to make it easier for you to provide feedback.**

**Consultation will close at 5pm 7 March 2022.**

**Thank you for providing your feedback.**

## ABOUT YOU

1. Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

Email Address

\* 2. Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

☐

No

☐

Yes (please specify)

\* 3. In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates? (tick all that apply):

☐

Adelaide Plains Council

☐

Barossa Council

☐

Town of Gawler

☐

Light Regional Council

☐

Other (please specify)



## FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

The plan establishes three regional lighthouse projects to address “top public health challenges” identified through research and engagement with community and stakeholders as the most significant for the region.

These projects do not intend to cover all of the council's roles and responsibilities but rather to focus on what is MOST pressing for the region.

The council's will continue to deliver/support areas such as libraries and community centres, public and environmental health regulation, immunisation, parks and recreation, volunteering, mental health, drug and substance use, Commonwealth Home Support Program, climate change and emergency management, development planning for social outcomes.

\* 4. Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neutral/ do not know	Do not agree
<b>Project 1 - Community transport</b>				
To improve health and wellbeing and access to community destinations through targeted improvements to local walking and cycling routes.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
To improve transport to community centres and local services through exploring establishment of regional community passenger network and shared purchase and operation of a community bus.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
To advocate for improved public transport.				
<b>Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention</b>				
To support positive mental health outcomes and help prevent suicide through providing information, connecting people with support and exploring the establishment of a mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<b>Project 3 - Community participation</b>				
To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

## FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

The draft plan proposes a series of actions and potential partners for each lighthouse project. This section will capture your feedback on the draft actions and partners for each project.

### Project 1 - Community transport

#### Actions

1. Map existing cycle and walking routes across the region and identify priority areas in each council to enhance connectivity, amenity, comfort and access for all ages and abilities
2. Design and implement improvements in each council including exploring government funding, regional signage and promotion, and community event partnerships
3. Undertake a feasibility study for the shared purchase of regional community transport bus and explore a model for shared use
4. Undertake a feasibility study for the establishment of an east-west passenger service to complement existing Community Passenger Networks in the region
5. Consider and implement recommendations
6. Develop a shared approach to strategically advocate for improved public transport

#### Potential partners

Public Health Partner Authorities, Heart Foundation, Bike SA, Walking SA and local walking and cycling groups, Active Living Coalition, Disability advocacy or service providers, Community Passenger Networks in the region.

\* 6. Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

- ☐ I support all actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I support some actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I am unsure about the actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I do not support any actions and partners for this project

7. If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

## Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention

### Actions

1. Deliver training to frontline council staff and volunteers to enable them to recognise people in mental or suicide distress and connect them with appropriate support
2. Determine a regional model for the provision of mental health support information in council centres
3. Explore expansion of the Barossa Cares online mental wellbeing hub across the region
4. Undertake a feasibility study for establishment of a shared mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region

### Potential partners

Public Health Partner Authorities, Premiers Council for Suicide Prevention, Suicide Prevention Networks in the region, Mental health support services

\* 8. Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

- ☐ I support all actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I support some actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I am unsure about the actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I do not support any actions and partners for this project

9. If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

## Project 3 - Community participation

### Actions

1. Explore establishing a regional volunteering, mentoring and work experience program that supports intergenerational learning and skills development
2. Develop a model for the regional promotion of programs, facilities and services
3. Establish a list of community resources (spaces, programs, people to assist, tools) available across the region
4. Explore expansion of the Gawler Youth Space Model across the region to provide training and activities in satellite centres as well as sponsorship programs across the region
5. Explore the feasibility of a new community "centre" being established based on need and partnership support (eg. shared women's shed program or a new community centre as part of the Local Health Network)

### Potential partners

Public Health Partner Authorities, Community Centres SA, Volunteering SA, Aboriginal and multi-cultural groups and organisations

\* 10. Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

- ☐ I support all actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I support some actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I am unsure about the actions and partners for this project
- ☐ I do not support any actions and partners for this project

11. If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

## FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

\* 12. How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

- ☐ Support
- ☐ Somewhat support
- ☐ Neutral/don't know
- ☐ Do not support

13. Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

**Thank you for providing your feedback. The councils will consider all the feedback received and will then prepare the final plan.**

## Appendix C – Verbatim online survey responses

#1

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

## Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

## Q2

No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

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## Q3

Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

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## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT &amp; OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

Project 1 - Community transport To improve health and wellbeing and access to community destinations through targeted improvements to local walking and cycling routes. To improve transport to community centres and local services through exploring establishment of regional community passenger network and shared purchase and operation of a community bus. To advocate for improved public transport. **Agree**

Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention To support positive mental health outcomes and help prevent suicide through providing information, connecting people with support and exploring the establishment of a mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region. **Agree**

Project 3 - Community participation To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs. **Agree**

**Q5**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS****Q6**

**I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q8**

**I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?



**Q9**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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## Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

Support

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

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#2

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Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1**

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

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**Q2**

No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

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**Q3**

Town of Gawler

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

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Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

Project 1 - Community transport To improve health and wellbeing and access to community destinations through targeted improvements to local walking and cycling routes. To improve transport to community centres and local services through exploring establishment of regional community passenger network and shared purchase and operation of a community bus. To advocate for improved public transport. **Agree**

Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention To support positive mental health outcomes and help prevent suicide through providing information, connecting people with support and exploring the establishment of a mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region. **Agree**

Project 3 - Community participation To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs. **Agree**

**Q5**

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

With an ageing population I think it is vital that better public transport options are available to the residents of the many small towns in the area. If people find themselves without access to private transport, for what ever reason, it can be very difficult to meet day to day activities such as attending medical appointments, paying bills or grocery shopping. Improving public transport is vital and I'm happy to see it as a priority project. Thank you.

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**Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS****Q6****I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7****Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q8****I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

Somewhat support

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

More detail would be useful. Aspirational only at the moment.

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

### Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

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### Q2

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

Yes (please specify):  
GBDG

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### Q3

Town of Gawler

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

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## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

Project 1 - Community transport To improve health and wellbeing and access to community destinations through targeted improvements to local walking and cycling routes. To improve transport to community centres and local services through exploring establishment of regional community passenger network and shared purchase and operation of a community bus. To advocate for improved public transport. **Somewhat agree**

Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention To support positive mental health outcomes and help prevent suicide through providing information, connecting people with support and exploring the establishment of a mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region. **Agree**

Project 3 - Community participation To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs. **Agree**

**Q5**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS****Q6**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q8**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

Support

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

As I work with young people to support lessening their anxiety I would like to know how the council is supporting the very young in our community who are dealing with anxiety, mental health and well being and how might the council be supporting Educational Settings in this capacity?

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## #4

INCOMPLETE

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

## Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

Email Address

## Q2

No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

## Q3

Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT &amp; OBJECTIVES

## Q4

Respondent skipped this question

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

## Q5

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

## Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS &amp; PARTNERS

## Q6

Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?



**Q7** Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10** Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11** Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12** Respondent skipped this question

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13** Respondent skipped this question

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

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Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1**

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

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**Q2**

No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

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**Q3**

Barossa Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

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Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

Project 1 - Community transport To improve health and wellbeing and access to community destinations through targeted improvements to local walking and cycling routes. To improve transport to community centres and local services through exploring establishment of regional community passenger network and shared purchase and operation of a community bus. To advocate for improved public transport.

**Somewhat agree**

Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention To support positive mental health outcomes and help prevent suicide through providing information, connecting people with support and exploring the establishment of a mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region.

**Neutral/ do not know**

Project 3 - Community participation To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs.

**Somewhat agree**

**Q5**

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

The decline of health services is appalling.

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**Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS****Q6**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q8**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

**Do not support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

I would have thought that most of this would be part of Councils normal role. If it isnt what are they doing ?

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#6

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1** Respondent skipped this question

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

**Q2** No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

**Q3** Town of Gawler

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT &amp; OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

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**Q5**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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#### Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

**Q6**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

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**Q7**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q8**

I am unsure about the actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

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**Q9**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10**

I support all actions and partners for this project

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**Q11**

Respondent skipped this question

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#### Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

**Respondent skipped this question**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan?  
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#7

COMPLETE

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

### Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

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### Q2

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

Yes (please specify):  
Barossa Council

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### Q3

Town of Gawler

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

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## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES



#### Q4

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

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#### Q5

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

This space is not sufficient to contribute meaningful feedback - I will email attention Gawler Council

### Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

#### Q6

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

#### Q7

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Sounds Positive - Some people really need assistance with transport.

#### Q8

**I am unsure about the actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Space provided in not sufficient for meaningful feedback - Consider a longer response for public consultation

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**Q10**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

The Youth Space Model should have strong ties to Project 2 and should also be aligned with state objectives such as employment to enable additional funding and practical offerings of support for young people.

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**Q12**

**Do not support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

Not enough space.

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#8

INCOMPLETE

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1** Respondent skipped this question

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

**Q2** No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

**Q3** Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT &amp; OBJECTIVES

**Q4** Respondent skipped this question

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

**Q5** Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

## Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS &amp; PARTNERS

**Q6** Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7** Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10** Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11** Respondent skipped this question

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Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12** Respondent skipped this question

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13** Respondent skipped this question

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

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#9

COMPLETE

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

### Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

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### Q2

No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

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### Q3

Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

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## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

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**Q5**

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Mental health - I feel that a mobile van would be a great idea. But there needs to be more of a permanent area or a safe place for young people / adults to attend. It has to be a warm non clinical environment. We need a space for people to come and have a safe place over a coffee / tea. There isn't much like this at all. I feel a lot of people in families/ elderly people need this.

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**Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS****Q6****I support some actions and partners for this project**

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**Q7**

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I feel a community based walking group / running group to include everyone in the community would be beneficial. A free group, free walk, free run. Promote more healthy active living that way. Fun day run day or something. There really isn't much that's includes healthy moving and the community for people. Young or elderly - make the community connection.

**Q8**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

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**Q9**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

People need some face to face help, sure online is easier but people are going through some tough times. The community needs a coffee morning or a group that's local every week. Not just a pop in van that's not enough. There could be a permanent place a safe place for all people.

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**Q10**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11**

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Kids in Other towns don't have access to Gawler youth space. What if there was a model created in other towns in the Light Regional areas? Etc. give a safe place to connect the youth

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**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

I think i wrote it all in the previous questions.

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#10

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Page 2: ABOUT YOU

Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

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Q2

No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

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Q3

Barossa Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

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Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES



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Schools being the place to create good relationships with food, in regards to encouraging healthy lifestyles. As a certified instructor it would be great to see more school doing such programs to educate children around food. Taking care of their bodies and knowing how to choose the right foods.

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**Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS****Q6****I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7****Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q8****I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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## Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

Support

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

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#11

COMPLETE

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1** Respondent skipped this question

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

**Q2** Yes (please specify):  
Light Regional Council

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

**Q3** Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT &amp; OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

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## Q5

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Y advocacy tpt, Y walk/cycle trails, No bus - B&L tpt, Y soc inclus activities NO van Y volunteer activation

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## Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

### Q6

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

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### Q7

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

NO to 3 & 4, Light has community bus + agreement Barossa Light Transport

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### Q8

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

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### Q9

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Do not agree with 3 or 4, refer failed Regional Youth Bus project. Must have community engagement or led by. Suggest info sharing + social inclusion programs

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### Q10

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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### Q11

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Do not agree with 1 - existing Volunteering Barossa Light, Not agree 4 - existing Library spaces, advocacy only for 5

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**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

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**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

Limited space to provide detailed feedback on specific Lighthouse projects.

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#12

COMPLETE

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1** Respondent skipped this question

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

**Q2** No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

**Q3** Barossa Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT &amp; OBJECTIVES

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**Q5**

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#### Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

**Q6**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

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**Q7**

Respondent skipped this question

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**Q8**

I support some actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

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**Q9**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q10**

I am unsure about the actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

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**Q11**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

nor sure how no 5 will be done with LHN

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#### Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

**Q13**

**Respondent skipped this question**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan?  
(optional)



# #13

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

### Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

### Q2

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

Yes (please specify):

A community member of LRC

### Q3

Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

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**Q5**

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I am disappointed that the LRC has above average population of youth, yet these are not strongly represented in this Plan. Youth activities are entirely lacking in our area, along with youth support (non religious). There is no link to sport in this Plan. Sport is very important for our youth, mental health, connectedness and wellbeing. The LRC needs to improve facilities in the area for youth participation. I do support the idea of a mobile mental health checkin van. There are plenty of "online" mental health options and hotlines etc, however often people like to connect with a human and ask questions. This has far better outcomes also.

## Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

**Q6**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q8**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Supporting volunteers in community is paramount. There is already PLENTY of online help, hubs, support lines etc. The people in the community need people to connect with.

**Q10**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

**Q11**

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There is plenty of online resources and access to information. The region needs support for the volunteers and community places already in place. Youth and sport need to be a high priority for our community. Development of All Abilities Programs (to enable less skilled youth) to participate in sport that is not competition orientated - be active, participate and connected to community.

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**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

**Q13**

**Respondent skipped this question**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

# #14

**Collector:** Web Link 1 (Web Link)  
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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

### Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

### Q2

No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

### Q3

Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

**Project 1 - Community transport** To improve health and wellbeing and access to community destinations through targeted improvements to local walking and cycling routes. To improve transport to community centres and local services through exploring establishment of regional community passenger network and shared purchase and operation of a community bus. To advocate for improved public transport.

**Do no agree**

**Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention** To support positive mental health outcomes and help prevent suicide through providing information, connecting people with support and exploring the establishment of a mobile mental health check-in van to visit towns across the region.

**Do no agree**

**Project 3 - Community participation** To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs.

**Somewhat agree**

**Q5**

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A van to "visit towns" and then leave again wouldn't do anything for long term mental illness, people all need the help at different times, the money would be better off building a site's locally and creating a sit people can visit and have a regular consultation with the same person. As for building a designated bike track, all you need to do is look at the millions of dollars the Barossa council spent on their track from Angaston to Gawler, now majority of it is barely used, not maintained and honestly is very much sub-par, the money would be better going through team sports helping children and adults build relationships and long term friends that can be kept for years to come

## Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

**Q6**

**I do not support any actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

As I stated earlier, sporting clubs are screaming for help with team sports suffering and numbers dwindling as costs continue to climb and it shows locals aren't interested in designated bike tracks as the Barossa one is barely used!

**Q8**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

The mobile van to come and go defeats the purpose, for the odd house visit I believe it's good, but people will all need mental health support at different times and would feel more comfortable opening up to a regular physician if they visited a medical site

**Q10**

**I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

**Q11**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Fantastic idea!

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**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

**Q13**

**Respondent skipped this question**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

# #15

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1** Respondent skipped this question

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

**Q2** Yes (please specify):  
Light Regional Council

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

**Q3** Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

**Q4** Respondent skipped this question

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

**Q5** Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

## Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

**Q6** Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

**Q7**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q8**

Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q10**

Respondent skipped this question

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

**Q11**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

Respondent skipped this question

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

**Q13**

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)



## #16

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1** Respondent skipped this question

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

**Q2** No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

**Q3** Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT &amp; OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

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Project 3 - Community participation To improve the wellbeing and capacity of people of all ages and abilities through the delivery and promotion of regional community participation programs. **Somewhat agree**

## Q5

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Think you are missing the way local sporting clubs and recreation clubs can support health and well-being. The sense of belonging and connection that come from being involved in a local sporting club is quite powerful. If we supported clubs more to provide services it would be beneficial to the wider community.especially

## Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

### Q6

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

### Q7

**Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

### Q8

**I am unsure about the actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

### Q9

**Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

### Q10

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

### Q11

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Think you should consider the role of sporting and recreational clubs

## Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

**Q13**

**Respondent skipped this question**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan?  
(optional)

#17

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

### Q1

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

### Q2

No

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

### Q3

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

Barossa Council,  
Town of Gawler,  
Light Regional Council

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

#### Q4

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

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#### Q5

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

I believe the Light Council area has been missed in terms of grants for sport facilities. Specifically, the Greenock Cricket Club needs assistance to improve facilities like neighbouring towns have in recent years

### Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

#### Q6

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

#### Q7

**Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

#### Q8

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

**Q10**

I support all actions and partners for this project

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

**Q11**

Respondent skipped this question

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

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**Q12**

Support

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

**Q13**

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

#18

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Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1**

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

**Q2**

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

Yes (please specify):

Enhancing Barossa Mental Health Project, Steps to Better Health, Barossa Council's community connector project

**Q3**

**Barossa Council**

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT & OBJECTIVES

#### Q4

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#### Q5

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

I think identifying a social inclusion space in the towns to improve connections. Some improvements to public building infrastructure

### Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

#### Q6 **I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

#### Q7

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Taxi service providers

#### Q8 **I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?



**Q9**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

community spaces for people to connect, eg identify suitable buildings in each town. Involve GPs and PHN, COBH, Train peer support workers to provide support for psychosocial issues. Lobby for a Headspace satellite centre in the Barossa out of Edinburgh North. Co-design community responses to suicide prevention, alcohol and other drugs and mental health to address these issues and create a community response. Have a trial site eg Angaston Library

**Q10**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

**Q11**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Involve the Enhancing Barossa Mental Health Project steering committee, they have engaged a consultant to address these issues and so collaborating with them (I am chair of the committee), RDA Barossa is gathering data, the New Barossa Hospital is undergoing community consultation and feedback needs to be given to them. Identifying the land for the new Hospital is very important. I think wellbeing SA can be included.

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**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

I think consider creating an Mental Health Alliance with input from NGOs, Police, SAAS, service providers

## #19

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## Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1** Respondent skipped this question

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

**Q2** Yes (please specify):  
Light Regional Council

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

**Q3** Light Regional Council

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

## Page 3: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT &amp; OBJECTIVES

**Q4**

Do you agree that these are the right regional lighthouse projects for the region?

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## Q5

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Accessibility to services, particularly those areas that do not have access to public transport, is very important. This would help so many other areas of their lives. We are fortunate to have fantastic recreation services in our region, so am less supportive for funds being spent on local walking and cycling routes, and more towards accessible (disability and financial) transport.

## Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

## Q6

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

## Q7

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Would support actions 3 to 6 (think points 1-2 should be lower on the priority list - at this point in time).

## Q8

**I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

## Q9

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

I am concerned about the shared mobile mental health check in van idea. Although the idea/concept sounds great, realistically are people going to attend a 'mental health' van given the stigma attached (although this could help reduce the stigma). Sometimes people would actually prefer something more discrete or subtle.

## Q10

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

## Q11

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

I am concerned whether some of these satellite services will be accessible with the lack of community/public transport and rising fuel costs. I think there is also the need to look at Adult Literacy and childhood development concerns that may feed this larger issue.

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**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?

**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

I think there needs to be more of a focus on the development of the community (eg. Early Development, literacy, homelessness) and getting to the root causes of what is causing mental health issues etc. On another note, the comments section of the survey was not the easiest to use as you would have to keep scrolling back to see what you had written at the beginning. Also need to consider about how it can be made more accessible to those who may have literacy concerns, living with a disability, or those that really need the assistance that can be provided depending on how the plan is introduced.

#20

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Page 2: ABOUT YOU

**Q1**

Please provide your name and email address if you wish to be kept informed about this project

Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

**Q2**

Are you a member of a stakeholder group or organisation?

Yes (please specify):  
The Barossa Council

**Q3**

In which council areas do you live, work, or pay rates?  
(tick all that apply):

**Barossa Council,**  
**Town of Gawler**

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#### Q4

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#### Q5

If you would like to comment on any of the projects, have indicated that you do not support some, or think something is missing, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

A mental health bus will not address the real need in the regio. What os needed is engagement with people with lived experience so councils can advocate to govts for the models of mental health service delivery that are needed. A community driven project is currently doing this in the Barossa so roll it out region-wide. Also, The Barossa Council's Community Connector program is an evidence based model of early 'intervention' that prevents people from reaching mental health crisis. Roll it our region-wide and save \$. A bus will need to be staffed by a professional psych (if you can find one!) and will cost a lot of money.

#### Page 4: FEEDBACK ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT ACTIONS & PARTNERS

#### Q6

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 1 - Community transport?

#### Q7

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 1, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Rathe than another CPN, undertake a review regarding the effectiveness of the existing.

**Q8**

**I support some actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners Project 2 – Mental health + suicide prevention?

**Q9**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 2, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

See my previous comments about the mental health bus concept. Providing mental health services is not core business for councils. There are currently 2 initiatives in the Barossa Council area that could be rolled out region-wide. Evidence based preventative model - Community Connector - and Enhancing Barossa's Mental Health project that will engage with people with lived experience of mental health issues and current system.

**Q10**

**I support all actions and partners for this project**

Do you support the proposed actions and partners for Project 3 - Community participation?

**Q11**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If you would like to comment on any of the actions or partners for Project 3, or have indicated that you do not support some, please help us to improve the plan by commenting below (optional)

Page 5: FEED BACK ON THE PLAN AS A WHOLE

**Q12**

**Somewhat support**

How strongly do you support the draft Regional Public Health Plan as a whole?


**Q13**

Do you have any other feedback about the draft plan? (optional)

The community engagement methods employed did not adequately capture the needs of residents. A door-to door survey of a statistically valid sample across the region would have garnered a much better picture of need. The Barossa's Healthy Towns project involved a survey of 602 residents using a questionnaire of 19 social determinants of health. Residents were very willing to participate and were pleasantly surprised that council was interested in their health and wellbeing. This data could then be presented to stakeholders for analysis and response.





 <b>Adelaide Plains Council</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates</b>
	<b>Department:</b>  <b>Report Author:</b>	<b>Finance and Business</b>  <b>General Manager – Finance and Business</b>
<b>Date:</b> <b>11 July 2022</b>	<b>Document Ref:</b>	<b>D22/23284</b>

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- The purpose of this report is to provide for Council's consideration a proposed 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan (ABP) and Budget (presented as **Attachment 1** to this Report) for adoption, and to provide various proposed rates and charges needed to fund Council's 2022/2023 annual budget for declaration.
- At its April 2022 meeting, Council resolved that the draft ABP and Budget be released for public consultation. It forecasts:
  - an operating deficit of \$1.199m;
  - Capital Project budget of \$8,069m;
  - Average rate increase of 3.25%;
  - Fixed charge increase of 10% to \$123.20; and
  - Increase in number of properties of 1.61%.
- During the public consultation period, Council didn't receive any submission on the draft ABP and Budget. However, there was a late submission from Two Wells Football and Netball Club (presented as **Attachment 2** to this Report).
- Since the release of draft ABP and budget, Council have received several updates on growth within the district from Valuer-General. Based on last valuation data as of 30 June 2022, growth in number of rateable properties is 2.60% and expected to generate an additional rates income of \$0.179m compared to 2021/2022 Financial Year.
- In addition, depreciation expense has been revised up by \$0.184m due to expected increase in unit rates used in the valuation of fixed assets as a result of higher inflation.
- Budget changes post-public consultation are summarised in **Table 1** and the updated operating deficit \$1.029m (**Table 4**).
- Updated new loan borrowings (**Table 7**) are estimated at \$4.473m.

## **RECOMMENDATION 1 – Adoption of Annual Business Plan**

**“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – *Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023*, dated 11 July 2022:**

- 1. for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, pursuant to Section 123 of the Local Government Act 1999 and Regulation 6 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*, having considered all submissions in accordance with Section 123(6) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, adopts the Annual Business Plan as presented in Attachment 1 (subject to minor editorial changes which the Chief Executive Officer is authorised to make); and**
- 2. authorises and directs the Chief Executive Officer to prepare an abridged or summary version of the Annual Business Plan for distribution to the ratepayers with the first quarterly rate notice.”**

## **RECOMMENDATION 2 – Adoption of Budget**

**“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – *Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023*, dated 11 July 2022:**

- 1. in accordance with section 123(7) of the Local Government Act 1999 and Regulation 7 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 having considered the budget in conjunction with, and having determined it to be consistent with, Council’s adopted Annual Business Plan, adopts the budget for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023 comprising;**
  - a) Budgeted Income Statement;**
  - b) Budgeted Balance Sheet;**
  - c) Budgeted Cash Flow Statement;**
  - d) Budgeted Statement of Changes in Equity;**
  - e) Budgeted Uniform Presentation of Finances; and**
  - f) Statement of Financial Indicators**

**involving –**

- (1) an estimated operating expenditure of \$15,056,055 inclusive of an estimated depreciation expense of \$3,143,581;**
- (2) an estimated operating income from sources other than rates of \$2,910,815; and;**
- (3) a total amount required to be raised from rates of \$12,160,217 comprising –**

<b>General rate</b>	<b>\$10,998,965</b>
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**Annual Services Charges:**

- |  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| • Kerbside Waste Collection                        | <b>\$ 701,937</b> |
| • Community Wastewater Management Systems Disposal | <b>\$ 262,452</b> |

<b>Northern and Yorke Regional Landscape Levy</b>	<b>\$ 196,863</b>
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**(and subject to necessary modifications to give effect to the amendments to the Annual Business Plan outlined above (if any)).”**

### **RECOMMENDATION 3 – Adoption of Valuation**

***“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023, dated 11 July 2022 for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, pursuant to Section 167(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, adopts the most recent valuations of the Valuer-General of South Australia that are available to the Council of the capital value of land in the Council area for rating purposes and that will govern the assessment of rates in the Council area for the financial year commencing 1 July 2022, and totalling \$2,445,058,340, of which \$2,415,462,421 relates to the valuations for rateable land.”***

### **RECOMMENDATION 4 – Declaration of General Rates**

***“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023, dated 11 July 2022, for the financial year ending 30 June 2023, having taken into account the general principles of rating outlined in section 150 of the Local Government Act 1999 and the requirements of sections 151, 152 and 153(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, and pursuant to sections 153(1)(b) and 156(1)(a) of the Act, declares general rates consisting of two components, the first being a fixed charge (to be specified in a subsequent resolution), and the second being a differential rate based on the capital value of rateable land varying according to the land use category as provided for in Regulation 14 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2013:***

- on all rateable land attributed Land Use Category (a) – Residential, a rate of 0.440940 cents in the dollar;
- on all rateable land attributed Land Use Category (b) – Commercial Shop, Land Use Category (c) – Commercial Office, Land Use Category (d) – Commercial Other, Land Use Category (e) – Industry Light, and Land Use Category (f) – Industry Other a rate of 0.573182 cents in the dollar;
- on all rateable land attributed Land Use Category (g) – Primary Production, a rate of 0.400865 cents in the dollar; and
- on all rateable land attributed Land Use Category (h) – Vacant Land and Land Use Category (i) - Other, a rate of 0.440940 cents in the dollar.”

### **RECOMMENDATION 5 – Adoption of Fixed Charge**

***“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023, dated 11 July 2022 pursuant to Sections 151 and 152(1)(c) of the Local Government Act 1999, for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, sets the fixed charge component of the general rate of \$123.20 on all rateable land within its area.”***

### **RECOMMENDATION 6 – Application of Rate Capping**

***“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023, dated 11 July 2022 determines not to fix a maximum increase in the general rate to be charged on rateable land within its area that constitutes the principal place of residence of a principal ratepayer in accordance with Section 153(3) of the Local Government Act 1999 for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023.”***

## **RECOMMENDATION 7 – Community Wastewater Management Scheme (CWMS)**

### **Annual Service Charge**

“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – *Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023*, dated 11 July 2022, for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, pursuant to Section 155 of the Local Government Act 1999, imposes the following annual service charges based on the nature of the service on each assessment in respect of all land, whether vacant or occupied, to which the Council provides or makes available the prescribed service of the collection, treatment or disposal of waste as part of a Community Wastewater Management Scheme (CWMS) service.

CWMS Service	Annual Service Charge (\$)
Middle Beach – Large Tank	456
Middle Beach – Small Tank	456
Mallala	692.”

## **RECOMMENDATION 8 – Kerbside Waste Collection Annual Service Charge**

“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – *Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023*, dated 11 July 2022, for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023:

1. pursuant to Section 155 of the Local Government Act 1999, imposes an annual service charge of \$172.00 per assessment in respect of all land, except for vacant land, to which Council provides or makes available the prescribed service of kerbside waste collection 3-bin service, within the townships of Mallala, Two Wells and Dublin.
2. invites ratepayers of properties attributed with the land use category of Commercial Shop, Commercial Office, Commercial Other, Industry Light, and Industry Other within the townships of Mallala, Two Wells and Dublin to apply to have the mandatory waste levy rebated provided they supply written documentation to the council detailing how they will dispose of their waste in an environmentally sustainable manner.
3. pursuant to Section 155 of the Local Government Act 1999, imposes an annual service charge of \$172.00 per assessment in respect of all land, except for vacant land, to which Council provides the prescribed service of kerbside waste collection 2-bin service, outside the townships of Mallala, Two Wells and Dublin upon the (existing or future) application to participate in such service by the ratepayer on the basis that the sliding scale provided for in Regulation 13 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2013 will apply to reduce the service charge payable, as prescribed.
4. pursuant to Section 188(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999, imposes following fees and charges for additional bin services:

Additional Bin Service	Fees & Charges (\$)
Additional Organic Bin	80.00
Additional Recycle Bin	55.00
Additional General Waste Bin	89.00”

## **RECOMMENDATION 9 – Regional Landscape Levy**

“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – *Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023, dated 11 July 2022*, for the financial year ending 30 June 2023 in exercise of the powers contained in the Landscape South Australia Act 2019, and Section 154 of the Local Government Act 1999, and in order to reimburse the Council for the amount contributed to the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board, being \$196,863, declares a separate rate of 0.008204 cents in the dollar of the capital value of land, in respect of all rateable land in the Council’s area and in the area of that Board the capital value of such land totalling \$2,399,509,958”.

## **RECOMMENDATION 10 – Rebate of General Rates**

“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – *Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023, dated 11 July 2022*:

1. pursuant to and in accordance with Sections 161 (community services) of the Local Government Act 1999, grants a rebate of 75% of the rates imposed for the year ending 30 June 2023 on the following assessments:

Assessment No	Organisation
13144	Junction Australia
48181	Junction Australia
48199	Junction Australia

2. pursuant to and in accordance with Section 165 (educational purposes) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, grants a rebate of 75% of the rates imposed for the year ending 30 June 2023 on the assessment 58347 (Xavier College, Two Wells);
3. pursuant to and in accordance with Sections 162 (religious purposes), 163 (public cemeteries) and Section 165 (educational purposes) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, grants a rebate of 100% of the rates imposed for the year ending 30 June 2023 on the following assessments:

Assessment No	Organisation	Section of the LGA Act 1999
12948	Uniting Church Cemetery, Lewiston	163
20164	Catholic Cemetery, Mallala	163
20180	Grace Plains Cemetery	163
20230	Barabba Cemetery	163
20495	Mallala Cemetery	163
30387	Dublin Cemetery	163
40295	Two Wells Cemetery	163
41855	Shannon Cemetery (Calomba)	163
20099	Anglican Church, Mallala	162
20123	Catholic Church Mallala	162

20149	Uniting Church Mallala	162
36947	Catholic Church Two Wells	162
40303	Uniting Church Two Wells - Church/Sunday School	162
40378	Anglican Church Two Wells	162
43125	Catholic Church Endowment Society – Church Hall	162
43133	Catholic Church Endowment Society – Church Land	162
43158	Catholic Church Endowment Society – Car Park	162
13037	Mallala Primary School	165
40410	Two Wells Primary School	165
40675	University of Adelaide Storage Shed	165
41798	Mallala Primary School	165
44057	Two Wells Community Children Centre-Kindergarten	165

4. for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, in accordance with the discretionary powers given to Council under Section 166(1)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999* in relation to the granting of rates rebates, grants a discretionary rebate of 100% of the rates imposed on the following rateable assessments (represented by their assessment number) to enable the preservation of buildings or places of historic significance:

Assessment No	Organisation
20206	Moquet Le
30395	Windsor Institute
30486	Long Plains Memorial Hall

5. for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, in accordance with the discretionary powers given to Council under Section 166(1)(h) of the *Local Government Act 1999* in relation to the granting of rates rebates, grants a discretionary rebate of 100% of the rates imposed on the following rateable assessments (represented by their assessment number) on the basis that the land is being used to provide accommodation for aged persons:

Assessment No	Organisation
20081	Adelaide Plains Council - Unit 1
47662	Adelaide Plains Council - Chivell Street Unit
47944	Adelaide Plains Council - Unit 2
47951	Adelaide Plains Council - Unit 3
47969	Adelaide Plains Council - Unit 4
47977	Adelaide Plains Council - Unit 5
47985	Adelaide Plains Council - Unit 6
47993	Adelaide Plains Council - Unit 7

6. for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, in accordance with the discretionary powers given to Council under Section 166(1)(j) of the Local Government Act 1999 in relation to the granting of rates rebates, grants a discretionary rebate of 100% of the rates imposed on the following rateable assessments (represented by their assessment number) on the basis that the land is being used by an organisation which, in the opinion of the Council, provides a benefit or service to the local community:

Assessment No	Organisation
1784	Two Wells Golf Club
12922	Adelaide Plains Equestrian Club Inc
12971	Two Wells Pony Club
13722	Mallala Bowling Club
20263	Redbank Community Hall
20271	Mallala Netball Club
20289	Mallala Netball Club
20362	St John Ambulance Service Inc
21576	Adelaide Pistol Club
22350	SA Sport Parachute Club (Club House only)
23689	SA Rifle Association Incorporated
29207	Port Parham Social Club
30510	Long Plains Recreation Oval
30833	Dublin Cricket Club
38935	United Pistol & Shooting Club
40337	Two Wells Football Club
40345	Two Wells Community Centre
40386	Two Wells Bowling Club
40451	Two Wells Golf Club
40543	Two Wells Trotting Trainers and Owners Association
40550	Adelaide Plains Dog and Obedience Club
43059	Mallala Football Club
43067	Mallala RSL Club
43190	Mallala CWA
43117	Mallala Tennis Club
46268	SA Rifle Association Incorporated
56150	Two Wells RSL
56192	Mallala Men's Shed

7. for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, in accordance with the discretionary powers given to Council under Section 166(1) (c) and (j) of the Local Government Act 1999, grants a 100% discretionary rebate of CWMS Annual Service charges imposed on the following properties described as:

Assessment No	Organisation	Cost of Rebate
20099	Anglican Church, Mallala	692
13003	Mallala Oval Ablution Block	1,384
16055	Council Chamber, Mallala	692
20073	Council Depot, Mallala	2,422
20313	Council Office, Mallala	1,384
20370	Mallala Museum	692

8. determines that the costs of the discretionary rebates of Mallala CWMS Annual Service charges granted above be funded from Council's general revenue (as distinct from the users of the service).
9. for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, in accordance with the discretionary powers given to Council under Section 166(1)(j) of the Local Government Act 1999 in relation to the granting of rates rebates, grants a discretionary rebate of 100% of the annual waste levy charge to the following community groups and Council properties for the 2022/2023 Financial Year:

Property Description	Weekly		Fortnightly	
	240L Waste	140L Waste	240L Recycle	240L Organic
<b>Mallala</b>				
(1) Mallala Bowling Club, Joseph Street	-	1	1	1
(2) Mallala Institute, Dublin Road	-	1	1	-
(3) Council Office, Redbanks Road	-	3	3	1
(4) Council Depot, Aerodrome Road	-	4	4	-
(5) Uniting Church	-	1	1	-
(6) Mallala Oval Grandstand	9	2	2	-
(7) Mallala Oval - Secretary Building - RSL	3	-	-	-
(8) Mallala Lions Club Camp Ground	4	-	-	-
(9) Catholic Church	-	1	1	-
(10) Mallala CWA	-	1	1	-
(11) Mallala CFS	-	1	1	-
(12) Mallala Men's Shed	-	1	1	1
(13) Mallala Museum	-	1	1	1



**Two Wells**

(1) Bowling Club, Old Port Wakefield Road	1	-	1	-
(2) Library, Old Port Wakefield Road	2	2	2	-
(3) RSL ,Old Port Wakefield Road	-	2	1	1
(4) Council Office, Old Port Wakefield Road	-	2	2	1
(5) Two Wells CFS	-	1	1	-
(6) Community Centre	5	-	-	-
(7) Club Rooms	12	-	-	-
(8) Dog Pound, Wells Road	-	1	1	-
(9) Uniting Church	-	1	1	-
(10) Catholic Church Society - Car Park	-	1	1	-
(11) Two Wells, Craft Shop	-	3	1	-
(12) Two Wells Golf Club	-	1	1	-

**Dublin**

(1) Dublin Institute, First Street	-	2	1	-
(2) CFS, First Street	-	2	2	-

**Thompson Beach**

(1) The Shed, Ruskin Road	-	1	1	-
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**Long Plains**

(1) Long Plains Hall	1	1	1	-
(2) Oval - Behind and in front of Club Rooms	10	-	-	-
(3) Oval - Netball Club Rooms	2	-	4	-

**Parham**

(1) Parham Sports and Social Club	7	6	-	-
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<b>Total Community and Council Bins</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>6</b>
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10. determines that the costs of the discretionary rebate of Annual Waste Levy charges granted above be funded from Council's general revenue (as distinct from the users of the service)."

## **RECOMMENDATION 11 – Due Dates for Payment of Rates**

***“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023, dated 11 July 2022:***

1. pursuant to section 181(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, resolves that rates and charges imposed in respect of the Financial Year ending 30 June 2023, shall be payable in four equal or approximately equal instalments, such instalments being due and payable by:
  - a) Friday, 2 September 2022 (first instalment)
  - b) Friday, 2 December, 2022 (second instalment)
  - c) Friday, 3 March, 2023 (third instalment) and
  - d) Friday, 2 June, 2023 (final instalment)
2. in exercise of the powers contained in section 44 of the Local Government Act 1999, delegates this 11th day of July 2022 to the Chief Executive Officer of the Council the power pursuant to Section 181(4)(b) (including, to avoid doubt, the power in Section 181(7a)) of the Local Government Act 1999 to agree with a Principal Ratepayer that rates will be payable in such instalments falling due on such days as may be specified in the agreement (and in that event that ratepayer’s rates will thereby be payable accordingly).”

## **RECOMMENDATION 12 – Loan Borrowings**

***“that Council, having considered Item 4.2 – Adoption of 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and Declaration of Rates for 2022/2023, dated 11 July 2022:***

1. pursuant to the provisions of Sections 134 and 135 of the Local Government Act 1999, resolves that the Council shall borrow by means of Convertible Cash Advance Debenture Loan, on the security of the general rate revenue of the Council, an amount up to the sum of \$4,473,000 from the Local Government Finance Authority of South Australia on a floating variable/fixed rate for a maximum period of fifteen (15) years, the purpose of which is to finance Council’s operations including its capital works programs; and
2. pursuant to Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1999, authorises the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer to execute under the Common Seal of Council, documentation associated with the aforementioned loan borrowing facility.”

## **BUDGET IMPACT**

Estimated Cost:	\$1.029m (operating deficit)
Future ongoing operating costs:	Interest expenses of \$0.072m associated with new borrowings
Is this Budgeted?	Yes (In the draft budget estimates)

## **RISK ASSESSMENT**

Council's main source of revenue is general rates which accounts for 74% of total income. Therefore, if the Council does not generate sufficient income, particularly, rate income, to meet its planned activities, it will not be able to service its payment obligations on time (liquidity/credit risk) without borrowing (financial risk) more money.

Council's overdue rates balance is \$0.920m as of 30 June 2022, a reduction of 12% when compared to the overdue rates balance of \$1.050m on 30 June 2021.

Any potential increase in overdue rates poses a liquidity risk for the Council which may need to be funded via short-term borrowings.

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## **Attachments**

1. Draft 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget - Under Separate Cover
2. Submission received from Two Wells Football and Netball Club

## **DETAILED REPORT**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is for Council to:

1. Consider the proposed 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget and its adoption; and
2. Declare various rates and charges needed to fund Council's 2022/2023 annual budget.

### **Background/History**

#### Legislative requirement on public consultation

*The Local Government Act 1999 (the Act), the Local Government (General) Regulations 2013 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 determine the manner in which Council must adopt its Annual Business Plan and Budget and declare the annual rate.*

Pursuant to Section 123 of the Act, Council is required to adopt both the Annual Business Plan (**ABP**) and Annual Budget after 31 May, but before 15 August each year. Before Council can adopt the ABP, it is required to undertake a public consultation process that, as a minimum, meets the requirements of section 123(4) of the Act.

Pursuant to Section 123 (6) of the Act, a council may then, after considering-

- (a) any submission made to the council during the public consultation period; and*
- (b) any new or revised information in the possession of the council that is relevant to the material contained in the draft annual business plan; and*
- (c) such other materials or information as the council thinks fit,*

*adopt its annual business plan (with or without amendment).*

#### Public Consultation

The public consultation period commenced on Wednesday 4 May 2022 and concluded at 5pm on Friday 29 May 2022 and public notice was delivered in accordance with the Act and Council's *Public Consultation Policy*.

During this time, Council didn't receive any submission on the draft ABP and Budget. However, there was a late submission from Two Wells Football and Netball Club (the Club) which was presented to the Audit Committee meeting held on 6 June 2022. This submission is mainly about the Club's priorities around Two Wells Football & Netball Sporting precinct and seek assistance from the Council to deliver those priorities. That submission is included as **Attachment 2** to this report.

### Legislative requirement on post-public consultation changes to the draft budget

With regard to changes made to the draft budget after public consultation, Section 123 (6a) of the Act states as follows:

*(6a) However, if a council proposes to adopt an annual business plan with amendments, the council must include in the adopted business plan a statement—*

*(a) setting out any significant amendments from the draft annual business plan; and*

*(b) providing reasons for those amendments*

### Adoption of valuation

As part of the annual budgetary process is for Council to adopt, pursuant to Section 167 of the Local Government Act 1999, the most recent valuations available to the Council at the time that the Council adopts its budget under the Act. The adopted valuation will govern the assessment of rates for that financial year. Accordingly, this report has been prepared based on valuation information as of 30 June 2022 from the Valuer General.

At the Audit Committee Meeting on 6 June 2022, the Committee adopted the following resolution:-

#### **6.1 Draft 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget**

##### **Committee Resolution**

Moved Mayor Wasley Seconded Deputy Mayor Strudwicke **2022/ 030**

***“that the Audit Committee, having considered Item 6.1 – Draft 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget, dated 6 June 2022, receives and notes the report and in doing so recommends to Council that the following items be considered when finalising the 2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget:-***

- 1. Updated final valuation reports from the Valuer General;***
- 2. The most appropriate level of rates income, noting the recent and significant inflationary increases in the costs of goods and services; and***
- 3. That rates income attributed to development growth be treated as additional income when calculating the rate in the dollar.”***

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## Discussion

### Budget Changes Post Public Consultation

Since the public consultation, following budget adjustments have been made with a favourable net impact of \$0.170m. As a result, operating deficit has been reduced from \$1.199m to \$1.029m post-public consultation.

**Table 1 – Change to the Draft Budget Post Public Consultation (\$)**

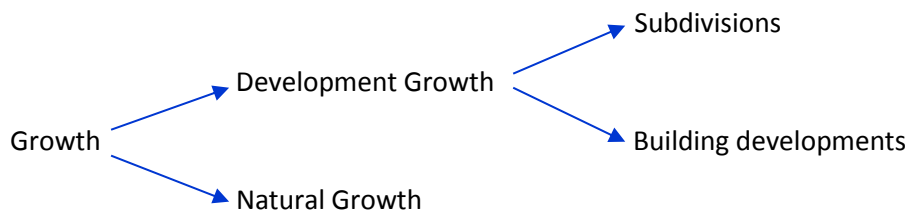
Budget Change	Amount
Increase in rates income following valuation update from Valuer-General which resulted in the increase of average rates from 3.25% to 6.22% due to significant development growth.	(408,335)
Expected income from dog registration fees has been increased by 7% following Council decision April 2022 to increase dog registration fees.	(23,000)
Removal of an Operating Project due to it's being already included in recurrent budget	(15,000)
Increase in income from Kerbside Waste Collection Charge due to increase in applications for new services.	(9,406)
Budgeted income from expiations has been increased in line with current year actual income.	(5,000)
Depreciation expense has been increased following unit rates updates as of 1 July 2021 and expected increase in unit rates on 1 July 2022 due to higher inflation.	183,636
Cost of the LG Election in November 2022 has been increased from \$40,000 to \$60,000, following costing update from the Election Commission.	20,000
Increase costs in materials, contracts and other expenses.	87,566
<b>Total Budget Changes</b>	<b>(169,539)</b>

### Rates Modelling – Property Valuation

Over the last 2 years, Council have allocated additional labour resources (2 FTEs) to the planning department with an annual cost of \$0.170m approximately to meet increase in demand for planning and building applications. This in turn has resulted in a very significant increase in development growth within APC in the current year based on the last valuation update from the VG.

## Growth as per Valuer-General

Various element of growth as defined by VG are summarised in the below diagram.



The development growth is broken into two elements of;

- a) Subdivisions
- b) Building development.

Subdivisions growth is the change in valuations due to new subdivisions/assessments and cancelled assessments.

Building development growth is the change in valuations resulting from developments activities occurred in existing assessments such as constructing a house in a vacant land or adding a garage/a shed to an existing house.

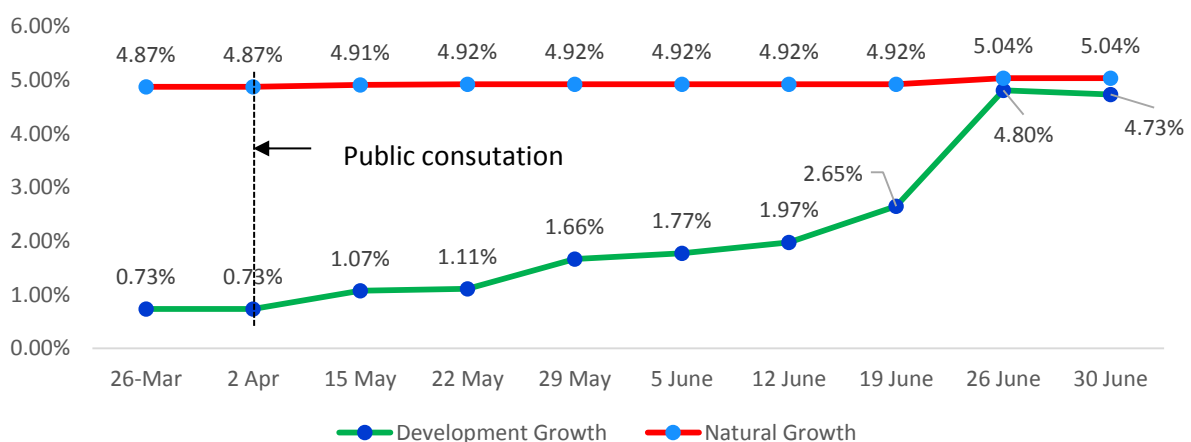
Natural growth is the change in valuations due to reasons other than development growth such as change in market price movements.

Council conducted public consultation of its draft 2022/2023 ABP and Budget, based on;

- a) property valuation data as of 2 April 2022;
- b) increase in fixed charge by 10%; and
- c) a reduction in rate in the \$ by 1.07%.

However, as shown in the below graph, since public consultation development growth has increased considerably while natural growth has moved upwards slightly.

**Figure 1: Weekly movement of Development and Natural Growth of Property Valuations**



### Growth as per Regulations

In addition to the definition of growth by VG, growth is also defined (in the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* as a result of Local Government Reform changes) as where new properties have been created which has added rateable properties to council's ratepayer base.

An extract from the last property valuation data (as of 30 June 2022) issued by the VG is given below in **Table 2** in comparison to similar information at the end of previous two (2) financial years.

**Table 2: An Extract from latest valuation data from the VG**

Description	2022	2021	2020
Increase in number of properties through sub-division	146	257	173
Sub-Division Growth (valuation increase) - \$'Mn	29	39	24
Building Development Growth (valuation increase) - \$'Mn	76	27	54
Total Development Growth - \$'Mn	105	66	78
<i>Total Development Growth - %</i>	<i>4.73</i>	<i>3.20</i>	<i>2.04</i>
Increase in Rates income due to Subdivisions Growth - \$'Mn	0.179	0.256	0.197
Increase in Rates income due to Subdivision Growth- %	1.77	2.67	2.15
Natural Growth (valuation increases due to reasons other than dev.) - %	5.04	4.46	1.86

Compared to two (2) previous years, this year, building development growth has recorded very substantial increase which if adopted by the Council will result in significant increase in rates for those properties only. Therefore, although **Table 5** below shows an average rate increase of 6.22%, this is not applicable to majority of properties across the Council district.

### Updated average rate

As a result of the significant increase in development growth, based on 10% increase in fixed charge and 1.07% decrease in rate in the \$, the average rate for all rateable properties is expected to increase from \$1,848 to \$1,963 per property, an increase of \$115 or 6.22%. Total rates income is expected to increase by 9% to \$10.999m.

However, it should be noted that average rates are based on the total of all rateable properties and are therefore not necessarily indicative of either the rate or change in rates that all ratepayers actually will experience.



**Table 3: Average Existing Rates (Inclusive of building developments on existing properties)**

Land Use	Total expected revenue (\$)			No. of rateable properties		Average per rateable property			
	2021/22	2022/23	Change	2021/22	2022/23	2021/22	2022/23	Change	%
Residential	5,560,232	6,288,002	13.09%	3,193	↑ 3,424	1,741	1,836	95	5.46%
Commercial	37,283	39,283	5.36%	28	28	1,332	1,403	71	5.36%
Commercial - Other	171,698	177,868	3.59%	76	76	2,259	2,340	81	3.59%
Industry - Light	8,828	9,899	12.14%	6	7	1,471	1,414	(57)	(3.88%)
Industry - Other	92,529	94,477	2.10%	15	15	6,169	6,298	130	2.10%
Primary Prod.	3,561,930	3,769,346	5.82%	1,405	↑ 1,430	2,535	2,636	101	3.97%
Vacant Land	566,572	521,174	(8.01%)	683	↓ 569	830	916	86	10.42%
Other	93,713	98,917	5.55%	54	53	1,735	1,866	131	7.54%
Total	10,092,784	10,998,965	8.98%	5,460	5,602	1,848	1,963	115	6.22%

Number of residential properties have increased by 231 or 7% while number of vacant lands have reduced by 114 or 17%. This is mainly due to land parcels that were considered as vacant in the last financial year being changed to residential in this financial following the completion of houses on them. At the same time, number of primary production lands has increased by 25 or 2% mainly due to subdivisions.

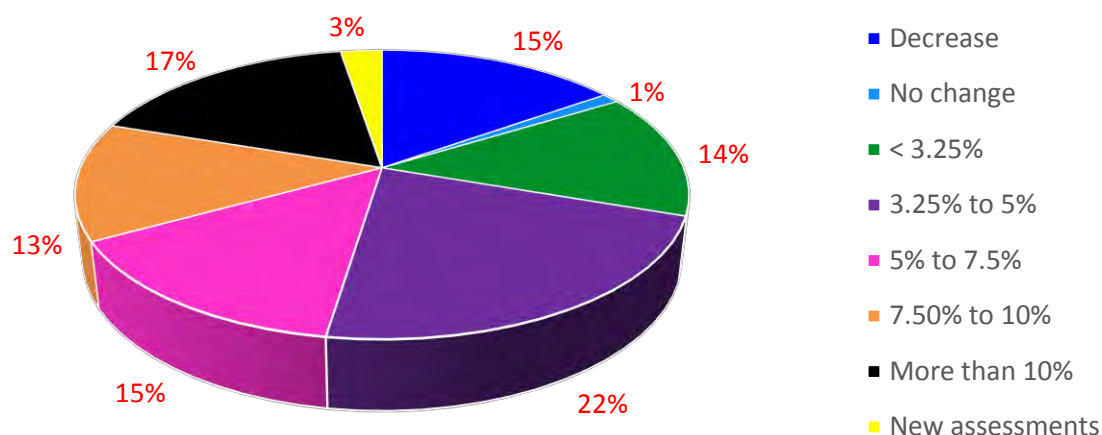
#### Actual rate rises

As Council rate is determined by multiplying capital value of the property (decided by the VG) by the rate in the dollar (decided by the Council) applicable to the property, average rate calculated above does not show the actual general rate rises applicable to each property. Actual rate rises is also determined by a combination of other factors such as development growth and natural growth.

For example, **Figure 2** below shows that with the proposed 6.22% average rate increase;

- 15% of the properties will have their rates being reduced next year;
- 1% of the properties will have their rates remained unchanged;
- 14% of the properties will have their rates increased by equal or less than 3.25%;
- 22% of the properties, will have their rate increase would be between 3.25% and 5%;
- 15% of the properties, will have their rate increase would be between 5% and 7.5%;
- 13% of the properties, will have their rate increase would be between 7.5% and 10%;
- 17% of the properties will have their rates gone up by more than 10.00%.; and
- Remaining 3% represents new assessments that have been created for the next financial year.

**Figure 2: Breakdown of General Rates Increase by Percentage (inclusive of development growth)**



#### Draft Statement of Comprehensive Income (Profit & Loss Statement)

Following table shows the updated budget position after accounting for changes identified in **Table 1** above, a 6.22% increase in average rates and 10% increase in fixed charges. Accordingly, the updated operating deficit is \$1.029m from recurrent and operating project activities in 2022/2023 Financial Year.

**Table 4: Draft Statement of Comprehensive Income (\$'000)**

Description	2021/2022	2022/2023		Budget Movement	
	Adopted Budget (\$)	Draft Budget		\$ %	
		(\$)	(%)		
OPERATING INCOME					
Rates					
- General Rates - Existing Assessments	10,093	10,820	73	727	7.20
- General Rates - New Assessments	-	179	1	179	-
- Rate Rebates	(102)	(107)	(1)	(5)	4.92
- Waste Levy	658	710	5	51	7.81
- Regional Landscape Levy	192	197	1	5	2.50
- Other Rates Income	81	84	1	3	3.29
Statutory charges	496	589	4	93	18.82
User charges	170	193	1	23	13.41
Grants, subsidies & contributions	1,894	1,955	13	61	3.21
Interest Income	3	3	0	-	-
Reimbursements	126	123	1	(3)	(2.57)

Other Income	23	48	0	25	111.53
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>13,635</b>	<b>14,794</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,159</b>	<b>8.50</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>					
Employee Costs	5,900	6,447	44	547	9.27
Materials, contracts and other	4,726	4,999	34	273	5.78
<i>Including legal expenditure</i>	<i>199</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0.50</i>
Depreciation	2,731	2,996	20	266	9.72
Interest Expenses	72	193	1	121	166.74
Share of loss from GRFMA	63	79	1	15	24.23
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>13,492</b>	<b>14,713</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,221</b>	<b>9.05</b>
<b>RECURRENT SURPLUS</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(62)</b>	<b>(44)</b>
Net Cost of the 2 x CWMS	(144)	(176)	(1)	(32)	22
Funding for growth initiatives (Table 5)	(185)	(934)	(6)	(749)	406
<b>OPERATING DEFICIT</b>	<b>(186)</b>	<b>(1,029)</b>		<b>(843)</b>	

#### Proposed Operating Project Program for 2022/2023

Operating projects are funded via Rate Revenue, non-rate revenue and short-term borrowings. The cost of the draft program is estimated to be \$0.934m and summarised in **Table 5** below with reference to Council's strategic plan.

It is proposed to increase depot field staff resources by 1 FTE at a cost of \$0.084m to meet increased demand for horticultural resources. Remaining \$0.850m is proposed to spend on material, contract and other expenses.

**Table 5: Proposed Operating Projects Program (\$'000)**

Project Description	Estimated Cost
<b>Remarkable landscapes</b>	
1) Street/Verge Tree Planting	20
2) Heritage Survey - Part 2	27
3) Parham - Old Playground Block (Sell or Develop Site)	5
<b>Enviably lifestyle</b>	
4) Open Space & Recreation Strategy	60

5) Social & Community Infrastructure Plan	100
6) Roadside Vegetation Management Plan	100
7) Two Wells - Liberty and Eden Estates, Recycled Water Costs (parks & reserves)	59
8) Donaldson Rd - Design to include WSUD and open space elements	10
9) Mallala Stormwater Flood Plain Management Plan	65
Emerging Economy	
10) Parham Campground - Formalise Land	5
11) Two Wells Oval - Master Plan - Design/Costing/Consultation (Stage 1)	100
12) Dublin - Township Growth & Tourism Master Plan	50
13) Seal Thompson Beach Espl. and Webb Beach Rd - Detailed design and costing	34
14) Economic Zones	20
Proactive Leadership	
15) Council Election – November 2022	60
16) Engage a Consultant Grant Writer to apply for Government Grants	15
17) Labour resources (Outside staff)	84
18) Upgrade to Council's Electronic Records Management System	33
19) Network Shared Drive Migration Strategy (Shared Folders)	9
20) Microfiche Records Digitisation Project	39
21) Redundancy and Backup Servers for Council's Information technology systems	33
22) Council Member Computer Hardware Refresh following 2022 LG Elections	6
<b>Total Estimated Costs</b>	<b>934</b>

### Proposed Capital Project Program for 2022/2023

Draft 2022/2023 capital programme is summarised below. The estimated cost of the capital works program is \$8.069m of which \$4.593m (57%) would be spent on assets renewals in line with Council's Infrastructure and Assets Management Plans (I&AMP) adopted on 25 October 2021. The remaining capital expenditure of \$3.476m (43%) is proposed to be spent on new assets of which \$1.195m will be funded by government grants.

**Table 6: Draft Capital Works Program (\$'000)**

Project Description	Estimated Cost
Plant & Equipment	1,154
Street Scape (Footpath, Kerbing and Street Trees)	0,373
Sealed Roads	3,210
Bridge	0,370
Unsealed Roads	1,172
Car Parks & Traffic Control	0,360
Buildings	0,130
Site Improvements	1,180
Stormwater	0,025
CWMS	0,085
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>8,069</b>

Project Description	Estimated Cost
New (43%)	3,476
Renewal (57%)	4,593
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>8,069</b>

Required renewal expenditure as per I&AMP adopted on 25 October 2021 is as follows.

Project Description	Estimated Cost
Infrastructure Assets Renewal	3,520
Plants and Equipment Renewal	1,106
<b>Total Assets Renewal Expenditure</b>	<b>4,626</b>

### Financing the budget

An operating deficit means, Council is spending more than what it generates as income in delivering services to the community. In addition, Council has loan obligations to pay as well as the need to fund new assets. Therefore, if the Council decides to continue the same level of service and draft operating project program as included in this report with an average rate increase of 6.22%, it has to borrow \$4.473m to deliver operating and capital projects identified above and meet its loan repayment obligations as summarised in the **Table 7** below. Out of the new borrowings;

- \$1.449m will be allocated for assets renewal program;
- \$1.195m will be used to fund Council co-contribution required under State Government's Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program for the Sealing of Middle Beach Road;
- \$1.086m will be spent on new assets across the Council district; and
- \$0.743m will be used to deliver operating project program proposed for next year.

While the maximum amount to be borrowed is \$4.473m, the timing of the actual borrowings would depend on the progress of the capital works program. Local Government Finance Authority has made available convertible cash advance debenture of 3 years for LGIPP funded projects at a concessionary variable rate of 1.55% to a maximum limit of \$1.238m.

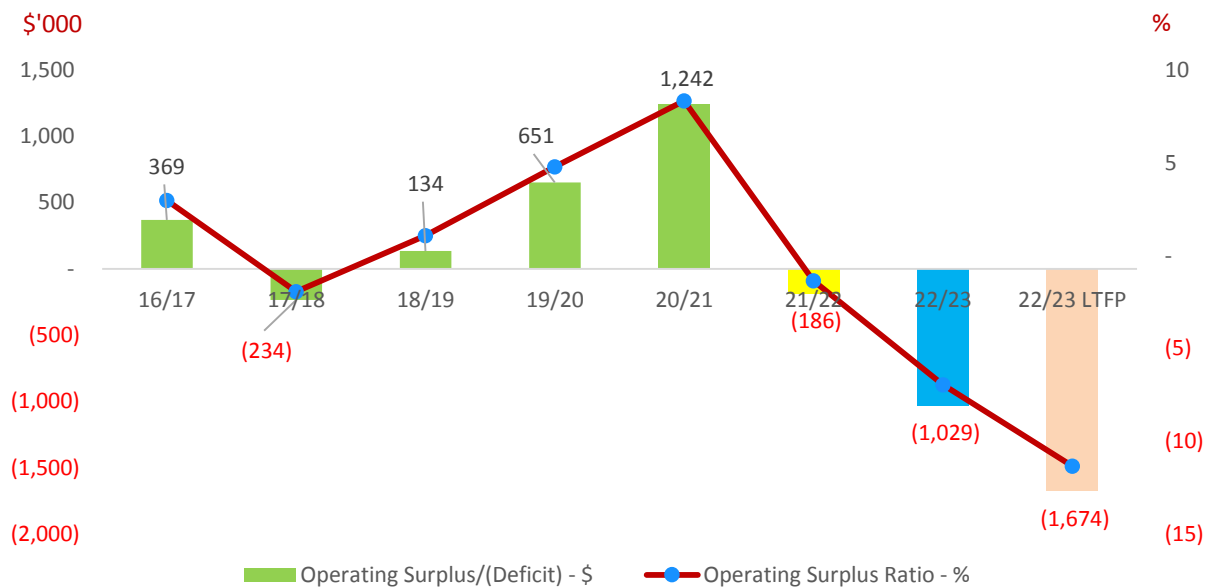
**Table 7: Funding Shortfall for 2022/2023 (\$'000)**

Description	Amount
Cash shortfall due to Operating Deficit	(1,029)
Cash injection from sale of surplus/replaced assets	231
Share of loss - joint ventures & associates (non-cash transactions)	79
To fund capital Program - Money available through depreciation	3,144
- Proposed assets renewal expenditure	(4,593)
- Proposed new capital expenditure	(3,476)
Grants specifically for new or upgraded assets	1,195
Loan Repayment	(23)
<b>Total funding shortfall</b>	<b>(4,473)</b>

## Draft Financial Indicators

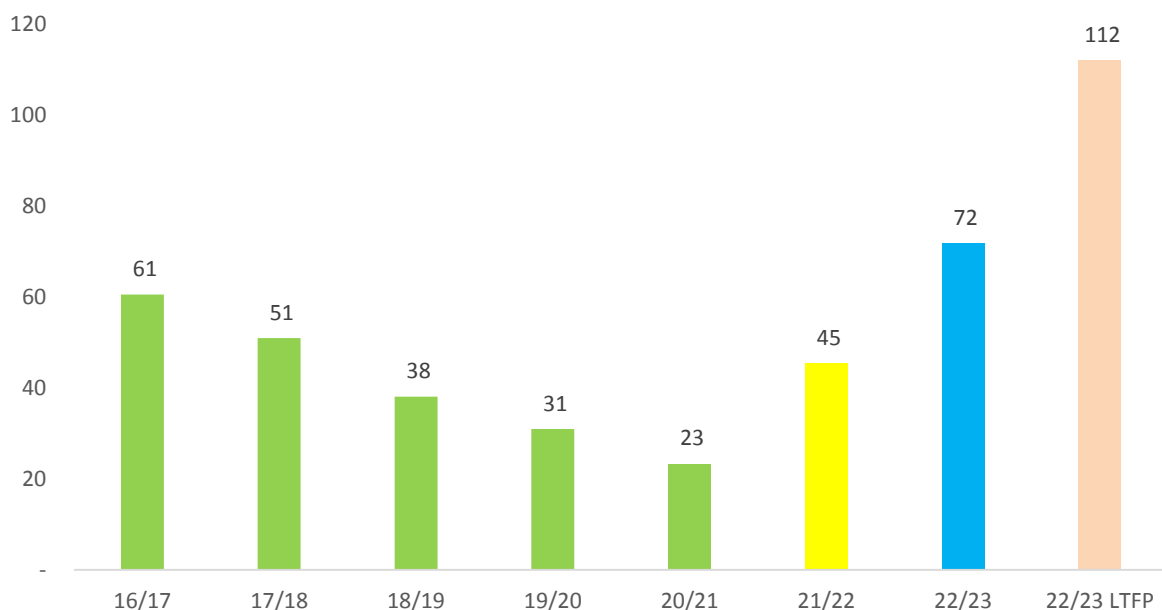
The following graph shows, Council's updated draft financial indicators for 2022/2023 Financial Year in comparisons to LTFP ratios for 2022/2023, actual financial indicators since 2016/2017 Financial Year and budgeted the financial indicators for 2021/2022 Financial Year.

### 1. Operating Surplus/ (Deficit) Ratio



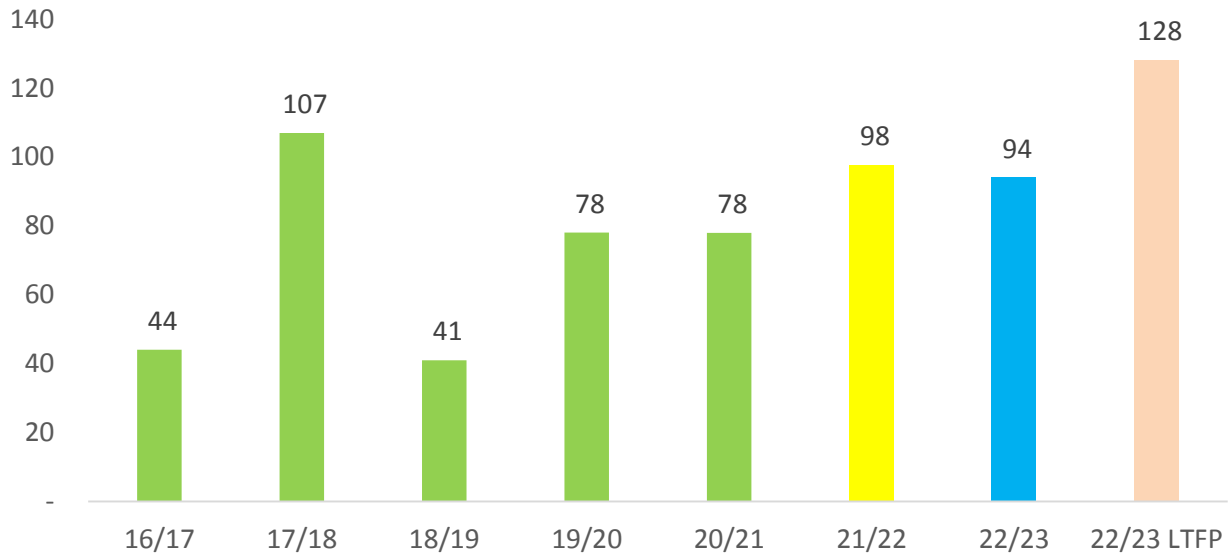
**Note:** Financial Sustainability Information Paper 9 of the LGA recommend an Operating Surplus Ratio of between 0% and 10% on average over long term.

### 2. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio (%)



**Note:** Financial Sustainability Information Paper 9 of the LGA recommend a Net Financial Liabilities Ratio of greater than zero but no more than 100% of total operating revenue on average over long term.

### 3. Assets Sustainability Ratio (%)



**Note:** Financial Sustainability Information Paper 9 of the LGA recommend an Asset Sustainability Ratio of greater than 90% but less than 110% on average over long term.

### Conclusion

This report shows a deficit budget with a 6.22% increase in average rate for 2022/2023 Financial Year. However, it is expected that 30% of the rate payers will have a rate increase of 3.25% or less. Council is planning to invest \$8.069m in capital expenditure in the next financial while undertaking several operating projects as part of updated strategic plans of the Council.

Council has experienced a significant growth within the district and this growth is expected to add additional rates income of \$0.179m and 146 new properties next year. It is estimated that new short-term borrowings of \$4.473m will be required mainly to deliver proposed new and upgraded capital works program.



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## References

### Legislation

*Regulation 9 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*

*Section 123 (13) of the Local Government Act 1999*

### Council Policies/Plans

*Budget Management Policy*

*Council Vehicle Policy*

*Funding Policy*

*Treasury Management Policy*

*Strategic Plan 2021-2024 (Adopted on 27 January 2021)*

*Infrastructure and Asset Management Plan (Adopted on 25 October 2021)*

*Long Term Financial Plan 2023-2032 (Adopted on 28 February 2022)*

# Attachment 1 (Draft 2022-2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget) Provided Under Separate Cover



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## **Submission to Council - Annual Business Plan and Budget**

### **Two Wells Football & Netball Sporting Club Inc.**

To the elected members,

The Two Wells Football & Netball Sporting club wish to provide feedback on the draft Annual Business Plan and Budget.

The club is funded through sponsorship, donations, and fundraising, however with the current and forecast growth, is currently unable to match the needs of the growing community to provide suitable facilities.

The Two Wells Football Club was established in 1909 and was one of the inaugural clubs in the Adelaide Plains Football League.

In the early days, the oval was situated on Windmill Road, West of the highway. In the 1920s the oval was shifted East on Windmill Road to the site that up until recently was used as a trotting track.

After several wet winters, the ground was consistently covered in water and moved to its current location on the former Two Wells Showgrounds, prior to the Second World War.

The current oval sits on an old quarry site and the original clubrooms, including external toilets and a canteen were constructed of Besser block in the late 1950s, Four light towers were installed on the eastern side of the oval to provide lighting for training.

The club has since undergone two addition/expansions, the first was in the late 1990's where an extension provided an internal canteen, kitchen, bar and clubroom area. The second expansion was completed in the summer of 2013 where a grant of \$200,000 was secured from the Office for Recreation and Sport to enable further clubroom expansion, and upgrades to the changerooms.

The club fields two senior teams (A&B Grade) and four junior teams (U/17, U/14, U/11 and U/8) in the Adelaide Plains Football League, representing around 140 players. In addition to this, the club runs Auskick programme for children aged 5 and up.

The club also fields two women's teams (U/14 & U/17) in the Northern Plains Female Football League representing around 40 players.

Netball was established sometime in the 1950's and the two clubs amalgamated in 2009 with netball affiliated with the Adelaide Plains Netball Association.

The club fields five senior and six junior netball teams in the Adelaide Plains Netball Association, representing around 70 players.

In all, the club has over **250 playing** members.

In addition to football, the oval is used by the Two Wells Cricket Club for training and matches, Two Wells Softball Club for training, Adelaide Plains Football League Umpires Association training, Bunyip Masters Football matches, Adelaide Plains Football League association training.

The CFS have access to the oval lights if the MEDSTAR helicopter needs to land at night, the oval precinct was also used during the 2016 Northern Rivers Flood event where the Australian Army were called in to assist, the Army were based in the clubrooms, while SES and CFS volunteers used the showers and changerooms.

The oval precinct was also used during the 2015 Pinery Fires, as a place of refuge.

The club has a current lease with the Adelaide Plains Council and while the original sprinkler system (installed by the TWFC) has been replaced, currently the club continues to pay for the power used by the pumps.

The club has several projects that we strongly believe are in urgent need of upgrade and we are proposing that Council take these into consideration when considering future budget allocations.

### **Priority (1) - Oval Lights**

The lights including the remaining towers on the Eastern side of the oval are the original lights and poles installed around the time that the original clubrooms were constructed.

The lights on the Western side were installed around the 1990's when the first upgrade was undertaken. The Eastern side originally had four light towers, each with a single outdated halogen lamp.

In 2013 one of the poles collapsed, with another recently having supporting frames welded to the sides to safeguard the structural integrity of the pole as an interim repair, there are now only three light poles on this side with very poor-quality lighting.

The two light towers on the Western side were fabricated and donated by a local business with each having three independent lamps.

The club has recently obtained quotes to upgrade the entire lighting on the oval, with the quote provided being a moderate \$300,000.

The club applied to the last round of ORSR Facilities funding, splitting the project in two as we do not have sufficient funding to undertake the project at one time. Unfortunately, the application was unsuccessful.

The club requests that Council please consider setting aside funding through the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Programme to allow us to undertake this key project.

### **Priority (2) - Netball & Tennis Courts**

The Two Wells Netball & Tennis courts would be in the worst condition in the APNA and a recent audit by Netball SA has confirmed this fact.

The courts are in a serious state of decline, primarily caused by surrounding trees, which are required as a windbreak for both sports.

The last court resurface was paid for by both clubs, nearly sending the tennis club into insolvency, neither club can afford to resurface.

As before mentioned representatives from both Netball SA and Tennis SA have attended the courts to review the surface, and both have prepared reports on its condition. These reports can be provided, we have been advised that resurfacing of the courts would lead to repeated decline of the surface due to the nearby trees by structural engineers.

Over the past few years, there has been several incidents of vandalism, with glass repeatedly broken on the courts, damage to the courts, and rubbish strewn around.

For the past ten years, the club has been (anecdotally) advised that the courts would be relocated, something that both clubs welcome as it would be much safer and more beneficial if the courts were closer to the oval.

This would assist in shared facilities and reduced duplication of utilities.

### **Priority (3) - Playground**

Several times over the past 30 years, the club has approached Council to install a playground within the oval precinct.

Two Wells is the ONLY club within the APFL & APNA that does not have a playground located within the oval.

The club would be most amenable to the relocation of the current Soldiers Memorial Playground to the oval (after all, the War Memorial has been moved twice).

### **Priority (4) - External Toilets**

Up until recently the external toilets were still used by players until Council installed new toilets near the gate and demolished the original ablution facility.

Unfortunately, despite being the original owners of the toilets, the club was not consulted on the relocation and the new toilets have been installed in a location that is not only unsuitable for players and participants on training days and match days it also presents a significant danger to young children being located adjacent to the busy oval entrance.

The new toilet block has also created entrance issues, as the ground has a paid entry fee on game day and the new site prevents the club from ensuring the oval precinct is closed off (a condition of APFL).

The netball/tennis shed has only two internal toilets, and the toilet block was often used by players prior to matches. Those players now need to run from the courts to the clubrooms to use toilets.

The club will now need to consider installing additional toilets in the netball/tennis shed to compensate for the loss, at their own expense.

#### **Priority (5) - Clubroom expansion**

As pointed out, with the recent and welcomed expansion of the town (Two Wells is reported to be the second largest growth area in the state) the clubrooms are now too small to hold all members, this means Senior Presentation events need to be held externally (at a cost to the club) with Junior Presentations held on the oval due to the inadequate size.

#### **Priority (6) - Oval Precinct fencing & parking areas**

Over the past 35 years, the oval area has been significantly reduced with the introduction of the Community Centre, installation of a BMX track and pushing back of boundaries to enable car parking for the bakery.

This has significantly reduced parking areas for vehicles on game day. While you may see an empty oval during the week, with plenty of space, game day presents significant issues with the number of vehicles accessing the oval, the fencing is old and needs replacing.

We now have buses and trucks using the oval car parking area as a turning circle, degrading the parking area, after rains, the oval parking area turns to a slushy mess.

We request that trucks and buses not be permitted to use this area as a turnstile. Since the introduction of school buses using the oval as a stop, vandalism at the club has increased.

The club requests that Council seek alternative locations for bus stops around the town.

The oval precinct has now become a 'roadway' to the rear of the Village Green, compromising the security of the club as more people become aware and use this roadway.

The club requests Council find an alternative route to the rear.

We invite all elected members to attend the facility on game day to view the courts, the parking, the mud, the lights and the facility.

While the club continuously fundraises to upgrade its facilities, it has become apparent that it is beyond our capacity to undertake so many upgrades to keep up with use.

In addition, we would like to see additional overflow car parking at the rear of the oval behind the pine trees. This has become a dumping ground for Council (?) with several 'piles' of sand/dirt/rubble dumped there.

We look forward to your positive response, and request that funding, as well as any incoming grant funding, be set aside in the budget to assist the club to cope with the rapid growth and expansion of the township.


Best Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Hardiman', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Devon Hardiman

President

Two Wells Football & Netball Sporting Club

 <b>Adelaide Plains Council</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>Consideration of Projects to be Carried Forward from 2021/2022 to 2022/2023 Financial Year</b>
	<b>Department:</b>  <b>Report Author:</b>	<b>Finance and Business</b>  <b>General Manager – Finance and Business</b>
<b>Date:</b> <b>11 July 2022</b>	<b>Document Ref:</b>	<b>D22/28068</b>

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for the continuation of projects that were budgeted for in the 2021/2022 Financial Year and are committed or underway but will not potentially be completed at the end of that financial year, and to endorse those projects being carried over to the 2022/2023 Financial Year.
- In keeping with part 3.4 of Council's *Budget Management Policy*, capital projects and major operating activities that are committed or underway but not yet completed at the end of one financial year need to be reviewed and considered for carrying forward as soon as practicable in the relevant financial year (i.e. 2022/2023).
- There are a total of 17 outstanding projects which were budgeted but not expected to be completed as at 30 June 2022. That includes;
  - Eight (8) Operating Projects, with an unspent budget of \$0.176m (net of grants); and
  - Nine (9) Capital Projects, with an unspent budget of \$0.930m (net of grants);
- It is recommended that Council endorse a budget variation to take into account projects that were budgeted for and not completed in the 2021/2022 financial year, so that those projects will continue and be carried over to the 2022/2023 Financial Year.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**"that Council, having considered Item 4.3 – *Consideration of Projects to be Carried Forward from 2021/2022 to 2022/2023*, dated 11 July 2022, receives and notes the report and in doing so instructs the Chief Executive Officer to:-**

- 1. Carry forward projects not completed by 30 June 2022 and continue with the implementation in 2022/2023 Financial Year as identified in the Attachment 1;**
- 2. Make necessary budget revision in 2022/2023 Financial Year to account for the carry over amounts as identified in the Attachment 1 on the condition that the total budget for the projects in the Attachment 1 do not exceed the combined budgets for 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 Financial Years; and**
- 3. Advise the Council regarding final carry over amounts as part of the September 2022 Budget Review."**



### **BUDGET IMPACT**

Estimated Cost:	Net carry over Operating Projects costs of \$0.176m
	Net carry over Capital Projects costs of \$0.930m
Future ongoing operating costs:	Not Applicable.
Is this Budgeted?	Not Applicable

### **RISK ASSESSMENT**

Nil

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### **Attachment**

1. List of Carry over Projects to 2022/2023 Financial Year

## **DETAILED REPORT**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a budget variation in 2022/2023 financial year to take into account projects that were budgeted for in the 2021/2022 year and are committed or underway but not completed at the end of that financial year, and to endorse those projects being carried over to the 2022/2023 financial year.

### **Background/History**

#### *Policy Position*

Council's *Budget Management Policy*, reviewed by Council's Audit Committee, and subsequently reviewed and adopted by Council on 24 February 2020, provides:

*3.4 Guidelines in relation to the carry forward of expenditure authority associated with projects included in the budget for the previous financial year.*

*Funding approval for budgeted activity not completed at the end of any budget year is forfeited unless approval to carry-over the activity and associated budget allocation is granted by Council.*

*While there may be one-off exceptions, operating activity budgeted for but not expended in a year generally should not be carried forward to the following year. Identifiable projects that will not commence in the year that they have been budgeted for should be re-evaluated and where warranted included in the budget for the following year at the time of its adoption. Similarly capital projects that have not commenced in one year should be considered against other competing priorities in determining the content of the budget for the following year rather than treated separately as 'carried forwards'.*

**The scope and funding requirements of capital projects and major operating-type activities that are committed or underway but not completed at the end of one-financial year needs to be reviewed and the projects/activities considered for carrying forward as soon as practicable in the relevant financial year.**

*Any request for carrying forward activity needs to clearly highlight whether the scope of each activity item and its associated funding quantum is proposed to be varied from that previously approved and if so the reasons for same. Any impact on the achievement of the targets for a financial indicator established in Council's original budget for the current year also should be identified.*

### **Discussion**

The draft 2022/2023 Budget as contained in the agenda item 4.2 (draft budget) estimates an Operating Deficit of \$1.029m which consists of:-

- Recurrent budget deficit of \$0.095m; and
- Net Operating Project budget of \$0.934m;

In addition draft budget also includes:-

- capital project budget of \$8.069m; and
- new short-term loan borrowings \$4.473m

Draft budget has been prepared based on income and expenses (including new projects expenditures) budgets for 2022/2023 Financial Year only and does not include budget allocation for carry over projects from 2021/2022 Financial Year in line with Council's Budget Management Policy.

#### Operating Projects Carry Over

However, based on information available as of 7 July 2022, eight (8) operating projects with an estimated net cost of \$0.176m have not been completed by 30 June 2022 (Please refer to **Attachment 1**). These eight (8) projects have commenced either in 2021/2022 or previous financial years and are in progress with relevant financial commitments issued to consultants/contractors or Council have contractual obligations to deliver the project.

#### Capital Projects Carry Over

**Attachment 1** also contains the information on carry over capital projects. Accordingly, nine (9) capital projects with an estimated net cost of \$0.930m were not completed by 30 June 2022.

The total value of carry over project is summarised below.

Description	Amount
Net Operating Projects costs to be carry over ( <b>Attachment 1</b> )	\$0.176m
Net Capital Projects costs to be carry over ( <b>Attachment 1</b> )	\$0.930m
<b>Total Carry Over</b>	<b>\$1.106m</b>

#### ➤ Financial impact of carry over Operating Projects on the 2022/2023 Financial Year

#### Operation Results

Once the net cost of the operating projects (\$0.176m) is incorporated in to the 2022/2023 budget as part of First Budget Update in September 2022 (to be presented to the November 2022 Council meeting), the operating deficit is expected to be increased by \$0.176m. (Please note that the final value of the carry over amounts would be confirmed following the finalisation of the 2021/2022 Financial Year accounts).

#### Borrowings

Following the Third Budget Update for 2021/2022 Financial Year, it was estimated that new short-term borrowings of \$4.238m will be required in 2021/2022. However, Council has made new borrowings of \$0.457m only during last Financial Year.

## Conclusion

Inclusion of prior year projects not completed by 30 June 2022 recognises Council commitments to continue with those project in the 2022/2023 Financial Year.

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## References

### Legislation

*Local Government Act 1999*

### Council Policies/Plans

*Budget Management Policy*

*2021/2022 Annual Business Plan and Budget*

*2022/2023 Annual Business Plan and Budget*


## List of Carry Over Projects to 2022/2023 Financial Year

Operating Projects	Amount budgeted in 2021/2022	Actual Spend as of 6 July 2022	Potential Carried over amount	
<b>Costs</b>				
Installation of single lane roundabout	500,000	-	500,000	DIT is negotiating land acquisition required to begin the project. This could be a short or very drawn out process. \$439,500 is funded under Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program.
TW Main Street Upgrade – Signage & branding component	49,253	-	49,253	In progress.
Establish a horse float parking area in Parham	50,000	-	50,000	Further options on horse float parking locations being developed. Depending on the scope of work, budget allocation of \$50,000 may not be sufficient. Carry over to 22/23
Parham Community Emergency Mgt. Plan and Growth Strategy	68,712	66,245	2,467	In progress.
Economic Zones	30,635	8,673	21,962	In progress.
Two Wells Levee	1,650,000	24,912	1,625,088	In progress.
Community Satisfaction Survey	20,000	9,800	10,200	In progress.
GRFMA Charter Review	10,000	3,249	6,751	In progress.
<b>Total Budget Unspent</b>			<b>2,265,721</b>	
<b>Grant Income</b>				
Installation of single lane roundabout	(439,500)	-	(439,500)	
Two Wells Levee	(1,650,000)	-	(1,650,000)	
<b>Total Budgeted Income yet to be Received</b>			<b>(2,089,500)</b>	
<b>Net Costs</b>	<b>289,100</b>	<b>112,879</b>	<b>176,221</b>	

Capital Projects	Amount budgeted in 2021/2022	Actual Spend as of 6 July 2022	Potential Carried over amount	
<b>Costs</b>				
Parham Playground - Shade shelter, New element & Mallala Playground - New element	90,000	35,848	54,152	Tender awarded.
Dublin Institute/ Hall - Toilets Upgrade	80,000	19,446	60,554	In progress.
Parham Short Stay Facility Upgrade	200,000	480	199,520	50% funded under Building Better Regions
Various locations - Reserve and street furniture	15,000	10,235	4,765	Picnic setting for Historic Wells Shelter have been ordered. Awaiting delivery.
Various locations - Signage - wayfinding and information	35,000	-	35,000	In progress.
Sealing of Aerodrome Rd	650,000	79,383	570,617	50% funded under LGIPP.
Sealing of Barabba Rd	1,020,000	643,201	376,799	50% funded under LGIPP.
Sealed Road - Glover Road	465,418	5,700	459,718	100% funded under LRCIP Round 3
Sealed Road - Buckland Park Road (LRCIP Round 3)	280,500	3,800	276,700	80% funded under LRCIP Round 3, 20% (\$55,000 funded by the Council)
<b>Total Budget Unspent</b>			<b>2,037,825</b>	
<b>Grant Income</b>				
Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Program (LRCIP)	(690,918)	(518,189)	(172,729)	Deadline for completion of Round 3 is 30 June 2024
Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program.	(835,000)	-	(835,000)	Deadline for completion is 30 September 2023
Building Better Regions Grant	(100,000)	-	(100,000)	Deadline for completion is 31 December 2022
<b>Total Budgeted Income yet to be Received</b>			<b>(1,107,729)</b>	
<b>Net Costs</b>	<b>1,210,000</b>	<b>279,904</b>	<b>930,096</b>	

**Total Carry Over Budget Meeting** **1,106,357** of 239

11 July 2022

 <b>Adelaide Plains Council</b>	<b>5.1 Confidential Item</b>
<b>11 July 2022</b>	

## 5.1 Mallala Road Roundabout – July 2022

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**“that:**

- 1. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, Council orders that all members of the public, except Chief Executive Officer, General Manager – Governance and Executive Office, General Manager – Finance and Business, General Manager – Infrastructure and Environment, General Manager – Development and Community, Manager Governance and Administration, Administration and Executive Support Officer/Minute Taker and Information Technology Support Officer be excluded from attendance at the meeting of Council for Agenda Item 5.1 – *Mallala Road Roundabout – July 2022*;**
- 2. Council is satisfied that pursuant to section 90(3)(b) and 90(3)(h) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, 5.1 – *Mallala Road Roundabout – July 2022* concerns:**
  - a. commercial information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting business, or to prejudice the commercial position of Council, being information relating to ongoing negotiations and would on balance be contrary to the public interest; and**
  - b. legal advice provided by Norman Waterhouse Lawyers;**
- 3. Council is satisfied that the principle that Council meetings should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information, matter and discussion confidential.”**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**“that Council, having considered the matter of Item 5.1 – *Mallala Road Roundabout – July 2022* in confidence under sections 90(2), 90(3)(b) and 90(3)(h) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, resolves that:**

- 1. The report, Attachment 1, Attachment 2 and Attachment 3 pertaining to Item 5.1 – *Mallala Road Roundabout – July 2022* remain confidential and not available for public inspection until further order of the Council;**
- 2. Pursuant to section 91(9)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the confidentiality of the matter will be reviewed every 12 months; and**
- 3. Pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Committee delegates the power to revoke this confidentiality order to the Chief Executive Officer.”**