



Media Release

Vice regal visit to Adelaide Plains Council

Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia conducted her vice regal tour of the Adelaide Plains Council region on Tuesday 30 January 2024. Accompanied by Adelaide Plains Council Mayor Mark Wasley and Chief Executive Officer James Miller, the tour included important community projects and a brief overview of the growth in Two Wells.

The first stop was the Mallala Emergency Relief Centre, a building designed to support emergency services in a major event. Greeted by Mallala & Districts Lions Club President Ms Tracey Cranwell, Secretary Mr Brenton Bell and members of the Mallala & Districts Lions Club, the Governor toured the facility and was briefed on operations, impressed by the combined efforts in achieving a much needed and worthwhile facility for the region.

Afterwards, the Governor visited the Mallala Museum where she was met by Deputy Mayor Marcus Strudwicke, Museum Committee Deputy Chairperson Ms Christine Young and Secretary Ms Laura Parsons. The Governor took a keen interest in the displays and commented on the quantity and quality of the exhibits.

At the Moquet Lee Pinery Fire Memorial, a brief history of the Grace Plains district and a discussion on the devastating impact of the 2015 Pinery fires was provided by Chairman of the Moquet Lee Trust Committee Mr Peter March and Trustee Mr Derek Tiller.

In the afternoon, at the Mallala Council Chambers, the Governor attended a lunch with Elected Members and the Executive Management Team and heard about the region's priorities and achievements. The Governor was presented with a quandong plant, which has been used as a source of food and medicine by First Nations people for thousands of years. The plant was grown by the Two Wells Community Nursery.

Afterwards, at Two Wells, the Governor was joined by Council's Director Infrastructure and Environment Mr Tom Jones and Director Development and Community Mr Mike

Ravno for a tour of Two Wells. A visit was made to the Library, the Two Wells Village Green to view the innovative urban design and the historic wells. She was briefed on the Main Street projects, the Town Centre Crown Land retail initiative and nearby housing developments. The Governor was farewelled at the Two Wells Oval after viewing the recently finished artwork on the water tank depicting our local sporting heroes.

It was my honour to host Her Excellency on her visit to the Adelaide Plains Council and to provide information on the situation at the moment and what challenges lie ahead. The Governor was most interested to hear how a Council of our size is able to prioritise and deliver services to a growing number of residents.

Mayor Wasley

2 February 2024



Adelaide Plains Council Mayor Wasley, Governor of South Australia and Chief Executive Officer Mr Miller.



Meeting with Elected Members and Executive Management Team at Mallala Council Chambers. Pictured at back: Adelaide Plains Council Cr Stubing, Deputy Mayor Strudwicke, Mayor Wasley, Chief Executive Officer Mr Miller, Director Infrastructure and Environment Mr Jones, Director Development and Community Mr Ravno, Acting Director Corporate Services Ms Fagan. Front: Adelaide Plains Council Cr Keen, Cr Boon, Governor of South Australia, Director Finance Mr Udugampola.



Visit to the Mallala Emergency Relief Centre. Pictured: Adelaide Plains Council Chief Executive Officer Mr Miller, Mayor Wasley, Governor of South Australia, Mallala & Districts Lions Club President Ms Cranwell, Secretary Mr Bell.



Viewing displays at the Mallala Museum with Adelaide Plains Council Deputy Mayor Strudwicke.



Discussing the history of the Grace Plains district and 2015 Pinery fire with Moquet Lee Trust Committee Trustee Mr Tiller and Chairman Mr Peter March.



Touring the Two Wells Village Green accompanied by Adelaide Plains Council Mayor Wasley, Director Development and Community Mr Ravno, Chief Executive Officer Mr Miller and Director Infrastructure and Environment Mr Jones.