



Friday, 06 November 2020

Mayor Caroline Phillips
Councillor Darren (Fred) Zadow
Councillor Kevin Burdett
Councillor Simon Martin
Councillor Yvonne Smith
Councillor Daryl Sparks
Councillor Russell Norman

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

I advise that the next meeting of Council will be held in the Karoonda East Murray Council Chambers on Tuesday 10 November 2020 at 7.30pm.

Yours faithfully,

Katrina Fromm
Acting Chief Executive Officer

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1 OPENING OF MEETING	3
2 PRAYER.....	3
3 APOLOGIES.....	3
4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST	3
5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES	3
5.1 MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING HELD 13 OCTOBER 2020	3
6 BUSINESS ADJOURNED	4
7 QUESTIONS (with or without notice).....	4
8 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS.....	4
9 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (with or without notice)	4
10 MAYORAL, ELECTED MEMBERS & GENERAL UPDATE.....	5
10.1 MAYORAL REPORT	5
10.2 ELECTED MEMBERS REPORT	5
10.3 GENERAL UPDATES	6
11 ITEMS FROM COMMITTEES & SUBSIDIARIES	10
11.1 SECTION 41 COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE	10
11.2 MRLGA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES.....	10
12 ITEMS FOR NOTING	11
12.1 2020/21 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE	11
12.2 MURRAYLANDS STARCLUB FIELD OFFICER PROGRAM.....	23
13 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION	29
13.1 DRAFT MURRAYLANDS AND RIVERLAD REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN ..	29
13.2 COUNCIL OFFICE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE.....	33
13.3 MALLEE KIDS CHILDCARE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE	34
13.4 RAILWAY STATION LEASE - CONFIDENTIAL.....	35
13.5 PEST AND WEEDS ROUND 2 EOI – RABBIT RIPPING – CONFIDENTIAL	36
14 CORRESPONDENCE	37
14.1 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED	37
15 CLOSE OF MEETING	38
APPENDIX 1 – MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 13 OCTOBER 2020 (public).....	39
APPENDIX 2 – CORRESPONDENCE OF COMMITTEES & SUBSIDIARIES	47
APPENDIX 3 – STARCLUB SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS.....	76
APPENDIX 4 – DRAFT MRLGA PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN	82
APPENDIX 5 – LGA PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDATION REPORT - CONFIDENTIAL	111
APPENDIX 6 - CORRESPONDENCE	112

1 OPENING OF MEETING

2 PRAYER

All mighty god we call upon you to grant your blessings upon this Council. Direct and guide its deliberations to the advancement of your glory and for the true wellbeing of the people of our area. AMEN.

3 APOLOGIES

4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

In line with Section 74 of the Local Government Act, 1999

- (1) A member of a council who has an interest in a matter before the Council must disclose the interest to the Council
- (2) A member in making a disclosure under subsection (1) must provide full and accurate details of the relevant interest
- (3) A disclosure made under subsection (1) must be recorded in the minutes of the council (including details of the relevant interest)

Members to advise of any Conflict of Interest Declarations

<i>Item No & Title</i>	
<i>Elected Member Name</i>	
<i>Nature of Interest</i>	
<i>Manner in which conflict will be dealt with</i>	
<i>Result of Decision</i>	

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING HELD 13 OCTOBER 2020

The minutes from the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 13 October 2020 have been circulated and are also attached to this report.

ATTACHMENTS

[Link to minutes](#)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 5.1.1 *That the minutes of the ordinary meeting held 13 October 2020 be taken as read and signed as correct.*

6 BUSINESS ADJOURNED

7 QUESTIONS (with or without notice)

8 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

David Noble, Wanbi - fire hazards / fire breaks

Correspondence received from D Noble on 12 October 2020, included in the correspondence.

9 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (with or without notice)

10 MAYORAL, ELECTED MEMBERS & GENERAL UPDATE

10.1 MAYORAL REPORT

A report from the Mayor.

14 October	Farm Fair AGM
15 October	International Day of Rural Women
16 October	2021 Silo Calendar Meeting with Emily Arbon
20 October	Grants meeting with Katrina, Emily and Tammy
20 October	Onsite meeting with Cindi, Illuminart and Emily
23 October	MRLGA AGM
23 October	MtE Awards Night
26 October	Business Briefing
29 October	LGA AGM / LG Finance Authority AGM
3 November	East Murray Area School meeting with consultants
3 November	East Murray Area School meeting with crown Land
5 November	Small Business Financial Counsellor Introduction
10 November	Briefing session
10 November	Monthly Council meeting

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

10.1.1 That Council receive the Mayoral Report.

10.2 ELECTED MEMBERS REPORT

A verbal report from the Elected Members.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

10.2.1 That Council receive the Elected Members Reports.

10.3 GENERAL UPDATES

UPCOMING DATES

10 November	Ordinary Meeting of Council
10 November	Standard Briefing Session
18 November	Food Safety Course
20 November	National Ag Day – family event
8 December	Ordinary Meeting of Council
8 December	Standard Briefing Session
15 December	Audit Committee Meeting

LOCAL MEDIA

Items below are media highlights from the last month and include images of relevant newspaper articles and social media posts. Radio Interviews:

17 October	ABC Radio, International Rural Women's Day (Caroline)
21 October	Flow FM, DCKEM Update (Caroline)

Sale barriers broken down

Power, water makes land better to buy

BY DANI BROWN

THE District Council of Karoonda East Murray will receive \$125,000 from the state government to break down the biggest barrier to being able to sell land in an industrial precinct.

The council will now be able to connect power and water to the business park, making buying land there more attractive.

Mayor Caroline Phillips said the council was 'extremely grateful' to be able to complete this work.

"Power and water are essentially the finishing touches on the industrial land precinct which have been barriers to sale in the past. This project will enable our council to showcase the advantages of setting up business in a central regional location," she said.

"Our proximity to Adelaide and also the Riverland and greater Mallee region means the potential diverse customer base could be a drawcard for a developing agribusiness."

The land was subdivided by the council 15 years ago but there had been limited interest from buyers due to the lack of onsite power and water.

Now, with the state government funding, work to connect the site with power and water is expected to begin this financial year - likely in early 2021.

"Further development of this industrial precinct is part of council's economic development strategy to attract new business and grow our local economy," Mrs Phillips said.

"Funds from the Regional Growth Fund program have enabled us to leverage council's limited budget which will result in long term economic growth for our region."

Perspective buyer Luke Flynn-D'Arcy, of local business Flynn-D'Arcy Civil Contractors, said he had been interested in buying land at the park for about two years.

"Having power and water makes better investment potential, and it's more feasible," he said.

Member for Hammond Adrian Federick said the funding for the Karoonda business park and another \$2 million given to Parilla Premium Potatoes for a new packing facility showed the government backed regional projects to help SA recover post-coronavirus.

"The new potato packing facility at Parilla and the business growth precinct at Karoonda will be generational projects which will support more than 300 local jobs now and into the future," he said.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development David Basham said giving financial help to regional projects would give a boost in a particularly difficult year.

"Our regions are a key driver for the South Australian economy and this will provide a much-needed shot in the arm to help business bounce back as quickly as possible," he said.



Regional Development Minister David Basham, DCKEM mayor Caroline Phillips, potential buyer Luke Flynn-D'Arcy, DCKEM acting CEO Katrina Fromm, and Member for Hammond Adrian Federick at the park. Photo- Dani Brown.

New toilets thanks to drought funding

Karoonda

NEW public toilet blocks were placed around the District Council of Karoonda East Murray area on Tuesday, October 13.

However, they are not ready for use just yet.

The Karoonda East Murray council took to social media to mark the delivery of the new toilets to the Wanbi playground, the Karoonda Cemetery and at Pioneer Park.

"The team are absolutely pooped (pun intended) after a big day out in the field," the post said on Tuesday.

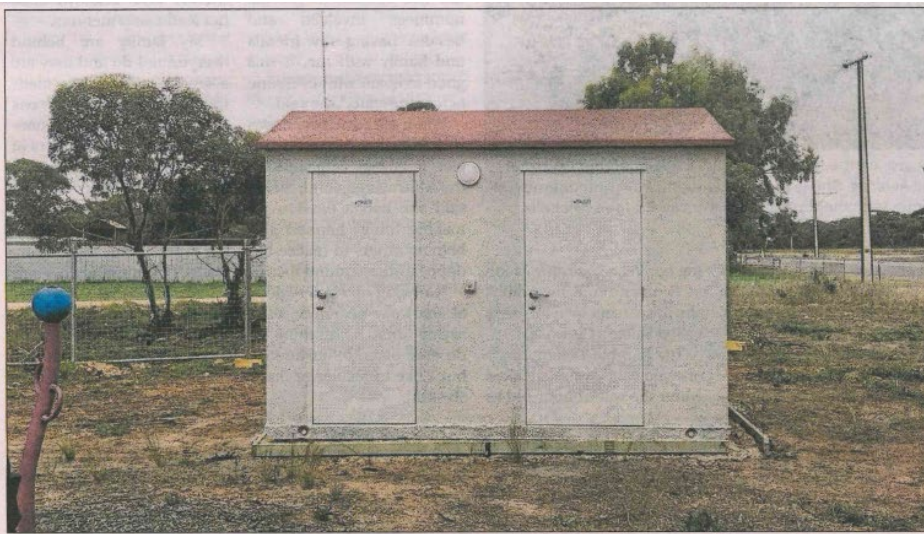
"You may have noticed some new toilet blocks around the district today ...

we had three disabled/unisex public toilets delivered to the Wanbi playground, Karoonda Cemetery and Pioneer Park.

"The toilets are out of order for the moment until they are connected, however we will keep you updated on when they are ready to use."

The toilets were funded through the Federal Government's Drought Communities and Community Infrastructure Program.

The Karoonda East Murray Council discussed the communities wishes for the new public toilets at Karoonda's cemetery, Pioneer Park and Wanbi at its January meeting.



NEW PUBLIC TOILETS: Three sets of public toilets were delivered to the Wanbi playground, Karoonda Cemetery and Pioneer Park this week.

Murray Valley Standard, 15 October 2020

SILO PROJECTION

During the month of November, local South Australian artist, Christopher Pope will feature in the nightly projections. His work involves amazing portraits of Australia's diverse bird species and wildlife.

Chris has been commissioned numerous times to illustrate Australia Post stamps, winning several of their awards, including Most Popular Australian Stamp Issues in 2009 and 2016. His art hangs in various Australian and overseas collections.



2021 Projection Calendar

Council has engaged independent art curator, Carolyn Kavanagh to support the development of the annual calendar. 10x high-profile artists from across the state have been secured for the 2021 calendar. Promotions and further updates to follow in the next few weeks.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Patrol Grading

To date the following roads have been completed to the south of the district; Yurgo Rd, Nunkeri Rd, Wegner Rd, Jabuk Nth Rd, Peak Rd, Wingamin Rd, Whytes Well Rd, Pope Rd, Warden Rd, Morris Rd, Anderson Rd, Barr Rd, Gino Rd and Prentice Rd

DRM (District Road Maintenance)

Currently the resource for DRM has been transferred to the Gribble Bore Rd construction project. However, staff were still able to complete repair work on Kilpalie Rd this month.

Township

Staff have completed numerous tasks around the township of Karoonda (and neighbouring townships), the following tasks were completed; pothole repair work – Kulkami Rd/Kulkawarra Rd/KR Wilson Rd, Apex Park – Athel Tree removal, various tasks at Mallee Kids including removal of sandpit rocks, overseeing and assisting with new playground construction, fire prevention – slashing in Wynarka, Borrika and Wanbi, construction of driveway on Bruce Rd, assistance with toilet installation at Pioneer Park, Wanbi Playground and Karoonda Cemetery and general township maintenance and cleaning.

NHVR Question Response/Update

Current process is that Council has engaged HDS Australia to provide assessment of all permits submitted through the NHVR, this may be subject to review though as NHVR provide this service (of sorts).

There are no roads gazetted for Road Train usage within the District Council of Karoonda East Murray. However, yes, we have issued permits for 30m Road Trains and some 36.5m Road Trains. Getting a summary of the roads that have permits from NHVR is possible but tricky, ideally if there's a specific road of concern it can be noted by Council and followed up. As stated previously; permits may be subject to controls which include (but are not limited to) the following items;

- warning lights
- pilot vehicles
- speed restrictions
- signage on vehicles
- location of P1 risks

Currently the following route which utilises the listed roads below are gazetted for B Doubles up to 26m, listed under GML Routes. If a heavy vehicle of this description travels this route, they are not required to have a permit.

1. Perponda Rd
2. Walker Flat Rd
3. Galga Rd
4. Bakara Rd

In addition, Commodity Routes have been identified and can be used by B Doubles in relation to those commodities. The idea behind this is really farm gate to main road (first mile, last mile) type of trips, they should not be used as through roads and are expected to be low volumes. An operator would not need a permit for those commodity routes using a B Double for that commodity.

The following roads are listed as Commodity Routes;

East Murray Area School Rd	Andriske Rd	Larlirra Rd	Schiller Rd
Walker Flat Rd	Bakara Rd	Wegner Rd	Rosenzweig Rd
Evans Rd	Galga Rd	Whytes Well Rd	Lowan Rd
Eustice Rd	Mantung Rd	Anderson Rd	
Goondooloo Rd	Sandalwood Rd	Kulde Rd	
Evans Rd	Peake Rd	Stirling Well Rd	
Mantung Rd	Lee Rd	Perponda Rd	

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

10.3.1 That Council note the General Updates.

11 ITEMS FROM COMMITTEES & SUBSIDIARIES

11.1 SECTION 41 COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE

The minutes from the Karoonda Historical Society meeting held on 22 October 2020 have been received and attached to this report.

ATTACHMENTS

[Link to minutes](#)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 11.1.1 That Council receive the minutes of the Karoonda Historical Society meeting held on 22 October 2020.

11.2 MRLGA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the MRLGA annual general meeting held on 23 October 2020 have been received and attached to this report.

ATTACHMENTS

[Link to minutes](#)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 11.2.1 That Council receive the minutes of the MRLGA General Meeting held on 23 October 2020.

12 ITEMS FOR NOTING

12.1 2020/21 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE

SUMMARY

This monthly 'traffic light' style update will be used to provide information to Council about progress towards completing the actions contained within Council's 2020 – 2021 Annual Business Plan and Budget.

REPORT

The report table has been updated to provide a monthly update on the actions and activities.

IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL & RISK)

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

12.1.1 That Council note the 2020 – 2021 Annual Business Plan report for November 2020.

ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN TRAFFIC LIGHTS UPDATE REPORT – NOVEMBER 2020

REPORTING LEGEND

	On track, on budget.		Possible delay or minor budget variation.		Major delay or significant budget variation.
--	----------------------	--	---	--	--

BUSINESS UNITS: EO = Executive Office, IE = Infrastructure & Environment, CC = Corporate & Community
TEAM MEMBERS: CEO = Chief Executive Officer , GMIE = General Manager Infrastructure & Environment, GMCC = General Manager Corporate & Community, IPC = Infrastructure & Projects Coordinator, ESO = Executive Support Officer, SAO = Senior Administration Officer, SCCO = Senior Corporate & Community Officer, LHMC = Leading Hand Maintenance & Construction, LHTR – Leading Hand Town & Reserves, LCPO = Local Community Projects Officer, DRSC = Drought Recovery & Support Coordinator

PROSPEROUS

CODE	PROJECT	BUDGET	DEP	LEAD	DUE	STATUS	COMMENTS
P1	Complete Economic Development & Tourism Strategy	20	EO	ESO	09/20 11/20		Draft strategy document has been formulated by Lucid Economics, however working through some minor changes before being endorsed by Council for public consultation.
P2	Redesign Karoonda.com & booking system		EO	ESO	42/20 06/21		Project will go ahead early in the new year. Have been in discussion with third party to assist in the delivery of the project.
P3	Drought Support & Resilience Project	210	EO	DRSC	03/21		13 October – Mantung Farmers Breakfast – postponed until new year.

							<p>15 October – Plant A Seed for Safety – Hosted at the Karoonda Bowling Club, 23 attendees. Practical tools and techniques for encouraging safe work practices within a farming business.</p> <p>15 October – International Day of Rural Women luncheon – A celebration of rural women and their contribution to rural communities. 72 attendees.</p> <p>28 October – Alternative Opportunities & Diversification – 32 in attendance, delivered by Pinion Advisory. An informative session on diversifying within a farm business, providing farmers with some useful tips and resources. This was an evening session and was hosted at the Wynarka Clubrooms.</p>
P4	CP – Toilet Block Refurbishment at Apex Park	420 100	IE	IPC	03/21		Initial scoping completed, quotes being sourced. Summary of scope and concept will be presented to Council at the December meeting.

LIVEABLE

CODE	PROJECT	BUDGET	DEP	LEAD	DUE	STATUS	COMMENTS
L1	Develop Disability Access & Inclusion Plan		CC	GMCC	09/20	DONE	The Disability Access and Inclusion Directorate has acknowledged our published plan.
L2	Create relevant and appropriate by-laws		IE	GMIE	03/21	NS	
L3	Road network gazettal statuses		IE	GMIE	02/21		Identification of current roads which have heavy vehicle gazettal completed. Currently identifying

							anomalies to be gazetted and identifying opportunities to connect with regionally significant roads via HDS/MRLGA. Work to be completed February/March 2021
L4	Mallee Kids Child Care (review)		CC	GMCC	10/20 12/20		Commenced and will continue through November and report will be presented at the December Council Meeting.
L5	CP – Road Renewal – Gribble Bore Rd	315	IE	LHCM	12/20		Earthworks commenced 28 September 2020. Cartage commenced 7 October 2020. Approximately 3kms spread, cartage on track to be completed by 30 th of November 2020. Project is currently on track to be completed prior to Christmas
L6	CP – Road Renewal – Turners Well Rd	311	IE	LHCM	04/21		Internal scoping completed, identification for a rubble pit site currently underway. Rubble raising tender has been awarded, had a site meeting with Eichlers, follow up site meeting to be scheduled prior to Christmas.
L7	CP – Road Renewal – Charleson Rd	169	IE	LHCM	06/21	NS	Final scope and costings to be completed in December/January 2020.
L8	CP – Road Renewal – township seal	308	IE	IPC	03/21		Quotes being sought for two intersections (Kulkami / Kulkawarra & KR Wilson / Kulkawarra). Ponderosa Roads to be reviewed, indicative costings in excess of budget allocation.
L9	CP - Sealed Road Safety Project	80 100	IE	IPC	10/20 11/20	DONE	Line marking completed, white post installation to be completed Monday 9/11/2020.
L10	CP – Karoonda Institute Refurbishment	452 182	EO	LCPO	12/20		RS Nance commenced internal works 2 November 2020. Construction for access toilet has begun and supper room kitchen has been cleared ready for new

							flooring, bench tops, white goods. External works to follow once internal works complete.
L11	CP – Karoonda Walking Trail	39	EO	LHTR	06/21		Consultancy agency has been selected and will commence scoping the concept plan with the YAC later this month.
L12	CP – Memorabilia Storage Conversion	50	CC	GMCC	06/21		Project has been scoped, contractors providing formal quotes.
L13	CP – Footpath Design & Upgrade	140	IE	GMIE	05/21		Railway Terrace shop front access has been scoped and listed on Vendor Panel, should receive responses on 13/11/2020. Other town footpaths will be condition audited in December/January.

CONNECTED

CODE	PROJECT	BUDGET	DEP	LEAD	DUE	STATUS	COMMENTS
C1	Cemetery Upgrades & Working Bees (Sandalwood Hall)		CC	SCCO	03/21		Marama cemetery – 4 working bees held, recommencing works after harvest. Sandalwood Hall – Air conditioning has been installed. Replacement sign is in the planning stages with quotes being obtained.

							Remaining cemetery projects will commence after Christmas break, legal advice has been sought to resolve land access issues.
C2	Karoonda Festival of Sound	62 32	EO	LCPO	03/21	NS	Event may not occur due to COVID situation and difficulty associated with planning a large event in these circumstances. \$30,000 of funds have been reallocated to the Karoonda Institute refurbishment

OPPORTUNISTIC

CODE	PROJECT	BUDGET	DEP	LEAD	DUE	STATUS	COMMENTS
O1	Residential Development Initiatives		EO	CEO	10/20	DONE	'Building Karoonda' rebate has commenced, staff working through expressions of interests. Three contracts have been drawn up to date (5/11/20) with another five expected within the next week.
O2	Secure access to EMAS site		EO	CEO	04/21		Discussions are continuing with DEW and they have confirmed a temporary stay of circularisation for a period of three months. Community Meeting organised for the East Murray Sporting Complex on Tuesday 10/11/20 at 9.00am with interested community members to gauge the community interest to retain community ownership of the sporting facility.
O3	Transition Wanbi hall to private ownership		EO	CEO	06/21	NS	
O4	Identify future shovel ready projects		EO	CEO	06/21		Potential projects list has been created and will establish a bi-monthly process of grant opportunity review and project alignments.
O5	Develop Tourist Park Masterplan	7	EO	ESO	09/20 02/21		Quotes are being sought from consultants to work with Council to develop the masterplan.
O6	Industrial Services (connect services)	250	IE	GMIE	03/21		Initial scoping has commenced and will be listed on Vendor Panel for costings to deliver the project.

O7	Karoonda Farm Fair Exhibition Shed	95	EO	LCPO	12/20		Procurement, contract, site surveys and final design completed. Waiting on Development Approval, once received works will commence immediately.
----	------------------------------------	----	----	------	-------	--	---

ACTIVE

CODE	PROJECT	BUDGET	DEP	LEAD	DUE	STATUS	COMMENTS
A1	Assist developing community access arrangements for KAS Pool		CC	GMCC	12/20		KAS has communicated with Council.
A2	Support Pioneer Park to sustainably manage collection		CC	SCCO	06/21		Continuing to work with Karoonda Historical Society.
A3	Renew leases on reserves for key sporting groups		CC	SAO	09/20 12/20		Leases being drafted and finalised.
A4	Mallee Playground Trail	623	EO	LCPO	12/20		Karoonda and Wanbi – earthworks complete. Wynarka – earthworks to be complete by 16 November 2020. Forpark commenced site preparation and equipment install on 02 November 2020, due to complete all installs by 20 November 2020. Completion date for all 21 December 2020
A5	Karoonda Cemetery (toilet & shed)	45	EO	LCPO	12/20		DA has been approved for shed, construction to begin in next 2 weeks. Prefab toilet was delivered on 14 November 2020. Plumber installing septic and connecting toilet on 9-10 November 2020. Internal and external solar lighting installed 5 November 2020.

							Pram ramp and footpath works to begin 16 November 2020.
A6	Various Facility Upgrades	60	CC	LCPO	12/20		<p>Karoonda entry signs: waiting for planning and building approval, scheduled to install late December.</p> <p>Karoonda Golf Club: Solar panels completed, have approval to drill just awaiting contractor to install bore and construct water infrastructure to connect to water supply. Then have to apply to join water supply.</p> <p>Wynarka Rec: Completed HWS & solar panels. External Lighting and upgrade awaiting additional funds</p>
A7	Athel Tree Removal	2	IE	IPC	09/20	NS	Branches have been removed, stumps to be removed.

ECO-FRIENDLY

CODE	PROJECT	BUDGET	DEP	LEAD	DUE	STATUS	COMMENTS
E1	Redevelop Roadside Vegetation Management Plan	2	IE	GMIE	12/20	DONE	Received recommendation report, amendments not applicable. Native Vegetation Guidelines remain as Council's management plan.
E2	Increase frequency of kerbside recycling		IE	GMIE	04/21		Successful tenderer selected, transition period approximately 3 months. New tenderer to commence in December / January 2020.
E3	Create a waste facility strategy for Karoonda landfill		IE	GMIE	12/20		Met with representative from Rawtec on 23 October 2020 to discuss requirements to feed in to MRLGA plan/strategy. Awaiting results of this report/plan to inform scope for DCKEM plan/strategy.
E4	Review underlying cost structures of CWMS		IE	GMIE	03/21	NS	
E5	Pest & Weeds R1	136	IE	GMIE	09/20		Activities completed. Acquittal of grant to be completed.
E6	Pest & Weeds R2	657	IE	GMIE	06/21		EOI – Weed Control contractor engaged, induction to be completed. EOI – Warren Ripping process complete, Council report made available to Council.
E7	Sand Drift Removal	37	IE	IPC	12/20		Identify more opportunities through the warmer/drier months of the year. Charleson Rd to have more sand drift removed from road verge

GOVERNANCE & ORGANISATIONAL

CODE	PROJECT	BUDGET	DEP	LEAD	DUE	STATUS	COMMENTS
G1	Develop Business Continuity Plan		CC	GMCC	10/20		Draft has been developed and will be presented to Leadership Team for comment.
G2	Implement GIS Data Collection tool		CC	GMCC	03/21		Commenced discussions with ArcGIS.
G3	Implement Human Resources Action Plan		CC	GMCC	03/21		Commenced with the assist of HR consultant. Draft HR Policy has been developed and being developed and will be presented to the next Leadership Meeting scheduled for 11/11.
G4	Implement WHS & Injury Management Plan	15	CC	GMCC	11/20		In progress.
G5	Develop Strategic Risk Register		CC	GMCC	40/20 12/20		In progress, to be presented at December audit committee meeting and council meeting.
G6	Council Meetings		EO	CEO			
G7	Audit Committee Meetings		CC	GMCC			
G8	Youth Action Committee Meetings		CC	SCCO			YAPGS Grant application submitted (closed 7 th Oct, announcing Dec 2020). Successful contractor has been selected from the Vendor Panel process to develop a Concept Plan for the walking trail/bike track.
G9	Grant Opportunities Meetings		EO	CEO			

PLANT REPLACEMENT

CODE	PROJECT	BUDGET	DEP	LEAD	DUE	STATUS	COMMENTS
PR1	Grader	370	IE	IPC	10/20		PO issued. Awaiting arrival of new plant.
PR2	Roller	180	IE	IPC	10/20		PO issued. Awaiting arrival of new plant.
PR3	Work Ute	45	IE	IPC	12/20		Street Fleet engaged to conduct tenders.
PR4	Work Ute	45	IE	IPC	12/20		Street Fleet engaged to conduct tenders.

12.2 MURRAYLANDS STARCLUB FIELD OFFICER PROGRAM

(Officer – Acting CEO/GMCC)

SUMMARY

To seek in principle support for the continuation of The Murraylands STARclub Field Officer Program for the next three financial years commencing 1 July 2021 and expiring 30 June 2024.

REPORT

The STARclub Field Officer position is a Murraylands initiative. The position is supported by the Office for Recreation Sport and Racing (ORSR) and currently hosted by RCMB for the remainder of the current 3 year funding round which ends 30 June 2021. Each of the 5 Murraylands councils financially support and share this resource and have signed a MOU outlining the financial contributions of each party. The MOU also outlines the responsibility of the steering committee that coordinates the activities of the position consisting of a council representative for each council and ORSR.

The STARclub initiative began as the Be Active Field Officer and the DCKEM has been involved in this initiative since its inception 20 years ago. The aim of the current position is to support sport and recreation clubs around best practice and good governance.

Principal support is now required from partnering councils in order to be grant ready. It is anticipated that once a grant is announced there will be a quick response required (potentially 6 weeks). This timeframe may not allow for a council report after the grant is announced. Previous funding cycles have been applied for 3 years. It is proposed this remains the same but is reliant on the ORSR grant opportunity once presented.

Current role

The STARclub Field Officer currently assists local clubs and associations through including but not limited to:

- assist and provide strategic advice to clubs with grant applications;
- provides a crucial advocacy role between state government, state sporting organisation, local government and clubs & associations;
- provide targeted training;
- supports local events;
- delivers quality outcomes for clubs sustainability;
- provides an outstanding return on investment (see below); and
- administering the STARclub Murraylands Facebook Page.

Benefits to Council

Having a STARCLUB field officer assists partnering councils in various ways. Examples are:

- Having healthier clubs who are sustainable and therefore less reliant on Council;
- Assisting in grants, thereby increasing clubs financial capacity;
- Creating welcoming and inclusive clubs; and

- Murraylands have a strong advocate for sport and recreation that represents all partnering councils as a collaborative, therefore saving councils employing their own sport and recreation officers.

Program Stats

See attachment 1 for the program statistics for the whole of the Murraylands councils.

Below are selected highlights of benefits and achievements of the STARclub program specific to DCKEM.

- Grant Income – STARclub Murraylands has assisted many DCKEM clubs/associations and the school with successful grant applications through not only ORSR grants, but also with State Sporting Organisation Grants, Council Grants, Federal Grants and Community Grants. ORSR grant success alone was \$717,187 for DCKEM clubs/associations in 2018-2020.
- Specific advice, assistance and guidance have seen work for the Karoonda Area School, Karoonda Football Club, Mallee Football League, Mallee Netball League and Karoonda Cricket Club in alignment with the ORSR strategic plan to foster “Hubs”. The benefits to clubs are to increase grant chances by creating shared facilities, work collaboratively, share resources including opportunities for volunteering, shared use of facilities and to aid in decreasing running costs;
- Specific and targeted training workshops has been attended by 85% of DCKEM clubs/associations 2018-2020;
- DCKEM clubs associations who have directly benefited by targeted training including planning workshops have resulted the following clubs/associations being in a stronger position for grant applications, able to maintain/retain volunteers, reactivate and helping to promote their offerings include:
 - Karoonda Cricket Club
 - Karoonda Football Club
 - Karoonda Netball Club
 - Karoonda Golf Club
 - Mallee Football League
 - Mallee Netball League
- Hosting ORSR “Game On” and State-wide consultations and workshops with strong representation by the DCKEM clubs and associations providing a local voice and important input to a State initiative;
- Starclub Murraylands had the highest participation by clubs/associations in the STARclub State-wide Survey with 97% of clubs and associations. Some comments received include “it is very important for them to have a field officer.” and “Our field officer has been in contact and visible in our community”;
- DCKEM participation in the government sports vouchers program has seen 466 individuals claim vouchers with \$37,487 worth of claims.
- Positive feedback has been received by many DCKEM clubs and associations appreciating the assistance they are receiving with Covid–19 challenges.

From these statistics it is evident that the DCKEM receives major benefits from the program.

Return on Investment

Grants received to Murraylands Clubs directly linked to STARclub involvement is now in excess of \$3.5M compared to \$300k in previous 10 years prior to 2015. This equates to 192 times return on investment. It is noted that over 85% of all ORSR grants are going to clubs that are showing progress or have completed the STARclub program.

Office for Recreation Sport and Racing

The ORSR have reviewed their grants and the outcome of this review is yet to be released. It is anticipated that an ORSR grant will be available and ORSR will continue their existing support for a field officer and the portion of the funding to remain at \$55,000. On that basis, the 5 Councils would be asked to contribute to the remaining cost of the program which are likely to be consistent with previous years contributions. To date, representatives of the 5 Councils that are part this collaboration believe there is likely to be strong support for maintaining the field officer position moving forward. A proposed budget is supplied below based on the current conditions.

On 27th June the state government released the strategy “Game On”: Getting South Australia Moving. ORSR is currently planning the transition process to implementing the Game On strategy which will be a focus for the next 10 years. It is a fair assumption to make that any application for grants for a field officer position would need to align to delivering Game On initiatives.

It was clear throughout the consultation of the “Game On” strategy that:

- There is a need and desire for people to be more active, more of the time. In particular, people wanted more opportunities to be active in their daily lives and in their local communities.
- South Australians are passionate about their clubs and groups and committed to being able to provide participation opportunities for all ages, abilities, genders, cultural backgrounds and financial means.
- The Sport and Recreation sector is dedicated to delivering quality outcomes and all value the vital contribution sport and recreation makes to South Australia.
- There is a real desire for the sport, recreation and racing sector to work better together and improve the delivery of infrastructure, sports, programs and activities that ensure our community is active in the future.

Proposed Contributions

(NB this table is ex GST.)

The draft allows for increased costs of 5% across the 3 year period.

	2021-2022		2022-2023		2023-2024	
	Amount Cash	Amount in-kind	Amount Cash	Amount in-kind	Amount Cash	Amount In Kind
Rural City of Murray Bridge	\$33,132	\$4,100	\$33,695	\$4,100	\$34,267	\$4,100
Mid Murray Council	\$14,839		\$15,091		\$15,347	
Karoonda East Murray Council	\$2,451		\$2,492		\$2,534	
Southern Mallee District Council	\$4,202		\$4,273		\$4,345	
Coorong District Council	\$10,235		\$10,409		\$10,586	
Total Partner Contributions	\$64,859	\$4,100	\$65,960	\$4,100	\$67,079	\$4,100
ORS	\$55,000		\$55,000		\$55,000	
Total Cash and In kind	\$123,959		\$125,060		\$126,179	

Cash flow Budget

	Proposed		
	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
<u>Expenses</u>			
Salary SAMSOA Level 4 step 4	\$81,188	\$83,014	\$84,881
30% Oncosts inc. Super, workcover Annual Leave, Leave Loading etc.	\$24,356	\$24,904	\$25,464
Car Lease	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000
Programs Expenses & Materials	\$9,415	\$8,142	\$6,834
Total	\$123,959	\$125,060	\$126,179
<u>Income</u>			

ORS	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000
Agreed Stakeholder Councils cash contribution ex GST (inc RCMB in kind)	\$68,959	\$70,060	\$71,179
Total	\$123,959	\$125,060	\$126,179

Please note:

- The proposed budget for the future 3 year grant round was calculated on council region population base as it was for the current 3 year contract. It is proposed that the next 3 year period includes a continued lease car arrangement which is in place now, which spreads the travel cost more evenly across all 5 councils and importantly provides greater efficiency for the Field Officer when attending the numerous out of hours meetings required by the role.
- ORSR recognises that their cash component has not increased since the inception of the program some 20 years ago. This program was supposed to be self-funded after the first three years of seed money from ORSR. However ORSR recognised the importance of the program to regional areas and has continued to fund the program.
- The application for ORSR grant funding is not known at this stage as no announcements have been made in regards to the State Wide Funding Review. It is not known when announcements will be made, therefore making it even more crucial to gain “in principle” commitment now from councils in order to be grant ready.

The DCKEM will need to consider the question:

- Do we want to be part of this program for a further three years?

Proposal

The current Murraylands STARclub Field Officer arrangement expires on the 30 June 2021.

This report requests that Council agrees to continue its support of the program for the next period of the ORSR grant commitment from 2021-2024.

This position represents an investment by Council into the strength and vitality of the sporting clubs in the Murraylands and, as such, is a contribution towards quality of life for the communities served. It also serves as a useful catalyst for conversations with the ORSR, which has enabled the Council to punch above its weight in terms of successful grant funding applications in recent years.

This proposal seeks the Council’s support for the administration lodging an application for continued program support from ORSR once this grant is released. A report will be brought back to the Council at the next available opportunity detailing the proposal going forward.

IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL & RISK)

Over three years the DCKEM portion of the STARclub Field Officer Position is **\$12,820**.

For this investment, Council partners in the STARCLUB position which has total income of **\$362,898** (including Council’s contribution).

There are no new risk implications as a result of this report. Some risks associated with clubs occupying and/or using Council land or buildings may be reduced by the “good governance” approach fostered by STARclub participation.

ATTACHMENTS

[Summary of Achievements 2018-2020](#)

[Highlights for DCKEM 2018-2020](#)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 12.2.1 *That Council note the Starclub Report.*
- 12.2.2 *That Council supports in principle continued supporting the Murraylands STARCLUB Field Officer Program for the next three financial years commencing 1 July 2021 and expiring 30 June 2024 (subject to the success of the funding application being submitted to Office of Recreation Sport and Racing) and acknowledges the increased budget commitment in forward years*
- 12.2.3 *That Council delegates authority to the Acting CEO to lodge an application for continuation of program funding noting that a further report will be brought back to the Council once all details are known.*

13 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

13.1 DRAFT MURRAYLANDS AND RIVERLAD REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN

(Officer – GMIE)

SUMMARY

In South Australia public health is guided by the Public Health Act and the South Australian State Public Health Plan 2019-2024. These acknowledge the role of local governments in public health and encourage the development of regional public health plans that support the collaboration of Councils and stakeholders to improve regional public health outcomes.

REPORT

This plan is the second regional plan for the Murraylands and Riverland region and is a collaboration of the Murraylands and Riverland Local Government Association (the MRLGA) and the region's eight constituent Councils: the Rural City of Murray Bridge, District Council of Karoonda East Murray, Southern Mallee District Council, Mid Murray Council, Coorong District Council, Renmark Paringa Council, Berri Barmera Council and the District Council of Loxton Waikerie.

- The draft Plan has been prepared through the Community Wellbeing Alliance which is being piloted in two regional areas (Southern & Hills LGA being the other region). The Alliance is a joint State Government and LGA initiative through which funding is provided to skilled personnel to work directly with LGAs and Councils at the regional-level to advance and implement Regional Public Health Plans.
- The MRLGA Regional Public Health & Wellbeing Committee (the Committee) was established to support the development of this draft Plan. The Committee includes 16 public health managers and officers from each of the Councils as well as the CEO and President of the MRLGA.

The draft plan builds on the region's first regional public health plan by seeking to consolidate regional collaboration through governance arrangements that encourage common purpose and provide an opportunity to share information, resources and agendas. The draft Plan builds on regional strengths and addresses regional challenges, as well as the strategic priorities and priority populations identified in the South Australian State Public Health Plan.

- Development of the draft Plan has included identification of demographic and public health trends for the region (pg. 6 of the draft Plan), and workshops with Council staff and stakeholders to identify regional strengths and challenges for public health (pg.9 of the plan). This information was used to identify the following imperatives for public health planning in the Region:
 - Enabling regional coordination
 - Ensuring affordability and accessibility of activities
 - Building on existing assets/strengths
 - Supporting access and inclusion
 - Improving mental health and psychological stress

- Encouraging healthy lifestyles (eg. diet, exercise, smoking)
- Addressing drug and substance abuse
- Adapting to climate change
- Responding to disease outbreaks
- Supporting housing affordability and availability
- Improving employment prospects.

The draft Plan goals and priorities

The draft Plan identifies five long term aspirational regional Goals to address the imperatives for public health planning and the priorities and target populations of the State Public Health Plan:

Goal 1 – Build community wellbeing and resilience

Goal 2 – Increase healthy living choices

Goal 3 – Prepare for climate change and plan for emergency

Goal 4 – Sustain environmental and public health

Goal 5 – Strengthen regional public health collaboration and delivery

- For each regional Goal the draft plan outlines the top priorities each Council will focus on to collectively work towards the achievement of the regional Goal. Each Council will also continue to deliver other public health activities, but these priorities have been identified as a focus for each Council.
- It was considered pragmatic to list priorities for each Council rather than a comprehensive list of public health actions. This is because the breadth of public health action by local government is very large and the capacity of Councils in the regional for delivery varies. The reporting on the current public health plan has been cumbersome due to the number of actions requiring reporting by all eight Councils. For this draft Plan each Council will only need to report on, on average, three priorities per goal.
- This draft Plan seeks to embed an approach for increased collaborative between the Councils. It is aspired that by the next Regional Plan, regional projects that are a collaboration of multiple Councils will form a coordinated regional response.

The draft Plan governance, delivery and reporting framework

Governance

- Regional collaboration is the cornerstone that will support the success of the draft Plan.

The draft Plan proposes to:

- Continue the Murraylands and Riverland Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Plan Committee to oversee the preparation, implementation, reporting and review of the Plan; and to pursue regional collaboration and partnership in the interest of improved service delivery and public health outcomes. The Committee would include a senior manager from both the community services/planning and environmental health portfolios of each constituent Council, as well as the MRLGA President and CEO.

- Establish Council Working Groups to project manage the delivery of individual Council priorities/actions. These working groups will include a Senior Manager to act as project sponsor and operational staff to manage projects.
- Establishing a Regional Coordinator (funding dependent) to drive collaboration and assist in coordinating a regional response (including, reporting, Committee meeting administration, regional projects and funding). The current Committee is proposing that each Council commit \$5k per annum for two years to support the position. At the end of the two-year funding term the outcomes derived from resources allocated to the plan are subject to review and, in the event that value is deemed favourable, a commitment - on agreed terms - be entered into for a further two years.
- Establish Regional Collaboration Teams as required to explore and implement identified collaboration opportunities with interested Councils.

Delivery and reporting

- The draft Plan is proposed to be delivered through a cycle of planning, implementation, reporting and review. This cycle will assist in the delivery of regional projects but also acknowledges the ongoing services and other public health actions that Council will deliver outside of the regional projects. It also allows for the legislatively required reports to SA Health every two years, and review of the Plan every five years.
- If a Regional Coordinator is established (subject to funding), that role would assist in coordinating this cycle and preparing reports for SA Health. In the absence of the role, the functions will need to be shared among the Councils and the MRLGA.

Public consultation

- Following approval of the draft by the Councils the MRLGA Board will issue the draft plan to the Minister to request permission to commence public consultation.
- Public consultation is required by the Public Health Act and for the draft Plan the following is proposed:
 - A three week consultation period to be undertaken jointly and concurrently by all constituent councils.
 - An online survey to obtain feedback on the draft Plan. A link to the survey will be provided on each Council website and the MRLGA website
 - Letter/email provided to the MRLGA and Councils to send to stakeholders in the region (eg. Local Health Network and other providers or relevant groups)
 - Promotion through a poster provided to Councils to establish at centre as well as social media posts.
 - Preparation of a consultation summary report that summarises the public consultation and the key themes of feedback received.
- Following public consultation, the draft Plan will be updated in consideration of the feedback received. The final draft Plan will then be brought back to the Councils and the MRLGA Board for consideration for adoption. Following adoption, the Plan will be provided to the Chief Public Health Officer, established on each Council's website and implementation will commence according to the governance and delivery arrangements in the Plan.

IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL & RISK)

\$5,000 budget allocations for 2020/21 and 2021/22

ATTACHMENTS

[Draft MRLGA Public Health and Wellbeing Plan](#)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 13.1.1 *That Council resolve to support the release of the draft Regional Public Health Plan to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing and, subject to receiving the Minister's permission, to the public for consultation.*
- 13.1.2 *Through the Council, the Acting Chief Executive Officer nominates a senior manager from within the planning/environmental health and community services portfolios of council as a representative and an appropriately experienced officer to act as a proxy delegate to the Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Committee.*
- 13.1.3 *That Council resolve to commit to a contribution to support the implementation of the Regional Public Health Plan the Regional Public Health Plan, by way of a levy of \$5,000 per annum, per constituent council, for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 financial years.*

13.2 COUNCIL OFFICE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

(Officer – Acting CEO)

SUMMARY

It is customary for the council office to be closed over the Christmas period.

REPORT

Each year, the Council office is closed for a compulsory shut down over the Christmas period.

Given the dates for Christmas this year, it is recommended that the office be closed from 1.00pm Thursday 24 December 2020 through until 9.00am on Monday 4 January 2021.

Aside from weekends, this period includes 2 public holidays and 4 ordinary week days.

Staff will be required to utilise their leave entitlements to cover the ordinary week days during this period.

Provisions will be made for out of hours calls and emergency responses and depending on projects and workload, staff may be permitted with the approval of the Acting CEO to work at times during this period.

IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL & RISK)

Nil financial or risk implications.

Provisions will be made for council contacts for after hours and emergency call outs.

Staff will utilise leave entitlements to cover absences during this period.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 13.2.1 That Council endorse the closure of the Council Office from 1.00pm on Thursday 24 December 2020 and reopening from 9.00am on Monday 4 January 2021.

13.3 MALLEE KIDS CHILDCARE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

(Officer – Acting CEO)

SUMMARY

It is customary for child care services to be closed over the Christmas period due to the reduced number of bookings during this time.

REPORT

In general, child care services run for approximately 50 weeks of the year and have closure periods over Christmas (and sometimes Easter).

The recommended closure dates for Mallee Kids Child Care for the 2020 Christmas period align with the recommended office closure dates for the Council office, with the recommendation that Mallee Kids Child Care is closed from close of business (6.00pm) on Thursday 24 December 2020 and reopens at 7.30am on Monday 4 January 2021.

Families need as much notice as practicable for the closure of the service, to make alternative arrangements.

Fees are not applicable for families who would usually have a child in attendance on closure days.

IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL & RISK)

There are no financial or risk implications of this report.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 13.3.1 That Council endorse the closure of Mallee Kids Child Care from 6.00pm on Thursday 24 December 2020 and reopening from 7.30am on Monday 4 January 2021.

13.4 RAILWAY STATION LEASE - CONFIDENTIAL

(Officer – Acting CEO/GMCC)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 13.4.1 *That in accordance with section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that the public (excepting the Chief Executive Officer, the General Manager Corporate & Community, General Manager Infrastructure & Environment and Executive Support Officer), be excluded from attendance at the meeting to the extent that the Council considers it necessary to receive, discuss or consider in confidence the railway station lease arrangement.*
- 13.4.2 *That the Council is satisfied that pursuant to section 90(3)(d) of the Local Government Act 1999 information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council and would on balance be contrary to the public interest.*
- 13.4.3 *That under section 90(2) 3(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council pursuant to section 91(7) (b) of the Act order that the discussion and report (including attachments) and minute to be held in confidence for a period of 12 months.*

13.5 PEST AND WEEDS ROUND 2 EOI, RABBIT RIPPING – CONFIDENTIAL

(Officer – GMIE)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

- 13.5.1 *That in accordance with section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that the public (excepting the Chief Executive Officer, the General Manager Corporate & Community, General Manager Infrastructure & Environment and Executive Support Officer), be excluded from attendance at the meeting to the extent that the Council considers it necessary to receive, discuss or consider in confidence the Pest and Weeds Round Two Expressions of Interest Rabbit Ripping.*
- 13.5.2 *That the Council is satisfied that pursuant to section 90(3)(d) of the Local Government Act 1999 information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council and would on balance be contrary to the public interest.*
- 13.5.3 *That under section 90(2) 3(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council pursuant to section 91(7) (b) of the Act order that the discussion and report (including attachments) and minute to be held in confidence for a period of 12 months.*

14 CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Correspondence for the attention of Council is attached. It may be Council's prerogative to move motions in response to items of correspondence.

ATTACHMENTS

[Link to attachments](#)

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended motion:

14.1.1 That Council note the correspondence.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

APPENDIX 1 – MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 13 OCTOBER 2020
(public)
(back to [agenda](#))

1 OPENING OF MEETING

Meeting opened at 7.30pm

2 PRAYER

Her worship the Mayor Phillips read the civic prayer.

PRESENT

Mayor Phillips, Cr Smith, Cr Burdett, Cr Sparks, Cr Norman & Cr Zadow

IN ATTENDANCE

Acting CEO Katrina Fromm, GMI&E Jarrod Manuel, Executive Support Officer Emily Arbon.

3 APOLOGIES

Cr Martin

4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

<i>Item No & Title</i>	14.1 Correspondence Received – Karoonda Bowling Club Letter
<i>Elected Member Name</i>	Cr Burdett
<i>Nature of Interest</i>	Wife is Treasurer of the Karoonda Bowling Club
<i>Manner in which conflict will be dealt with</i>	Cr Burdett left the meeting for above item
<i>Result of Decision</i>	Decision was made as per motion 14.1.2

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING HELD 15 SEPTEMBER 2020

5.1.1 *Moved Cr Sparks, that the minutes of the ordinary meeting held 15 September 2020 be taken as read and signed as correct.*

Seconded Cr Burdett

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.2 MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 25 SEPTEMBER 2020

5.2.1 *Moved Cr Norman, that the minutes of the special meeting held 25 September 2020 be taken as read and signed as correct.*

Seconded Cr Burdett

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

These minutes are subject to final ratification at the next council meeting. Where an amendment results in a change of intent then a revised copy will be forwarded with the subsequent meetings minutes.

Page 5190

6 BUSINESS ADJOURNED

Nil

7 QUESTIONS (with or without notice)

Nil

8 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

9 MOTIONS ON NOTICE (with or without notice)

Nil

10 MAYORAL, ELECTED MEMBERS & GENERAL UPDATE

10.1 MAYORAL REPORT

A report from the Mayor.

18 September	Agritourism Workshop
24 September	Site Meeting at Bowhill
24 September	Meeting with Matthew Morgan
25 September	Special Council Meeting
29 September	Media / Minister Basham visit
29 September	CEO Selection Panel meeting with McArthurs
7 October	Conference call with Tony Pasin
9 October	Meeting with Coordinator of General of Drought, Flood Response and Recovery, Hon Shane Stone
13 October	Briefing session / Ordinary Meeting of Council

10.1.1 Moved Cr Norman, that Council receive the Mayoral Report.

Seconded Cr Sparks

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.2 ELECTED MEMBERS REPORT

A verbal report from the Elected Members.

Cr Zadow

25 September	Special Council Meeting
25 September	Matts Farewell
13 October	Briefing session / Ordinary Meeting of Council

These minutes are subject to final ratification at the next council meeting. Where an amendment results in a change of intent then a revised copy will be forwarded with the subsequent meetings minutes.

Page 5191

District Council of Karoonda East Murray
Minutes (public) – Ordinary Meeting of Council (7.30PM Tuesday 13 October 2020)

Cr Sparks

25 September	Special Council Meeting
25 September	Matts Farewell
29 September	CEO Selection Panel meeting with McArthurs
13 October	Briefing session / Ordinary Meeting of Council

Cr Smith

18 September	Agritourism Workshop
25 September	Special Council Meeting
25 September	Matts Farewell
29 September	CEO Selection Panel meeting with McArthurs
13 October	Briefing session / Ordinary Meeting of Council

Cr Burdett

25 September	Special Council Meeting
25 September	Matts Farewell
13 October	Briefing session / Ordinary Meeting of Council

Cr Norman

25 September	Special Council Meeting
25 September	Matts Farewell
29 September	CEO Selection Panel meeting with McArthurs
13 October	Briefing session / Ordinary Meeting of Council

10.2.1 *Moved Cr Zadow, that Council receive the Elected Members Reports.*

Seconded Cr Sparks

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.3 GENERAL UPDATES

10.3.1 *Moved Cr Sparks, that Council note the General Updates.*

Seconded Cr Burdett

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11 ITEMS FROM COMMITTEES & SUBSIDIARIES

11.1 SECTION 41 COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE

11.1.1 *Moved Cr Burdett, that Council receive the minutes of the Karoonda Historical Society meeting held on 14 September 2020.*

Seconded Cr Norman

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12 ITEMS FOR NOTING

12.1 2020/21 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE

12.1.1 *Moved Cr Norman, that Council note the 2020 – 2021 Annual Business Plan report for September 2020.*

Seconded Cr Zadow

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

13.1 PLANT DISPOSAL - ROLLER

- 13.1.1 *Moved Cr Zadow, that Council authorise the GMIE (via the Acting CEO) to take the necessary steps to dispose of Plant 34 (Broones Combination Roller, registration S39SDA) via an online auction house.*

Seconded Cr Burdett

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.2 PEST AND WEEDS ROUND 2 EOI – CONFIDENTIAL

Moved Cr Sparks

- 13.2.1 *That in accordance with section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that the public (excepting the Chief Executive Officer, the General Manager Corporate & Community, General Manager Infrastructure & Environment and Executive Support Officer), be excluded from attendance at the meeting to the extent that the Council considers it necessary to receive, discuss or consider in confidence the Pest and Weeds Round Two Expressions of Interest.*
- 13.2.2 *That the Council is satisfied that pursuant to section 90(3)(d) of the Local Government Act 1999 information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council and would on balance be contrary to the public interest.*
- 13.2.3 *That under section 90(2) 3(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council pursuant to section 91(7) (b) of the Act order that the discussion and report (including attachments) and minute to be held in confidence for a period of 12 months.*

Seconded Cr Burdett

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Out of confidence at 8.20pm

14 CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

14.1.1 *Moved Cr Zadow, that Council note the correspondence.*

Seconded Cr Sparks

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr Burdett left the meeting.

14.1.2 *Moved Cr Sparks, that Council issue a 100% discretionary rate rebate to the Karoonda Bowling Club for a period of 5 years.*

Seconded Zadow

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr Burdett returned to the meeting.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

Meeting closed at 8.28pm

Confirmed:

Date:

These minutes are subject to final ratification at the next council meeting. Where an amendment results in a change of intent then a revised copy will be forwarded with the subsequent meetings minutes.

Page 5196

APPENDIX 2 – CORRESPONDENCE OF COMMITTEES & SUBSIDARIES

(back to [agenda](#))

MINUTES OF KAROONDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

HELD IN KAROONDA EAST MURRAY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON 22 OCTOBER 2020 at 7.30 PM

PRESENT: D Roberts, J Cooper, E Kerr, J Roberts, D Cheriton, J Cheriton, J Arnold, F Barr, K Burdett, D Kerr

APOLOGIES: G Paay, A Radloff

Chairperson D Roberts opened the meeting and welcomed everyone,

MINUTES: Minutes of meeting held on 14th September were read and confirmed: Moved D Cheriton seconded J Roberts.. CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

- G Paay was an omission from last meeting.
- K Burdett put forward the suggestion of looking at running iron length ways to cover carriages.
- Grass at back of implement shed has been slashed.
- Trenching for electricity will be done in a week or so.
- Toilet has been placed on base but position needs to be adjusted. Hoping that Council can carry out the works around the toilet.
- There was a good attendance at the Open Day with between 60 and 70 people coming through.
- We do need to better advertise the day with eye-catching posters, and place signage in prominent positions.
- Ship's compass was given by Herbert Beale not Gill as stated in previous minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter from Local Projects Officer, Sarah Murdoch regarding playground fencing. First preference was given to the Historical Society. Fencing has been placed in Council depot.
- Liz outlined the MaC grants and response from Amanda James regarding display pinboards for history of the church's information. At this point it would be unlikely that our request fits the criteria. Liz to follow up.
- Justin to follow up with Ryan Paech regarding making display boards.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: D Roberts

- Successful working bees and Open Day.
- Denis to follow up on donation money -since meeting this has been located and will be entered in next balance sheet.
- Toilet block has arrived.
- Street traders would like to have Christmas party at the Park.

DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: J Cooper

- The old Open Day sign is not usable so we will need to arrange another one.
- Justin has been in contact with Steve Perry, painter re painting buildings in park. Maintenance on Hood's House is required, before painting.
- Moved J Roberts seconded F Barr that we approach Lucas Neumann for a quote on doing repairs before painting. CARRIED
- Justin suggested that we renew signage in the shelter at the entrance to park and include an Open Day sign with a space to change dates and times. Jen Arnold offered to generate a photo to display. There needs to be a sign directing visitors to the humpy.
- General work on signage needs to be started.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- \$21437.24 available funds which is the combination of our funds and budget remaining.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Bottles are the only objects remaining in the cellar. Discussion around how best to manage them. It was decided to leave them where they are until we finish a few projects on the go.
- D Roberts and K Burdett to check out what is needed to erect the fencing from the playground.
- Tammy O'Malley who is coordinating The National Ag Day event at the park, has contacted us regarding the time of the event. Event will now be held on Friday 20th November from 4pm-7pm due to a clash with the Murray Bridge Christmas Pageant. She has requested for the shed to be open.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- J Arnold gave feedback on Facebook page. It would appear that we need a dog poo bag dispenser at the park.
- J Cooper reported that his mower has a limited lifespan left and we may need to ask Council to mow the open area in the future.
- J Cheriton suggested getting more mulch when available and placing it in the park before the fence goes up.

NEXT MEETING:

- November 17th at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 8.40 pm

ACTION

D Roberts	Check with Lucas Neumann. Fence requirements.
J Cooper	Follow up with Ryan Paech for display boards. Look into new signage at entrance to park.
A Radloff	Continue with plans for retaining railcars – D Cheriton and K Burdett to help. Making of a seat from the old disc drill.
E Kerr	Follow up on MaC grants and forward to J Arnold.
J Roberts	Continue plans for setting up of Telephone Exchange display.
J Arnold	Continue posting upcoming events on FB. Map of park. Dog poo dispenser.



**MINUTES FOR THE GENERAL MEETING OF
THE MURRAYLANDS & RIVERLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
HELD AT
KAROONDA FOOTBALL CLUB, KAROONDA ON FRIDAY
23 OCTOBER 2020**

Contents

1	ATTENDEES.....	3
1.1	<i>MRLGA Delegates.....</i>	3
1.2	<i>Council Members (Proxy Delegates).....</i>	3
1.3	<i>MRLGA Representatives, Guests and Observers.....</i>	3
2	APOLOGIES.....	3
3	DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS.....	4
4	MINUTES OF MEETINGS.....	4
5	MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.....	4
6	VERBAL REPORTS.....	4
6.1	<i>Members of Parliament.....</i>	4
6.2	<i>Guest Speaker – Australian Government Local Jobs Program.....</i>	5
6.3	<i>Strategic Partners Reports.....</i>	5
6.3.1	Regional Development Australia Murraylands and Riverland.....	5
6.3.2	Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board.....	6
6.3.3	Regions SA.....	6
6.4	<i>Local Government Agencies.....</i>	6
6.4.1	LGA SA.....	6
7	GOVERNANCE.....	7
7.1	<i>Annual Report.....</i>	7
7.2	<i>2021 MRLGA MEETING SCHEDULE.....</i>	7
7.3	<i>Budget Amendment – 2019/20 Carry forward.....</i>	7
7.4	<i>Financial Statements.....</i>	7
7.5	<i>Correspondence.....</i>	8

7.5.1	Summary Key Outgoing Correspondence.....	8
7.5.2	Summary Key Incoming Correspondence.....	8
7.6	Murray and Mallee Zone Emergency Management Committee (MMZEMC)	8
7.7	Notice of Motion – Genetically Modified Crops	8
8	PROJECT DELIVERY	9
8.1	Regional Public Health Plan	9
8.2	Water Position Paper – Working Group	9
9	MATTERS FOR NOTING	9
9.1	Written Reports	9
9.1.1	CEO Report	9
9.1.1	SA Regional Organisation of Councils – Key Outcomes	10
9.2	Committees of the Subsidiary	10
9.2.1	MRLGA CEO Network.....	10
9.2.2	MRLGA Regional Transport and Assets Committee	10
9.2.3	MRLGA Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Committee	10
9.3	Outside Organisations	10
9.3.1	Murray Darling Association (MDA) – Activity Update Reports	10
10	OTHER BUSINESS	10
11	CLOSE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING	10

APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1	Murraylands and Riverland Employment Training Update
------------	--

MRLGA PRESIDENT'S WELCOME – Mayor Peter Hunt, President

1 ATTENDEES

1.1 MRLGA Delegates

Berri Barmera Council (BBC)	Mayor Peter Hunt (President)
Coorong District Council (CDC)	Mayor Paul Simmons
District Council Karoonda East Murray (DCKEM)	Mayor Caroline Phillips
District Council Loxton Waikerie (DCLW)	Cr Trevor Norton, Deputy Mayor
Mid Murray Council (MMC)	Mayor Dave Burgess
Renmark Paringa Council (RPC)	Mayor Neil Martinson
Rural City of Murray Bridge (RCMB)	Mayor Brenton Lewis
Southern Mallee District Council (SMDC)	Mayor Andrew Grieger

1.2 Council Members (Proxy Delegates)

Berri Barmera Council (BBC)	Cr Ella Winnall, Deputy Mayor
Renmark Paringa Council (RPC)	Cr Peter Hunter, Deputy Mayor
Southern Mallee District Council (SMDC)	Cr Paul Ireland, Deputy Mayor

1.3 MRLGA Representatives, Guests and Observers

Murraylands and Riverland LGA	Tim Smythe, CEO
District Council Karoonda East Murray (DCKEM)	Tammy O'Malley (minutes)
Local Government Association	Nathan Petrus, ED Member Services
Local Government Association	Andrew Johnson, ED Corporate Governance
RDA Murraylands and Riverland	Ben Fee, CEO
Member for Mackillop	Nick McBride MP
Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board	Di Davidson, Presiding Member (Zoom)
PIRSA Region SA	Barbara-Ann Cowey, Regional Coordinator (Zoom)
Employment Facilitator – Local Jobs Program	Christine Willersdorf
Berri Barmera Council	Karyn Burton
Coorong District Council	Bridget Mather
District Council Karoonda East Murray	Katrina Fromm
Mid Murray Council	Ben Scales (Zoom)
Rural City of Murray Bridge	Michael Sedgman (Zoom)

2 APOLOGIES

Berri Barmera Council	Cr Rhonda Centofanti
District Council Loxton Waikerie	Mayor Leon Stasinowsky
Member for Hammond	Adrian Pederick
District Council Loxton Waikerie	David Beaton
Renmark Paringa Council	Tony Siviour
Southern Mallee District Council	Jason Taylor

Motion

"That the apologies be accepted"

Moved RPC

Seconded MMC

CARRIED

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

See agenda item 8.1

4 MINUTES OF MEETINGS

Motion:

"That the Minutes of the MRLGA Annual General Meeting held at the District Council of Karoonda East Murray on Friday 10 July 2020 be accepted as a true and correct record of the proceedings at that meeting."

Moved RCMB

Seconded SMDC

CARRIED

5 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

Agenda Item from 8 May 2020	Action:	Progress
6.6.1 Globelink	<i>Motion (summarised): That MRLGA support RDMR re: investigation into alternative road connectivity options to those identified in the KPMG Globelink report.</i>	Ongoing – matter covered in correspondence to RDAMR 26 May 2020
Agenda Item from 10 July 2020	Action:	Progress
6.6.1 Governance – financial statements	<i>Motion (summarised): Kathy Stringer added as an authorised user for lodgment of BAS on ATO portal</i>	Ongoing
6.6.1 GM Crops	<i>Motion (summarised): MRGA to collate a regional response for consideration of Minister of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries</i>	See agenda item 7.7

Motion:

"That the MRLGA Board note the response to matters arising from previous meetings."

Moved, DCLW

Seconded RPC

CARRIED

6 VERBAL REPORTS

6.1 Members of Parliament

Mr. Nick McBride MP, Member for MacKillop, was present at the meeting and provide a verbal report. A summary is outlined below:

- Presiding Member of the Environment Resource and Development Committee of Parliament – hearing from councils on the roll out of the Planning and Design Code
- Shortage of affordable housing in parts of the MacKillop electorate – failings in the system prohibit development.
- Border closures as a result of Covid-19 had severe impacts on cross border communities – created division
- Mobile phone towers ie. Blackspots

- Boundary reform, in draft form – potential for the MacKillop electoral boundaries to expand into the MRLGA region.

The meeting discussed:

- bank loan limitations in regional areas – attitudes to risk based on growth prediction actually limit growth.
- Cross border hard lock down – SMDC noted the difficulty they faced and were grateful for the easing of restrictions
- Release of crown land for economic development – examples given of where it is working but issues still exist with a school expansion in Murray Bridge.

The meeting asked the Member for MacKillop to convey the appreciation of the Association to the Attorney General/Minister for Local Government for the conciliatory approach taken to the Local Government Reform Bill.

6.2 Guest Speaker – Australian Government Local Jobs Program

REFER APPENDIX 1 – MURRAYLANDS AND RIVERLAND EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING UPDATE
([Click here](#))

Christine Willersdorf, Employment Facilitator Murraylands, Riverland and Limestone Coast presented to the meeting. A summary is outlined below:

- Update on JobKeeper applications within Riverland & Murraylands
- JobSeeker supplement scaled to \$250 per fortnight from September 2020 (\$550 per fortnight payment had impacted business looking to employ entry level positions)
- Job Active (connecting job seekers with employers) case load had increased in response to JobSeeker supplement reductions.
- Australian Government focus on jobs – JobTrainer Skills Package, Extension of Regional Employment Trials and Local Jobs Program
- Local Recovery Fund - \$500k for the three regions in SA – key to success will be leveraging the opportunity.

6.3 Strategic Partners Reports

6.3.1 Regional Development Australia Murraylands and Riverland

Ben Fee, RDA Murraylands and Riverland provided a verbal report to the meeting. A summary is outlined below:

- Thanked constituent councils of the MRLGA for commitment to funding agreement with RDA MR.
- MRLGA and RDA MR are working toward the establishment of contracts that will underpin service deliver (Preparation of Financial Statements and Bookkeeping, Project Management, Public Health and Community Wellbeing Coordinator)
- Rob Kerin, Chair, RDA SA -keen interest in water and the progress of the Murray Darling Basin – acutely aware of some of the pressures (politically) in the system and would be a good strategic adviser to the MRLGA Water Position Paper Working Group.
- Green Industries SA committed to mapping the circular economy across Limestone Coast and Murraylands and Riverland

Ben arrived at the meeting at 11:30am. A separate motion was moved to accept the RDA report.

Motion:

“That MRLGA receive and note the reports as presented by RDA MR.”

Moved SMDC

Seconded MMC

CARRIED

6.3.2 Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board

DI Davidson, Presiding Member, SA Murray Darling Basin Natural Resources Management Board joined the meeting via Zoom and provided a verbal report. A summary is outlined below:

- New General Manager has been appointed to Landscape MR – Andrew Meddle – previously CEO of City of Mount Gambier and prior to that GM with Rural City of Murray Bridge.
- The Board is supported by two committees – Water Advisory Committee and the Mallee and Coorong Advisory Committee – appetite exists for engagement with local government.

The meeting discussed the need for a review on the Native Vegetation Act. There are examples where landowners are being asked to provide a buffer that encroaches into their property from the fence line. The roadside verge needs to be better managed and a more strategic approach taken to corridors of connected vegetation. Issues were also raised regarding the use of trailbikes on road verges and in national parks.

Motion

That the MRLGA work with Landscape Murraylands and Riverland to advocate, with a particular focus on management of fence lines against the road verge and allowable activities (trailbikes) in national parks, to the Minister for Environment and SAROC for a review of the Native Vegetation Act 1991 and/or related regulations.

Moved RCMB

Seconded DCLW

CARRIED

6.3.3 Regions SA

Barbara-Ann Cowey, Regional Coordinator Regions SA MR, PIRSA joined the meeting via Zoom and provided a verbal report to the meeting. A summary is outlined below:

- Regional Growth Fund – strategic business projects – three successful applications in the Region (Berri Hotel, Torren's Valley Orchards and Parilla Potatoes)
- COVID-19 impacts – cross border town impacts
- Labour Force – PIRSA working with the Department of Innovation and Skills -regional impacts felt with shortages of seasonal and skilled workers.
- DCLW suggested that PIRSA can improve their grant funding process (horticultural netting grants) by working with Councils (Development Application charges should be legitimate project expenses).

6.4 Local Government Agencies

6.4.1 LGA SA

Nathan Petrus, Executive Director Member Services, LGA SA provided a verbal report in relation to the LGA activities at the meeting. A summary is outlined below:

- New to the Association - on secondment from ESCOSA
- Negotiations with SA Government re: local government reform bill had progressed well with rate capping moving to rate oversight and the Minister for Local Government having less power to direct.
- State Government had provided more time for Phase 3 councils to proceed to implementation of the new Planning and Design Code.
- Mayor Angela Evans had been announced as the new President of LGA SA in Advance of the AGM (on 29 October 2020).

Motion

“That MRLGA receive and note the reports as presented by, MR Landscape Board, Regions SA and LGA SA and extends its appreciation to the presenters”

Moved RPC

Seconded DCKEM

CARRIED

7 GOVERNANCE

7.1 Annual Report

Motion

“That the MRLGA Board:

- 1. Accepts the MRLGA 2019/20 Annual report*
- 2. Authorises a copy of the Annual Report along with the audited financial statements be provided to each Constituent Council on or before the 31st October 2020 in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*

Moved, CDC

Seconded SMDC

CARRIED

7.2 2021 MRLGA MEETING SCHEDULE

Motion

“That the MRLGA Board endorse the following meeting schedule for 2021:

- 1. Friday 5 February 2021*
- 2. Friday 7 May 2021*
- 3. Friday 23 July 2021*
- 4. Friday 22 October 2021*

Moved DCLW

Seconded MMC

CARRIED

7.3 Budget Amendment – 2019/20 Carry forward

The meeting considered the draft amended budget with adjustment for cashflow carried over from the 2019/20 financial year. Changes in income due to variation of project commencements and acquittals offsets the carryover of continuing project expenses. The net position reduces the budgeted deficit by \$19,727.00.

Motion:

“That MRLGA Board approved the amendments to the 2020/21 Budget.

Moved, RPC

Seconded MMC

CARRIED

7.4 Financial Statements

Motion

“That the MRLGA Board

- notes and accepts the profit and loss, balance sheet and bank reconciliation (including August 2020) for the Association to 30 September 2020.*

Moved, RCMB

Seconded, SMDC

CARRIED

7.5 Correspondence

7.5.1 Summary Key Outgoing Correspondence

7.5.2 Summary Key Incoming Correspondence

Action

T. Smythe to clarify minimum volume of water to be delivered to SA as communicated in I2020-0817 South Australia's River Murray Water Allocation Statement.

Motion:

"That MRLGA Board notes the key correspondence report and that, as per the MRLGA Budget, the 1% surcharge for administration of Special Local Roads Applications will be charged to successful councils"

Moved, MMC

Seconded RPC

CARRIED

7.6 Murray and Mallee Zone Emergency Management Committee (MMZEMC)

Michael Sedgman, CEO, RCMB and Chair MMZEMC was invited to speak to the matter. Items in the agenda report were reiterated:

- MRLGA Board noted the current representation of the committee on 10 July 2020
- The committee requires operational input albeit at management level within councils
- The MRLGA CEO Network is well positioned to consider matters of relevance to MMZEMC and report back to MRLGA Board as required.

Andrew Johnson, Executive Director Corporate Governance, explained the LGA SA would be happy to present to the CEO Network and answer any questions on the Local Government Functional Support Group and the Climate Ready Council program.

Motion:

"That MRLGA Board delegate the management of strategic input into the MMZEMC to the MRLGA CEO Network with reports on progress to be forward to the Board on an as needs basis."

Moved RPC

Seconded RCMB

CARRIED

7.7 Notice of Motion – Genetically Modified Crops

The meeting discussed the value of writing to the Minister for Primary Industries and Regions, noting that the requirement for Local Government to consult with community was a compromise that allowed the Bill to be passed by parliament.

DCKEM reiterated that as an Association it was important to work collaboratively to advocate for our communities.

Motion

"That the MRLGA Board endorse correspondence from the Association being sent to the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development expressing disappointment that Local Government was used as the vehicle to conduct statewide public consultation on genetically modified crops."

Moved, CDC

Seconded DCKEM

CARRIED

8 PROJECT DELIVERY

8.1 Regional Public Health Plan

The meeting discussed the raising of levy for the implementation of the Regional Public Health Plan and whether a flat fee for all councils was the most equitable approach. It was noted that the process of raising a levy allowed councils to consider the contribution and propose an alternative to the MRLGA Board.

Deputy Mayor Noble (DCLW) and Mayor Martinson (RPC) noted that the levy was proposed to be used to co-fund a Public Health and Wellbeing Coordinator with RDA Murraylands and Riverland and declared a conflict of interest. They precluded themselves from voting on the matter.

Motion

"That MRLGA Board:

- 1. Notes the draft Regional Public Health Plan and Elected Member briefing paper.*
- 2. Acknowledges that members of the Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Committee will present the papers (or an iteration thereof) to their respective council chambers to seek support for MRLGA to send the draft to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing to seek permission to proceed to public consultation.*
- 3. Approves the issuing of a levy to constituent councils at a rate of \$5,000 per annum for the financial years 2020-21 and 2021-22 for the specific purposes of supporting the implementation of the Regional Public Health Plan*
- 4. Instructs, that subject to the provision in section 5.5 of the MRLGA Charter, the MRLGA CEO to write constituent councils, notifying them that the decision will become binding within one month of the issuing of the notice unless written objection is received within that timeframe."*

Moved, MMC

Seconded SMDC

CARRIED

8.2 Water Position Paper – Working Group

Motion

"That MRLGA Board approves the formation of the Water Position Paper Working Group and that the Terms of Reference be amended to allow one member, plus a proxy (in addition to the Chair) from MDA Region 5 and 6 to be nominated as a representative"

Moved, MMC

Seconded DCLW

CARRIED

9 MATTERS FOR NOTING

9.1 Written Reports

9.1.1 CEO Report

Motion

"That MRLGA Board receive the MRLGA CEO Report and in accordance with the Association's Purchasing and Tendering Policy note that Rawtec have been awarded a contract between \$50,000 and \$100,000 as per provisions within the 2020-21 Annual Business Plan and Budget."

Moved, RCMB

Seconded DCLW

CARRIED

9.1.1 SA Regional Organisation of Councils – Key Outcomes

Motion

"That MRLGA receive the 17 September 2020 SAROC meeting key outcomes."

Moved RCMB

Seconded DCKEM

CARRIED

9.2 Committees of the Subsidiary

9.2.1 MRLGA CEO Network

9.2.2 MRLGA Regional Transport and Assets Committee

9.2.3 MRLGA Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Committee

Motion

"That MRLGA receive the MRLGA Committee notes and summaries of progress."

Moved CDC

Seconded RPC

CARRIED

9.3 Outside Organisations

9.3.1 Murray Darling Association (MDA) – Activity Update Reports

Motion

"That MRLGA receive the minutes from the MDA Regional Committees."

Moved RCMB

Seconded MMC

CARRIED

10 OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Hunt explained that the meeting would be the last for Mayor Andrew Grieger, noting that he would not stand for the role of Mayor when the Southern Mallee District Council presides over the matter in November.

Motion

That the MRLGA Board acknowledge the contribution of Mayor Grieger to the Association over the past 5 years.

Moved MMC

Seconded RPC

CARRIED

11 CLOSE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Meeting closed at 12.06pm

The next MRLGA General meeting including the Annual General meeting is to be held on Friday 5 February 2021 at a venue TBC.

Acceptances and apologies to MRLGA Chief Executive Officer Tim Smythe
Phone 0427 772 185 or Email ceomrlga@outlook.com



Murraylands & Riverland Employment & Training Update

OCTOBER 2020

[Return to Minutes](#)

Impact of COVID-19 on businesses

National Skills Commission's has been surveying businesses to assess the impacts of COVID-19. The latest report provides information on whether businesses were operating at 'full capacity'.

52 per cent of all businesses in the survey reported they were operating at capacity

Proportion of businesses by selected industries operating at full capacity at July 2020



This report and other reports on businesses impacts are located here

<https://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/Gaininsights/COVIDInformation/ResearchandInsights>

[Return to Minutes](#)

JobKeeper Payment Timeline

13

JobKeeper Wage Subsidy



[Return to Minutes](#)

14

JobKeeper

at 1 September 2020

<https://treasury.gov.au/coronavirus/jobkeeper/data>

Murraylands	779
-------------	-----

Riverland	809
-----------	-----

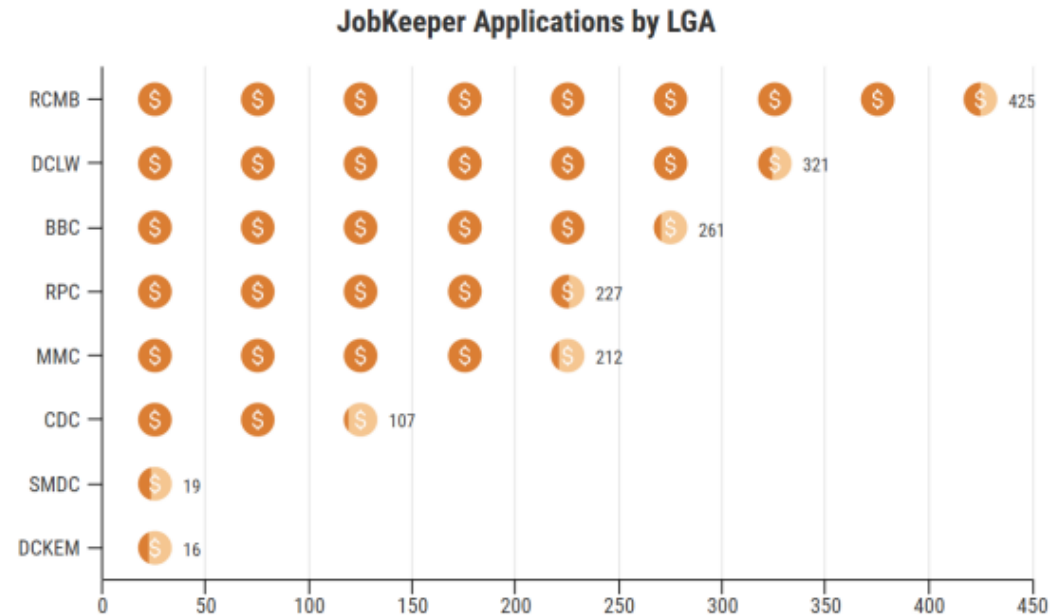
	1,588
--	-------

[Return to Minutes](#)

15

JobKeeper Applications by Local Government Area

The data is for applications
processed for the June fortnights
as at 1 September 2020



[Return to Minutes](#)

JobSeeker Coronavirus Supplement Timeline

[Return to Minutes](#)

16

Temporary Coronavirus Supplement



28 September 2020
• Mutual obligations return
• Job search requirements
for up to 8 jobs a month



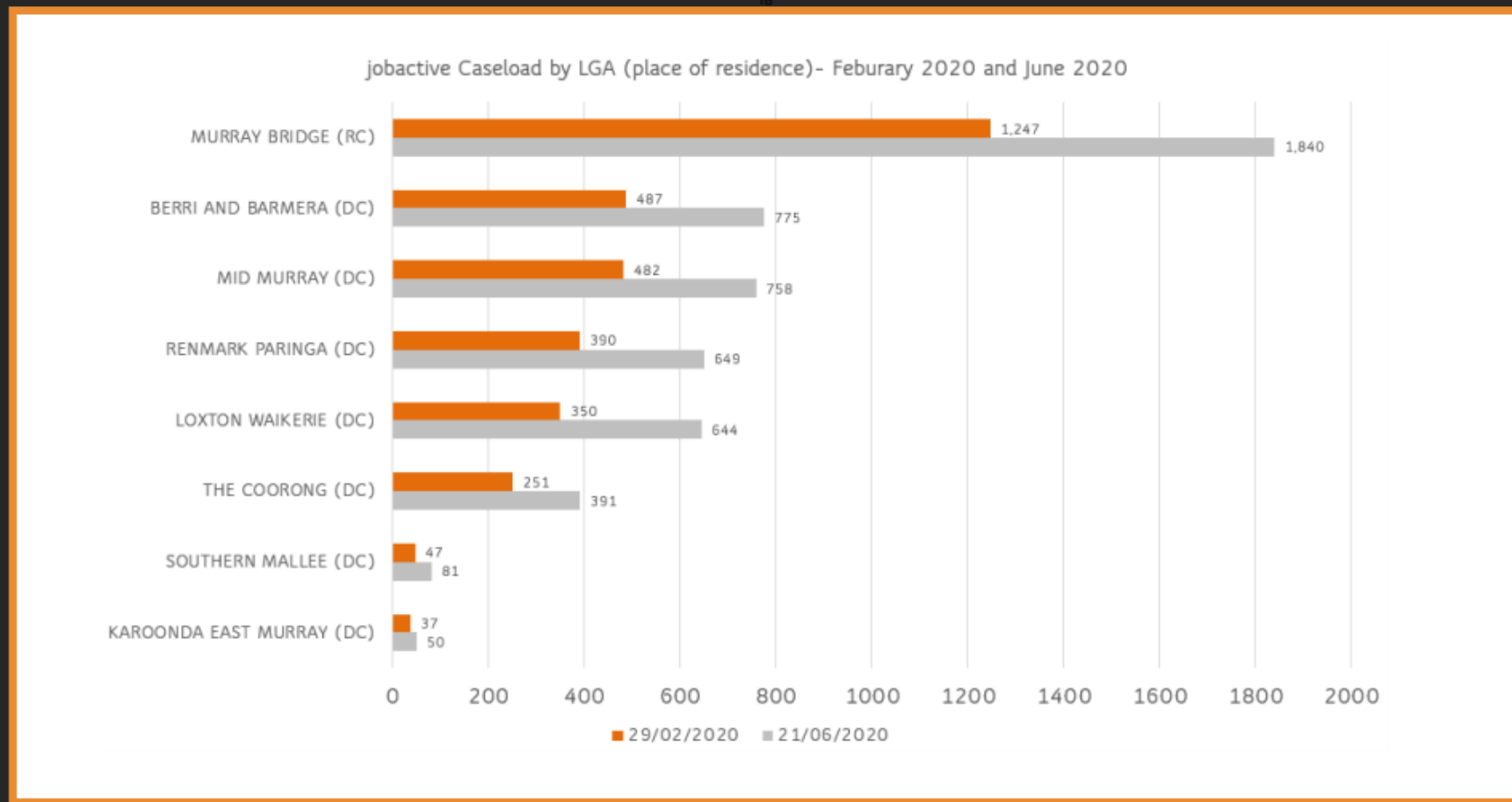
Media Release

<https://ministers.treasury.gov.au/ministers/josh-frydenberg-2018/media-releases/jobkeeper-payment-and-income-support-extended>

JobSeeker

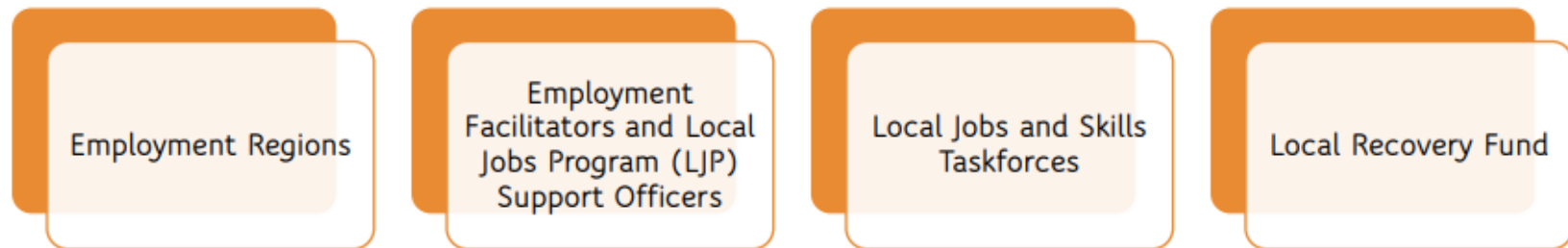
Caseload Date	29/02/2020	21/06/2020	% change
National Caseload	633,318	1,440,693	127%
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	54,887	108,092	97%
Murraylands & Riverland	3,291	5,188	58%

[Return to Minutes](#)



[Return to Minutes](#)

Local Jobs Program (LJP) summary



[Return to Minutes](#)

20

Local Jobs Program

- focuses on reskilling, upskilling and employment pathways for local job seekers
- operates in 25 Employment Regions across Australia
- connects local job seekers to local jobs
- includes dedicated Employment Facilitators and Support Officers in each Region

[Return to Minutes](#)

21

Local Jobs Program objectives

- connect job seekers to training and employment
- support local decision makers to identify and drive economic recovery from COVID-19
- enhance coordination of the Australian Government's existing initiatives
- enhance coordination and linkages with other Australian Government Priorities and State Government programs

[Return to Minutes](#)

22

Employment Facilitators

- support the delivery of the Local Jobs Program
- drive employment priorities of the region
- chair Local Jobs and Skills Taskforces
- create and maintain a Local Jobs Plan in conjunction with the Taskforce
- work with stakeholders to improve local employment opportunities for job seekers
- work with organisations that apply for Local Recovery Funds
- report regularly to the department
- engage with the LJP Support Officer

[Return to Minutes](#)

23

LJP Support Officers

- support the Facilitator in the delivery of the LJP
- engage and manage stakeholder relationship
- enable the wider community's engagement with the LJP
- provide secretariat Services to the Taskforce

[Return to Minutes](#)

24

Local Jobs and Skills Taskforces

- bring key stakeholders together to maximise local opportunities
- develop solutions to move job seekers into local jobs establish the Local Jobs Plan
- provide the department with feedback on the quality of engagement by employment services providers

[Return to Minutes](#)

25

Local Recovery Fund

- available across each of the 25 Employment Regions
- \$780,000 for Employment Regions with large numbers of registered job seekers
- \$500,000 for Employment Regions with smaller numbers of registered job seekers
- the fund will support Local Jobs Activities (LJP Activities)

[Return to Minutes](#)

26

Murray South East Skills & Employment

Christine Willersdorf
Employment Facilitator,
Murray & South East
(Murraylands, Riverland & Limestone Coast
[Christine.Willersdorf@employmentfacilitator.co
m.au](mailto:Christine.Willersdorf@employmentfacilitator.co.m.au)

Mobile: 0448 250 648

[Return to Minutes](#)

APPENDIX 3 – STARCLUB SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

(back to [agenda](#))

Highlights for DCKEM 2018 -2020

- Grant Income – Starclub Murraylands has assisted many DCKEM clubs/associations with successful grant applications through not only ORSR grants, but also with State Sporting Organisation Grants, and Community Grants. Letters of support have been provided to clubs and council for various projects along with direct feedback to ORSR grant funding team supplying, advocacy and stats and data for major projects including - The Karoonda Area School's Swimming Pool, Karoonda Farm Fair and The Karoonda Oval projects. Excluding the grants for above, Starclub Murraylands has delivered DCKEM 588 times return on investment for DCKEM on ORSR grant success alone directly related to Starclub involvement. DCKEM clubs and associations ORSR successful grants with direct involvement by Starclub Murraylands was \$47,487 for 2018-2020. (Excluding the 2 major project grants - Swimming pool and Oval Complex - change rooms).
- In alignment with ORSR strategic plan to foster "Hubs" in order for clubs to increase grant chances, work collaboratively, assist council lease arrangements, embrace opportunities for volunteering, shared use of facilities, share resources and to help decrease running costs targeted focussed work has seen assistance given to the:
 - Karoonda Cricket Club
 - Karoonda Football Club
 - Karoonda Netball Club
 - Karoonda Golf Club
- Specific and targeted training workshops including strategic planning has been attended by 85% of DCKEM clubs/associations 2018-2020,
- DCKEM clubs and associations who have directly benefited by targeted training workshops and advice have resulted the following clubs/associations being in a stronger position for grant applications, able to maintain/retain volunteers and helping to promote their offerings include:
 - Karoonda Cricket Club
 - Karoonda Football Club
 - Karoonda Netball Club
 - Karoonda Golf Club
 - Mallee Football League
 - Mallee Netball League
- Hosting ORSR "Game On" and State-wide consultations and workshops with strong representation by DCKEM and DCKEM clubs/associations providing a local voice and important input.
- DCKEM had a high participation by clubs/associations in the Starclub State-wide Survey with 97% DCKEM clubs/associations surveyed stating "it is very important for them to have a field officer." And "Our field officer has been in contact and visible in our community".
- DCKEM clubs and associations take up on the government's sports vouchers has seen 466 individuals claim vouchers with \$37,487 worth of claims.
- Continual engagement for clubs on the Starclub Murraylands Facebook page has seen over 400 average reaches per post.
- Positive feedback has been received by many DCKEM clubs/associations appreciating enormously the assistance they are receiving with Covid – 19 challenges.

Summary of Achievements STARclub Field Officer Murraylands 2018 - 2020

Grant Income – The STARclub Field Officer (SFO) Murraylands has taken a leading role in assisting clubs/associations with grant applications from a variety of sources. Below is the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing (ORSR) successful grants; it does not include grant success received from any other grants. Other grant sources include: Sport Australia

- Australian Sports Foundation
- Local Council Community Grants
- State Sporting Organisation Grants
- Councils also receive grants such as Drought Funding, Road to Recovery, Better Regions etc.

ORSR SFO Murraylands assisted grants received 2018 – 2020.

Grants received by Murraylands Clubs directly linked to STARclub involvement is now in excess of \$3.5m compared to \$300k in previous 10 years prior to 2015. This equates to **192 times return on investment** ORSR note that over 85% + of all ORSR grants are going to clubs that are showing progress or have completed the STARCLUB program.

Key Stats and Data 2018 - 2020

Training/Face to Face meetings/Event

	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Total
Training Courses Delivered	10	10	19	49
Attendees	302	174	684	1160
Clubs Represented				142
Meetings Held	90	132	266	503
Events Attended	40	64	52	156

STARclub Club Development progress

STARCLUB STATUS	2014-15 Stats at 2 July 2015	2015-16 Stats at July 2016	2016-17 Stats at July 2017	2017-18 Stats at 2 July 2018	2018-19 Stats at 2 July 2019	2019-20 Stats at 2 July 2020
Level 1 - Registered	6	38	39	42	50	51
Level 2 - Submitted	28	24	27	28	30	30
Level 3 - Provisional online status achieved	15	26	29	27	26	26
Level 4 - Full STARCLUB recognition achieved	0	2	2	8	18	20
TOTAL(No. of clubs working through)	49	90	97	105	124	127

As you can see from the table above there has been significant uptake of the STARclub Club Development tool since 2014. The majority of Murraylands clubs are now registered in the program. The focus in recent years has been to progress clubs through the various levels.

HIGHLIGHTS 2018 – 2021

- Implementation of 7 Regional Sporting Hub Management Structures to assist these entities to increase grant chances, assist councils lease arrangements, embrace opportunities for volunteering, shared use of facilities, help to decrease costs, share resources and align with ORSR Strategic Plans.
- Winner of Local Government Professional Australia Excellence Awards – Leadership Excellence Award in Cross Council Collaboration 2018.
- Delivered 192 times Return on Investment for Stakeholders based on ORSR grants alone.
- Exceeded all obligations set by stakeholders every year.
- 259% increase in clubs working through the program since 2015.
- From the table above 2 clubs had achieved Starclub Recognised Status up to 2017 and now as of the end of 2020 there are 20. This represents 16% of clubs in the Murraylands who have reached the highest level possible comparative to 7% state wide.
- 49 training courses delivered in the region exceeding targets.

- Over 500 meetings held to assist clubs/associations.
- Advocacy provided between councils, ORSR, State Sporting Organisations and Clubs/Associations.
- 85% of clubs in The Murraylands are now engaged in the STARclub Program.
- Established STARclub Murraylands Facebook Page for continuous communication and engagement.
- Attended and supported over 150 events in the Region.
- Over 1160 volunteers have attended targeted STARclub training courses.
- Number of Sports Vouchers claimed 2018-2020 in Murraylands is 4302.

GOOD NEWS STORIES

- STARclub Murraylands wins Local Professionals Australia 2018 Leadership Excellence Award for Excellence in Cross Council Collaboration.
- 85% of Murraylands Clubs/Associations have a child safe officer due to training provided by STARclub Murraylands.
- Initiated the financial toolkit in the Starclub Program which is used State Wide of over 2700 clubs/associations.
- Establishment of 7 Sporting management Structures for collaborative outcomes.
- Notable projects with strong assistance by STARclub Murraylands with club/council/state sporting organisation thanks and feedback include:
 - Murray Bridge Regional Rowing Centre
 - Lameroo Sports Club
 - Re-forming of several clubs in the region including Mannum Little Athletics, Mannum Tennis Club (in conjunction with Mid Murray Council)
 - Taillem Bend Combined Sporting Hub
 - Ramblers Combined Sporting Club
 - Tintinara Oval Recreation Association
 - Mannum Oval Complex (on going with Mid Murray Council)
 - Mypolonga Combined Sporting Club
- Assisted 127 clubs throughout the region with grants, training, and advice.
- Hosting ORSR Game on and State-wide consultations/workshops.
- Established the STARclub Murraylands Facebook for preferred communication with clubs and associations (average 4 posts per week with over 400 engagements per post)

STATE WIDE STARCLUB SURVEY COMPLETED 2019 – STARclub Murraylands Results Achieved

The ORSR initiated survey was sent to all clubs in the Murraylands region, councils involved in the program and State Sporting Organisations.

- STARclub Murraylands had the highest number of respondents - proving engagement in the program
- 96% of clubs stated it was either important or very important to their club to have a field officer.
- 93% of 'Murraylands Clubs/Associations survey respondents had been in contact with STARclub Murraylands in the past 12 months.
- 97% of 'Murraylands Clubs/Associations survey respondents clubs stated it was very important for them to have a STARclub Field Officer in the Murraylands for promoting the latest initiatives, resources and funding opportunities.

- 97% of 'Murraylands Clubs/Associations survey respondents' said the field officer is visibly active in the community.

Comments received:

"For regional areas I cannot stress how important this position is for regional clubs/associations regarding advice on growing clubs and members, governance, facilities and local government mediation".

"We have found the program and our Field Officer an integral part of making our club better for all"

"Such a valuable asset for our club and the region".

"The field officer is continually communicating and has been invaluable with all levels of support".

APPENDIX 4 – DRAFT MRLGA PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN

(back to [agenda](#))



Murraylands and Riverland Local Government Association
19ADL-0362
September 2020

A large green rectangular area that serves as a background for the title. It features a large, faint, white circular graphic on the left side, composed of many concentric, slightly irregular lines, similar to the URPS logo. The text is centered within this area.

MURRAYLANDS AND
RIVERLAND REGIONAL
PUBLIC HEALTH &
WELLBEING PLAN

DRAFT



Murraylands & Riverland Regional Public Health & Wellbeing Plan

22 September 2020

Lead consultant	URPS
Prepared for	Murraylands and Riverland Local Government Association
Consultant Project Manager	Nicole Halsey, Director Suite 12/154 Fullarton Road (cnr Alexandra Ave) Rose Park, SA 5067 Tel: (08) 8333 7999 Email: nicole@urps.com.au
URPS Ref	19ADL-0362

Document history and status

Revision	Date	Prepared	Approved	Details
1	1 May 2020	Z. Hambour	N. Halsey	Draft for MRLGA Review
2	7 May 2020	Z. Hambour	Z. Hambour	Draft for MRPHW Committee Review
3	3 June 2020	Z. Hambour	Z. Hambour	With updates from the Committee
4	4 August 2020	Z. Hambour	N. Halsey	With Council priorities
5	22 Sept. 2020	Z. Hambour	Z. Hambour	With updates from the Committee

© URPS

All rights reserved; these materials are copyright. No part may be reproduced or copied in any way, form or by any means without prior permission.

This report has been prepared for URPS' client. URPS and its associated consultants are not liable to any person or entity for any damage or loss that has occurred, or may occur, in relation to that person or entity taking or not taking action in respect of any representation, statement, opinion or advice referred to herein.

www.urps.com.au

ABN 55 640 546 010



Contents

Introduction	1
About public health.....	2
About this Plan.....	3
Our Region	5
Quick facts about our people and their health.....	5
Comparison of our Region with Regional South Australia	6
Looking closer within our Region	7
Regional strengths and challenges for public health and wellbeing	9
What does this mean for regional public health planning?.....	10
Local government role and capacity	11
Our Goals	12
Goal 1 – Build community wellbeing and resilience	13
Goal 2 – Increase healthy living choices	15
Goal 3 – Prepare for climate change and plan for emergency	17
Goal 4 – Sustain environmental and public health	19
Goal 5 – Strengthen regional public health collaboration and delivery	21
Working together & tracking our progress.....	22
Governance arrangements	23
Delivering the Plan and tracking our progress.....	24

Introduction

Public health is what we do collectively as a society to create the conditions and environments that enable health and wellbeing of individuals and communities.

In South Australia public health is guided by the Public Health Act and the South Australian State Public Health Plan 2019-2024. These acknowledge the role of local governments in public health and encourage the development of regional public health plans that support the collaboration of Councils and stakeholders to improve regional public health outcomes.

This plan is the second regional plan for the Murraylands and Riverland region and is a collaboration of the Murraylands and Riverland Local Government Association (the MRLGA) and the region's eight constituent Councils: the Rural City of Murray Bridge, District Council of Karoonda East Murray, Southern Mallee District Council, Mid Murray Council, Coorong District Council, Renmark Paranga Council, Berri Barmera Council and the District Council of Loxton Waikerie (Figure 1).

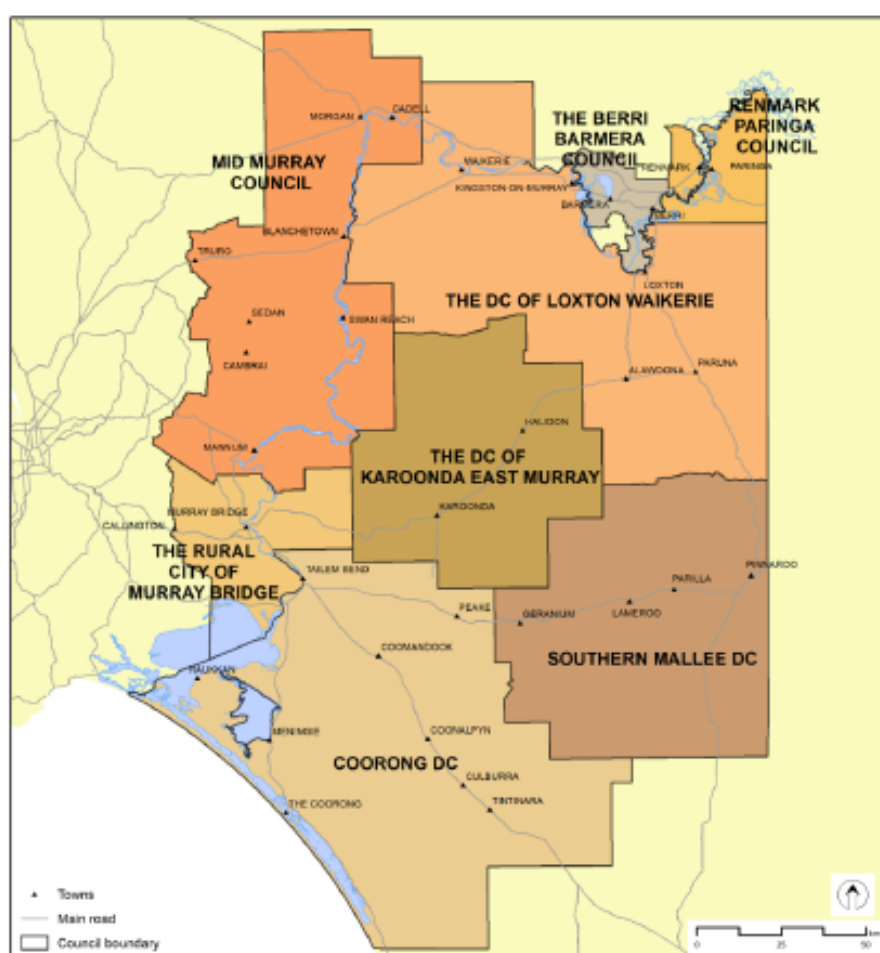


Figure 1 – The Murraylands and Riverland Region and constituent Councils



About public health

Public health protects and promotes the health and wellbeing of communities and it is influenced by many different aspects of our lifestyles and communities from what we put in our bodies and exercise to sanitation, community services, and how our communities are planned and built (Figure 2). Public health is influenced by an individual's ability to make healthy choices and by having access to services and infrastructure that support our 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.

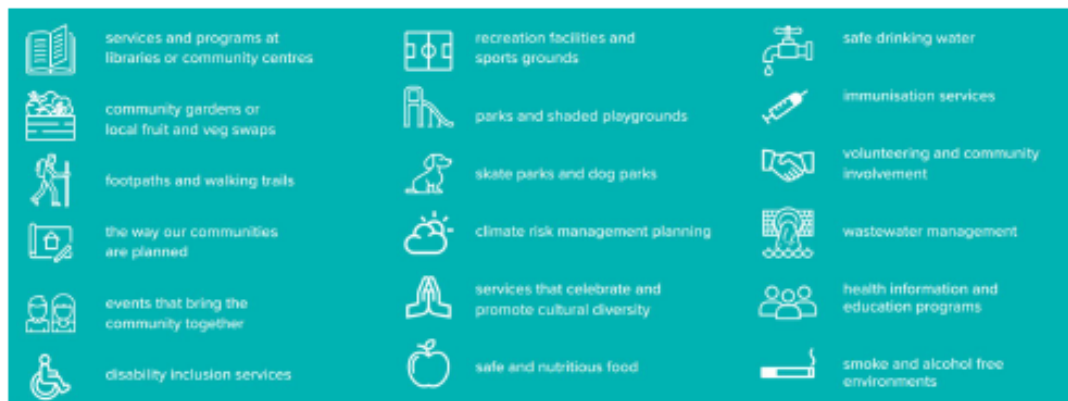


Figure 2: Examples of the domains of public health (Source: State Public Health Plan 2019-2024)

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 3).



Figure 3- The determinants of health (Source: State Public Health Plan 2019-2024)



The State Public Health Plan 2019-2024 recognises that, while most South Australians live and work in communities and environments that support wellbeing, in South Australia there are significant inequalities in the health status of several population groups, in particular:

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

About this Plan

This plan outlines the priorities and response of the constituent Councils for improving public health and wellbeing in the Murraylands and Riverland Region. It has been prepared with the input of the constituent Councils and regional stakeholders.

The constituent Councils and the MRLGA are committed to progressively increasing collaboration to deliver improved public health outcomes for the region through the preparation of regional plans every five years (Figure 4). This is the second public health plan that has been prepared for the region.



Figure 4 -Regional public health plans with increasing collaboration

The first regional plan (2013-18) acknowledged the breadth of public health work being undertaken by the constituent Councils and integrated public health into Council business. It audited and articulated projects and activities being undertaken by individual Councils in the region and encouraged a public health lens. It reported on regional characteristics that are still relevant to public health and wellbeing planning in the region.

This second plan (2020-2025) builds on the first by seeking to consolidate regional collaboration through governance arrangements that encourage common purpose and provide an opportunity to share information, resources and agendas. This second plan builds on regional strengths and addresses regional challenges, as well as the strategic priorities and priority populations identified in the South Australian State Public Health Plan (Table 1).

It is the aspiration of this plan that the next regional public health plan will springboard off the consolidated collaboration culture established under this plan, and will identify regional projects for collaboration.



Table 1 – South Australian State Public Health Plan 2019-2024 Strategic Priorities and Priority Populations

Strategic Priorities	<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>
Priority Populations	<p>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders people (ATSI)</p> <p>People living in rural and regional areas</p> <p>People experiencing socioeconomic disadvantage</p> <p>People from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds (CALD)</p>



URPS

Public Health & Wellbeing Plan

Our Region

Our Region

Quick facts about our people and their health

This section provides some key statistics about the Region's demographics and health outcomes. Unless stated otherwise, they have been compiled from the Population Health Profile (2019) prepared for the Region by the Public Health Information Development Unit (PHIDU) in collaboration with the South Australian Department of Health and Wellbeing and the Local Government Association of South Australia

Comparison of our Region with Regional South Australia

Health and wellbeing

- Higher % of high psychological distress
- Higher % of smokers
- Higher % of premature mortality rate for males
- Higher % of suicides
- Higher % of clients of community mental health services
- Higher % of obese adults
- Higher % self-assessed health as fair or poor


Disability and long-term illness

- Higher % of people with a profound or severe disability in the community
- Similar % of people providing unpaid care

Early life and childhood

- Higher % of pregnant women smokers
- Higher % of obese children
- Higher % of infant deaths
- Higher % of Child and Adolescent Mental Health clients
- Higher % of children live in low-income families

Murraylands & Riverland Region compared to Regional SA has...



Cultural diversity and language proficiency

- Higher % of people born in a non-English speaking country
- Higher % of people not speaking English well or at all
- Higher % of HACC clients who do not speak English
- Slightly lower % of people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent

Employment, income and education

- Higher % of people receiving unemployment benefits
- Higher % of people on Disability Support Pension, Age Pension, Pensioner Concession Card and Health Care Card
- Higher % of household crowding, mortgage stress and need for rent relief
- Slightly higher % of 16 year olds not in full time secondary school
- Slightly higher % of school leavers enrolled in university
- Slightly lower % of people volunteering (ABS Census 2016)



URPS

Public Health & Wellbeing Plan

Our Region

Looking closer within our Region

Trend	Comparison of Local Government Areas within the Region
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Largest populations: The Coorong (7.4% of the population), Murray Bridge (5.7%) and Berri and Barmera (5.6%)
People born in non-English speaking countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Largest proportions: Renmark Paringa and Murray Bridge (both 9.9%), and Berri and Barmera (7%)
Most common non-English speaking Countries of birth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philippines- 570 people, especially in Murray Bridge, Berri and Barmera, and The Coorong India - 540 people, mainly in Renmark Paringa and Berri and Barmera Greece - 366 people, mainly in Renmark Paringa, Berri and Barmera and Loxton Waikerie
Language spoken at home other than English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest %: Renmark Paringa (13.6%), Murray Bridge (10%) and Berri Barmera (9.1%) The languages are Greek, Mandarin, Punjabi, Filipino/Tagalog and Italian (ABS Census 2016)
Not being able to speak English well or at all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest %: Renmark Paringa (2.8%) and Murray Bridge (2.7%)
Median age and age profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Murray Bridge LGA has more young adults and fewer older people than Regional SA. Berri and Barmera LGA have more young adults than Regional SA Mid Murray LGA and The Coorong LGA have the oldest age profiles
People living with profound or severe disability (largest proportions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Largest proportions of 0-64 year old's - Berri and Barmera (4.9%), Mid Murray (4.8%), Murray Bridge (4.5%) and Karoonda East Murray (4.5%) 65 year old's and over- in Karoonda East Murray (17.2%, 40 people), Southern Mallee (17.1%, 67 people), Berri and Barmera (16.0%, 340 people) and Renmark Paringa (13.8%, 245 people)
Assistance with core activities (ABS Census 2016)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest in Berri Barmera (8%), Karoonda East (7.1%) and Mid Murray (7.0%)
Social disadvantage (IRSD score)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Murray Bridge (894) has the greatest relative social disadvantage compared with Southern Mallee (990), Karoonda East Murray (953) and Loxton Waikerie (951) which scored comparatively higher
People receiving unemployment benefits (16-64 yrs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Largest proportions - Berri and Barmera (10.4%), Renmark Paringa (10.1%), Murray Bridge (9.9%) and Mid Murray (9.7%)



Trend	Comparison of Local Government Areas within the Region
Obesity rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children: little variation between LGAs. Highest in Murray Bridge (approx. 8.0%) Men highest rates: Mid Murray (37.0%), Loxton Waikerie (36.9%), Karoonda East Murray, Southern Mallee and The Coorong (each with 36.7%) Women highest rates: Mid Murray (41.6%), Loxton Waikerie (41.1%), Karoonda East Murray (40.5%), Southern Mallee and The Coorong (40.4%) and Murray Bridge (39.0%)
Children and young people clients of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The highest rates: Murray Bridge (47% above the Regional SA rate), Berri and Barmera (28% above) and The Coorong (19% above).
Adults assessed as having high or very high levels of psychological distress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest in Murray Bridge (17.1%) other LGAs below the Regional SA rate.
Self-assessed health as fair or poor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Murray Bridge (20.2%) one third above the Regional SA rate. The other LGAs in the region had rates at or below the Regional SA rate.
Smoking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest estimated rates: Berri and Barmera (22.1%) and Mid Murray (21.9%)
Physical activity (15 years plus)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LGAs below the Regional SA rate: Southern Mallee and The Coorong (80.8%), Karoonda East Murray (80.3%), Loxton Waikerie (78.3%) and Renmark Paringa (78.3%).
Daily fruit consumption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults - All LGAs had daily fruit consumption just below the regional average (46.2%) Children lowest rates: Southern Mallee and The Coorong (61.4%) and Karoonda East Murray (61.7%)
Suicide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mid Murray has the highest rate of suicide (29.7 deaths per 100,000 population, 2.11 times the Regional SA rate) Murray Bridge had the lowest rate (26% below the Regional SA rate)
Not in full time high school (16 year old's)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest: Renmark Paringa (30.1%) and Karoonda East Murray (25%)
Young people (15-24 years) engaged in school, work or education/training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southern Mallee (84.7%), Loxton Waikerie (84.1%), the Coorong (82.2%) and Berri and Barmera (80.7%) all above the regional average.
Volunteering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest rates: Southern Mallee (39.5%), Karoonda East Murray (37.5%) and Coorong (35.5%) Lowest in Murray Bridge (22.0%), Renmark Paringa (21.3%) and Berri Barmera (24.1%)



Regional strengths and challenges for public health and wellbeing

The following strengths and challenges for public health planning in the region have been compiled from input from the constituent Councils and regional stakeholders at workshops to develop this Plan, and from the Murraylands and Riverland Social Issues Report (2019, MRLGA).

Regional strengths	Regional challenges
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attractive natural landscapes and aquatic environments that are accessible and free. • Rural lifestyle • Existing successful public health and wellbeing initiatives and networks across the region • Good quality recreation facilities • Local government community facilities • Growing culture of sharing and collaboration between Councils and organisations • Existing community participation and volunteering • Strong sense of community and personal safety • Multicultural acceptance and networks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health issues and access to services • Adapting to climate change • Drug and alcohol abuse • Ageing population • Joblessness and welfare dependence • Difficulty accessing transport • Services for marginalised vulnerable and youth • Coordination between programs and service providers • High-socio economic disadvantage and financial stress • Disability access and inclusion • Water security • Attraction and retention of public health professionals (esp. young) • Access to affordability of specialist care • Childhood and adult obesity • Increasing volunteering • Availability of affordable and rental housing



What does this mean for regional public health planning?

The key demographic trends, strengths and challenges identified in the previous sections raise the following imperatives that need to be considered in public health planning in the Region:

1. Enabling regional coordination – many Councils share the same public health impacts regionally and sub regionally. This provides an excellent opportunity to collaborate in addressing shared issues and harnessing strengths, however Council's will need a regional resource to coordinate efforts.
2. Ensuring affordability and accessibility of activities - Many unemployed and welfare dependent households and those without their own transport need to be able to easily access affordable services and activities.
3. Building on existing assets - The Region's natural environment, rural lifestyle and recreational and Council facilities provide an opportunity to leverage off these assets and provide more or better ways for people to be active, unwind and recharge, or to connect with local community. There are also many existing successful networks, programs and volunteers operating across the region that can be linked to or expanded upon to achieve regional outcomes.
4. Supporting access and inclusion - Planning and activities must consider how to best engage with and use the strengths of culturally and linguistically diverse members of the community, as well as with people living with a disability.
5. Improving mental health and psychological stress - People in the community need support to manage their high levels of psychological stress. How can Council add value to the health outcomes of the high number of adults and children already accessing mental health services or prevent people reaching that point?
6. Encouraging healthy lifestyles - Obesity, lack of exercise and smoking are an issue across the Region. How can Councils support the adults and children to eat well and exercise more, and support people to quit smoking?
7. Addressing drug and substance abuse - Substance abuse (particularly Ice), is a concern that is impacting on the health and wellbeing of individuals and their households and networks. How can Councils contribute to recovery and prevent substance abuse?
8. Adapting to climate change – Climate change can impact a community's physical and mental health, lifestyle and budgets. Regional responses need to consider how to best manage impacts and maintain vitality and prosperity.
9. Responding to disease outbreaks – the 2020 Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted the need to work together and share information and responses across Councils to best protect communities.
10. Supporting housing affordability and availability – A supply of affordable and social housing is required to address the level of people suffering rental and mortgage stress.
11. Improving employment prospects – There is an opportunity to look at volunteering and training programs and other civic participation opportunities to provide purpose and build employment prospects for those on unemployment benefits providing opportunities for civic participation that improve wellbeing and employment prospects.



Local government role and capacity

Councils can play various roles in the delivery of public health and wellbeing outcomes. The types of roles local governments can play include:

- Leads by action and example, making decisions about the future of the Community
- Advocates – promotes and supports the Community to others
- Provides services, facilities and support directly to the community
- Partners/Facilitates – outcomes for the Community by working with others to realise common and specific goals.
- Regulates – provides regulated services as prescribed in legislation

The delivery of public health in Councils is the responsibility of many different areas of a Council.

From the areas that create and maintain open space, walking/cycling networks, buildings and facilities that can be accessed by people of all abilities and that encourage healthy activity, to the people who program such spaces to ensure that people are encouraged to use them.

From the people that run community programs that are accessible to and celebrate community diversity, to the people who are in customer service who create a welcoming and supportive environment for all.

From the people who share information about healthy eating to those who check that dining venues, and facilities are safe for use.

From those who plan for development of our cities and towns to provide housing and employment opportunities, to those who link people with housing and employment services.

From those run programs and provide safe places in community centres and libraries to those who connect people with services to support them at home.

Councils in the region are of varying sizes and have differing capacities to deliver public health activities.

However, in each Council there are successful activities that can continue and there are opportunities to look at how public health outcomes can be achieved through different areas of Council that are not technically thought of as a lead public health function. There may also be opportunities to look at what is working well in one Council that could be shared with another, or what could be done together more efficiently.



Our Goals

Five long term aspirational regional Goals have been identified to address the imperatives for public health planning and the priorities and target populations of the State Public Health Plan. These Goals and local government roles in delivering them have been adjusted from the previous Plan, acknowledging the extensive work Councils already have underway.

For this Plan, the Councils will each undertake their own activities that collectively work towards the achievement of each regional Goal. Under each regional Goal, each Council has a list of top priorities they will focus on over the life of the plan. They will also continue to deliver other public health activities but these priorities have been identified as a focus given the challenges for the region.



URPS

Public Health & Wellbeing Plan

Our Goals

Goal 1 – Build community wellbeing and resilience

In our Region...

- people of all ages, backgrounds, abilities and means are welcomed, connected and participate in community life
- people's mental health is supported
- people feel safe
- community support structures aid resilience and recovery.

Examples of local government role in delivering this Goal

- Disability access and inclusion planning
- Planning policy that supports community health and housing diversity
- Libraries, community centre and other social infrastructure and programs
- Reconciliation Action Planning
- Celebrating and supporting cultural diversity
- Public safety design and infrastructure
- Local Area Traffic Management
- Volunteer programs and traineeships
- Engaging communities in Council decisions and activities
- Community transport
- Access to digital resources and improving digital literacy
- Connecting people with education, employment and support services
- Community events
- Community grants

Examples of current regional collaboration by Councils in delivering this Goal

- Funding contributions made to regional Community Transport Schemes and Medical Bus

State Public Health Plan alignment to this Goal

- PROMOTE – Build stronger communities and healthier environments



URPS

Public Health & Wellbeing Plan

Our Goals

Our top priorities or actions for this Goal

Council	Top priorities or actions
The Berri Barmera Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implement the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2. Continue to support and promote health, learning and wellbeing initiatives in our community 3. Engage with our diverse community to develop and support opportunities for storytelling and shared understanding 4. Implement infrastructure projects that include and improve public safety design
Coorong District Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2. Support and advocate for mental health programs 3. Continue to develop Council's Volunteer Management Program 4. Provide post COVID-19 business recovery support
The District Council of Karoonda East Murray	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2. Support local community groups to build capacity and inclusion 3. Assist Karoonda Area School to provide community access to the Karoonda School Swimming Pool 4. Provide community grant writing support for identified projects and funding opportunities
The District Council of Loxton Waikerie	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a Council wide Active Ageing and Wellness Strategy 2. Develop a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 3. Provide up to \$250,000 in grants to community groups and organisations 4. Develop a Youth Activation Strategy
Mid Murray Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop Mid Murray "Our Town" Implementation Plan and work with Mid Murray Family Connections to assist in addressing mental health issues 2. Develop a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 3. Provide diverse and increased opportunities for community engagement, connection and participation 4. Promote and celebrate Aboriginal Culture and significance through increased opportunities for engagement and collaboration
Renmark Paranga Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2. Continue to support Council's volunteer program 3. Continue library digital literacy and other programs and the provision of resources such as e-books, e-audio books and magazines 4. Continue to support the driverless bus trial 5. Install a ramp in the upgrade of the swimming pool 6. Install LED street lighting to improve public safety
The Rural City of Murray Bridge	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participate in the drug prevention Pilot Program for Planet Youth and explore opportunities to establish a longer-term program 2. Lobby for greater access to mental health services for those most vulnerable 3. Lobby for greater access to drug rehabilitation and assistance services 4. Development and implementation of Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 5. Create diverse housing options through development assessment and influencing planning and design code policy applicable to the residential growth areas
Southern Mallee District Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve disability access to public buildings 2. Continue to engage our community in Council planning for two key major projects 3. Provide a community grants program



Goal 2 – Increase healthy living choices

In our Region...

- people can eat well and exercise regularly regardless of their circumstances
- smoking, drug and substance misuse is reduced.

Examples of local government role in delivering this Goal

- Walking and cycling trails and networks
- Open space, sporting grounds, recreational facilities and playgrounds
- Supporting exercise programs through Council centres
- Smoke free environments and dry zones
- Supporting farmers markets
- Recreation and sport planning and grants
- Healthy eating events
- Alcohol and Drug Foundation Local Drug Action Teams, and Local Government Prevention Capacity & Infrastructure Surveys and Reports
- Connecting people with information and services to prevent harm from smoking, alcohol and drugs
- Collaborating with other programs (eg. ORSR Recreation and Sport grants, STARCLUB, Good Sports, Parkrun, Heart Foundation)

Examples of current regional collaboration by Councils in delivering this Goal

- Murraylands Starclub Field Officer, co-funded by the Murraylands Councils and the Office of Recreation, Sport and Racing
- The Rural City of Murray Bridge commitment to Planet Youth in conjunction with the Local Drug Action Team

State Public Health Plan alignment to this Goal:

- PREVENT – Prevent chronic disease, communicable disease and injury



Our top priorities or actions for this Goal

Council	Top priorities or actions
The Berri Barmera Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Upgrade key recreational spaces for improved community use 2. Extend and link walking, cycling and recreation trails networks across the District 3. Support and facilitate activities and events that focus on community health, wellbeing and resilience
Coorong District Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Seek to continue developing healthy and active lifestyle choices through education, awareness and access to healthy eating and physical activity, this could be done in partnership with groups such as the Heart Foundation, Parkrun etc Ongoing delivery of sport and recreation opportunities (eg. STARclub program) 2. Increase education about drug, alcohol and substance misuse in partnership with recognised organisations and the State Government 3. Establish a region wide Community Garden scheme
The District Council of Karoonda East Murray	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop three new playgrounds in Wanbi, Karoonda and Wynarka to provide opportunities for outdoor family activities
The District Council of Loxton Waikerie	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Facilitate the development of the Moorook Kingston on Murray Eco Trail in collaboration with Moorook Kingston on Murray Community Association and Department for Environment and Water 2. Continue the Waikerie Walking Trail - linking the Fauna Park, Hart Lagoon Trail and the Waikerie Riverfront 3. Promote Council Dry Areas 4. Continue to operate swimming pools and recreation facilities in Loxton and Waikerie
Mid Murray Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maintain infrastructure that supports opportunities for sport and recreation 2. Facilitate active partnerships with sporting clubs to achieve sustainable, inclusive and increased participation 3. Leverage existing open spaces, and explore other recreation strategies, to provide a broad range of opportunities for social connection and inclusion for all ages
Renmark Paranga Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a Tracks and Trails Strategy and a Wayfinding Strategy 2. Provide healthy eating options at all Council events and functions 3. Develop the Taylor Riverfront Precinct, including walking paths, waterplay and outdoor spaces for our community and visitor engagement 4. Upgrade the Renmark Swimming Pool
The Rural City of Murray Bridge	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue implementation of the Murray Coorong Trail 2. Continue to develop and support the partnership with the Murraylands Star Club 3. Implement Council's Playspace Strategy – 2017-2027
Southern Mallee District Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop and provide better open space, sporting grounds, recreational facilities and playgrounds for public, community group and sporting club use 2. Support the community with applications for recreation and sport planning grants 3. Administer council grant funds to support community organisations in the delivery of healthy living outcomes 4. Facilitate health programs within our district



URPS

Public Health & Wellbeing Plan

Our Goals

Goal 3 – Prepare for climate change and plan for emergency

In our Region ...

- we have planned for and are resilient to the long-term impacts of climate change such as reduced rainfall and increased temperatures
- our communities are planned and resourced to respond to and recover from emergencies and disasters (including extreme weather events such as heat waves, floods, storms and bushfires).

Examples of local government role in delivering this Goal

- Regional and local climate change adaptation planning and integration
- Planning policy that supports energy and water efficient buildings and industry
- Green and cool, drought tolerant landscapes and public realm
- Energy and water efficient Council buildings and facilities
- Council facilities as refuges during heat waves
- Emergency management and disaster response planning
- Regional and subregional water management planning including reuse
- Community education about and communication during extreme events

Examples of current regional collaboration by Councils in delivering this Goal

- Commitment of all Councils to the Murray and Mallee Zone Emergency Management Committee

State Public Health Plan alignment to this Goal:

- PROTECT – Protect against public and environmental health risks and respond to climate change



URPS

Public Health & Wellbeing Plan

Our Goals

Our top priorities or actions for this Goal

Council	Top priorities or actions
The Berri Barmera Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undertake projects that focus on climate adaption through a strategic approach to trees and greening, pavement surfaces and green energy 2. Invest in business opportunities that create circular economy outcomes across water, waste and energy 3. Work with emergency services and stakeholder agencies to prepare and enact disaster management, mitigation and recovery
Coorong District Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue to educate and build resilience amongst rural communities and industries on the impacts of climate variability 2. Provide Council facilities as refuges during heat waves, in-conjunction with community facilities 3. Undertake emergency management and disaster response planning 4. Support the Tatiara and Coorong Local Action Plan with a particular focus on the links between the environment and health and well being 5. Install solar panels on Council owned buildings
The District Council of Karoonda East Murray	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undertake targeted sanddrift removal from Council roads 2. Undertake a strategic review of existing waste facilities and regional opportunities 3. Feature renewable technology in upgrades to community infrastructure where applicable
The District Council of Loxton Waikerie	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop an Emergency Management Plan 2. Promote use of community facilities as refuges in times of extreme heat 3. Develop the Riverland Smart Agriculture Project - including wireless sensors (eg. LoRaWAN technology) within irrigated and dry land agricultural areas 4. Undertake an LED light replacement program to reduce electricity use
Mid Murray Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explore and implement renewable energy and energy saving initiatives 2. Develop a Community Emergency Management Plan 3. Plan for innovative and sensible revegetation initiatives favouring native, drought tolerant species and biodiversity planting
Renmark Paringa Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop an Emergency Management Plan including response and recovery arrangements to build community resilience 2. Provide community facilities such as the library, Visitor Information Centre and Civic Centre as refuges during heat waves, and provide water during extreme heat 3. Install solar panels on the Alan Coulter Recreation Centre 4. Audit street lighting and install LED streetlights
The Rural City of Murray Bridge	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Investigate installation of solar panels on Council buildings 2. Investigate further water reuse projects in Council parks and gardens 3. Undertake a waste reuse project for the Tour Down Under 4. Implement the actions from the Climate Change Adaptation Plan 5. Implement the actions from the Environmental Management Plan
Southern Mallee District Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prepare emergency management and disaster response planning documents 2. Improve the energy and water efficiency of Council buildings and facilities 3. Review Council tree and planting policies to use more effective species on any new developments



Goal 4 – Sustain environmental and public health

In our Region ...

- people are protected against preventable communicable diseases
- environmental risks to public health are well understood and people and organisations have the capacity to act accordingly

Examples of local government role in delivering this Goal

- Vaccination programs
- Mosquito management
- Food safety and air and water quality education, regulation and enforcement
- Asbestos management and removal education
- Water safety education

Examples of current regional collaboration by Councils in delivering this Goal

- Environmental Health Officers across Councils (Murraylands and Riverland Regional Special Interest Group) working collaboratively to coordinate environmental health outcomes including Mosquito control

State Public Health Plan alignment to this goal:

- PROTECT – Protect against public and environmental health risks and respond to climate change
- PREVENT – Prevent chronic disease, communicable disease and injury



Our top priorities or actions for this Goal

Council	Top priorities or actions
The Berri Barmera Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advocate and collaborate regionally to ensure continued operation of immunisation clinics 2. Continue improved Food Safety Education 3. Implement Riverland Integrated Mosquito Management Plan 4. Encourage and support local aquatic operators to implement and expand approved water safety programs to our community
Coorong District Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implement the Mosquito Management Plan 2. Undertake a post COVID-19 review and consider Council's ongoing role in local response 3. Implement the Immunisation Program
The District Council of Karoonda East Murray	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create a Waste Facility Strategy incorporating future plans for Karoonda Landfill Site 2. Deliver an immunisation program in collaboration with the Karoonda Area School 3. Provide bi-annual food inspections of local food handling business and community groups
The District Council of Loxton Waikerie	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop Asbestos Management Plans for Council buildings 2. Implement the Riverland Integrated Mosquito Management Plan, and in conjunction with SA Health, mosquito and midge monitoring programs 3. Provide a School Vaccination Program 4. Provide a green bin green waste composting service
Mid Murray Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implement the Joint Murraylands Mosquito Management Plan 2. Support and facilitate the School Immunisation Program 3. Coordinate education programs to heighten skills and knowledge of food handlers
Renmark Paringa Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve food safety education 2. Advocate and collaborate regionally to ensure continued operation of immunisation clinics 3. Implement the Riverland Integrated Mosquito Plan
The Rural City of Murray Bridge	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue to promote Council's Community immunisation clinic and encourage strong uptake at School clinics 2. Investigate the feasibility of a communal sewerage system for the Eastside of Murray Bridge 3. Complete and implement the Joint Murraylands Mosquito Management Plan
Southern Mallee District Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Deliver vaccination programs 2. Provide asbestos management and removal education 3. Increase Council's food safety inspections 4. Improve water safety education



Goal 5 – Strengthen regional public health collaboration and delivery

In our Region...

- Councils collaborate to deliver regional public health outcomes
- Councils are resourced to support regional collaboration

Examples of local government role in delivering this Goal

- Seeking funding to support regional coordination
- Sharing resources
- Shared service agreements
- Regional planning
- Linking or adding value to existing successful programs and networks

State Public Health Plan alignment to this goal:

- PROGRESS – Strengthen the systems that support public health and wellbeing

Our top priorities or actions for this goal

Top priorities or actions	
Murraylands and Riverland Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Plan Committee (the Committee)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Committee to meet at least three times a year to drive the delivery of the Plan and build collaboration2. The running of a forum of public health stakeholders, convened by the Committee in the first 12 months of its formation, to promote the range of public health services delivered in the Murraylands and Riverland, explore examples best practice and consider the benefits of regional collaboration3. The development of regional collaboration teams, where practical, to further explore key regional public health issues and act or advocate for change"



Working together & tracking our progress

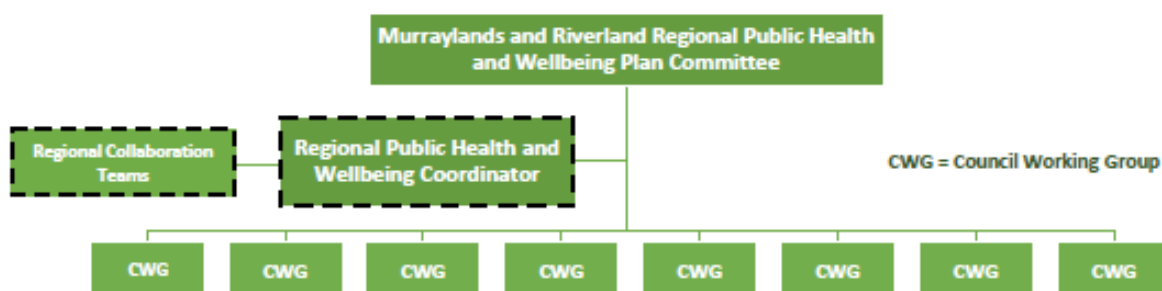
This section outlines how the MRLGA and constituent Councils will organise and resource themselves to best deliver this Plan whilst also meeting any legislative requirements of the Public Health Act.



Governance arrangements

Regional collaboration is the cornerstone that will support the success of this Plan. A regional committee has been established by the MRLGA to lead the development of this Plan (and future reviews) and to oversee the delivery and reporting of the Plan's progress.

In recognising the capacity of the constituent Councils, this Plan ideally seeks to establish a Regional Coordinator to drive collaboration and assist in coordinating a regional response. The ability to appoint this Coordinator is dependent upon funding.



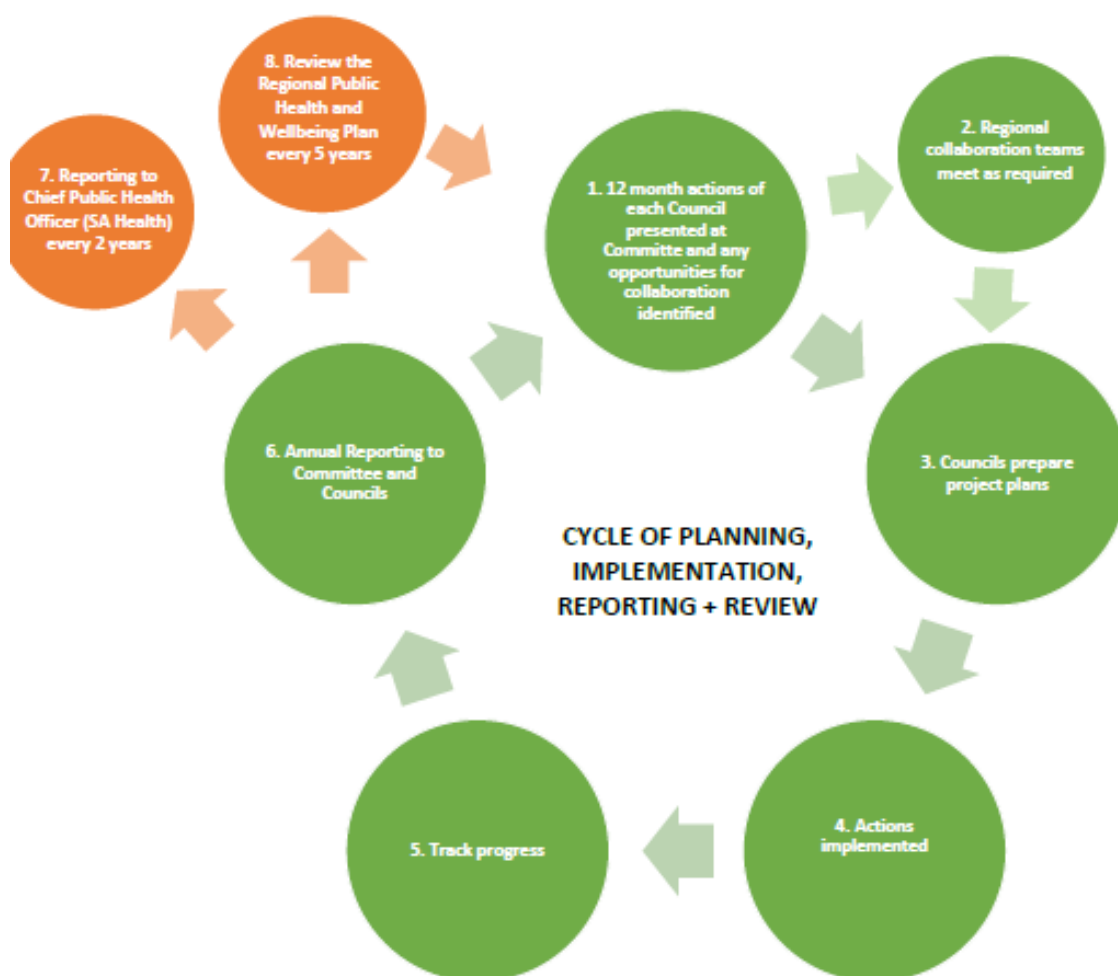
Role	Membership
Murraylands and Riverland Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Plan Committee To oversee the preparation, implementation, reporting and review of the Plan; and to pursue regional collaboration and partnership in the interest of improved service delivery and public health outcomes. The Chair for the Committee to be appointed by MRLGA. The Committee will be supported by the Regional Public Health Coordinator (if established). Meet at least three times a year to drive the delivery of the Plan and build collaboration.	A senior manager from both the community services/planning and environmental health portfolios of each constituent Council. The CEO and President of the MRLGA will serve on the Committee by right of their position with the MRLGA.
Council Working Groups To project manage the delivery of individual Council priorities/actions. A leader will be appointed to ensure coordination and delivery. This role may be rotated within Council. The lead will call, chair and minute actions from working group meetings. And will ensure that project plans are prepared and ensure accountability of action delivery by project working group members.	A senior Council Manager to act as Project Sponsor to provide guidance and assist in any operational or political barriers. An operational staff member to act as the Regional Project Manager.
Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Coordinator (subject to funding) Coordinating Committee meetings, managing the agenda and minutes. Implementing decisions of the Committee in accordance with the business plans of the MRLGA and the Regional Public Health Plan. Providing advice and reports to the Committee on its performance against Plan. Identifying and developing partnerships and funding opportunities.	A skilled public health planner with project management, networking and collaboration expertise. If possible, a co-funded position (Council and external), appointed by the Committee and hosted by the MRLGA.
Regional Collaboration Teams If collaboration opportunities are identified, interested Councils will meet to explore and implement these opportunities.	Interested Councils. Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Coordinator (if appointed).



Delivering the Plan and tracking our progress

This Plan will be delivered through the following cycle of planning, implementation, reporting and review. This cycle will assist in the delivery of regional projects but also acknowledges the ongoing services and other public health actions that Council will deliver outside of the regional projects. It also allows for the legislatively required reports to SA Health every two years, and review of the Plan every five years.

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





URPS

Public Health & Wellbeing Plan

Working together & tracking our progress

Cycle step	Description	Who	How	When
1. 12 month actions of each Council presented at Committee and opportunities for collaboration identified (if any)	Committee meets and each Council presents their priority actions to deliver over the coming year. These actions relate to what is necessary in a given year to deliver the Council's priorities/actions listed under each goal in this plan, plus any other actions they wish to progress in relation to the public health goals. Emerging issues relating to each goal are discussed and any opportunities for collaboration identified	The Committee	Workshop	Annually
2. Regional collaboration teams meet as required	If an opportunity for regional collaboration is identified, interested Councils may form teams to progress the opportunity	Interested Councils (Regional collaboration teams) and <i>Regional Coordinator (if appointed)</i>	Meetings, calls, emails	Through out the year
3. Council Working Groups plan for priorities/actions	Councils prepare 12 month project snapshots/plans for their priority actions which may or may not include regional collaboration actions. Measures for reporting will be identified.	Councils	Internal meetings	Annually
4. Actions implemented	Councils implement actions across the year	Individual Councils	As per own project plans	Through out the year
5. Track progress	Data collected (based on measures agreed to at 3) and reported to Committee. Approaches adjusted as required to improve outcomes	Councils <i>Regional Coordinator (if appointed)</i>	Collected as per project plans Project meetings to adjust approach Report tabled to Committee meeting	Every 6 months
6. Annual reporting to Committee and Councils	Prepare annual reports of progress on delivery of Council priorities under each goal and consider and identify adjustments or opportunities for following year.	<i>Regional Coordinator (if appointed)</i> or role rotated amongst Councils and the MRLGA	Report tabled to Committee meetings and distributed to Councils	Annually
7. Reporting to Chief Public Health Officer (SA Health)	Prepare a report to the Chief Public Health Officer (SA Health), as required by the Public Health Act, that collates progress against the Council priorities under each goal based on the annual reports	<i>Regional Coordinator (if appointed)</i> or role rotated amongst Councils and the MRLGA	Report emailed to SA Health	Every two years

**APPENDIX 5 – LGA PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDATION REPORT -
CONFIDENTIAL**

(back to [agenda](#))

APPENDIX 6 - CORRESPONDENCE

(back to [agenda](#))



Government
of South Australia

Hon David Basham MP
Minister for Primary Industries
and Regional Development
GPO Box 1671 Adelaide SA 5001
Tel 08 8226 2931
Minister.Basham@sa.gov.au

eA192427

Mrs Caroline Philips
Mayor
District Council of Karoonda East Murray
11 Railway Terrace
KAROONDA SA 5307

Email: council@dckem.sa.gov.au

Dear Mayor,

Thank you for the letter of 30 September 2020 providing responses to the District Council of Karoonda East Murray's public consultation under the *Genetically Modified Crops Management Act 2004*.

The time taken by your Council to engage with your community on this issue is appreciated and your resolution to not seek an exemption from the Government of South Australia is noted.

Farmers in your council area will now have the freedom of choice to grow Genetically Modified food crops if they choose to do so.

Once again, thank you for providing feedback on this very important matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Basham'.

Hon David Basham MP
MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

14 / 10 / 2020



RECEIVED

20 OCT 2020

District Council
Karoonda
East Murray

eA192467



Government
of South Australia

Hon David Basham MP
Minister for Primary Industries
and Regional Development
GPO Box 1671 Adelaide SA 5001
Tel 08 8226 2931
Minister.Basham@sa.gov.au

Ms Caroline Phillips
Mayor
District Council of Karoonda East Murray
PO Box 58
KAROONDA SA 5307

Dear Mayor Phillips

Thank you for meeting with me during my recent visit to Karoonda on 29 September 2020. The Rural Services Industry Park will be an exciting development to support growth in Karoonda and I am pleased to be able to provide funding support for the provision of utility infrastructure to the site.

It was great to hear and see the local initiatives such as the town pool progress, the town silo paintings and the new residential blocks which provide an inexpensive option for people wishing to live in Karoonda.

It was also valuable for me to hear feedback on the how the drought support events currently being delivered to the local community are being received.

I look forward to being kept informed of the region's developments and how they are progressing.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Basham'.

Hon David Basham MP
MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

13 / 10 / 2020



RECEIVED

12 OCT 2020

District Council
Karoonda
East Murray

Katrina Fromm
Acting CEO
District Council Karoonda East Murray
KAROONDA SA 5307

12th October 2020

Dear Katrina

Thank you for your offer of administrative assistance with the sale of surplus items. It is much appreciated.

Following our meeting on 14th September, it was thought that holding an actual auction wouldn't be a viable option whereas offering the items for sale by expressions of interest online would be more appropriate and could reach a wider audience. However, we are open to suggestions of how best to conduct this sale once we have decided on what are the surplus items. We would be looking at a sale in August/September next year, 2021.

We therefore would firstly be looking for assistance with the processes involved in seeking expressions of interest for disposal of surplus items which are ultimately council assets.

We thought that we would need time to set up the surplus items in a designated area for inspection if required. Once prepared the items would need to be catalogued, photographed, advertised, uploaded and the expressions of interest taken – tasks for which we would be looking for assistance.

The committee would then decide on whether to accept the offers according to the deaccessioning policy adopted in August 2016 -

Where the value is deemed to be less than \$1000 the decision will lay with the executive committee as to how it will be disposed of. Above that amount or when the item is of a sensitive nature, the District Council of Karoonda East Murray will endorse the disposal.

We will appreciate any assistance that you are able to give in these areas please.

Kind regards



Elizabeth Kerr (secretary)

Mallee Business Association

Box 415

KAROONDA SA 5307



18th October 2020

Mrs Katrina Fromm
Acting CEO
District Council Karoonda East Murray
11 Railway Tce
KAROONDA SA 5307

Dear Elected Members, Mayor Phillips and Katrina

VISITOR FEEDBACK

I am writing on behalf of the Mallee Business Association on a few issues which came up at our last meeting on areas that the public have recently commented on or members of the group feel needs attention or improving to keep Railway Tce a place where people love to stop, spend some time and hopefully spread the word to others as well that they had a great experience.



The kelpie as pictured above, has proven itself as the silo icon, but unfortunately it is rather starting to show signs of being covered with pigeon poop. Currently the level of poop is small but over time this will build up and will need addressing, hopefully between Viterra and Council some arrangement can be made to address this manner.

Mallee Business Association

Box 415

KAROONDA SA 5307



The seats at the solar charging station have become worn down due to sun exposure, this could cause splintering and has become a little unattractive for visitors. Also pictured in the background on the picture on the right the cement seating is also looking a bit unloved. Various art work lovers in the area I'm sure would love to put their hand to this and bring it back to life if given a change. A good point of contact for that project would be Jen Arnold who is looking at formulating a group to give buildings some colour and bringing them to life.

The gum trees which have been lit up for a while now upon entering the town look great. To further enhance the main street during the night, we would love to see a few more trees lit up down the street which would continue the theme of 'colouring up' our town.

Once the council has discussed these minor works your feedback will be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,



Janine Dutschke

Chairperson

Mallee Business Association

From: Gregory, Jenny (Karoonda Area School) <Jenny.Gregory132@schools.sa.edu.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 21 October 2020 2:20 PM

To: Katrina Fromm <katrina.f@dckem.sa.gov.au>

Subject: Pool course

Good afternoon Katrina and Councillors,

In the near future we will be looking into running a swimming pool course or attend a swimming pool course elsewhere to get supervisors trained in readiness for opening the pool to the community. We can with the assistance of our grant officer watch for grants that we may be able to utilise for funding assistance.

I was wondering otherwise if council would be able to assist with funding to enable the training to occur.

Thanks for Councils ongoing support of projects



Jenny

Jenny Gregory

Finance Officer

Karoonda Area School

North Terrace Karoonda SA 5307

Ph 08 85781120 Fax 08 85781078

K.E.M.

P.O BOX 53

KAROONDA

S.A 5307

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER KATRINA FROMM,
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF K.E.M.

I DAVID ALON NOBLE WISH TO SPEAK AT
YOUR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.

SUBJECTS DELEGATIONS FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES ACT 2005.

SECTION 105F FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES ACT 2005.

* FIRE HAZARDS IN THE TOWN OF WANBI.

FUEL BREAK AROUND WHOLE AREA.

COUNCIL FIRE PREVENTION OFFICERS

VEGETATION OVERGROWN CREATING FIRE HAZARDS

(FIRE DANGER SEASON 15 NOVEMBER TO 15 APRIL EACH YEAR,
CAN BE ALTERED BY COUNTRY FIRE SERVICE BECAUSE
OF HIGH FIRE RISKS.)

 06-10-20,

P.O BOX 15

WANBI S.A. 5310

RECEIVED

12 OCT 2021

District Council
Karoonda
East Murray