

# Health and Ageing project findings

Item I281

Cummins District Financial Services chairman Mick Howell and board director Whitney Wright attended Council's meeting to receive a presentation from Health and Ageing in Our Community project officer Kaye Ferguson and to discuss the draft completion report.

The Project Officer (PO) gave an overview of the project including preparation; engagement and research; assessment; and solutions and modelling.

The PO advised Council has four potential roles – to act as an informer, provider, partner or advocate body to help improve health and ageing issues within the district.

The PO went through the main issues identified as a result of community consultation and research.

Issues related to:

- Information provision
  - \* Services in DCLEP
  - \* My Aged Care
  - \* In-home care
- General Practitioner
  - \* Access
  - \* Recruitment
- Allied health
  - \* Public
  - \* Private
- Mental Health
  - \* Visiting services
  - \* Local services
- Ambulance service
- Infrastructure
  - \* Medical centres
  - \* GP housing
  - \* Housing
  - \* Age-friendliness
- Specialist services

- Aged care
  - \* Residential aged care beds
  - \* Staffing
  - \* In-home support
  - \* Respite care
- Disability support
- Transport services
- Social services

The PO stated there were many positives to come out of the project including recognition that there were many dedicated and skilled people working within the district.

There are hopes as a result of the project the district will benefit from better health outcomes, more local control, increased local employment, increased age-friendliness, retention and attraction of residents, and a proactive reputation.

## North Shields beach access

Item W&I/10/18

Council is continuing its project to provide an alternate vehicle access to the foreshore at the northern end of Easton Road, North Shields after further consideration at the February meeting.

Council submitted the project to the Coast Protection Board for review in August 2017 with a response prompting Council to confirm the next stages.

Staff have concluded that the project is, as anticipated, proving to be as complicated as any new access to a beach/foreshore should be. Staff believe that on the basis that Council remains of the view that the need to separate vehicles from beachgoers adjoining the residential area of North Shields and that ongoing vehicle access is warranted, then the project is on track to be completed at some time during 2018.

## Wayfinding strategy

Item W&I/11/18

Council has noted the draft Regional Development Australia Whyalla Eyre Peninsula Eyre Peninsula (RDAWEP) Tourism Signage Strategy and offered in-principle support to its recommendations.

In 2017 RDAWEP sought and received support from Eyre Peninsula Councils for a project to audit, assess and make recommendations on tourism related signage.

An audit of the signage located on the Lincoln Highway, Flinders Highway, Birdseye Highway, and the section of the Eyre Highway between Port Augusta and the Western Australian border has been conducted by consultants engaged by the RDAWEP and their report and recommendations have been received and distributed to the affected Councils.

Council were presented the draft findings and recommendations from the consultants at February's meeting and resolved it will consider a further report upon receipt of the final Strategy to evaluate the proposed implementation plan and financial implications.

## Fish cleaning station options

Item W&I/13/18

Council will continue with regular pump out, signage and monitoring of the Coffin Bay fish cleaning station after discussing various management strategies at February's Council meeting.

Following a report from the Director of Works and Infrastructure, Council discussed the merit of the fish cleaning facility and agreed that spending another \$48,000 to extend the 3-

phase power and to purchase and install a macerator was not a preferred option to overcome the issue of larger fish frames being forced into the current facility.

Cr Mitchell suggested Council place a large bin and signage at the boat ramp for people to dispose of larger fish frames, but an amendment to do so was lost.

## No to Gallipoli land tenure

Item W&I/ 16/18

Council voted against accepting a licence or dedication of land over Lot 53, Gallipoli Beach at its meeting in February.

This follows ongoing discussions with the Armistice Community Group and the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources (DEWNR) around the proposed construction of a cenotaph on the unallocated Crown Land abutting the area known locally as Gallipoli Beach.

The area is located approximately 4km north of the Farm Beach settlement. The Armistice Community Group, based in Coffin Bay, have submitted a development application to construct a cenotaph together with formalised parking and access and this triggered the standard process of seeking comment/recommendations from various government agencies. Council considered its position given the intent of DEWNR to

transfer the ownership of the Crown Land to another party, namely the Armistice Community Group or Council. There was a general consensus from Councillors that the group had carried out significant work, but for many factors there was hesitation for Council to take responsibility for the site.

Councillors noted that the existing land owner has the right to accept or reject the Cenotaph and associated infrastructure.

## Bratten Way

Item W&I/12/18

Staff will continue to pursue reporting, planning and proactive measures with a view to maintaining the General Mass Limit (GML) Freight Route status of Bratten Way following more discussions at Council's February meeting.

There was a general consensus Council will be challenged to finance maintaining the road as a GML route without impacting rate-payers, therefore outside funding opportunities needed to be researched and actively pursued.

# Queen's Baton Relay success

Council hosted the 2018 Commonwealth Games Queen's Baton Relay in Coffin Bay on Monday, February 19. Congratulations to all batonbearers and thank you to everyone who was involved: Coffin Bay Progress Association, Coffin Bay Tourist Association,

1802 Oyster Bar, Amy Maddern, SA Oyster Growers Association, SA Ambulance Service—Coffin Bay branch, C'Change, Dave Pearson, Wangary Primary School, Cummins Area School, Coffin Bay Yacht Club Association, and Coffin Bay Sporting Club.



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