



Baton Relay to visit

COUNCIL is excited to announce the Commonwealth Games Queen's Baton Relay will visit Coffin Bay on Monday, February 19.

The baton will be in Coffin Bay from 10am to 11.30am with Council to plan a community event to coincide with the relay.

Coffin Bay was selected as a 'Celebration Community'

and will host a leg of the Queen's Baton Relay in the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games 2018. Following the announcement of the Celebration Communities, the Commonwealth Games Corporation has started advertising for nominations for Baton Bearers across Australia with all nominations closing on June 2.

2017/18 budget consultation

COUNCIL is preparing its 2017/18 budget with Councillors to be provided with the first draft for consideration on Friday, May 5.

The draft business plan will be available to the public at no cost and a summary presentation will be available on Council's website from Tuesday, June 6.

Members of the public are invited to complete an online survey and make written submissions while there is also an opportunity to be heard by Council in relation to their submissions.

Public consultation

Staff will be available at each of Council's offices as well as the Coffin Bay Yacht Club to answer questions and provide information regarding the Draft Annual Business Plan.

- Cummins office: Tuesday, June 20, 2pm-4pm
 - Port Lincoln branch office: Wednesday, June 21, 10am-Noon
 - Coffin Bay Yacht Club: Wednesday, June 21, 2pm-4pm
- Written submissions from community members close on Wednesday, July 5 with Council to hear submissions from community members and determine any amendments as a result of submissions on Friday, July 14.

Council will adopt the budget at its July 21 meeting.

Kerbside collection changes at Coffin Bay

AFTER receiving community feedback in regards to additional kerbside waste collections before and after Christmas in Coffin Bay, Council will undertake all four additional waste collections after Christmas Day this year.

The Mount Dutton Progress

Association has also requested additional kerbside collections for residents over the Christmas/New Year and April school holiday periods. Council will consider the association's request as part of the formulation of future budgets.

Recovery planning with the community

ALMOST 30 community members and agency representatives attended the first of three Disaster Ready forums at the Cummins Bowls Club on Thursday, March 23.

Project officer Brad Flaherty of BNJ Consultants hosted representatives from the State Recovery Office, Local Government Association, Country Fire Service, State Emergency Service, SA Police, SA Water, Country Health SA, Housing SA, Department of Education and Child Services, Primary Industries and Regions SA, Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council as well as District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula Councillors and staff in an effort to gain an understanding of how recovery planning would work in our community.

Community engagement is a large part of the Disaster Ready project with the forum aimed at identifying gaps in community recovery, education in relation to 'who does what' in the recovery process and identifying the role Council can play in recovery.

The group looked at three hypothetical scenarios – a bushfire, a power outage and an outbreak of foot and mouth disease – and discussed first responders and recovery.

The group gained an understanding of the roles the various control agencies play in an emergency, and the role of SAPOL in coordinating the overall response where an event escalates to the point of being a very serious incident.

Kylie Raab informed the group in relation to the role Housing SA play in emergency relief, including setting up relief centres.

- ⇒ The project includes another two forums from 10am to 2pm at the Coffin Bay Yacht Club on April 3 and Port Lincoln Golf Club on April 13.
- ⇒ RSVP to mail@dclep.sa.gov.au

Ronnie Faggotter from the State Recovery Office was on hand to discuss how volunteer arrangements are managed, and how a Recovery Committee would be established to cover all issues to reflect community needs.

The group identified some gaps in recovery planning, such as where volunteers groups would be based and how they would be supported, and these are issues that will be given further thought over the course of the project.

SAPOL representatives Brevet Sergeant John Randall and Senior Constable Maxine Minchin were able to inform on the role played by SAPOL in coordinating a response, and in regard to the excellent work already done by the Community Emergency Ready Committees which are established in Cummins and Coffin Bay.

The aim of the project is to develop a Recovery Plan for the District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula, in a template form to ensure it is suitable for adaption by all Councils in relation to any disaster, whether that be fire, flood, disease, major power outage etc.

The forum was very successful and Council looks forward to the next two forums as an opportunity to work with the community and agencies to unwrap the issues affecting recovery planning.

Discussion on grain freight movements

COUNCIL moved the following motion at its meeting on Friday, March 17 in relation to the future management of grain freight movements across Lower Eyre Peninsula (Item W&I/25/17) —

That Council advise the Department of Planning Transport and Infrastructure that a move to 100 per cent road freight for all grain freight through and from Cummins to Port Lincoln will:

a. accelerate deterioration of road conditions already evident;

b. adversely affect road safety due to increased heavy vehicle movements mixing with light vehicles and the movement of farm machinery;

c. adversely impact on traffic management within the City of Port Lincoln;

d. increase the community expectation on the State Government to rehabilitate and upgrade extended sections of the Tod and Flinders Highway due to deteriorating road conditions and road

safety; and Council therefore seek a commitment from the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure that their negotiations with Genesee and Wyoming Australia Pty Ltd with respect to rail based grain freight, and related discussions with Viterra Pty Ltd on the freight task within the Lower Eyre Peninsula is based on whole of cost operations, for both road and rail and not solely on the per tonne cost of the transport operators.

Audit Committee

COUNCIL invites expressions of interest for Audit Committee independent members for a period of four years. People who have relevant administrative and business skills are encouraged to apply. Council will consider and make independent member appointments to the Audit Committee at its next meeting on Friday, April 28.

Conference success

MEDIA personality Amanda Blair did not disappoint as guest speaker at the 80th annual Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association conference in Cummins on Tuesday, February 28.

Hosted by the District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula, Ms Blair and a swag of other speakers impressed about 160 council and sponsorship delegates with insightful presentations at the Dr Seuss-themed conference.

Ms Blair commented on the challenges of local government with particular reference to the uprising of social media and the need for Councils to "be brave" and regenerate in order to be noticed in a world vastly influenced by technology.

As well as the conference, delegates attended a welcome barbecue in Coffin Bay on the Monday and a formal dinner at Marble Range Community and Sport Complex on Tuesday.

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Looking after our public jetties

COUNCIL will seek the views of other Eyre Peninsula councils with leased public jetties on a proposed strategy to develop a public jetty refurbishment and improvement project.

The aim of the project would be to retain these jetties for their respective communities well beyond the current lease term due to expire between 2025 and 2027.

The majority of public jetties on the Eyre Peninsula are owned by the State Government but leased by the respective councils.

Council's leases for jetties at Louth Bay and North Shields will expire in 2025 while the lease for Mount Dutton Bay's jetty expires in 2027.

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The state emergency responder's Press Media discussed the cost of disaster, the role of emergency management, and the new State Emergency Management Plan.

The council's director of works and infrastructure, Steve Douglas, talked about the relationship between local and state government across the three states and how legislation and such relationships affect local government, while chief executive officer and former community bank branch manager Bradie Gledhill gave details on the partnerships between the banks.

Adam Wilson, of financial services and regulatory, water and electricity companies and regulators, while regional development, Australia, Victoria and Eyre Peninsula's Premier, also looked at electricity supply stability for the Eyre Peninsula.

Ms Blair and other speakers discussed population growth as a key to economic prosperity within the state.

Monthly EP EPs include articles and news items brought into the basic needs of individuals while including James Lavery's "White's State Index" of emotional intelligence.

The training clinic, presented by the Eyre Peninsula, also presented on workplace leadership, while other presenters included Victoria's Andrew Brown, who talked about Eyre Peninsula's record harvest and subsequent trade and planning for grain shipments from Port Lincoln, noting that the future of rail in the region will be maintained across the next 18 months.

Grain Producers' CEO, Grant Macfarlane, discussed the lack of competition in storage and handling.

Mr Brown also discussed Eyre Peninsula's transport and supply chain issues, including Eyre Peninsula's rail agreement, higher wages, and climate change.

More Lincoln and alternate

Council had plant on display at the conference, with representative Julian Mills discussing the safety aspects of the equipment.

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Ms Brown said council staff were pleased with the success of the functions, which also included works manager and EPLGA board meetings.

"We had exceptional support and feedback from attendees and we couldn't be more pleased with the quality of presenters and overall how the events went," she resources said.

Mayor Julia Low said a key aim of the conference was for delegates to return to their councils refreshed for the challenges ahead.

"Thank you to all our sponsors and fellow Eyre Peninsula councils who supported the 80th anniversary."

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Representation Review workshop

COUNCILLORS and staff attended a Representation Review workshop on Tuesday, March 28 to consider submissions made as part of its Representation Review Options paper public consultation.

An elector representation review gives councils and their community the opportunity to examine their present composition and structure and allows the opportunity to plan and implement changes that will better reflect the future requirements of their community.

Council staff will now prepare a Representation Review Report, which will be released for further public consultation.

Speed limits at Mount Dutton Bay

COUNCIL moved to support the Mount Dutton Progress Association request to the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure to consider a 30kmh speed limit for the coastal settlements of Mount Dutton Bay at its March meeting.

A survey conducted by Council in June 2015 for a 25kmh speed limit had 25 responses with 19 in favour.

Rural Living Zone speed limits

THE Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure is reviewing the speed limits on sealed roads within Council's rural living zones, with a view to implementing 80kmh or 60kmh zones.

Port Lincoln Airport Master Plan

COUNCIL adopted the Port Lincoln Airport Master Plan, dated June 2016 at its meeting in March.