

FORTNIGHTLY FOCUS

24 July 2026



Major Project

Coffin Bay Foreshore Revitalisation Project

Stage 1 of the Coffin Bay Foreshore Revitalisation Project commenced on Monday 13 July 2026, with works now underway to deliver the new foreshore car park and parallel parking along the Esplanade. In the next fortnight, lighting, retaining wall, and kerb preparation works will begin.

During construction, the community can expect temporary disruptions, including half-lane closures or detours along the Esplanade and the temporary closure of the car park behind the Coffin Bay Yacht Club.

Works are expected to be completed by **mid-December 2026** (weather and supply chain permitting). To help finish before the Christmas holiday period, contractors will work 11-day rosters, including Sundays. Where reasonably practicable, machinery will not operate before 7am, and on Sundays, noisy works and deliveries will be limited to **9am to 5pm**, with contractor parking located away from nearby residents.

Council appreciates the community's patience and understanding while these important improvements are delivered. For more information about the project, please visit Council's [website](#).

Public Consultation – Community Land Management Plans – Revocation Report – Revocations Reports - 13 & 27 Pine Crescent Coffin Bay

Revocation of Community Land under S194 of the Local Government Act 1999. Notice is hereby provided that the Lower Eyre Council at its March 2026 meeting of Council, resolved to seek the revocation of the Community Land status of 13 & 27 Pine Crescent Coffin Bay.

Individuals are encouraged to view the reports available on Council's [website](#) and provide feedback. **Submissions close:** 5pm, Tuesday 11 August 2026.

Public Consultation – Draft Community Engagement Policy & Charter

Lower Eyre Council is seeking community feedback on its draft **Community Engagement Policy & Charter**. The draft policy has been developed to meet new requirements under the Local Government Act 1999 and aligns with the South Australian Community Engagement Charter.

Council invites community members, businesses, community groups and other interested stakeholders to review the draft policy and provide feedback.

For more information or to submit feedback, please visit Council's [website](#). **Submissions close:** 5pm, Tuesday 11 August 2026.

2027 COUNCIL ELECTION DATES

The State Government have changed the Local Government Election dates from November 2026 to April 2027. Key dates for the election are now:

MON
4/1 Roll Close
5:00pm Monday 4 January 2027

TUES
26/1 Nominations Open
Tuesday 26 January 2027

TUES
9/2 Nominations Close
12:00pm Tuesday 9 February 2027

WED
7/4 Close of Voting (Polling Day)
5:00pm Wednesday 7 April 2027

SAT
10/4 Scrutiny and Count
9:00am Saturday 10 April 2027



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APPLICATIONS CLOSE
5PM, MONDAY, 10 AUGUST, 2026

NEEDING MONEY?

Council grants
now open



Lower Eyre Council invites applications for the following grant programs:

- Community Project Grant to assist local, not-for-profit groups to improve community infrastructure or assets,
- Community Halls Support Program to assist community groups maintain or upgrade their hall,
- And a **NEW** Small Business Grants Program to encourage business growth, expansion and local economic development.

Grant criteria and application forms will be available on Council's website www.lowereyrepeninsula.sa.gov.au or from the Council Offices from 1 July.

More Info:

mail@lec.sa.gov.au

www.lowereyrepeninsula.sa.gov.au

Flinders Highway Bridge Replacement

Works on the Flinders Highway Bridge are expected to conclude over the coming fortnight. Asphalt sealing will commence on Friday 24 July, followed by spray sealing on Monday 27 July. Guardrail installation is scheduled from Tuesday 28 to Friday 31 July, with line marking to be completed on Monday 3 August. The site is expected to be demobilised and the road reopened by Friday 7 August, or earlier if weather conditions allow. The completed bridge features a 50% wider deck, increasing its width to 9 metres and significantly improving safety for road users. While the project encountered considerable challenges after entering the wet season, extending the program by more than eight weeks, it is now nearing completion. Council thanks the public and neighbouring properties for their patience.

HAIGH DRIVE INTERSECTION

Following a request from the Boston Community Action Group, Council have resolved to support the group's advocacy to the Department for Infrastructure and Transport requesting an upgrade of the intersection. In recognition of services and facilities in the area, Council's advocacy will also request that should the Department consider an upgrade, the nearby Investigator Trail is retained, and consultation occurs with the School Bus committee on the location of bus stops in the vicinity.

Fortnightly Patrol Grading Schedule

Council would like to advise early, consistent rains have hampered Council civil works, particularly autumn grading. Without an autumn grade, some roads or sections of roads will perform poorly in the wet weather and drivers are requested to take care and use alternate roads where possible. Delays to road grading works are expected until conditions improve. Council will sign hazards where possible.

Northern: Yeltukka Road, Settlers Road, Sheppard Road, Archie Griffiths Road, Wagner Road, Smith Road.

Southern: Moonlight Bay Road, Myalpa Road, Hammonds Road, Kathai Drive, Blue Fin Road, Lyle Drive, Pendale Road, Stamford Drive, Lady Franklin Road/Sheppard Road, Yorkies Gully Road, Merintha Creek Road, Gerschwitz Road, Wylie Road.

Insulator Pollution Works

Eyre Peninsula schedule now available



SA Power Networks has published the first locations and dates for upcoming insulator pollution remediation works on the Eyre Peninsula.

Customers subscribed to SA Power Networks' SMS and email outage notifications will be kept informed if a planned outage affects their property. If you're not already subscribed, you can sign up on the SA Power Networks website.

Check if works are planned in your area, view the latest schedule and sign up for notifications [here](#).



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TOURISM NETWORKING Event

Hosted by
SA Tourism Commission



CONNECT
Build valuable industry relationships



COLLABORATE
Share ideas and learn from others



GROW
Strengthen South Australia's visitor economy together



DATE
Monday 10 August 2026
5:00pm – 7:00pm



LOCATION
Port Lincoln Hotel
1 Lincoln Highway,
Port Lincoln SA 5606



WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
Tourism operators,
businesses, and
industry partners.



REGISTER BY
6 AUGUST 2026

to assist with
catering.

You're invited to join the South Australian Tourism Commission and Regional Development Australia Eyre Peninsula for a relaxed tourism networking event in Port Lincoln.

Connect with tourism operators from across the region, share ideas, discuss current opportunities and challenges, and hear how businesses are adapting to recent impacts, including the algal bloom and fuel supply disruptions. Meet participants from the inaugural Tourism 101 program and SATC representatives, who will provide industry updates.

If interested in attending, please [register](#) by 6 August 2026.

BABY BOUNCE READ & GROW



Every Tuesday of
the School Term
9:45am



Libraries
SA
COFFIN BAY
COMMUNITY LIBRARY



BABY BOUNCE COMES TO COFFIN BAY!

Council is delighted to support an expansion of library services in Coffin Bay with Baby Bounce now available on Tuesdays! Come along with your little ones for some fun, laughter and connection!

Who's Who in the Zoo

Thinking about entering the tourism industry or growing your visitor offering? Tourism 101 is a **free** introductory workshop for new and emerging tourism operators, businesses exploring tourism opportunities, and those looking to diversify. Discover who visits South Australia, what visitors are looking for, and how your business can succeed.

Ideal if you are:

- Exploring a tourism business
- Looking to add a visitor experience to your business
- New to the tourism industry
- Already welcoming visitors and wanting to build your knowledge

Date: 10 August 2026 | 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Location: Port Lincoln Hotel

[Register](#) by 6 August 2026 to secure your place.

TOD RESERVOIR – SA WATER UPDATE

Until further notice, the lookout at the Tod Reservoir Reserve will be closed to visitors on weekdays (Monday to Friday). The museum car park and picnic area will remain open.

This is to ensure public safety whilst we undertake upgrade works to establish recreational fishing at Tod for the first time.

Subject to weather conditions, the lookout will reopen each Saturday and Sunday, between the usual opening hours of sunrise and sunset.



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