

## COUNCIL NEWS



### Louth Bay improvements

The Louth Bay foreshore area has been improved with new plantings and formalised carparking/ surface.

### Council Meeting in Coffin Bay

In an effort to make meetings more accessible to the public, Council has scheduled some of its monthly meetings around the Lower Eyre Peninsula with the May meeting to be held in Coffin Bay. Meetings are public and residents and ratepayers are able to attend.

Details are as follows:

*Ordinary Council Meeting  
to be held at the  
Coffin Bay Sporting Association  
9am, Friday, May 20, 2022*

*9.20am Presentations from invited  
community organisations  
10.30am Morning Tea*

### Flinders Highway upgrade & road detours

Work is expected to begin on the Flinders Highway upgrade from Monday, May 16, and as such there are expected to be disruptions to local traffic. EP Civil plans to complete the project into two stages:

*Stage One: Flinders Highway - East of the Pound Lane/Chapman Road intersection up to 100m west of the Cockatoo Road intersection*

This stage of the works will see Flinders Highway (between Cockatoo Road and Pound Lane Chapman Road intersection) closed for approximately 12 weeks. This closure will be in effect from May 25 and information outlining the detours during this stage of works is available on Council's website.

*Stage Two: Realignment of the Pound Lane/Chapman Road*

*intersection and continues west on Flinders Highway to 220m west of the Wine Shanty Road intersection and includes the realignment of the Wine Shanty Road Intersection*

This stage will commence after the first section is completed and will be carried out under traffic control. Both stages of the project are expected to be completed in within 22 weeks.

The project is valued at \$2,000,000 and is jointly funded by Council and the State Government's Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Grant Program.

### Annual Business Plan

Council's 2022/23 Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget is due to be released for public consultation on June 2.

A timeline detailing the process for adoption is outlined below and an online survey will be made available to assist with feedback.

- June 16: Formal presentation (that is to be live streamed) provided on the Draft Annual Business Plan from the Cummins Council Office Chambers starting at 7:30pm.
- July 1: Written submissions from community members close.
- July 4: Council to hear submissions from community members and determine any amendments as a result of submissions.
- July 15: Council adopt its Annual Business Plan and Budget.

### Creating Connections is back!

Council has partnered with the Red Cross to again offer the Creating Connections program - a free social initiative for people living in our district aged from 55 years.

The monthly events encourage people to get out and see and learn new things in a welcoming environment. Transport is available (subject to sufficient numbers).

#### Upcoming events

- Tuesday, 14 June: Swan Sanctuary Café. 9am start in Cummins, tour of café and chocolate shop, scones jam cream tea and coffee.
- Thursday, 14 July: Meditation and Mindfulness with Thalia Fowler of B-Balanced connections – group session in Cummins institute.

Bookings are essential. Please call the Council office on 8686 0400.

### Council Elections

Key dates to keep in mind for the upcoming Council elections:

- Close of electoral roll: July 27
- Nominations Open: August 23
- Nominations Close: 12pm, September 6
- Mailout of ballots to electors: October 14-20
- Close of voting (polling day): 5pm, November 10
- Scrutiny and count: 9am, November 12

Becoming a councillor presents the opportunity to influence local directions and create long term, positive outcomes within your community and for fellow residents. If you consider yourself to be invested in the future of your community, are willing to learn and participate, and prepared to contribute strategically to decision making processes that benefit your broader community, then you should explore what it takes to be a councillor.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### SA Youth Week

Youth 12 years of age and over are encouraged to get along to SA Youth Week events on Wednesday, May 18.

- Minecraft - requires attendees to BYO device. Meet in the Our Town Youth Hub 'The Village' from 4pm.
- Mandalas - street chalk art. Nothing required by attendees. Meet in front of the Cummins Hall from 4pm.
- Pilates - BYO mat or towel and water bottle. This is in the Cummins Hall from 5-6pm.
- Sing 2 - free PG movie in the Our Town Youth Hub 'The Village' from 6pm. Movie length 1hr 50mins. Pizza snacks offered at the movie. Please check for any food allergies at registration. The community bus will run from Coffin Bay for those people wanting to watch the movie. Will leave from the Coffin Bay Hall at 5pm and return after the movie. Estimated return time of the Coffin Bay Hall is 8.45pm.

This event is put on by the Cummins Youth Advisory Committee with the support of Cummins Our Town.