

Media Release



The Barossa Council

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Council continues preventative measures in Covid19 response

Following recent Commonwealth Government announcements The Barossa Council are continuing to take action as the Covid19 situation unfolds to protect the community, staff and volunteers.

In addition to measures announced by Council last week, the following measures will be enacted as of 25 March:

- Closure of all branch locations, with exception of Nuriootpa where limited face-to-face services will continue to operate under strict hygiene and social distancing provisions. Customers are strongly encouraged to access services remotely via online services, email or telephone.
- Closure of all library branches. Digital Services and programs will progressively be made available online, with telephone support where necessary.
- Closure of outdoor swimming pools (the Rex was closed from 12 noon on Monday 23 March)
- Closure of all non-essential community facilities including halls and sporting club rooms
- Closure of all public space and conveniences at Nuriootpa Caravan Park with only essential travellers accepted, and no acceptance of individuals required to self-isolate. Williamstown, Eden Valley and Mount pleasant Caravan Parks will continue operations with permanent residents and increased amenities cleaning.
- Cancellation of all Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) meetings, activities and events.
- Recommendation to community to reconsider use of open space recreational parks and ovals, playgrounds and gardens.

Council are implementing business continuity procedures to ensure the needs of the community continue to be met consistently throughout this time of rapidly evolving change, while maintaining the health and safety of their workforce.

"These are unprecedented times that we are facing, however, be assured that we have plans in place to continue to support and service the community," said Mayor Bim Lange.

"We acknowledge there is much uncertainty and anxiety in the community at this time. Therefore we strongly encourage people to access information from reliable sources such as SA Health to stay informed and to keep themselves and the wider community healthy."

As advice regarding Covid19 continues to evolve, Council will continue to respond in a swift manner with action to protect and preserve the health and wellbeing of the community.

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