MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BAROSSA COUNCIL

held on Tuesday 18 August 2026 commencing at 5:30pm
in the Council Chambers, 43-51 Tanunda Road, Nuriootpa.

M I N U T E S

Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country by Mayor Bim Lange who declared the meeting open at 5:30pm.

1. ATTENDANCE RECORD

1.1 Members Present

Mayor Bim Lange, Crs John Angas, Don Barrett, David de Vries, Tony Hurn, Kathryn Schilling, Cathy Troup, Bruce Preece, Jess Greatwich, Rick Lane and Heidi Thompson

Apologies
Cr Jane Evans

Not Present

Nil

Leave of Absence

Nil

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of previous meetings – for confirmation:

MOVED Cr Preece

That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 21 July 2026 at 5:30pm, as circulated, be confirmed as true and correct records of the proceedings of those meetings.

SECONDED Cr Lane **CARRIED 2022-26/1041**

2.2 Matters arising from previous minutes

2.2.1 <u>TWIN CREEK WINDFARM DEVELOPMENT - WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION</u> 26/51551

In March 2025, Council made a submission to the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP) in relation to the Twin Creek Wind Farm and Energy Storage Project – RES Australia Pty Ltd.

Correspondence has now been received from the Department for Housing and Urban Development, advising that RES Australia (the proponent) has formally withdrawn the application from further assessment (Refer Attachment 1).

Should a similar development be proposed in the future, it would need to be lodged and considered under the *Hydrogen and Renewable Energy Act 2023*.

SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Nil

3. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

3.1 Petitions

Nil

3.2 Deputations/Visitors to the meeting

Nil

3.3 Notice of Motion

Nil

3.4 Questions with Notice

Nil

4. MAYOR

4.1 Mayor's Report

MOVED Cr de Vries

That the Mayor's report be received.

SECONDED Cr Hurn **CARRIED 2022-26/1042**

5. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Nil

Cr Preece sought and was granted leave of the meeting to bring forward agenda item 7.3.4 - Angaston Women's Memorial Restrooms - Post Public Consultation Update due to the attendance in the gallery.

7.3.4 ANGASTON WOMEN'S MEMORIAL RESTROOMS - POST PUBLIC CONSULTATION UPDATE
26/51137

Pursuant to Section 73 of the Local Government Act 1999, Cr Barrett disclosed a General Conflict of Interest in the matter Item number 7.3.4 - Angaston CWA Memorial Restrooms - Post Public Consultation Update his wife is a member of the Mt. Pleasant CWA and is on State Committees of the CWA.

Cr Barrett advised that he would remain in the meeting and vote.

MOVED Cr de Vries

That Council, having reviewed the Angaston Women's Memorial Restrooms public consultation feedback:

(1) Instruct that the following options be redeveloped for assessment of Council:
- Option 1 (Preference 1) – Enclosed Community Function Room
- Option 2 (Preference 2) – Function Pavillion
- Option 4 (Preference 4) – No additional Improvements, just fix structural damage

(2) Requests the new options be presented to Council prior to further public consultation.

SECONDED Cr Angas

VARIATION

Cr Angas, with the consent of the mover, sought leave of the meeting to vary the motion to include 'Option 5 – Incorporation of a full redevelopment including separate toilets on the northern and southern end and refurbishment of the central function area'.

Leave of the meeting was granted.

The motion was varied and read as follows:

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(1) Instruct that the following options be redeveloped for assessment of Council:
- Option 1 (Preference 1) – Enclosed Community Function Room
- Option 2 (Preference 2) – Function Pavillion

- Option 4 (Preference 4) – No additional Improvements, just fix structural damage
- Option 5 – Incorporation of a full redevelopment including separate toilets on the northern and southern end and refurbishment of the central function area.

(2) Requests the new options be presented to Council prior to further public consultation.

CARRIED 2022-26/1043

PURPOSE

The Angaston Women's Memorial Restroom requires structural works to be undertaken. As a result, consultation was undertaken with the community to gain feedback on preliminary concept designs to potentially improve the amenities and future use of the space.

REPORT

Background
At is Ordinary Meeting on the 27 January 2026 Council approved to undertake stakeholder engagement for opportunities to improve the amenities and spaces of the Angaston Women's Memorial Restrooms. Council was provided with three options that had been developed (as preliminary concept plans), these were subsequently released to the public for community consultation.

Introduction
This report will outline the preferred options from those presented as well as the common themes received through the public consultation process

Discussion
The Angaston Women's Memorial Restroom community consultation commenced on 15 July 2026 and closed at 5.00pm on 5 August 2026. Throughout this period, consultation was undertaken through multiple channels including options to complete an online survey, submit written feedback via email or post; and to attend a community pop-up onsite on 30 July 2026 from 4.00pm to 5.30pm.

As part of the consultation, the community was asked to provide feedback on specific design options to potentially improve the functionality of the space. The consultation was based on the three options previously presented to Council, with a fourth option also provided to the community of "no additional improvements, just fix structural damage".

Strong interest and responses from the community were received as part of the consultation. At closing, Council received 233 survey responses, 3 responses registered at the pop-up session and 31 direct feedback responses received via email or letter.

The options as a part of the consultation were:

Option 1 (Preference 1) – Enclosed Community Function Room

Option 2 (Preference 2) – Function Pavillion

Option 3 (Preference 3) – Open Picnic Pavillion and Pergola

Option 4 (Preference 4) – No additional Improvements, just fix structural damage

The online survey feedback tool used during consultation required respondents to provide a preference in relation to the options provided. The summary of preferences is as follows:

Survey Results – 233 Responses

First Preference	Count	% of Responses
Preference 1	60	26.2%
Preference 2	47	20.5%
Preference 3	33	14.4%
Preference 4	89	38.9%
Total Responses	233	100.0%

Preference 1 (60 responses)

Primary themes
- Enclosed community function space
- Children's parties and family gatherings
- Mothers' groups
- Community meetings and small events
- Kitchen and catering facilities
- All-weather use
- Increased activation of Memorial Reserve

Important secondary themes
- Retain the building's heritage character
- Dedicated women's facilities
- Accessible and family-friendly amenities

Common sentiment

"Create a community hub that can be used year-round while respecting the history of the building."

Preference 2 (47 responses)

Primary themes
- Sympathetic restoration
- Preserve heritage significance
- Respect the Women's Memorial purpose
- Repair rather than redevelop
- Improve functionality without major structural change

Common requests
- Dedicated female toilets
- Parenting facilities
- Improved accessibility

- Modest internal upgrades

Common sentiment
"Restore and improve the building while preserving its purpose and heritage value."

Preference 3 (33 responses)

Primary themes
- Open pavilion concept
- BBQ and picnic facilities
- Public access without bookings
- Family recreation
- Community gathering space

Secondary themes
- Women's toilets remain important
- Heritage values should still be respected
- Better shelter and accessibility

Common sentiment
"Provide an open, flexible community shelter integrated with the park."

Preference 4 (89 responses)

Primary themes
- Retain the building substantially as it is
- Heritage conservation
- Preserve memorial significance
- Strong support for dedicated female toilets
- Opposition to unisex-only facilities
- Respect community-funded history

Consistent concerns
- Loss of women's facilities
- Loss of the memorial purpose
- Commercialisation or booking-only models
- Over-development
- Lack of parenting and breastfeeding facilities

Common sentiment

"Repair and preserve the Women's Memorial Restroom while retaining dedicated facilities for women and families."

An overall summary is as follows:

While responses differ on whether the preferred future is a **function space**, **restoration project**, or **open pavilion**, there is common alignment on three key areas:

1. Retain and respect the heritage and memorial significance of the building.
2. Provide dedicated facilities for women, mothers and families.
3. Improve community use without losing the building's identity and purpose

Direct Feedback – 31 responses

Overview
Across the 31 submissions received outside of the online survey (attached), only a minority explicitly named a preferred option (as was presented during the consultation).

Submissions received included those from individuals, but also organisations including Angaston Community & Business Alliance (ACBA), South Australian Country Women's Association Angaston Branch, Angaston Lutheran Church and Art Deco and Modernism Society of Australia (Adelaide Chapter).

From those who did offer a preferred option, Option 4 to fix the structural issues of the building was the preferred option (with additional commentary and consideration on toilet configuration), followed by Option 1.

Most submissions highlighted concerns about the toilet design and heritage of the building and there were consistent community sentiments acknowledging:

- Structural repairs are needed
- Unisex toilet design not supported. The community wants separated female, male and accessible facilities.
- Some form of family or baby change facility is required
- The buildings memorial history should be retained

A summary of the feedback revealed the following themes:

Toilet configuration (raised in ~18 submissions)
By far the most repeated concern, the submissions overwhelmingly opposed unisex-only toilet designs, calling instead for clearly separate male, female, and accessible facilities. Reasons given included:

- Safety and dignity for women and girls, including specific reference to domestic violence/trauma survivors needing spaces free from male presence
- Hygiene/comfort concerns raised by both women and men
- A cited example of unisex toilets being avoided by students at a local high school
- Several submissions framed the absence of a female-only toilet as ironic or unacceptable given the building's identity as a *women's* memorial

Heritage and memorial significance
Several submissions acknowledged the building's origin as a community fundraised, debt-free project dedicated to women who served in WWII, noting its listing on the Australian War Memorial's Places of Pride register.

These submissions argued that:

- Structural repair should not be combined with a change of purpose
- Converting the building into commercial/function space (kitchen, bookable venue, retail) contradicts its memorial intent
- Any signage should retain the words "Women's Memorial"
- Restoration, not reinvention, is the appropriate approach **(Option 4 was the most cited preference)**

- A conservative approach should be undertaken

Family and accessibility provisions
Multiple submissions called for improved family and accessibility infrastructure, including:

- A parents'/baby-change room, separate from general toilets
- An adult change facility for people with disabilities (noted as a gap not just in this project but in a nearby recent Council redesign)
- Fully accessible public toilets

Function space / commercial use
A smaller number of submissions supported the enclosed function space concept, acknowledging:

- Potential use for community events if Option 1 or 2 was chosen (e.g., Easter services)
- The idea of a hireable, all-weather, vandal-resistant enclosed space usable by community groups (mothers' groups, birthday parties, meetings) was appealing
- Opportunity to extend the project to activate the entire reserve as a community/tourism/event space

Some submissions also raised concerns regarding the cost of the project including:

- The cost of engaging architects to produce concept designs before community consultation occurred
- Broader Council spending and transparency
- Whether a cost-benefit analysis exists for hire-fee revenue versus upgrade cost
- A preference for redirecting funds to other under-maintained facilities (e.g., Angaston Town Hall Annex kitchen) rather than adding new function infrastructure on this site

Summary and Conclusion
A significant amount of feedback was received with 264 individual responses provided generating strong and insightful feedback that will inform the development of two to three additional options including an option to undertake a minor refurbishment and fixing of the structural issues.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Angaston CWA – public consultation – feedback received via email or post – summary

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Legislative Requirements
Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
   Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

   The feedback highlights the community's sentiment about how public amenities need to be provided to ensure suitable service delivery.

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
   Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

   Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**
   Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

   Upon determination of the final design costings will need to be presented to Council should they exceed the currently approved budget.

4. **PEOPLE**
   Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

   Nil

5. **REPUTATION**
   Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

   The impacts of not undertaking further design development and consultation with the community could significantly impact Council's reputation, given the significant volume of the feedback, community views and the strong significance this building holds for many people.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Further consultation will be required should new design options be developed. A consultation plan will be developed and presented to Council prior to any further consultation being undertaken.

6. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 'Bin there, checked that' - waste education initiative closure report
6.2 Development Applications Report - Quarter 2 - 1 March 2026 to 30 June 2026
6.3 Engineering Requirements for Land Division - Stage 2 Consultation
6.4 Residential hard waste program financial year 2025 - 2026 summary report
6.5 Food Act Annual Report 2025-2026
6.6 Sister Cities Advisory Committee Meeting 22 January 2026, 26 March 2026 and 23 July 2026 - Agenda and Minutes
6.7 Williamstown and Lyndoch Landcare Group Inc. - Minutes of Meeting
6.8 2026 Review of Minimum and Maximum Remuneration for Local Government Chief Executive Officers
6.9 Trees for Life - Bush for Life Report
6.10 Equitable Rating of Electricity Generation Infrastructure in South Australia

7. DEBATE REPORTS

7.1 Office of the Mayor and CEO

7.1.1 UPDATED APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SISTER CITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
26/50960

MOVED Cr Angas

That Council:

(1) Appoints James March as a community representative to the Sister Cities Advisory Committee as per the Terms of Reference.

(2) Endorse the updated the Sister Cities Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference as per Attachment 1.

SECONDED Cr Lane **CARRIED 2022-26/1044**

PURPOSE

For Council to endorse the update of the representatives on the Sister Cities Advisory Committee.

REPORT

Background
On 21 November 2023, pursuant to Section 41 of the *Local Government Act 1999,* Council endorsed the establishment of the Sister Cities Advisory Committee including adoption of the Committee's Terms of Reference for the legislative operation of the Committee and its members.

Pursuant to Clause 1.2 of the ToR:

The Committee, in partnership with Council, industry and community, is established to support Council's strategic commitment to the development and maintenance of effective international relations via Sister City and Friendship City relationships and provide a framework for entering into, maintaining and assessing such relationships to ensure that maximum benefits can be realised by both parties.

Council then appointed member representatives to the Sister Cities Advisory Committee on 20 February 2024 and then endorsed the update of member representatives on 17 June 2025 and 21 April 2026:

MOVED Cr Barrett

That Council:

(1) Endorse the updated Sister Cities Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference (ToR), as per Attachment 1.

(2) Appoints the following representatives to the Sister Cities Advisory Committee as per the updated Terms of Reference:

a. Council staff as nominated by the Chief Executive Officer of The Barossa Council pursuant to Clause 3.1.2 of the ToR.

b. Community representatives pursuant to Clause 3.1.3 of the ToR being Vanessa Lambert, Ingrid Day, Carol Dadds and Louise Hickinbotham.

c. Organisational representatives pursuant to Clause 3.1.4 of the ToR being Scott Hazeldine, Barossa Australia; Rolf Binder, RDA Barossa, Gawler, Light and Adelaide Plains; Sandie Simons, Rotary Club of Barossa Valley; Milly Hoffmann and Rick Lane, Nuriootpa High School, noting that if for any reason the Organisational representative is no longer available to sit on the committee, then the organisation will nominate a replacement for the remainder of the appointees term upon approval of the Sister Cities Advisory Committee.

SECONDED Cr Evans **CARRIED 2022-26/731**

Discussion

Members of the Committee were appointed by Council on 20 February 2024 and updated on 17 June 2025 and 21 April 2026 to reflect changes due to representation resignation and/or requested changes from the CEO and Organisational Representative Members. Due to representative resignations and/or requested changes from Organisational Representative Members, further changes are required as outlined below:

Committee Member	Who	Changes
Chairperson	Mayor	Remains unchanged
Council Staff	As appointed by the CEO	Limited to up to 4 Council Staff – includes the Sister City Program Manager
Community Members	• Vanesa Lambert	Ingrid Day resigned. Carol Dadds resigned.

	• Louise Hickinbotham • Milly Hoffmann • James March	Lorna Schiller resigned. All other members remain unchanged
Organisational Members	• Scott Hazeldine – Barossa Australia • Rolf Binder - RDA, BGLAP • Sandie Simons - Rotary Club of Barossa Valley • Rick Lane - Nuriootpa High School	Remains unchanged.

Summary and Conclusion
Council is asked to endorse the appointment of Sister Cities Advisory Committee membership as outlined in the recommendation.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Nil

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

BS4 Council and Committees - Provision of support to Council and Committees through the provision of required information, agendas, and minutes. Council and Committees are provided with support to enable informed decisions

Legislative Requirements
Local Government Act 1999

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
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Nil

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
   Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

   Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**
   Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

   Nil

4. **PEOPLE**
   Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

   Nil

5. **REPUTATION**
   Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

   By appointing current working members on the Committee demonstrates legislative compliance and transparency and allows the Committee to operate within the parameters of the meeting procedures as outlined.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Not required.

7.1.2 PRIVACY POLICY
26/51028

MOVED Cr Greatwich

That Council endorse the Privacy Policy as per Attachment 1.

SECONDED Cr Hurn **CARRIED 2022-26/1045**

PURPOSE

To consider and endorse the draft Privacy Policy as per Attachment 1.

REPORT

Background

Council's Privacy Policy was first adopted on 20 December 2016 and reflects Council's commitment to protect the personal information of community members, where this information may be managed by Council. Local Government is not bound by the Commonwealth's *Privacy Act 1988*, nor the State Government's *Information Privacy Principles Instructions* (except if contracted to a Commonwealth or State service provider). Nevertheless, Council's Privacy Policy is based on the Australian Privacy Principles.

The Privacy Policy was reviewed and endorsed by Council at its Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 16 April 2019.

Discussion

Council's Privacy Policy is now due for periodic review. Minor amendments have been made to the Policy, taking into account the practical implementation of the Policy.

A summary of changes is listed below:

Clause No.	Topic	Summary of change
All	Entire document	Transferred into the new Policy template. Updated legislation references. Updated Definitions.
Clause 2	Statement of intent	Updated to include relevant legislation alignment.
Clause 3.2.4	Website	New addition.
Clause 3.2.5	Photographs and Video Used or Published by Council	New addition.
Clause 3.3.2	Council's Community Engagement	Removed - Not relevant.
Clause 3.7.2	Petitions	Updated in line with Council's Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures.
Clause 4	Scope	Update to be more descriptive.
Clause 5	Responsibilities	Inserted to be descriptive.

Summary and Conclusion
Council is now asked to receive, consider and endorse the attached draft Privacy Policy.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Privacy Policy - Draft for Council endorsement

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

BS7 Governance - Provision of governance advice and support in the discharge of legislative responsibilities for policy development, delegations and authorisations, internal review of Council decisions, delegations and authorisations, Native Title claims
BS9 Information - Management and maintenance of corporate records (both physical and electronic) held by Council and providing support to the organisation to ensure organisational compliance with record keeping obligations under the State Records Act and other relevant legislation.

Legislative Requirements
Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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   Nil

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
   Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

   Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**

Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

Nil

4. **PEOPLE**
Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

Risk of privacy breach is reduced by the implementation and cross-Council awareness of the Policy.

5. **REPUTATION**
Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

Nil

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

No consultation is required under legislation; however, the interest of the community is well served by Council voluntarily aligning itself to the existing Commonwealth and State Privacy Principles where it is practicable to do so.

7.1.3 REGISTER OF INTERESTS POLICY
26/51672

MOVED Cr de Vries

That Council:

(1) Endorse the Register of Interests Policy as at Attachment 1.

(2) Revoke the Registering of Elected Member Interests Process as at Attachment 2.

SECONDED Cr Barrett **CARRIED 2022-26/1046**

PURPOSE

To propose the refinement of the Register of Interests Policy, incorporating all responsibilities into a standalone document and revocation of the Registering of Elected Member Interests Process.

REPORT

Background
Under the *Local Government Act 1999* (the Act) and the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* (PDI Act), Council Members, the Chief Executive Officer, staff designated as Prescribed Officers and Barossa Assessment Panel Independent Members are required to submit a Register of Interest.

Introduction
On 23 July 2026, the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) were presented with a report highlighting the current situation of the Register of Interest Policy Suite.

Council has one policy and three processes to manage compliance under both the Act and PDI Act:

- Register of Interests Policy
- Registering of Elected Member Interests Process
- Registering of Officer Interests Process – *ELT Endorsed*
- Registering of Development Assessment Panel Member Interests – *ELT Endorsed*

ELT have now approved the revocation of two processes, with the third now being presented to Council for revocation with the endorsement of a consolidated policy.

Discussion
There is no legislated requirement to maintain a Policy, however the benefit of the Policy is an ability for community to transparently understand how the legislation is managed within Council and the formal identification of Prescribed Officers, making it a Council decision. The power to determine Prescribed Officers has also been delegated to the Chief Executive Officer and could be achieved by tweaking the current documentation however by maintaining a Council Policy it establishes a clear distinction of Council direction.

The current criteria set by Council for determining a Prescribed Officer are employees where they undertake one or more of the following:

- Exercise significant influence over their direct reports.
- Undertake assessment and advisory services pursuant to the *Development Act 1993* or *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*;
- Hold delegated powers to enter into contracts which are $50,000 or more.

Further the Policy was supported by overly prescriptive processes which are repetitive and add no real value and described the administrative processes for the management of the necessary disclosures which are prescribed in the Act in any case. It has been determined this level of administrative prescription is unwarranted or needed and can be revoked.

Clause No.	Topic	Summary of change
Throughout	PDI Act	Inclusion of the requirements under the PDI Act for members of the Barossa Assessment Panel.
Section 5	Responsibilities	New section added to policy.

		Governance now responsible for collection of all Register of Interests.
Section 6	Legislation	Previously gazetted forms no longer exist and removed from supporting documents.
Section 7	Definitions	Definitions aligned with Policy Definition Glossary, unused definitions removed. Definition of Barossa Assessment Panel and Executive Leadership team added.

Summary and Conclusion
A consolidated Policy under the new Policy Governance Framework has been drafted incorporating all legal requirements into a single document. Primarily the Policy would become a singular document to identify Prescribed Officers and the teams responsible for task coordination and completion.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Register of Interests Policy
Attachment 2 Registering of Elected Member Interests Process

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

BS7 Governance - Provision of governance advice and support in the discharge of legislative responsibilities for policy development, delegations and authorisations, internal review of Council decisions, delegations and authorisations, Native Title claims

Legislative Requirements
Local Government Act 1999
Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
   Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

   There is no impact on service delivery.

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

The is no impact on sustainability and environment.

3. **FINANCIAL**
Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

There are no financial implications.

4. **PEOPLE**
Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

No changes to the current risk profile are impacted.

5. **REPUTATION**
Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

Maintaining a register of high-level positions assists with Council transparency and mitigates any potential conflict of interest with officers and their roles and responsibilities.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

There is no requirement to consult with the community on this matter. The policy is designed to allow Council to determine prescribed officers.

7.1.4 <u>PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE POLICY AND PROCESS</u>
26/51735

MOVED Cr Preece

That Council:

(1) Having considered the draft Public Interest Disclosure Policy at <u>Attachment 1</u>, endorses the amended Policy.

(2) Having considered the draft Public Interest Disclosure Process at <u>Attachment 2</u>, endorses the amended Policy.

SECONDED Cr Greatwich **CARRIED 2022-26/1047**

PURPOSE

For Council to endorse the Public Interest Disclosure Policy and Process as presented, pursuant to the Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018.

REPORT

Background
Council has responsibilities under the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018* and is committed to upholding the principles of transparency and accountability and encourages the making of Disclosures that reveal Public Interest Information.

A key mechanism to manage Council's responsibilities under the Act is the appointment of Responsible Officers by Council's Principal Officer, the Chief Executive Officer.

Discussion
The opportunity to review the overarching Policy and Process has also been undertaken with only minor changes are recommended as per Attachment 1 and 2.

A summary of changes to the **PID Policy** is presented below:

Clause No.	Topic	Summary of change
SECTION No.	**Section name**	**Summary of change**
All	All	Transcribed into new Policy and Process Templates
All	All	Updated references and related policies
Clause 5	Responsibilities	Added those responsible for compliance
Clause 7	Definitions	Slight amendments to definitions

A summary of changes to the **PID Process** is presented below:

Clause No.	Topic	Summary of change
SECTION No.	**Section name**	**Summary of change**
All	All	Transcribed into new Policy and Process Templates
All	All	Updated references and related policies Updated position titles

Clause 3	Scope	Edited to align with the PID Act and who is required to adhere to the Process
Clause 7	Definitions	Slight amendments to definitions
Clause 11	Responsibilities	Added those responsible for compliance Updated Responsible Officers as appointed under the PID Act 2028 by the CEO
Appendix 2	Notification Process Flowchart	Reference clauses updated
Appendix 2	Guidelines	Not required and causes confusion

Summary and Conclusion
Council is now asked to endorse the Public Interest Disclosure Policy and supporting Process.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Public Interest Disclosure Policy
Attachment 2 Public Interest Disclosure Process

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

BS7 Governance - Provision of governance advice and support in the discharge of legislative responsibilities for policy development, delegations and authorisations, internal review of Council decisions, delegations and authorisations, Native Title claims
BS9 Information - Management and maintenance of corporate records (both physical and electronic) held by Council, and providing support to the organisation to ensure organisational compliance with record keeping obligations under the State Records Act and other relevant legislation.

Legislative Requirements
Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018
Public Interest Disclosure Guidelines

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**

Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

Nil

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**

Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**

Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

Council Officers undertake Responsible Officer duties under the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018* as part of business-as-usual operations therefore there are no budget or resource implications inherent in delivering obligations under the Act.

4. **PEOPLE**

Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

This Process and Council's Public Interest Disclosure Policy are designed to ensure proper procedures are in place for the making and managing of a Disclosure, and by providing appropriate protections for those who make a Disclosure.

Provides for legislative compliance and a clear process to allow Council staff and community to have an avenue for reporting disclosures. Also allows for a training schedule for all staff to bring awareness of the responsibilities as a Public Officer.

5. **REPUTATION**

Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

To ensure transparency and accountability in Council's practice in the public interest, of information about substantial risks to public health or safety, or to the environment, and about corruption, misconduct and maladministration in public administration.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Not required.

7.1.5 VARIATION TO DELEGATIONS REGISTER - UPDATES TO LEGISLATION 26/52197

MOVED Cr Angas

That Council in exercise of the power contained in section 44 of the *Local Government Act 1999,* section 9(2) of the *Supported Residential Facilities Act* and section 100 of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*, hereby delegates the powers and functions under the following Acts and specified in the proposed delegation updates contained at Attachment 1 to the position of Chief Executive Officer (with the exception of #460995 under the Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2016 as a further update has been received and this will remain in place):

a. *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995*
b. *Liquor Licensing Act 1997*
c. *Local Government Act 1999*
d. *Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2016*
e. *Local Nuisance and Litter Control Regulations 2017*
f. *Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*
g. *Supported Residential Facilities Act 1992*

SECONDED Cr Hurn **CARRIED 2022-26/1048**

PURPOSE

To provide Council with the opportunity to consider updated and new provisions identified through legislative amendments for delegation to the Chief Executive Officer under various legislation.

REPORT

Background
Council has powers and functions that must be performed under a range of legislation. In most cases, the relevant Acts grant these powers and functions directly to Council. The ways in which Council may exercise its powers and functions are:

- when the Council itself exercises the power or function at a formally constituted meeting; and

- where the legislation enables it, a power or function may be delegated to a Council employee, in most cases being the Chief Executive Officer.

Delegations enable Council to delegate its powers and functions to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) who in turn may sub-delegate to Council staff who have the relevant expertise and experience to improve the efficiency and timeliness of carrying out Council's decisions.

From time to time, legislation upon which Council's delegations are based change, requiring Council to review its relevant delegations on a periodic basis. Council may review its delegations at any time.

Introduction
In early 2020, the Local Government Association (LGA) advised councils it was undertaking a comprehensive review of the delegations' templates and revised its approach to the service offered to councils. The resulting framework established a simpler and contemporary approach that will improve ease of use, reduce legal risk, and enhance flexibility for Council.

Each power and function now consist of a short description only, replacing the historic approach which substantially replicated the text of the legislation. This framework also expands the number of delegable provisions across Acts that were not previously included as part of the delegations.

Discussion
The statutory power of delegation under section 44 of the *Local Government Act 1999* enables the delegation of the statutory powers and functions vested or conferred on a council. Other statutory delegation powers permit the delegation of powers or functions vested in a council in a particular capacity (e.g. as a relevant authority under the *Safe Drinking Water Act 2011* or an enforcement agency under the *Food Act 2001*). A column providing for the capacity in which the Council is acting is included in the tables of delegable statutory powers and functions. This is to assist Governance Officers to identify the powers and functions which are relevant to the Council and which the Council wants to delegate. It will also assist Council in ensuring the correct powers of delegation are referenced in the instrument of delegation.

The framework is not intended to provide a compliance manual for delegates exercising statutory functions and powers. Providing guidance as to the legal requirements for the valid exercise of that delegated power or function is not the purpose of an instrument of delegation or sub-delegation. The purpose is to record formally the delegation of statutory functions or powers. The delegate or sub-delegate is responsible for exercising the delegated power or function lawfully. This requires compliance with:

- any conditions or limitations on the delegation;
- any statutory requirements which apply to the exercise of the power or function; and
- relevant principles of administrative law.

Updates
Periodic updates to legislation are facilitated by the LGA and their legal partners at Norman Waterhouse Lawyers.

In this periodic update of delegations there have been changes to five pieces of legislation being:

Dog and Cat Management Act 1999
Deleted
- Power to issue directions in order to comply with an order.

Liquor Licensing Act 1997
Changed

- Power to lodge a complaint regarding behaviour and noise accessing or egressing from a premises.

Local Government Act 1999

Changed

- Provision numbering change – no alteration to delegation.

Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2016

New

- Provisions related to determining exemptions from local nuisance.
- Provisions to enable recovery of costs of urgent litter clean up from a public place.
- Requirements for issue and registration of a nuisance and litter abatement notice.
- Action on non-compliance with a notice.

Changed

- Minor rewording - no change of intent to delegations.

Deleted

- Singular delegation deleted due to expanding clauses in issuing a notice.
- Procedural matter on a person, not Council.

Local Nuisance and Litter Control Regulations 2017

Deleted

- Removal of fixing a fee.

Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016 – Instrument A

New

- Clauses under Practice Directions 4 and 18.

Deleted

- Consideration of an existing Land Management Agreement during a development authorization.
- Clauses under Practice Directions 3 and 10.

Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016 – Instrument B

New

- Consideration of an existing Land Management Agreement during a development authorization.
- Determination of fees when undertaking assessments.

Deleted

- Consideration of an existing Land Management Agreement during a development authorization.
- Clauses under Practice Directions 12 and 18.

Supported Residential Facilities Act 1992

Deleted

- Undertake functions determined under the Act.

Summary and Conclusion
Council is now asked to review and endorse the delegations as at Attachment 1.

The delegations within this report do not detail the entirety of the delegation framework, only those provisions that have been recently amended via legislative change.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Updates to Delegations Register - August 2026

Supporting references
No further supporting references.

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

BS7 Governance - Provision of governance advice and support in the discharge of legislative responsibilities for policy development, delegations and authorisations, internal review of Council decisions, delegations and authorisations, Native Title claims

Legislative Requirements
Council may delegate a power or function vested or conferred under a range of legislation, it may be made to any employee of Council, a Council Committee or an authorised person.

In this report, powers are being delegated under powers of the Local Government Act 1999 and Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016.

The delegation register is available on Council's website.

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
   Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

   Effective delegations enable staff to effectively and legally deliver services to the community.

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
   Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

Effective delegations enable staff to manage risks in accordance with legislative requirements and Council's Enterprise Risk Framework.

3. FINANCIAL

Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

Effective delegations enable staff to align finances to its vision and strategy for ongoing financial sustainability.

4. PEOPLE

Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

Effective delegations enable staff to manage risks in accordance with legislative requirements.

5. REPUTATION

Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

Effective delegations enable staff to manage risks in accordance with legislative requirements.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Employees are informed through established internal procedures of any variation to instruments of delegations that affect their position.

Council's Register of Delegations is made available to the public via Council's website www.barossa.sa.gov.au as required by the *Local Government Act 1999*.

7.2 Corporate Services, Strategy and Innovation

7.2.1 EVENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM 2026/27
26/49164

MOVED Cr de Vries

That Council:

(1) Endorse the recommendation to allocate funding to events as provided in Table 1 of this report (below) in response to applications made to the 2026/27 Event Funding Program, and that the Barossa and District Pipe Band be awarded $2,000 not the recommended $1,000.

(2) Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to distribute residual unspent funds from the Event Funding Program.

SECONDED Cr Preece **CARRIED 2022-26/1049**

PURPOSE

This report relates to the allocation of funding through Council's new Event Sponsorship Program, for events being held throughout the 2026/27 financial year.

REPORT

Background
At its Ordinary Council Meeting of 28 January 2025, Council approved a temporary pause of the Community Assistance Scheme (CAS) which was the mechanism by which community groups and organisations could access Council assistance through funding to support community led initiatives, including events.

With the commencement of the Economic Activation and Strategy business unit, whose remit includes event attraction and delivery, the opportunity has been identified that the Events team are in the best position to provide a centralised experience for event organisers and community groups in the coordination of events, including: the provision of event-based compliance advice and event approvals, Council facility and site bookings advice, coordination of required logistics for events as well as the coordination of any funding programs to assist event organisers to deliver their events successfully.

At its Ordinary Council Meeting of 19 May 2026, Council approved a new Event Sponsorship Framework (*refer Attachment 1*) and allocated $30,000 from the existing 2026/27 operational budget to fund events hosted during the financial year.

Council's Community Development team will continue to manage other Council funding initiatives implemented to replace the CAS program under reforms being developed by that group.

Introduction
Following Council's endorsement of the Framework, Council officers launched the Event Sponsorship Program for the 2026/27 financial year. The Program was promoted across social media, Council's website, media release, via Barossa Australia

membership e-mails, direct e-mail to existing event organisers and via other agency avenues.

Applications closed on 30 June 2026, with a total of 31 applications being received and a total of $137,200 in financial sponsorship requested. Additional to financial requests, other services delivered by Council directly were also requested such as provision of traffic management and waste management services.

Discussion

To assess applications received, an assessment panel was formed, made up of three Council Officers:

- two officers from the Economic Activation and Strategy Team, and
- one officer from the Community Development Team.

No Conflicts of Interest were declared by any of the assessment panel members.

Assessment panel members were asked to individually assess each application against eligibility and assessment criteria as provided in the Event Sponsorship Framework.

The assessment panel then came together to discuss and agree on:

- Events to be recommended to receive funding support;
- The level of financial support/funding support recommended for those events (*Table 1 below*); and
- Events not recommended to receive funding support (*Table 2 below*).

Recommendations made by the assessment panel were then reviewed by Council's Executive Leadership Team.

Note: Council has historically provided in-kind services to many existing events. In-kind services have been requested by those existing events in their funding applications. Other events, including new events have requested in-kind services. These estimated costs have been captured in the tables below.

Table 1 – Event Funding Recommendations

Event Organiser	Event	Tier Level Applied	Tier Level Agreed	Financial Support Requested	Financial Support Recommended	Comments
Angaston Agricultural, Horticultural and Floricultural Society	The Angaston Show	Tier 2	Tier 2	$5,000	$2,000	Existing Event: Estimated additional $2,000 provided to the event in-kind for logistics (inc waste management and facility cleaning)
Angaston Community Business Alliance	Angaston Christmas Parade	Tier 2	Tier 2	$5,000	$4,000	Existing Event: Estimated additional $3,300 provided to the event in-kind for logistics (inc road closures, waste

						management, facilities cleaning)
Barossa & District Pipe Band	Winter Flame 2027	Tier 2	Tier 2	$5,000	$1,000	Existing Event: Estimated additional $2,000 provided to the event in-kind for logistics (inc road closures, waived facility hire fee, waste management)
Barossa Christmas Parade	Barossa Christmas Parade	Tier 2	Tier 2	$5,000	$4,000	Existing Event: Estimated additional $3,300 provided to the event in-kind for logistics (inc road closures, waste management facilities cleaning)
Barossa Farmers Market	The Barossa Food Loop – Monthly Cooking Demo	Tier 2	Tier 2	$4,800	$2,500	Nil in-kind support requested
Barossa German Language Assoc, Inc	Barossa Konzert 2026	Tier 3	Tier 3	$2,000	$1,000	New Event: Request for waive of hall hire fee ($200)
Barossa Outdoors	The Big Paddle – Warren Reservoir Floatfest	Tier 2	Tier 2	$3,500	$1,000	New Event: Request for additional waste management services $250
Barossa Rodeo	Barossa Rodeo	Tier 2	Tier 2	$4,500	$1,500	Nil in-kind support requested
Menglers Peak Distillery	Cocktail Crayz at the Square	Tier 2	Tier 2	$3,000	$500	New Event: Request for waive of venue hire fees and additional waste management $500
Mount Pleasant Christmas Parade and Street Party	Mount Pleasant Christmas Parade and Street Party	Tier 3	Tier 3	$2,000	$2,000	Existing Event: Estimated additional $3,300 provided to the event in-kind for logistics (inc road closures, waste management, facilities cleaning)

Mount Pleasant Farmers Market	SA Spring Garden Festival	Tier 2	Tier 2	$5,000	$2,000	Nil in-kind support requested
Mount Pleasant Progress Association	*Foundation Stone Centenary Day; *24hr Theatre Challenge; *Square and Bush Dance; Centenary Final Event; *Slava Grigoryan Classical Occasion	Tier 1 & 2	Tier 3	$23,250	$500	New Event: Request for waive of facility hire fee and additional waste management, $1,250 (across 4 events)
Mount McKenzie Hall Inc	Hall Centenary Celebrations (1926-2026)	Tier 3	Tier 3	$2,000	$500	New Event: Request for waste management $250
Southern Barossa Alliance	Lyndoch Xmas Street Party	Tier 2	Tier 2	$6,000	$4,000	Existing Event: Estimated additional $3,300 provided to the event in-kind for logistics (inc road closures, waste management facilities cleaning)
Total Funding Recommended					**$26,500**	**Approx $19,650 in logistics support**

Table 2 – Events not recommended for funding or could be redirected to other sources of funding.

Event Organiser	Event	Funding Requested	Comments
Bayside Harley Owners Group (HOG) Chapter Inc	SA State HOG Rally	$10,000	New Event (one off): No clear demonstration wider economic or community benefit aligning with Council's strategic objectives.
Community Helpers Inc	Community Helpers Barossa Community Thrift Market	$10,000	New Event: Limited evidence to demonstrate broader economic outcomes. The event cannot run without achieving full amount of funding requested. Further (unknown level) logistical support also required of Council. Could offer logistical support if the event organisers can source other funding sources.
Corryton Burge	Golden Griffin Night Market	$5,000	Existing Event: The event is held on commercial premises and demonstrates the capacity to operate independently through

			ticket sales and/or other commercial revenue streams.
ENHANCE Barossa Mental Health Inc	Cabaret for Mental Health	$5,000	New Event: The event is able to proceed without Council financial support. An in-kind contribution, including waived hall hire and waste management services, may be more appropriate. Referral to the Community Development team should also be considered.
KG Event Management	Barossa Bakers Brunch (part of Vintage Festival)	$5,000	New Event: The application provides insufficient budget detail to justify the requested funding. Based on the information provided, the event appears to have estimated costs of approximately $1,500, making the request for $5,000 difficult to assess.
Kies Family Wines	Gather in the Barossa 2027	$10,000	Existing Event: Gather Round in the Barossa has not been confirmed for 2027. If Gather Round returns, this event would be considered for funding as part of the Live and Local in Lyndoch program.
Kies Family Wines	Saturday at Sunset – Barossa Twilight Music Series	$7,500	Existing Event: The event is held on commercial premises and demonstrates the capacity to operate independently through ticket sales and/or other commercial revenue streams.
Kies Family Wines	Christmas at Sunset	$2,000	Existing Event: The event is held on commercial premises and demonstrates the capacity to operate independently through ticket sales and/or other commercial revenue streams.
Kies Family Wines	German High Tea Series	$3,500	Existing Event: The event is held on commercial premises and demonstrates the capacity to operate independently through ticket sales and/or other commercial revenue streams.
Kies Family Wines	Father's Day German Fest	$2,000	New Event: The event is held on commercial premises and demonstrates the capacity to operate independently through ticket sales and/or other commercial revenue streams

Mount Pleasant Progress Association	Australia Day Breakfast	$650	Fund through Council's Australia Day Budget
The Tony Kuchel Skin Cancer Foundation	Tony Kuchel Memorial Round Up	$2,000	Existing Event: The event is able to proceed without Council financial support. An in-kind contribution, including providing traffic management and waste management services, may be more appropriate. Referral to the Community Development team should also be considered.

Summary and Conclusion

The total funding pool for the Event Sponsorship Program for 2026/27 financial year is $30,000. As a result of the number of applications received and the level of funding requested, the program this year was highly competitive.

A total of 31 applications were received for the Event Funding Program for the 2026/27 financial year with a total financial request of $137,200.

It is recommended that 17 events receive financial support as well as in-kin support as outlined in Table 1, above. Total finance support recommended across the 17 events is $26,500. This amount is included in the 2026/27 operation budget. It is further recommended that the Mount Pleasant Progress Association Australia Day event is funded through funded via an existing alternate budget line for the Australia Day event held in Tanunda each year.

Upon Council endorsement of the recommendations made:

- Council officers will prepare Event Sponsorship Agreements which will outline terms and conditions for the use of funds as well as reporting/acquittal of fund requirements;
- Council officers will provide feedback to unsuccessful events and offer alternative funding programs that may be available.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Event Sponsorship Framework

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Community Plan

Our Economy

Implementing economic development strategies to support future growth opportunities and a diversified and resilient economy showcasing the Barossa rural and regional character.

Strategic Outcome

- We are a destination of choice.
- We look to maximize community economic return.

- We partner with and support local business.
- We strive to support income and job stability and growth for the future in support of quality-of-life outcomes.

Legislative Requirements
Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
   Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

   The Events Sponsorship Program provides direct benefits to the community in providing a transparent framework to seek financial support for events to ensure the sustainability and success of events across the Council area that foster participation, align with Council's strategic objectives across community wellbeing, cultural vitality, economic development, environmental sustainability and capacity building, and bring visitors to the region.

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
   Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

   Environmental sustainability measures have been embedded in the Events Sponsorship Framework and broader event management program.

3. **FINANCIAL**
   Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

   The program is proposed to be funded within existing annual operating budget provisions for events within the Economic Activation and Strategy business unit.

4. **PEOPLE**
   Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

   N/A

5. **REPUTATION**
Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

The 2026/27 Event Sponsorship Program increases transparency, equity and parity in the provision of financial support to event organisers, including community groups who have historically had unclear or uncertain access to funding support for town-based events on an ongoing basis. It is anticipated that the annual Event Sponsorship Program will improve relationships, trust and overall event success by coordinating financial assistance early in the event planning cycle.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

After Council endorsement of the Event Sponsorship Framework at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 19 May 2026, Council Officers commenced the rolling out of the Event Sponsorship Program for 2026/27 financial year. The program was communicated by direct e-mail to existing event organisers, media release, social media promotion, e-newsletters including the Visitor Economy and Events, Economic Development and Barossa Australia newsletters.

7.2.2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT POLICY AND PROCESS
26/51462

MOVED Cr Greatwich

That Council endorse the new Community Engagement Policy and supporting Community Engagement Process and Framework as per Attachments 1-3, which will replace the existing Public Consultation Policy.

SECONDED Cr Troup **CARRIED 2022-26/1050**

PURPOSE

To endorse the new Community Engagement Policy, Process and Framework, following community consultation, and ensure Council meets legislative requirements by aligning this new policy and process with the Community Engagement Charter.

REPORT

Background
Council first adopted its Public Consultation Policy in March 2010. Since this time, the Policy has been updated and revised to align with changes as required of the *Local Government (Accountability and Governance) Amendment Act 2015*.

In December 2025, the South Australian Government introduced a new Community Engagement Charter that sets updated requirements for how councils engage with their communities.

As per legislative requirements, Council endorsed the draft Community Engagement Policy, Process and Framework for community consultation at its 16 June 2026 meeting, noting the new policy must be adopted before 11 September 2026.

Introduction

Under the *Local Government Act 1999* (the Act) Council is required to maintain a Community Engagement Policy. Under transitional regulations in South Australia, Council must adopt a new Community Engagement Policy that aligns with the Minister's Community Engagement Charter within nine months of 11 December 2025.

The new Charter replaces the previous Public Consultation requirements in the Act and introduces a clearer, tiered approach to community engagement.

Discussion

The Community Engagement Policy (Attachment 1) and supporting Process (*Attachment* 2) will replace Council's existing Public Consultation Policy and provide a clear framework to guide how Council plans, undertakes and communicates community engagement activities. The framework is summarised at Attachment 3.

Aligned with the new Community Engagement Charter, the Policy and Process introduce a clearer, tiered approach to community engagement, recognising that the level of engagement should reflect the significance and impact of decisions. The Policy and Process outline:

- Council's formal commitments, statutory obligations and minimum standards for engaging with the community
- The level of engagement required based on the significance and impact of decisions
- The methods and channels Council will use to undertake community engagement
- Roles and responsibilities for planning and delivering engagement
- How feedback will be considered and communicated back to the community.

As per legislative requirements, Council was required to consult with community throughout the Council area and consider feedback received before formally endorsing the new Community Engagement Policy and supporting process. Two submissions were received during the consultation period and were considered, but neither identified issues affecting the policy or process.

Summary and Conclusion:

The Community Engagement Policy, Process and Framework are presented to Council for endorsement following consultation with the community. During the consultation period, two submissions were received. These were considered but did not identify any issues affecting the policy or process, and no amendments to the document were made as a result. The new policy will replace Council's existing Public Consultation Policy.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Community Engagement Policy
Attachment 2 Community Engagement Process 2026
Attachment 3 Community Engagement Framework
Attachment 4 Community Engagement Policy - Feedback

Supporting references

Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

BS3 Communications and Engagement - Management of media, social media, digital communications, branding and strategy, special projects, grants and research, corporate publications, community engagement and events.

Legislative Requirements
The South Australian Government Gazette – 11 December 2025 No 71 p.4898

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

Nil

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**
Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

Engagement costs vary depending on the tools used

4. **PEOPLE**
Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

Nil

5. **REPUTATION**
Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

The Policy and Process clearly demonstrate Council's commitment to engaging with the community and considering their views as part of its decision making process.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Consultation was undertaken with the Barossa community from 1 July to 29 July 2026 utilising several channels including Council's website, social media platforms and local newspapers. Two submissions were received as part of the consultation process. Neither raised matters that impacted the policy or process and no changes to the documents were required as a result.

7.2.3 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2026
26/51876

MOVED Cr Preece

That Council receives and notes the monthly finance update report as at 31 July 2026, as provided at Attachment 1.

SECONDED Cr de Vries **CARRIED 2022-26/1051**

PURPOSE

The monthly finance report update as at 31 July 2026 provides information on the financial position and performance of the Council, including notes on material trends and transactions.

REPORT

Background

The monthly finance report as at 31 July 2026 is at Attachment 1. This report has been prepared comparing the year-to-date actuals at the end of the period, to the original adopted 2026-27 budget, as approved at the June 2026 Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Monthly Finance Report Council July 2026

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

BS6 Finance - Provision of financial and budgetary accounting services, treasury and investment services, management reporting, reconciliation and taxation services, asset accounting, internal control, accounts payable and receivable services

Legislative Requirements
Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

Monthly monitoring of financial performance ensures Council is in a position to ensure budget and expenditure are aligned to meet approved levels of service.

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**
Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

To enable Council to make effective and strategic decisions, a high-level monthly finance report is provided for Council's noting.

4. **PEOPLE**
Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

Nil

5. **REPUTATION**
Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

Nil

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community consultation was undertaken as part of the original budget adoption process for 2026-27, as required by the relevant legislation. This report is advising Council of the monthly finance position compared to that budget.

7.3 Infrastructure and Environmental Services

7.3.1 <u>ENDORSMENT OF ASSUMED APPROVAL - SECTION 221 - TANUNDA</u>
26/38468

MOVED Cr Preece

That Council conditionally endorse the historical encroachment and use of Council public road reserve for several identified Tanunda properties operating under an assumed Section 221 approval.

SECONDED Cr de Vries **CARRIED 2022-26/1052**

PURPOSE

Council approval is sought to conditionally endorse the historical encroachment and use of Council public road reserve for a number of Tanunda properties operating under an assumed Section 221 approval.

REPORT

<u>*Background*</u>
Any private modification or construction on Council Road Reserve land or Council property requires Council approval, pursuant to Section 221 of the *Local Government Act 1999*:

Section 221 – Alteration of Road

1. A person (other than the council or a person acting under some other statutory authority) must not make an alteration to a public road unless authorised to do so by the council. Maximum penalty: $5,000.
2. A person makes an alteration to a public road if the person —
   (a) alters the construction or arrangement of the road to permit or facilitate access from an adjacent property; or
   (b) erects or installs a structure (including pipes, wires, cables, fixtures, fittings and other objects) in, on, across, under or over the road; or
   (c) changes or interferes with the construction, arrangement or materials of the road; or
   (d) changes, interferes with or removes a structure (including pipes, wires, cables, fixtures, fittings or other objects) associated with the road; or
   (e) plants a tree or other vegetation on the road, interferes with vegetation on the road, or removes vegetation from the road

Discussion

It has come to the attention of Council staff that a number of properties in Murray Street, Tanunda, have encroached beyond their private property boundary out on to the adjacent public road reserve. This may be by the construction of private fencing, shedding, landscaping, overgrowth of vegetation, or the parking of vehicles within a fenced area – assuming an informal extension of their private property. Some uses have been formalised through the issue of a Section 221 permit, while others have assumed approval, but operating without approval sought or provided.

Authorisation to alter or occupy a public road reserve under Section 221 of The Local Government Act is provided to the applicant/person, not to the property, therefore, at the time of sale of a property all previous Section 221 approvals issued are required to be renegotiated and agreed with Council for ongoing use. Relevant insurances in accordance with Section 221 legislation are required to be produced.

The local area approval of all existing identified encroachments in the precinct is being requested in this report to protect the current users of Council land (both approved and unapproved), and to provide reassurance to property owners that Council does not intend to request removal / rectification works until the land is otherwise required. At the time of future sale of the properties a new Section 221 application is required by the new owner to re-establish formal consent for ongoing use of Council land.

It is noted that historical encroachment and ongoing unapproved land use does not provide a precedence for continued use of Council land.

Approval of pre-existing uses will ensure that both Council and the property owner is covered should there be an incident on the land.

Summary and Conclusion

Property owners will be requested to provide written acceptance of the following approval conditions:

- Any structure or landscaping is required to not obstruct access and use of the verge land by Council, service authorities or the general public.
- Any gates or openings are not to be locked or restrained to prevent public access,

- Council is not liable for injury, damage or loss resulting from the installation of the structure on the road verge.
- Council reserves the right to, at any time, rescind any agreement or approval, or change the terms of any agreement or approval should the requirements of Council or the use of the land change. In the event that the approval or agreement is rescinded, the property owner is required to remove any structures or landscaping and restore the verge land back to pre-existing condition.
- Any further alterations to the verge land or structures on the land (including planting of vegetation), will require a further separate Section 221 application requiring Council approval prior to construction or alteration. Approval of any further applications will depend on the nature of the application, and it will be at Council's discretion, after assessment of the proposed alteration, whether or not to approve any further applications should they be lodged.
- The land use permit holder must disclose to any intending purchaser of land abutting the defined area that defined area is public road and as such does not form any part of any abutting land parcel.

Identified Property owners will be contacted individually and advised of the approval decision and offered the option to formalise the approval either now or upon sale of their property.

Council records will be updated to note the above conditions and requirements on each property with existing identified encroachments.

Council's Risk team will document and note that the Chief Executive Officer has reviewed and agreed to accept the risk, as investigations have confirmed that this is accepted to be very low risk that has existed for decades without any known incidents.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Nil

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

CS3 Assets - Planning, construction, maintenance and operation of Council's assets (Transport, Bridges, Community Wastewater Management System, Community, Cultural, Recreation and Stormwater)

Legislative Requirements
Local Government Act 1999, Section 221

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
   Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

   Nil

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
   Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

   Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**
   Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

   Nil

4. **PEOPLE**
   Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

   Nil

5. **REPUTATION**
   Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

   This outcome protects the current users of Council land (both approved and unapproved), in the identified Tanunda precinct and provides reassurance to property owners that Council does not intend to request removal / rectification works until the land is otherwise required.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Nil

7.3.2 TANUNDA - ROAD RENAMING - GROCKE STREET
26/48477

MOVED Cr Greatwich

That Council having reviewed the report and relevant policy, noting that the renaming of Grocke Street, Tanunda does not impact any resident:

(1) Waive the need to provide public notice of the proposal under clause 4.5.2 of the Selection of Road and Public Place Names Process as it does not impact any resident and may cause confusion for those living on Grocke Way, Tanunda, and

(2) Rename Grocke Street, Tanunda, to Bothe Street, in accordance with the process outlined in Council's Property Identification Policy and Public Consultation Policy.

SECONDED Cr de Vries **CARRIED 2022-26/1053**

PURPOSE

To rectify the duplication of name Grocke for road names in Tanunda.

REPORT

Background
During a recent desktop review of Council's road names, Council staff became aware of a duplication of the use of the "Grocke" road name in Tanunda.

The duplication of a road names within a township creates confusion of property addressing and location, especially for emergency services, post and council services. This situation will require rectification, with one of the existing Grocke road names required to be renamed.

Discussion
The two existing Grocke road names in Tanunda are as follows:

Grocke Way, off Basedow Road in central Tanunda, was named by Council in 2009. This sealed road forms the entrance to the Sovereign Estate land division and has 18 property addresses assigned to it. (Refer attached plan)

Grocke Street, off Barossa Valley Way at the southern end of Tanunda, has existed for many decades but was not identified on Council's asset management system until very recently. This unmade no through road located between the side boundaries of numbers 50 and 52 Barossa Valley Way, is approximately 50 metres long, is not identified by a street name blade and has no property addresses assigned to it. (Refer attached plan).

Should Grocke Street (south Tanunda) be extended to the west to accommodate possible land division in the future, it will have property addresses assigned to it at that point. Due to no existing property addresses currently required to be changed, Council staff recommend that the name of this road be renamed to prevent any possible confusion and disruption to property owners in the future.

Public road renaming and name selection is required to be in accordance with The Barossa Council "Property Identification Policy" and the associated "Selection of Road and Public Place Names Process".

Section 4.2 of the Policy "Sources for Road Names" states:

4.2.1 Sources for road names may include,

- Aboriginal names taken from the local aboriginal language;
- Early explorers, pioneers and settlers;
- Elected Members with a term of service greater than 10 years;
- Local identities of significant achievement in their field;
- Local history;
- Thematic names such as flora, fauna etc;
- War / casualty lists;
- Commemorative names.

In sourcing an appropriate possible alternative road name, Council staff referred to a list of names for future road naming in the Tanunda area obtained from the previous District Council of Tanunda and lodged with The Barossa Council in May 2007.

The name "Bothe" is the first name recorded on this list.

Summary and Conclusion
It is recommended that the name Grocke Street (south Tanunda) be changed to prevent possible confusion and disruption to property owners in the future.

There are currently no existing properties with an address to Grocke Street, making the renaming of this road presently more a proactive risk mitigation measure and administrative process.

With reference to the list prepared by the previous District Council of Tanunda, it is recommended to rename Grocke Street to Bothe Street.

If the road name change was to be pursued, Council's Property Identification Policy would be implemented parallel with the Public Consultation Policy.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Grocke Street - Grocke Way - Tanunda - layout plan

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Community Plan

Our Places

Our places and spaces enhance the liveability, retain rural and regional character and diversity of our communities.

Strategic Outcome

- Our places are planned, managed, and sustainable.
- We have connected transport infrastructure and networks.

Corporate Plan

CS3 Assets - Planning, construction, maintenance and operation of Council's assets (Transport, Bridges, Community Wastewater Management System, Community, Cultural, Recreation and Stormwater)

Legislative Requirements
Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. SERVICE DELIVERY
Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

Nil

2. SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT
Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

Nil

3. FINANCIAL
Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

Nil

4. PEOPLE
Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

Nil

5. REPUTATION
Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

Public road names are selected in accordance with The Barossa Council "Property Identification Policy" and the associated "Selection of Road and Public Place Names Process".

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Clause 4.5.2 of the Selection of Road and Public Place Names Process requires public notice of a proposal to change a road name. It is recommended that no formal community consultation needs to be undertaken in these circumstances as there are no property addresses associated with Grocke Street. Further, issuing a notice has the real possibility of confusing existing residents on Grocke Way, Tanunda.

Council continues to receive and consider suggested names for street/road naming from community groups and other individual sources. Road re-naming is required to be undertaken in accordance with Council's Public Consultation Policy.

7.3.3 NURIOOTPA CENTENNIAL PARK NETBALL AND TENNIS COURT LIGHTING UPGRADE - REQUEST TO BRING FORWARD FUNDS
26/50366

MOVED Cr de Vries

That Council:

(1) Endorses the bringing forward of $102,000.00 from 2027-28FY to 2026-27FY to upgrade the Nuriootpa netball and tennis court lighting and,

(2) Endorses the funding model confirming Council, Club and Office for Recreation Sport and Racing Grant contributions towards the project budget totalling $200,000.00.

SECONDED Cr Hurn **CARRIED 2022-26/1054**

PURPOSE

The Nuriootpa Oval Lighting Upgrade (which was delivered in 2025-26FY) came in under budget and the Office for Recreation Sport and Racing (ORSR) Grant has supported redirecting the remaining $78,000.00 towards installing six light poles achieving 350lux at the Nuriootpa netball and tennis courts.

The proposal is to move $102,000.00 from 2027-28FY forward to 2026-27FY to optimise the available ORSR Grant to upgrade the Nuriootpa Court Lighting.

REPORT

Background
The Nuriootpa Oval Lighting Upgrade (which was delivered in 2025-26FY) came in under budget. This resulted in $78,000.00 of unallocated grant funding from ORSR towards lighting at the Nuriootpa Centennial Park (NCP). ORSR has supported redirecting the remaining $78,000.00 within NCP towards installing six light poles achieving 350lux at the Nuriootpa netball and tennis courts in 2026-27FY.

Discussion
With the Nuriootpa Oval Lighting Upgrade (which was delivered in 2025-26FY) coming in under budget the opportunity to optimise the remaining grant funding can be realised.

ORSR advised that we could submit a variation request to redirect the remaining funds to another project, providing the project is at the same location, meets the grant guidelines and we can still match the funding amount 50-50 which we have done and ORSR have amended the grant details (attached) to include the installation of six light poles achieving 350lux at the Nuriootpa netball and tennis courts.

The Court Lighting Upgrade project meets these requirements and is a pre-approved project by Council.

We had not expected to achieve grant funding to deliver this project in 2026-27FY, and as per the 2026-2027Annual Business Plan and Budget funding was anticipated to be delivered in the 2027-28 year.

We are now seeking to bring $102,000.00 of this forward so we can optimise the available grant money from the oval lighting upgrade and execute the court lighting upgrade.

Working with the tennis and netball clubs, below is the funding model we propose and should the Council support bringing forward the $102,000.00 contribution, we will be able to progress with the court lighting upgrade immediately.

Funding Model	
Council	$ 102,000.00
Nuriootpa Netball Club	$ 10,000.00
Nuriootpa Tennis Club	$ 10,000.00
ORSR Grant	$ 78,000.00
Total	**$ 200,000.00**

Please note, the above funding model is based on a single quote, should we proceed with the project a formal RFQ process will be undertaken aligning with Council's procurement guidelines.

Summary and Conclusion
The Nuriootpa Oval Lighting Upgrade (which was delivered in 2025-26FY) came in under budget and the ORSR Grant has supported redirecting the remaining $78,000 towards installing six light poles achieving 350lux at the Nuriootpa netball and tennis courts.

The proposal is to move $102,000.00 from 2027-28FY forward to 2026-27FY to optimise the available ORSR Grant to upgrade the Nuriootpa Court Lighting and requires endorsement by Council.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 ORSR - Office for Recreation Sport and Racing - Community Recreation and Sport Facilities Program 2-25-2-26 - Variation of Grant Agreement - CRSFP24180 - acceptance

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Community Plan

Our Places

Our places and spaces enhance the liveability, retain rural and regional character and diversity of our communities.

Strategic Outcome
- We plan for and deliver infrastructure to enhance our places.

Legislative Requirements
Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
   Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

   Nil

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
   Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

   Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**
   Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

   Council has approved subject to grant funding expenditure for the renewal of the Nuriootpa Centennial Park tennis/netball courts. Approval is sought to bring forward a portion of this to match to available grant funding to undertake stage 1 of the project.

4. **PEOPLE**
   Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

   Nil

5. **REPUTATION**
   Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

   Nil

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community consultation has been undertaken with both the netball and tennis clubs.

7.4 Development and Community Services

7.4.1 MOBILE ROADSIDE VENDORS POLICY
26/47338

MOVED Cr Preece

That Council:

(1) Endorse the draft Mobile Roadside Vendors Policy and Mobile Roadside Vendor Location Rules as per Attachment 1 and Attachment 2, to proceed for public consultation; and

(2) If no submissions are received following the public consultation period, authorise the Chief Executive Officer to approve and implement the final Policy and Rules.

SECONDED Cr de Vries **CARRIED 2022-26/1055**

PURPOSE

To seek Council endorsement of the Draft Mobile Roadside Food Vendors Policy and Mobile Roadside Vendor Location Rules and commence public consultation.

REPORT

Background
The current Mobile Food Vendor Policy and Mobile Food Vendor Location Rules were due for review in May 2026.

The Mobile Roadside Vendor Policy is supported by the Mobile Roadside Vendor location rules. The policy and location rules seek to provide guidance to Council staff and mobile vendors who wish to conduct their business on Council road reserves in respect to their location . The rules apply a balanced approach to the management of Mobile Roadside Vendors, whilst acknowledging and supporting fixed food businesses.

Introduction
The Mobile Roadside Food Vendors Policy and Location Rules exist to provide guidance as to the circumstances and framework in which mobile vendors may operate from the roadside within The Barossa Council.

The purpose of the Policy and Location Rules are to provide consistency, fairness and supports both mobile food vendors and established food businesses and satisfies Council's obligations under the Local Government Act 1999.

While reviewing the current Policy and Location rules, consideration has been given to broaden the opportunity for other vendors (should they apply) to operate on the roadside.

Discussion

Recently, Council has received a request from a community member seeking permission to conduct roadside sales for products other than food or coffee. As the current Mobile Food Vendor policy and location rules outlines requirements for the selling of only food, consideration needs to be given on whether to allow a broader opportunity for other items (e.g flowers) to be sold from the roadside throughout the Barossa Valley.

By providing the opportunity to other vendors, the draft Policy and subsequent location rules will assist the relevant staff in sound decision making when needing to assess an application.

Should this initiative be approved, the current Policy and Locations Rules would need to be retitled. To cover most possibilities, it has been proposed to retitle the draft Policy as Mobile Roadside Vendors Policy (attachment1), and the Location Rules being retitled Mobile Roadside Vendor Location Rules (attachment 2).

The draft Policy and Locations Rules have been amended to accommodate the opportunity for other vendors.

Summary and Conclusion
This policy aligns with other Local Government areas that have introduced a similar policy.

As the proposed changes may affect current established businesses, the draft Policy and Location Rules would benefit by being subjected to a Community Consultation process, which is outlined in the attachments

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Mobile Food Vendor Policy - 2026 Draft - Clean Copy
Attachment 2 Draft Mobile Roadside Vendor Location Rules - clean copy
Attachment 3 Draft Communications Plan - Mobile Roadside Vendor Policy

Supporting references
Nil

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

CS8 Compliance, Monitoring and Enforcement - Conducting compliance, monitoring and responding to non-compliance associated with planning, building, swimming pool, fire safety, public health and safety

Legislative Requirements

Local Government Act 1999 – Section 222

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**
   Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

   The updated policy and location rules will allow staff to assess and apply consistent decision making to mobile roadside vendor applications.

2. **SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT**
   Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

   Nil

3. **FINANCIAL**
   Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

   Nil

4. **PEOPLE**
   Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

   Nil

5. **REPUTATION**

Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

The policy and location rules provide clear guidelines for businesses wanting to trade from the roadside.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- The community will be invited to provide written submissions on the Draft Policy and Rules. These submissions will be considered at the conclusion of the consultation period.
- A Community Engagement plan has been prepared and is provided as Attachment 3.

7.4.2 DRAFT ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE STRATEGY
26/48565

MOVED Cr Schilling

That Council:

(1) Endorse the Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy (Attachment 1) for a final period of consultation as outlined in the Communications and Engagement Plan dates the 27 July 2026, for a period of 21 days commencing on the 26 August 2026 and concluding at 5pm on 16 September 2026.

(2) Note the findings of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Consultation Report (Attachment 2), which informed development of the Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy.

(3) If no submissions are received through consultation the Chief Executive Officer shall finalise the strategy; otherwise it shall be reported back to Council for final consideration.

(4) That Arts, Culture and Heritage resourcing and ongoing operation of the Barossa Creative Industries Centre is realigned to be delivered under the functional responsibilities of the Deputy CEO and Corporate Services, Strategy and Innovation directorate.

SECONDED Cr Troup **CARRIED 2022-26/1056**

PURPOSE

This report seeks Council endorsement of the Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy and seeks approval to realign internal resourcing and operation of the Barossa Creative Industries Centre as well as Arts, Culture and Heritage functions from

Development and Community Services (DCS) to Corporate Services, Strategy and Innovation (CSSI) under the portfolio of Economic Activation and Strategy.

REPORT

Background

The Barossa Council has identified the need for a contemporary Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy to provide strategic direction for Council's role in supporting, facilitating and enabling arts, culture and heritage across the region.

The Strategy has been developed in response to priorities identified through Council's Community Plan and Corporate Plan, together with the evolving needs of the Barossa's arts, culture and heritage sectors and broader community.

In 2025, Council engaged consultant Maz McGann (Play Your Part) to support the development of the Strategy. A comprehensive program of research, stakeholder engagement and community consultation was undertaken, including surveys, workshops, targeted stakeholder discussions, artist visioning activities, staff engagement and direct submissions. More than 320 people participated throughout the consultation process.

The engagement process sought to understand community values, aspirations, opportunities and challenges relating to arts, culture and heritage in the Barossa. Feedback gathered through this process informed development of the Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy, which is now presented to Council for endorsement.

The draft Strategy has subsequently undergone targeted stakeholder review, including internal engagement across relevant Council portfolios, discussion at an Elected Member Workshop in June 2026, and presentation to the BCIC Agile Stakeholder Group.

The development of the Strategy coincides with significant investment in arts, culture and heritage infrastructure and services, including the Barossa Creative Industries Centre, and provides an opportunity to establish a coordinated long-term framework to guide future investment, partnerships and community outcomes.

Introduction

While the BCIC will play an important role as a cultural hub, the draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy (provided at *Attachment 1*) recognises that cultural vitality must be nurtured across the entire region through people, places, organisations, collections, traditions, events and creative enterprise.

Community consultation undertaken during development of the Strategy identified strong support for preserving and celebrating heritage, increasing opportunities for participation, supporting artists and creatives, strengthening cultural tourism and fostering greater collaboration across the sector. The Draft Strategy responds to these aspirations and provides a framework to guide Council's role in supporting, facilitating and enabling arts, culture and heritage across the Barossa over the next decade.

The Strategy also recognises the significant opportunity for arts, culture and heritage to complement the Barossa's internationally recognised food and wine reputation, and the emerging opportunities of the creative arts sector as a driver for tourism and economic outcomes. By celebrating heritage through contemporary creative practice, supporting local talent, amplifying the stories that shape the region and investing in public arts outcomes, the Strategy seeks to strengthen the Barossa's position as a culturally vibrant, distinctive and prosperous regional community.

Discussion

Strategy Development and Engagement

Development of the Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy was informed by research, community engagement, stakeholder consultation and cross-organisational collaboration.

The project was undertaken during 2025 with support from consultant Maz McGann (Play Your Part) and guided by an internal working group comprising representatives from a range of Council business units. The process included review of relevant local, state and national policy documents, existing Council strategies and plans, industry trends and regional opportunities.

Community and stakeholder engagement was undertaken between March and April 2025 and included online surveys, public workshops, targeted stakeholder sessions, small group meetings, staff workshops, artist visioning activities and direct submissions.

More than 320 people participated throughout the process, representing community members, artists, creatives, heritage groups, volunteers, tourism operators, businesses, schools, government agencies and community organisations.

The consultation identified several recurring themes, including heritage preservation, cultural participation, support for artists and creatives, cultural tourism, public art, First Nations visibility, community connection and improved coordination across the sector. These findings informed the development of the draft Strategy and its proposed goals and priorities as provided at *Attachment 2*.

It is proposed that if no substantive feedback is received, the final Strategy is adopted under CEO delegation. Should significant matters arise as determined by the CEO, a report containing key changes will return to Council for consideration.

Strategic Alignment

The Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy supports the delivery of a range of Council and broader government priorities relating to community wellbeing, cultural identity, economic development, tourism, learning and social connection.

The Strategy aligns with the Barossa Community Plan by contributing to a vibrant, connected and inclusive community, strengthening local identity and belonging, celebrating heritage, encouraging participation and supporting community wellbeing. It recognises arts, culture and heritage as important contributors to liveability and community resilience.

The Strategy also supports Council's broader economic development objectives by strengthening creative industries, enhancing cultural tourism and event opportunities, supporting local talent and encouraging innovation and entrepreneurship. It recognises the role arts, culture and heritage can play in diversifying the regional economy and complementing the Barossa's internationally recognised food and wine reputation.

The development of the Strategy coincides with Council's significant investment in cultural infrastructure through the BCIC. The Strategy provides a framework to maximise the social, cultural and economic outcomes arising from this investment while recognising that arts, culture and heritage activity extends beyond a single facility and occurs across the wider region.

The Strategy is also aligned with relevant state and national policy directions, which recognise cultural participation, First Nations culture, regional development and creative industries as important contributors to community and economic outcomes.

Overview of the Draft Strategy

The Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy establishes a vision for the Barossa as a cultural leader, where arts, culture and heritage are visible, valued and contribute to community wellbeing, innovation, creative excellence and regional identity.

The Strategy is built around three interconnected pillars and strategic directions:

PILLARS	**Creative Economy**	**Stronger Communities**	**Creative and Cultural Engagement**
STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS	Drive cultural tourism and visitation. Grow Creative Industries.	Foster community wellbeing, inclusion and social connection. Amplify participation and local storytelling	Champion cultural learning and creative education. Preserve and celebrate our cultural heritage.

The Strategy recognises that arts, culture and heritage outcomes are achieved through collaboration between Council, community organisations, artists, creatives, heritage groups, volunteers, tourism operators, educational institutions, businesses and government. It identifies Council's role as a leader, provider, advocate, facilitator and partner and provides a framework to guide future investment, partnerships and decision-making.

The Strategy is intended to provide long-term strategic direction while allowing flexibility in delivery. Implementation priorities will be considered through Council's annual business planning and budgeting processes, supported by partnerships, external funding opportunities and future implementation planning.

Internal Alignment

The draft Strategy recognises the many business units of Council that contribute to a vibrant regional arts, culture and heritage sector.

Realising the aspirations of the Strategy is dependent on strong internal working relationships across multiple business units that extend beyond arts and culture alone. There is a strong overlay across community development, economic development, visitor economy and visitor servicing, events, marketing and grant funding.

Likewise, activities within the BCIC are multi-faceted and must balance the mutual and complementary interests of the local community with the opportunities for economic uplift through its positioning as a visitor destination. Investing in a strong brand, corporate and government partnerships, events attraction and third-party grant funding opportunities will be paramount to ensuring the BCIC operates in a commercially viable way, with capacity for income generation alongside community activation. The directions within the draft Strategy have strong alignment with the Local Economic Development Plan and the strategic intent of the Economic Activation and Strategy portfolio.

In light of this, and following ongoing internal dialogue at executive and officer level, it is recommended that the Arts, Culture and Heritage team is restructured under the Deputy CEO and Corporate Services, Strategy and Innovation portfolio, specifically the Economic Activation and Strategy team, to support the uplift of the BCIC as both a visitor destination and incubator of regional creative enterprise.

Summary and Conclusion

The Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy establishes a long-term strategic framework to guide Council's role in supporting, facilitating and enabling arts, culture and heritage across the region. It has been informed by extensive community and stakeholder engagement and research, and responds to identified opportunities relating to cultural participation, heritage preservation, creative industries, cultural tourism, learning and community wellbeing.

The Strategy has undergone targeted review by Council officers, elected members and the BCIC Agile Stakeholder Group and is now presented for Council endorsement. Subject to Council's endorsement, any non-substantive amendments arising from the review process will be incorporated into the final Strategy prior to implementation.

A realignment of the Arts, Culture and Heritage portfolio to Economic Activation and Strategy will support the strategic intent of the Strategy and also the ongoing operation of the Barossa Creative Industries Centre to deliver long-term, sustainable economic and community benefit.

Chief Executive Officer Amendment

The report provided in the agenda released on Wednesday 12 August 2026 as above recommended that sufficient consultation had been undertaken. There has been extensive consultation over a lengthy period as outlined in the report.

As a result of this consultation and preparation works for the report, I determined that one the legislative intent had been achieved and due to timing needs to endorse the strategy and prepare the operating model and getting geared up to open the new facility as soon as it is completed to proceed to adoption.

However, further internal communications and engagement have seen deeper thinking on this matter. It is now recommended that we do undertaken a final round of consultation to check in that we have captured the prior three rounds of engagement and in essence pulse check the plan before its adoption.

With this amendment attached is the proposed engagement plan. The recommended has been updated accordingly.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1	Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy - 2026 to 2030
Attachment 2	The Barossa Council Arts Culture and Heritage Strategy Consultation Report - Play Your Part - 2025

Supporting references
A Place to Create - our state cultural policy | CreateSA
Revive: a place for every story, a story for every place | Office for the Arts

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Community Plan

Our Community

Creating a safe and connected community where people have access to sustainable services and service levels and infrastructure they need and feel a sense of belonging.

Strategic Outcome

- Our community is welcoming, vibrant and safe.
- Our services and facilities are accessible.
- We have a healthy respect for our diversity, character and history and are welcoming and supportive of all people.

Our Economy

Implementing economic development strategies to support future growth opportunities and a diversified and resilient economy showcasing the Barossa rural and regional character.

Strategic Outcome

- We strive to support income and job stability and growth for the future in support of quality of life outcomes.
- We partner with and support local business.
- We are a destination of choice.
- We look to maximize community economic return.

Our Places

Our places and spaces enhance the liveability, retain rural and regional character and diversity of our communities.

Strategic Outcome

- Our places are planned, managed, and sustainable.
- We plan for and deliver infrastructure to enhance our places.

Our Council

We strive to be a leader in regional Local Government and are committed to delivering effective, efficient, and valued services to the community.

Strategic Outcome

- We have strong relationships, and where appropriate, partner with our community, industries, stakeholders, the Local Government sector and Governments.

Corporate Plan

CS2 Art and Culture - Organising and facilitating the Barossa gallery, arts culture and events

CS11 Events - Management of community development projects and events, including enquiries and logistics. Event management supporting a variety of internal service areas and community that support the delivery of successful, community focused events.

CS10 Economic Development - Facilitating the economic well-being and quality of life of the local businesses and the community

CS14 Heritage - Ensuring the heritage of the Barossa is recorded and available to the community to access. Support of the heritage network (museums, historical societies)

Legislative Requirements

Section 7, Local Government Act, 1999

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. **SERVICE DELIVERY**

   Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

   The Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy provides a coordinated framework to guide Council's future investment, decision-making, advocacy and partnerships in the arts, culture and heritage sector and will align service delivery with the appropriate Council directorate.

2. SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT

Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

NIL

3. FINANCIAL

Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

The preparation of the Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy has been accommodated within existing Council budgets.
Endorsement of the Draft Strategy does not commit Council to any additional funding or future expenditure. Any actions arising from the final Strategy will be subject to future Council consideration through annual business planning, budgeting processes, external funding opportunities and partnership arrangements.
Implementation of the Strategy will be undertaken progressively and in accordance with Council priorities, available resources and funding availability.

4. PEOPLE

Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

Relevant staff will be consulted with as part of the proposed realignment.

5. REPUTATION

Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

The Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy provides a coordinated framework to guide Council's future investment, decision-making, advocacy and partnerships in the arts, culture and heritage sector. Without a contemporary strategic framework, there is a risk that opportunities for cultural, social and economic outcomes may be missed, investment may become fragmented, and Council's ability to maximise the benefits arising from arts, culture and heritage initiatives and infrastructure may be reduced.

The Strategy supports a more coordinated and evidence-based approach to planning and investment and provides a basis for future partnership development, funding applications and service planning.

There is a potential risk that community expectations may exceed available resources. This risk will be managed through the phased implementation of the Strategy, annual business planning and budgeting processes, and ongoing review of priorities and available funding opportunities.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Development of the Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy has been informed by extensive community and stakeholder engagement undertaken throughout 2025. The engagement process was designed to understand community aspirations, identify opportunities and challenges, and explore the role arts, culture and heritage play in the future of the Barossa.

Engagement activities included community surveys, public workshops, targeted stakeholder discussions, artist visioning activities, staff workshops and direct submissions. More than 320 people participated throughout the engagement process, representing community members, artists, creatives, heritage groups, volunteers, tourism operators, businesses, educational institutions, community organisations and government stakeholders.

Several consistent themes emerged through the engagement process. Participants identified the importance of preserving and celebrating heritage, supporting artists and creatives, increasing opportunities for participation, strengthening cultural tourism and enhancing collaboration across the sector. Community members also highlighted the important role arts, culture and heritage play in supporting wellbeing, community pride, belonging, cultural identity and sustainable economic development.

Feedback gathered through this process directly informed the development of the Draft Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy, including the vision, pillars and strategic directions presented within the document. Following completion of the draft, the Strategy has also undergone targeted review through internal Council engagement, discussion at an Elected Member Workshop and presentation to the BCIC Agile Stakeholder Group. The Strategy presented to Council reflects the outcomes of both the community engagement process and subsequent stakeholder review.

7.4.3 <u>DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR LAND DIVISION AT LOT 500 CEMETERY ROAD TAUNTON - STATE PLANNING COMMISSION REQUEST FOR CONCURRENCE</u>
26/48876

MOVED Cr Greatwich

That Council resolves to concur with the decision of the State Planning Commission to grant Planning Consent in relation to Development Application 26006077 for "Conventional land division creating two allotments from one allotment" at Lot 500, Cemetery Road, Taunton, pursuant to Section 8(3) of the *Character Preservation Act 2012*.

SECONDED Cr Troup **CARRIED 2022-26/1057**

PURPOSE

To seek Council concurrence in relation to Development Application 26006077 for land division at Lot 500, Cemetery Road, Taunton, pursuant to Section 8(3) of the *Character Preservation Act 2012*.

REPORT

Background

Development Application 26006077 was lodged by Civil Surveys & Design on 16 April 2026 for "Conventional land division creating two allotments from one allotment" at Lot 500, Cemetery Road, Taunton. A copy of the application documents including plan of division and the assessment report prepared by the delegate of the State Planning Commission are contained in Attachment 1.

This follows an earlier Development Application 26006078 for "*Land Division 1 into 2 allotments*" at Lot 1, Cemetery Road, Eden Valley. The circumstances of this second application are essentially the same to that of the first application. While the owner is different in this application, the surveyor is the same and the two applications were lodged at about the same time and represented by the same planning consultant.

The State Planning Commission was determined to be Relevant Authority for the Development Application on basis that the land division is a Restricted form of development, pursuant to Table 4 of the Rural Zone.

Restricted development refers to an impact assessed development that is defined in Section 110 of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* and can only be assessed by the State Planning Commission. Such forms of development may be approved subject to a prescribed process that includes public notice and provides rights of third-party appeal.

In Table 4 of the Rural Zone, land division within the Limited Land Division Overlay is Restricted development, other than land division that is a boundary realignment. Due to the land division creating an additional allotment, it is not a boundary realignment and therefore must be Restricted development.

The State Planning Commission have undertaken an assessment of the land division against the relevant provisions of the Planning and Design Code and have resolved to grant Planning and Land Division Consent.

However, the decision of the State Planning Commission is subject to concurrence of the Council for the area in which the development is located due to the land division creating an additional allotment within the Character Preservation District.

Pursuant to Section 8 of the *Character Preservation Act 2012*, subsection (3) states:

8 – Limitations on land division in district

(3) If the State Planning Commission is the Relevant Authority, the State Planning Commission must not grant development authorisation to a development to which this section applies unless the council for the area where the proposed development is situated concurs in the granting of the authorisation.

There are no delegations in place to enable staff to determine whether to grant concurrence to a development application in which this section applies. As such, this request is presented to Council for consideration.

Introduction

This report seeks Council's concurrence in relation to Development Application 26006077 for "*Conventional land division creating two allotments from one allotment*" at Lot 500, Cemetery Road, Taunton. This report recommends that Council grant concurrence to the State Planning Commission for the reasons set out in this report.

Discussion

The land division involves division of the existing allotment 500, Cemetery Road, Taunton, formally described as allotment 500 in Certificate of Title Volume 5595 Folio 865, into two allotments. The site is comprised of an irregular shaped allotment having an area of 65ha and with extensive frontages to Vigars Road (570.1m), Eden Valley Road (1,143.9m) and Cemetery Road (497.6m). An easement in favour of the ETSA Corporation runs along the eastern portion of the land. The land is currently used for general farming purposes and contains scattered vegetation and several dams, as well a power line with associated poles located within the aforementioned easement. An aerial view of the site is below in ***Figure 1***.

Figure 1 *Aerial plan of site*

The proposal will divide the land into two allotments as follows:

- Proposed Allotment 300 –34.2ha with frontage to Vigars Road and Eden Valley Road. This allotment will contain the ETSA Corporation easement.
- Proposed Allotment 301 – 30.8ha with frontage to Eden Valley Road and Cemetery Road.

The allotments will both have frontages to a public road and all of the roads are either sealed (Eden Valley Road) or of all-weather construction. No change in land use is proposed, with both allotments intended to continue to be utilised for primary production purposes. The Applicant has stated the purpose of the land division is to create an additional commercial primary production opportunity.

The land is located within the Rural Zone under the Planning and Design Code. The minimum site area Technical & Numeric Variation (TNV) prescribed for this part of the Rural Zone is 32ha. Proposed allotment 301 would therefore have a shortfall of 1.2ha, whilst proposed allotment 300 would have a surplus of 2.2ha. The average allotment area would be 32.5ha.

The proposed form of land division is considered to be consistent with the sizes and form of land parcels in the locality. As evidenced in **Figure 2** below, the allotment is larger than the majority of allotments in this locality which are half the size of the subject land. On this basis, division of the allotments is not in conflict with the existing pattern of allotment sizes and is broadly consistent with the pattern of existing subdivision.

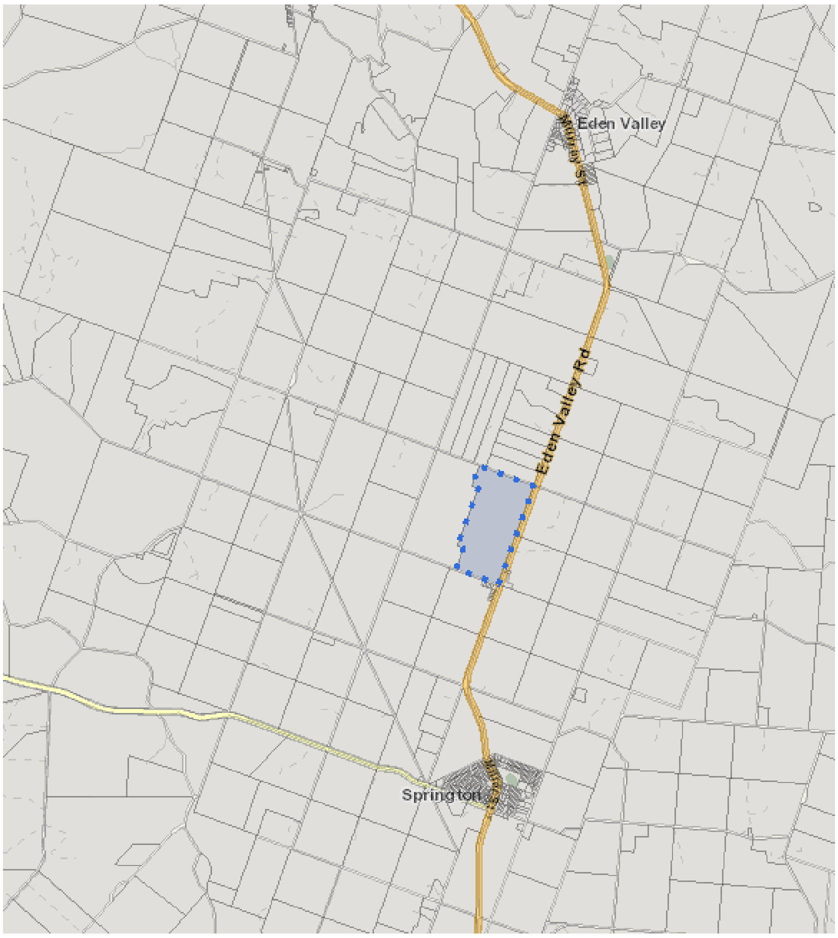

Figure 2: *Cadastre Plan with site identified in blue*

While the land division is a Restricted form of development in the Rural Zone and requires a concurrence pursuant to Section 8(3) of the *Character Preservation Act 2012*, the Act does not preclude a land division from creating an additional allotment except where the allotment is for residential purposes.

Further, the land division is not considered to be in conflict with any of the five Character Values enshrined in Section 7 of the *Character Preservation Act 2012* which are:

a) The rural and natural landscape and visual amenity of the district;
b) The heritage attributes of the district;
c) The built form of the townships as they relate to the district;
d) The viticultural, agricultural and associated industries of the district;
e) The scenic and tourism attributes of the district.

The proposed land division will not result in a change to the appearance of the land, in that it is simply drawing a line on the page through the middle of the allotment, in a position that is consistent with many allotments within the locality. Further, the allotment sizes are such that they would support continued agricultural activities on the land in a manner that is consistent with adjacent land parcels of similar size.

It is noted the Council expressed some reservations regarding the first application in that there could be a precedent set for further land divisions in the Character Preservation Area. It is important to stress that the circumstances of these two applications are considered unique in that they relate to large properties which well exceed the size of allotments in the locality.

Staff have taken a very restrictive view of land division in the rural area of the Character Preservation District and only in limited circumstances is it considered that land division creating additional allotments may be acceptable. Any future applications shall continue to be brought forward to Council and only in exceptional circumstances should land division be recommended.

In summary, the land division is considered to warrant Planning and Land Division Consent in that the sizes of the allotments and formation of the land division accords with the Rural Zone and existing pattern of development in the locality. Further, the land division is not in conflict with the Character Values under the *Character Preservation Act 2012.*

<u>*Summary and Conclusion*</u>
This report seeks Council's concurrence in relation to Development Application 26006077 for "Conventional land division creating two allotments from one allotment" at Lot 500, Cemetery Road, Taunton. For the reasons set out in this report, it is recommended that Council grant concurrence to the State Planning Commission.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1 Planning Assessment Concurrence Documentation

<u>*Supporting references*</u>
Nil.

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Corporate Plan

CS8 Compliance, Monitoring and Enforcement - Conducting compliance, monitoring and responding to non-compliance associated with planning, building, swimming pool, fire safety, public health and safety

CS15 Land Use and Development - Assessment of development applications for construction, alteration or demolition of buildings, and the division of land and changes in land use.

Legislative Requirements
Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2012
Character Preservation Act 2012

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. SERVICE DELIVERY
Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

Nil

2. SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT
Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

There are no adverse environmental consequences arising from the granting of Planning and Land Division Consent for the proposed land division. The resultant allotment sizes exceed or come relatively close to the minimum allotment size threshold prescribed in this part of the Rural Zone of 32ha. The allotments are suitable to continue to be used for agricultural purposes, consistent with the objectives of the Rural Zone.

3. FINANCIAL
Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

Nil

4. PEOPLE
Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

Nil

5. **REPUTATION**
Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

The proposed land division is considered to be in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Planning & Design Code and the Character Values defined in Section 7 of the *Character Preservation Act 2012*.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The application was subject to public notification pursuant to the Restricted Assessment pathway and no representations were received by the State Planning Commission.

7.4.4 ENDORSEMENT OF THE WELLBEING AND INCLUSION PLAN
26/51931

MOVED Cr Greatwich

That Council having reviewed the public submissions of the consultation period:

(1) Endorses the Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan 2026–2030 as amended (Attachment 1), inclusive of the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2026–2030 embedded within it and authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make minor editorial corrections prior to publication.

(2) Notes the outcome of public consultation on the draft Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan 2026–2030, undertaken from 24 June to 17 July 2026, and the thirteen submissions received (Attachment 2).

SECONDED Cr Lane **CARRIED 2022-26/1058**

PURPOSE

To endorse the draft Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan 2026-2030 following community consultation.

REPORT

Introduction
This report presents the outcome of public consultation on the Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan 2026–2030, the amendments made in response to feedback received and seeks Council endorsement of the final Plan.

The Plan carries four statutory and strategic obligations within a single document:

- Council's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan under the *Disability Inclusion Act 2018 (SA)*;
- Council's public health planning obligations under the *South Australian Public Health Act 2011*;
- Barossa Council Early Childhood Strategy 2025–2027; and
- Volunteer Engagement Framework (in draft).

Endorsement of this Plan performs the planning obligation for all four.

Discussion

Consultation ran from 24 June 2026 - 17 July 2026 and thirteen submissions were received. Respondents came from three of the six districts, with one respondent living outside the Council area. Three of eleven survey respondents identified as living with disability and one as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

The tone of the consultation was constructive throughout. Respondents engaged closely and constructively with the draft. Several worked through the Plan focus area by focus area and proposed specific alternative wording, and in a number of submissions offered support and suggestions in equal measure. The full responses are reproduced at Attachment 2.

- **"Looking forward to the rollout of this Plan."**
- **"Well done providing the Easy Read versions — this in itself is an important step in enacting inclusive practice."**
- **"I can see the work that has gone into this and how some improvements are likely to occur as a result."**
- **"Your plan is great..."**
- **"While the Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan sets a vision that respects diversity and articulates Council's role in leading local priorities..."**
- **"Whilst essential and vital for the identity, history and lived experience of culturally diverse people, especially for reconciliation with First Nations people..."**

Respondents	**Agree or strongly agree**	**Neutral**	**Disagree**
The draft Plan makes me feel included, heard and seen	27% (3)	55% (6)	18% (2)
The draft Plan ensures future partnership, co-delivery and shared decision-making	73% (8)	18% (2)	9% (1)
The draft Plan's themes and focus areas are supportive of people's health, wellbeing and everyday life	55% (6)	36% (4)	9% (1)

Table 1: How respondents rated the draft survey in the consultation period. Percentage of respondents, with counts in brackets. n = 11, so each respondent represents roughly nine percentage points. No respondent selected "strongly disagree"

Most of the feedback centred on making sure people could see themselves in the Plan. The written comments came together on four points: inclusion was written as physical access, belonging ran through culture and faith, groups were not named, and the first year would not reach the people the Plan most needs to hear from.

A likely reason is that the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan and the Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Plan have been mapped in the appendices rather than written into each focus areas: carers, accessible formats and prevention have been deliberately run across all eleven focus areas rather than sitting in one, so that access, inclusion and public health are part of every part of our work rather than a separate stream. What the feedback showed is that the design was sound but invisible. Every substantive amendment is directed at those findings, and the requests were largely about wording that clearly names the priority cohorts, carries that detail into the focus areas, and makes it plain who each area is for. A subtle restructure of the document has also been completed to support ease of understanding.

Furthering, a portion of the feedback asked for more detail, timeframes, named programs, statistics, and a list of activities. That request was well made, and it has been answered in two ways:

1. Where the missing detail was strategic, the Plan has been amended: the priority cohorts are defined and reported against, the first-year states what it will do and publish, and the evidence behind each progress question is named. The Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan is a strategic document. It sets direction, defines the eleven focus areas, states the four-year objectives and describes how progress will be read.
2. It does not list every activity Council will run over four years, because the activities themselves are determined year by year through the operational and place-based planning that sits beneath it, shaped by what communities identify and what resources allow.

Amendments made to Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan'

No.	What people told us	What we heard	Amendments made to support
1	Seeing themselves in the Plan	Six of the thirteen submissions raised a group they could not find in the Plan, arriving at it from different directions: older people, carers, people with disability, LGBTIQ+ communities, culturally diverse communities and people experiencing vulnerability. Respondents asked for these groups to be named rather than referred to in general terms. The draft used the phrase "people who are underrepresented" and eight different undefined terms for the same group across the eleven focus areas. Three of eleven survey respondents agreed the draft made them feel included, heard and seen; six were neutral, and two disagreed. The same respondents rated the partnership approach highly.	Nine priority cohorts defined in Section 01 and reported against by every focus area. Intersectional approach explained through the three lenses of life stage, place and identity. Access and Inclusion are described as part of the Network rather than alongside it.
2	Inclusion to mean more than access to buildings	Respondents said inclusion must be visible across processes, programs, events and services, and broadened beyond disability access to people with diverse identities, backgrounds and lived experiences.	Focus Area 2.1 rescoped and retitled Inclusive places and participation. Eight of nine fields amended, including the four-year objective.
3	More pathways to belonging	Respondents said connection through culture and faith is limited and excludes many, and asked that arts, sport, social groups, intergenerational activities, creative communities and identity-based networks be recognised as pathways.	Focus Area 3.1 now names those pathways alongside culture and faith. Years 2–3 builds partnerships across identity dimensions.

No.	What people told us	What we heard	Amendments made to support
4	To be named, not implied	Respondents asked for representation of families, older people, carers, First Nations peoples, LGBTIQ+ communities and people with lived experience of vulnerability. The draft referred to “people who are underrepresented now” and used eight different undefined terms across the eleven focus areas.	Focus Area 4.2 retitled Confidence, purpose and leadership, with those groups named in the description and Year 1. The fourth progress question standardised across all eleven focus areas onto the Section 01 cohort list.
5	A first year that reaches everyone	Two respondents said the understand year relies on existing services and providers, so people who cannot access them, or who stop trying, are not heard. One said that if the first year is not done properly, the rest of the Plan will not hold.	New subsection at Section 02 setting out that Year 1 is one program of work, reaches people connected to no service, and compares the two. Six Year 1 lines amended, and a cross-reference added to each theme page.
6	To see what the Plan will deliver	Respondents asked for clearer timeframes, likely outcomes, statistics and a list of activities, and said this would help people feel more connected. Correspondence asked where the measurable commitments are.	Section 02 now names the evidence behind each of the four progress questions: community experience, delivery, asset and service condition, and participation by cohort and district.
7	Prevention as a shared practice	Two respondents asked for coordinated community-wide education that supports healthy choices, and for education about what raises risk across the lifespan.	Focus Area 1.2 names information and education in the description, with prevention carried into Years 2–3, the Year 4 endpoint and the four-year objective.
8	Support at the moment’s life changes	A respondent asked that mental wellbeing cover life-stage planning and coordinated responses when circumstances change.	Focus Area 1.3 now names point of change across all lifespans, from starting school to taking on the care of someone and frames the work as prevention through connection and safer environments.

No.	What people told us	What we heard	Amendments made to support
9	Places that are safe to move in	A respondent described footpaths in Tanunda as unmaintained except on parts of the main road and gave up walking an hour a day. Another asked for walkability, seating and shade.	Focus Area 1.1 adds safety and network condition to the description, Year 1 and the objective. Year 1 asks clubs what it takes to take part and who finds that hard.
10	Information in formats people can use	A respondent asked for more consideration and support for communication accessibility. Another welcomed the Easy Read versions as a step in enacting inclusive practice.	Focus Area 2.3 commits to information in formats people can use, with accessible formats as standard practice in Years 2–3.
11	Volunteering was framed as counting rather than support	A respondent said volunteering seems limited and asked for broader recognition of caring, skills, knowledge and community leadership.	Focus Area 3.2 refocused on bringing more people in and easing the load on those already contributing, with recruitment, training, succession and recognition. Counting brought forward to Years 2–3 to precede the Community Action Fund.

Feedback raised and not carried in amendment

The matters below were raised, considered, and are carried operationally rather than by amending the Plan. None is dismissed.

What was raised	Why the Plan was not amended	Where it is carried instead
Housing and cost of living	Housing sits outside the levers of this Plan. Council's role is advocacy, which is stated in the role table at Section 01.	Council's advocacy position. Short-term rental regulation referred to Development Services.
Community safety	Council is not a crisis intervention agency. The Plan's role is prevention through conditions, connection and information.	Carried in Focus Area 1.3 through safer environments and early connection. Prevention of family, domestic and sexual violence remains a stated consideration in Council's safer environments work at Appendix C.
A separate Social Inclusion and Respect focus area	Social inclusion is a key part of the plan as it already exists; all focus areas are to support social inclusion. A separate focus area would isolate social inclusion.	Distributed across the Plan. Structure unchanged at eleven focus areas.

Restructuring Theme 2	The Regional Public Health Plan and Disability Access and Inclusion Plan have been integrated into each focus area through numbering so we can ensure both plans are carried out and reported across the plan; changing the layout now would comprise the operations plan and how we deliver this all as one coordinated approach.	Not included.
Loss of everyday shops and local liveability	Retail mix is outside this Plan. Access to fresh food is already covered in Focus Area 1.2.	District planning and economic development.
Free outdoor gyms at named locations	A specific facility proposal rather than a Plan-level commitment. Focus Area 1.1 already commits to low-barrier ways to move that need no membership.	Open space planning and the relevant Place Action Plan.
“Just get things done instead of plans”	The objection is to the artefact rather than its content. More Plan text cannot answer it; visible delivery can.	Operational Plan and the annual wellbeing report.

Table 3 — Matters raised and not carried by amendment.

Where the operational work sits

The Plan is strategic. Delivery happens through four connected mechanisms, each with its own reporting cycle.

Delivery	What it carries	Reporting
Operational Delivery Plan	Council’s own delivery including but not limited to the thirty-disability access and inclusion actions and public health actions.	Community Services, annually
Place Action Plans	District-level priorities which may include footpath renewals, open space and facility proposals, and local connection work	Place-based Action Networks, from Year 1
Wellbeing Network action groups	Cohort-level priorities through the four Lifespan Action Groups, and cross-sector work through the Wellbeing Alliance and advisory groups.	Wellbeing Network Action Plans
Community Action Fund	Resourcing for priorities named in endorsed Place Action Plans and the Strategic Action Plan.	Activates July 2027

Table 4 — The delivery layer beneath the Plan. Progress on all four is reported through the annual wellbeing report.

Summary and Conclusion

Consultation produced a small response but a clear message. The draft Plan was supported in principle, but respondents questioned whether its approach to inclusion extended beyond physical access and whether the first year would reach the people the Plan most needs to hear from. Both concerns were valid and have been addressed through amendments to the Plan.

The amendments strengthen the Plan without changing its architecture, statutory coverage or resourcing. Officers recommend that Council endorse the final Plan as amended.

ATTACHMENTS OR OTHER SUPPORTING REFERENCES

Attachment 1	Attachment One - The Barossa Council - Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan 2026 - 2030
Attachment 2	Attachment Two - The Barossa Council - WI Plan Full Public Consultation Feedback

Supporting references

- State Disability Inclusion Plan 2025–2029
- State Public Health Plan and Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2022–2027
- Barossa Wellbeing Project 2024 engagement report
- Community Connection and Investment Framework

COMMUNITY PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN / LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Community Plan

Our Community

Creating a safe and connected community where people have access to sustainable services and service levels and infrastructure they need and feel a sense of belonging.

Strategic Outcome

- Our services and facilities are accessible.
- We have a healthy respect for our diversity, character and history and are welcoming and supportive of all people.
- Our community is welcoming, vibrant and safe.

Corporate Plan

CS19 Social Inclusion - Advocate and work in collaboration with core service providers to ensure vulnerable people have increased access and inclusion.

Legislative Requirements

- Disability Inclusion Act 2018 (SA) — Council's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan, with annual reporting to the Minister for Human Services.

- South Australian Public Health Act 2011, sections 37, 38, 51 and 52 — Council's public health planning obligations and reporting to the Chief Public Health Officer.
- Local Government Act 1999 — consultation undertaken in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy.

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take or retain risk in pursuit of its objectives.

1. SERVICE DELIVERY

Refers to the delivery of services to the community, which includes the systems and physical assets that enable provision of these services, including structures (such as roads, buildings and facilities) as well as IT infrastructure, plant, vehicles & other equipment.

The Plan sets direction for Community Services and is delivered through the Operational Action Plan, Place Action Plans and the Wellbeing Network. The amendments create no new service commitments in 2026–27. Focus Area 1.1 relies on the Universal Design assessment scale being delivered in Years 1–2, so sequencing between focus areas should be monitored.

2. SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT

Relates to measures to preserve, protect and minimise impact on the natural environment, including sacred and indigenous lands, flora, fauna, heritage, water, waste, hazardous materials and pollution.

No direct implications. Capital decisions arising from the Plan are guided by priority and, by 2030, by the Wellbeing and Inclusion Impact Assessment process.

3. FINANCIAL

Refers to planning and control of Council's budget to align with the sustainable achievement of the desired outcomes articulated in its Community Plan.

Delivery is within existing Community Services operational budgets. Two future implications: contribution counting must be operating before the Community Action Fund activates in July 2027, as the Fund is sized as the residual after community contribution is counted; and the proposal that grant criteria reward groups widening participation would change how applications are assessed, to be confirmed through the Community Action Fund design.

4. PEOPLE

Relates to recruitment, retention, wellbeing and safety of employees and volunteers and engagement and management of contractors as well as the wellbeing and safety of the community.

The Wellbeing and Inclusion Plan is a strategic document. It sets direction, defines the eleven focus areas, states the four-year objectives and describes how progress will be read. It does not list every activity Council will run over four years, because the activities themselves are determined year by year through the operational and place-based planning that sits beneath it, shaped by what communities identify and what resources allow.

5. REPUTATION

Relates to policy, decisions, actions and circumstances that may cause Council to lose credibility with the community, ratepayers, key stakeholders, other levels of government and its own employees and contractors.

Thirteen submissions were received, and three of the six districts returned none, so the Plan should not be presented as carrying a community mandate. Housing and community safety were raised across four respondents and are carried operationally rather than by amendment; a written response to each respondent is required so this is not read as no response. Statutory reporting obligations to the Minister for Human Services and the Chief Public Health Officer depend on the measures set out in the Plan.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Public consultation on the draft Plan was undertaken from 24 June to 17 July 2026, with Easy Read versions provided. Thirteen submissions were received.

Consultation reached three of the six districts. Lyndoch – Kalbeeba, Williamstown – Barossa Goldfields and Mount Pleasant – Springton returned no responses. The amendments to the first year of the Plan are directed at this reach problem, and the Plan commits to publishing what the Plan understands each year finds district by district.

A written response will be provided to each person who made a submission, drawing on the traceability register at Attachment C. Ongoing engagement continues through the Wellbeing Network, the six Place-based Action Networks, the four Lifespan Action Groups, advisory groups and the Community Voice Register.

8. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

8.1 Office of the Mayor and CEO

A.1 <u>ROAD CLOSURE - LAND ADJACENT TO 34 MARIA STREET TANUNDA AND GOAT SQUARE - FINAL ARRANGEMENTS AND TRANSFER VALUE</u>
26/52613

There is strong public interest in enabling members of the public to observe Council's transparent and informed decision-making. This helps to ensure accountability, maintain transparency of public expenditure, facilitate public participation, assist public awareness and allow for the scrutiny of information. Attendance at a Council meeting is one means of satisfying this interest. The public will only be excluded from a Council meeting when the need for confidentiality pursuant to Section 90(2) of the Act outweighs the public interest of open decision-making.

In this matter, the reasons that receipt, consideration or discussion of the information or matter in a meeting open to the public would be contrary to the public interest are that the report relates to the final negotiation of transfer of land pricing with a third party.

On balance, the above reason which supports the need for confidentiality pursuant to Section 90(2) of the Act outweighs the factors in favour of the public interest of open decision-making.

MOVED Cr de Vries

That Council:

(1) Under the provisions of Section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, make an order that the public be excluded from the meeting with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, Director Corporate Services, Strategy and Innovation, Director Development and Community Services, Acting Director Infrastructure and Environmental Services and the Minute Secretary, in order to consider in confidence a report relating to being information that must be considered in confidence pursuant to:

<u>Section 90(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1999:*</u>

information the disclosure of which-
- (i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and
- (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;

(2) Accordingly, on this basis, Council is satisfied that public interest in conducting meetings in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information and discussion confidential in order that the report relates to the final negotiation of transfer of land pricing with a third party.

SECONDED Cr Troup **CARRIED 2022-26/1059**

The meeting moved into confidence at 6.37pm

Cr Preece left the meeting at 6:37pm.

MOVED Cr Troup

That Council:

(1) Council resolution

(2) Having considered this matter in confidence under Sections 90(2) and 90(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1999,* makes an order pursuant to Section 91(7), that the minutes, agenda report and attachments other than the minutes relating to this confidentiality order of the Confidential Council Meeting held on 18 August 2026 in relation to item A.1 Goat Square Road Closure Final Arrangements and Transfer Value be kept confidential and not available for public inspection and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to review and revoke the order.

SECONDED Cr Angas **CARRIED CO 2022-26/1060**

Resumption of open council meeting at 6.41pm

9. URGENT OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

10. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 15 September 2026 at 5:30pm

11. CLOSURE

Mayor Lange declared the meeting closed at 6.42pm.

Confirmed at Council Meeting on 15 September 2026

Date:………………………………. Mayor:………………………………….