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### Upgraded Goolwa Waste and Recycling Depot Officially Open for Business

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The Goolwa Waste and Recycling Depot has entered a new era and set the benchmark for environmentally efficient waste disposal and recycling services. An official opening took place on Tuesday, 11 September, where key stakeholders celebrated what has been a major revamp of the facility.

Providing services to the local community for over 35 years, recent upgrades to the site will ensure it continues to support the region well into the future.

Now a high quality, modern waste and recycling plant; customer access has been greatly simplified, making each visit a straightforward process. An increased variety of diversion options means that recycling is not only easier, but more cost effective – in some cases, resulting in money in the customer's pocket as an incentive for showing sensible recycling initiative.

Meeting their strong commitment to meet their communities waste and recycling needs locally, Alexandrina Council and the City of Victor Harbor undertake these functions on a regional basis through their membership of Fleurieu Regional Waste Authority (FRWA), who manage Goolwa Waste and Recycling Depot site operations and local bin collection.

The Alexandrina Council-owned site hosts several tenants including FRWA, Goolwa Salvage & Save, and South Coast Recycling. Running costs of the facility are shared with the City of Victor Harbor.

Alexandrina Council Mayor Keith Parkes said the region will benefit greatly from the upgrade.

"The Goolwa Waste and Recycling Depot has effectively serviced residents of the South Coast for many years. As our community grows, and technology and knowledge in environmentally sustainable waste and recycling practices have evolved, so has the need for a modernised facility.

"We are proud to see the new depot open and ready to deal with the region's household waste in a state-of-the-art and efficient manner. This upgrade has been a huge project that meets Council's environmental aspirations and provides a vital service to the communities of Alexandrina and the wider Fleurieu region," said Mayor Parkes.

City of Victor Harbor Mayor Graham Philp said the facility upgrade is another example of councils working together to achieve great outcomes for their collective communities.

"The City of Victor Harbor and Alexandrina Council have a long and proud history of working together to maximise the benefits for residents and ratepayers," said Mayor Philp.

"The upgraded Goolwa Waste and Recycling Depot is just one example of this collaboration that has produced many services and facilities that the community should be proud of."

The project, referenced in Alexandrina Council's 2014 to 2023 Community Strategic Plan as a key initiative to achieve the 'Thrive in Clean Green Futures' objective, is a positive step toward the region being a leader in environmental innovation.

Residents of the Fleurieu Peninsula can confidently use the Goolwa Waste and Recycling Depot, with the peace of mind that their waste will be dealt with in line with cost effective and sustainable environmental ethics. To learn more about local waste management visit [www.frwa.com.au](http://www.frwa.com.au)