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Fleurieu Mayors Welcome Visitors

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Fleurieu Peninsula Mayors are joining together to welcome visitors back to the region following the launch of the SA Government's roadmap for easing COVID-19 restrictions.

Leaders from Alexandrina Council, City of Victor Harbor and District Council of Yankalilla agree that the decision to encourage travel to regional areas will help boost local economies. However, they stress the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices to keep people safe from coronavirus.

In addition to welcoming visitors back to the region, all three councils are busy putting the necessary safety measures in place so they can each re-open their doors to the public as soon as possible.

Visitors and community members are encouraged to visit Council websites for the latest updates.

Quotes from Alexandrina Council Mayor, Keith Parkes:

"Now is a great time to get out of your living room and into nature, and enjoy some takeaway or outdoor dining from a local café or restaurant while you're here. At the same time, we want to keep our visitors and our community safe."

"Whether we are at home or on holidays, we all have a responsibility to do the right thing – this means gathering in smaller groups, keeping our distance from others and washing our hands regularly."

"Right now, the Government is recommending a gentle and cautious approach, so we ask everyone to keep up to date with State Government social distancing advice and please be patient as our local businesses adjust to the new roadmap requirements."

Quotes from City of Victor Harbor Mayor, Dr Moira Jenkins:

"Tourism is going to be an important part of our local economic recovery. We need visitors to come back to our region to help our local businesses and operators get back up on their feet."

"South Australians have done the hard yards to flatten the curve, and being able to travel within our State and experience all of the wonderful things on offer in our regions is a great reward."

"Intrastate travel also means that many of the older people in our community that have been feeling quite isolated due to the restrictions can see friends and family again."

Quotes from District Council of Yankalilla Deputy Mayor, Simon Rothwell:

"We're proud of our small businesses who have adapted and ask visitors be patient while they prepare to scale up or reopen."

"You can support our business by coming to the region with an empty esky and shop locally!"

"Every purchase made to support the locals will bring a smile to their face. Minimal contact. Maximum impact."