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Message from the Mayor

Welcome to the winter edition of Alexandrina Alive.

It has been a tough few months for everyone as COVID-19 has dramatically changed the way we live. Primarily I would like to thank our communities for doing their best to adapt to these changes and respect advice given by health authorities in relation to social distancing and other restrictions.

As we gradually start to re-open services, it is nice to see friendly faces and feel a sense of anticipation within the community that things are starting to return to normal. We are in a great position to welcome visitors back to the region which will help 're-boot' our local economy and remind us what a beautiful place we call home.

Following extensive consultation, the Annual Business Plan and Budget 2020-21 reflects a commitment to help the Alexandrina region rebuild and recover from the impacts of COVID-19. Council shares our community's vision and commitment to climate change with an informed and planned approach. By implementing its Strategic Plan, and through the Annual Business Plan and Budget, we will embrace the challenges of securing a far more sustainable future for all generations. Please remember to refer to Council's website or call 8555 7000 to find the latest updates to Council services and support networks.

The end of the 2019/20 financial year was met with some positive news that gives us hope for a prosperous future, including

significant Federal and State funding contributions toward the Goolwa Oval Sporting Precinct, the Port Elliot Surf Life Saving Club and the Goolwa Wharf Precinct. Work is now underway to bring each of these projects to fruition.

Other exciting developments include the opening of the much anticipated Alexandrina Business Hub in Goolwa, the recent launch of the Greyhound Run-Around events at the Port Elliot Dog Park, and the project planning and design phase of the Strathalbyn Town Centre Streetscape Revitalisation.

Stay warm and I look forward to seeing you out and about in Alexandrina.

Keith Parkes
Mayor

Above: Senator Andrew McLachlan joined Mayor Keith Parkes and CEO, Glenn Rappenberg, and Member for Finnis David Basham to celebrate the Goolwa Wharf Precinct Federal and State Government grant funding announcement.

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Come in and see the new hub!

Book a co-working space, meeting room and become a member – email business@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

Alexandrina Council is very proud to bring this initiative to life. The Business Alexandrina Hub (The Hub) aims to support and grow local businesses, encourage collaboration and provide first class training, meeting spaces and co-working facilities.

Business Alexandrina – The Hub is located at 12 Cadell Street, Goolwa. The Hub provides co-working spaces supported by high speed internet, meeting rooms, training facilities and access to the adjoining Centenary Hall multi-function space.

The business support program will focus on building the skills business owners and operators need to help their businesses prosper.

In-person workshops, business advice and coaching will be held in the Alexandrina business hub and satellite sites, and a range of online webinars and self-paced training programs will also be offered.

Key partners Regional Development Australia Adelaide Hills Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island and Department of Trade and Investment will be based at the Business Hub to offer support and advice on areas like grant funding and emerging business opportunities.

B Business Alexandrina The Hub

Find out more at businessalexandrina.com.au



Who can benefit from a membership?

Local businesses looking to grow:

- Networking, workshops and training will build connections, make it easier to find new customers and help 'reduce the pain' of managing your business

- Workers who live locally but work elsewhere

- Co-working facilities make it easy to work remotely

- Local residents looking to start and run a business

- Business support, coaching and training will help start you on the road to success

- Home based businesses

- Co-working spaces make it easier to focus and make your work day more productive.

The Hub project is supported by Alexandrina Council and grant funding from the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources – Drought Communities Programme.



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Goolwa Wharf Precinct Revitalisation Project

\$7.5 Million Project funding announced

The historic Goolwa Wharf Precinct is set to undergo a \$7.5 million upgrade, following funding announcements from both the Federal and State Government in June. The redevelopment of the site will upgrade essential infrastructure and further develop the wharf as an outstanding tourist destination.

Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, Michael McCormack announced \$3.75 million in funding under the Australian Government's Building Better Regions Fund, Round 4. This is supplemented by a further funding commitment from the State Government's Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, Tim Whetstone MP of \$1.25 million for the project.

Combined with Council's funding commitment of \$2.5 million, the

total project value is \$7.5 million. This project will greatly support our regional economy and the 27,000 plus people who live in the Alexandrina Local Government Area as well as attracting existing and new visitors to the area.

The Goolwa Wharf Precinct Revitalisation Project has received strong community support over the many years of planning and advocacy and will bring substantial social benefits to those who enjoy the Precinct. This outstanding collaboration from all levels of government, combined with other major grant-funded projects such as the Mount Compass Recreation Park and Strathalbyn Town Centre Revitalisation Project, will build a high level of confidence within the entire region, demonstrating that Alexandrina is 'open for business' and that we are a great place to live, work and play.

Council were also successful in securing funds through the Federal Government's Building Better Regions Fund Round 3 towards the complementary Ngoppen

Ngarrindjeri Ruwe (Walking Ngarrindjeri Land) Project to develop a Ngarrindjeri-led Cultural Tourism Plan for the Goolwa Wharf Precinct. The Plan will be used to seek further funding sources for initiatives that will increase Ngarrindjeri cultural presence at the Precinct into the future.

Together, these initiatives highlight exciting times ahead for the historic Goolwa Wharf Precinct, the Alexandrina community and its visitors.

Alexandrina Council thanks both the Australian and South Australian Governments for their funding contributions as well as all those who have supported the project to reach this stage, including advocacy from Federal Member for Mayo, Rebekha Sharkie and State Member for Finnis, David Basham.

Port Elliot's Surf Life Saving Club redevelopment



Council has made a \$330,000 contribution to the Port Elliot Surf Life Saving Club (Port Elliot SLSC) as part of the 2019-20 budget.

The allocation is in addition to funds previously made to Surf Life Saving South Australia (SLSSA) to ensure club redevelopment works continue in Alexandrina.

Council's support for this project in partnership with Surf Life Saving South Australia and the South Australian Government will see benefit for the community, local business and the region's overall economy.

The decision further supports feedback received from the Alexandrina community and the value placed on our lifestyle, as we work towards Alexandrina 2040 and adopting our new Community Strategic Plan early next year.

Along with its own contribution, the Port Elliot SLSC was successful in obtaining funding from the State Government through Surf Life Saving South Australia for the redevelopment.

The redevelopment of the Port Elliot SLSC will ensure the continued safety of residents and visitors alike, at one of South Australia's most popular beaches.

The work of Surf Life Saving South Australia has kept families safe at our beaches for generations, and makes the redevelopment of this Club vital to our community. Council is delighted to be in a position to make this contribution to Surf Life Saving South Australia for the Port Elliot SLSC and is excited to see the project come to fruition.

As well as the contribution made to Surf Life Saving South Australia by Alexandrina Council in the 2019-2020 budget, it also contributed \$500,000 in the 2018-19 Annual Budget, \$500,000 in its 2017-18 Annual Budget, making a total of \$1.33 million in contributions over three years to help fund the rebuild of the region's three premier Surf Life Saving Clubs.

Front Cover Image: Mayor Keith Parkes and CEO Glenn Rappenberg attended the Port Elliot Surf Lifesaving Club (PELSLC) in late-May where Emergency Services Minister, Corey Wingard presented a cheque to PELSLC President Peter Francis to help rebuild the Clubrooms.

Also in attendance were representatives from Surf Life Saving SA, SafeCom, Member for Finnis David Basham, and a loyal group of PELSLC members and volunteers.



Eat Local Support Local

Alexandrina offers an incredible range of food and shopping experiences. Locally roasted coffee, to hand made cheese and everything in between...

Supporting local business has never been more important than now.

Visit **Our Local Alexandrina** to explore and shop the wide range of local businesses and dining experiences.

ourlocalalexandrina.com.au



Goolwa North Growth Area - Development Plan Amendment Strathalbyn Deferred Urban - Development Plan Amendment Open for Community Consultation

Council has been proactively planning for the growth of the Goolwa and Strathalbyn townships for some time. Community consultation is now open until 7 September 2020 for the Goolwa North Growth Area Development Plan Amendments (DPA) and the Strathalbyn Deferred Urban DPA.

We welcome your feedback by completing an online submission on Council's website, where you can also view the proposed Development Plan Amendments and fact sheets on proposed changes:

Goolwa North Growth Area - mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/goolwadpa

Strathalbyn Deferred Urban - mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/strathalbyndpa

For further information please contact **8555 7000** or email alex@alexandrina.sa.gov.au





Port Elliot's Greyhound Run-around events are back!

It's on again! The off-leash 'greyhound only' events will be held fortnightly at the Port Elliot Dog Park.

Alexandrina Council has been granted a continued exemption by the South Australian Dog and Cat Management Board for the events to be held fortnightly on Sundays between 9am-11am.

These events will allow greyhound owners to spend time together and enjoy watching their beloved dogs play and run freely, off-leash in the dog park, just like other breeds are allowed to do. Show your love for the greyhound dog breed by attending one of the events and tell your friends.

The events are open to all greyhound dogs and their humans.

Bookings for hour time-slots are essential, visit mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/ghevent or phone 8555 7000.

Planning and Design Code Update

The Planning and Design Code will be introduced into the Greater Adelaide area, which includes Alexandrina, in late 2020.

The timeframe for implementation will enable councils, industry and the community to better understand the changes to the Code and therefore prepare for its implementation. It will also allow more time for training and testing of the Code within the new electronic format. The Code will replace individual council Development Plans.

For further information visit sapanningportal.sa.gov.au or contact SA Planning on 1800 752 664.



Major Project Updates



Strathalbyn Streetscape Revitalisation - Stage 1

Since securing grant funding from the State Government in 2019, Council has undertaken a procurement process and enlisted the services of a landscape architect for the completion of Stage 1 of the three stage Streetscape Revitalisation Project.

The streetscape upgrade for Stage 1 includes the intersection of Albyn Terrace and Rankine Street, landscaping and footpaths along Sunter Street in front of St Andrews Church, and wayfinding signage throughout the township.

Project planning and design has commenced, and final plans will be revealed in the coming months. With an anticipated project timeline of 18 months, the project is expected to commence in late-2020. For project updates visit alexandrina.sa.gov.au/strathalbyn-town-centre-revitalisation

Goolwa Oval Sporting Precinct

Stage one of the Project is currently out to tender, with a procurement evaluation process to follow and contract to be awarded in the coming months. Construction of a new comprehensive multi-purpose community sporting facility is anticipated to commence with demolition works in December.

For project updates visit alexandrina.sa.gov.au/goolwa-oval-sporting-precinct

Middleton Tennis Courts

Council has recently engaged a contractor to commence resurfacing repair work for the Middleton tennis courts. The court surface has become uneven over time and requires significant work to create a safer playing environment and more enjoyable playing experience. The highly anticipated works are expected to commence in October 2020 and will benefit the Middleton community as well as the wider Alexandrina community who use these public courts. Project progress will be available on Council's project updates page on the website below.

To keep up to date with projects in Alexandrina visit our website alexandrina.sa.gov.au/projectupdates

Alexandrina Council joins the new Hills and Fleurieu landscape region

Across South Australia, nine new landscape boards have been established to replace the natural resources management boards.

Alexandrina Council will join five other councils in the new Hills and Fleurieu landscape management region.

For Alexandrina Council, this means all our residents will be in the one Landscape Board area, replacing the previous SA Murray Darling Basin NRM and Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges NRM Boards.

Key priorities for the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board will be managing water, sustainable agriculture, pests (animals and plants), and biodiversity. The Board is looking forward to working together with Council and the community on the issues that matter in your local landscapes.

You may notice that the 'NRM Levy' on your rates notice this year is now called the 'Regional Landscape Levy'. Council will continue to collect this levy on behalf of the State Government and the Landscape Board to help fund management of our landscapes.

For more information on the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board or the Landscape Levy visit landscape.sa.gov.au/hf

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Characters of the Fleurieu

Alexandrina Council, through our Signal Point Gallery proudly partners with the Royal South Australian Society of Arts to present Characters of the Fleurieu. This exhibition will mark the re-opening of this amazing art gallery space on 23 July 2020. A first acquisitive prize of \$10,000 is sponsored by the Kennedy Arts Foundation. Artists interpret characteristics and characters of the Fleurieu through a variety of media in two and three dimension.

Where Signal Point Gallery, Goolwa Wharf Precinct

When Tuesday 23 July to Friday 6 September

Gallery hours Monday to Sunday 10am to 4pm

Enquiries jaw@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

South Coast Jazz Festival

Following the success of the inaugural South Coast Jazz Festival in 2019, the Jazz Festival is back in Goolwa for the third weekend of October 16, 17 and 18.

As with any planned events during this time, event organisers will respond to state and federal health regulations as required to ensure the health and wellbeing of attendees. Updates on the planning for the festival can be found at sajazzfestivalsinc.com

Where Various venues in Goolwa

When 16, 17 and 18 October

Enquiries sajazzfestivalsinc.com

Heartland – Worlds Apart

The members of the Goolwa Visual Art Group Inc proudly present Heartland – Worlds Apart. Many of the artists have heart-warming memories of their youth in countries on the opposite side of the world. These local artists who now all reside in Alexandrina will present an exhibition showcasing their deep emotional attachments to places from the earliest recollections to the present day.

Please note amended dates from original programming.

Where South Coast Regional Art Centre, BF Laurie Lane Goolwa

When Wed 19 August to Sun 18 October

Gallery hours 11am–4pm Wed to Fri, 10am–4pm Sat and Sun

Enquiries jaw@alexandrina.sa.gov.au



30 Seconds in the Studio

Did you know how many creative people live in Alexandrina? The arts ecology in this region is diverse and thriving, from emerging to professionals who show on a world stage.

Just Add Water Alexandrina Arts has been travelling around the region coming out of lockdown to meet your creative community. Concert pianists, composers and sculptors in Clayton Bay, authors and painters in Strathalbyn, Sopranos, community artists and printmakers in Middleton. Sculptors, photographers and dancers at Goolwa Beach, glass workers in Milang, potters and printmakers in Port Elliot to name just a few.

 @justaddwateralexandrinaarts on facebook hosts this continuing series.



Exposed

The South Coast Camera Club enjoys a strong membership from across the Fleurieu. The membership consists of 'new to photography' people through to seasoned enthusiasts who are happy to share their knowledge. This exhibition, Exposed, will explore the many facets of photography.

Where South Coast Regional Art Centre, BF Laurie Lane Goolwa

When Fri 26 June to Sun 16 August

Gallery hours Wed to Fri 11am–4pm, Sat and Sun 10am–4pm

Enquiries jaw@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

We welcome the government's easing of COVID-19 restrictions and are working hard to resume our services and reopen our venues. We thank you for your understanding as we transition our facilities to operate safely for staff, volunteers and the community.

Keep up to date with upcoming and new Council events by visiting Council's website alexandrina.sa.gov.au or our tourism website visitalexandrina.com