

# ROBE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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welcome

TO OUR NEW NEWSLETTER

## A message from the mayor

At the Special Council meeting on 29 June 2020 the Elected Members finalised the Annual Business Plan and Budget with a rate increase of 3.1%.

There is always much comparison at budget time and I urge our ratepayers to look long term as we strive to deliver on the competing needs of our community as well as develop the potential of our town.

Please be aware that every Council runs differently and just comparing rate increases is not apples with apples. The saying "If you're standing still then you're going backwards" is never more true than at the moment.

Our Elected Members have committed to moving forward which is reflected in the Annual Business Plan & Budget. During the consultation phase, most of which was done pre COVID, luckily I noticed a high level of misunderstanding of what Council does, what it doesn't do and how it does it. I ask that everyone ensures they have the facts before they start discussions within the community. To get the facts, call one of the people you voted in to represent you. Elected Members are your source of accurate information and are happy to make themselves available to the community, that's why their phone numbers are on the website.

Many decisions we have made of late are based on complex information and we often find ourselves making a decision which is not popular but is as good as we can make for our community. We would appreciate some support as we make the tough calls for the long term benefit of us all. I encourage you to have a read of the Annual Business Plan & Budget 2020/21, which is available on Council's website and at the Council office. The July school holidays look like they will be big for us and it will be great to have things back buzzing again. My number is 0427 357 243 if you would like to talk about any matters.

Thanks Mayor Alison

# Chief Executive Officer's Report

## A New Era for the Newsletter – Our First Electronic Edition

To make the Newsletter available to all residents monthly and to better use our finite resources, Council has decided to produce the Newsletter online starting with this edition. This follows the successful launch of Council's Facebook page that has allowed us to inform you of key changes on a timelier basis. We will still have hard copies of the Newsletter at the Council Office and the Library for those who do not have access to our website. So welcome to the new age for distribution of the Council Newsletter!

## New Faces within Council

Following a significant independent review of Council's capacity and capabilities, a new structure is being put in place to deliver enhanced services, efficiently and effectively to our communities. The independent review, titled the Capacity and Capability Review had the following objectives:

- Review of the existing Council structure;
- Development a structure that supports Council direction and is sustainable into the future;
- Structure capable of delivering strategic objectives in accordance with the Community Plan and capacity to take advantage of innovative strategic opportunities;
- Expand or improve strategic capability;
- Allow for leadership development of employees; and
- Where appropriate, establish career path options for employees.

Based on recommendations from the independent Review there are a number of changes occurring within your Council. In particular, the following positions have either been recruited or are in the process of being recruited:

- Director Infrastructure – appointed and commencing late July;
- Executive Assistant to CEO and Mayor – in place;
- Manager Tourism & Events – in place;
- Manager Corporate Services & Finance – in place;
- Part time Health Safety & Wellbeing Officer – advertising as a shared resource with Naracoorte Lucindale Council;
- Administration Trainee – appointed and to commence in July; and
- Trainee Harbour Master and Community Safety Officer – to be advertised and trained ready for summer

The new structure is more aligned with modern structures within local government across the nation. There were key gaps that resulted in limited service delivery e.g. tourism as one of our key economic drivers, an increase risk to employees by not having the right skills and support for health and safety and severely limited capacity to deliver services e.g. community safety and compliance services in summer.

We have also had limited capacity to develop projects that could be funded through grants and the new structure will provide capacity for us to take advantage of these opportunities. Savings have already been made through the process of deploying the new structure and we will continue to seek to become more efficient in the way we deliver our services and projects to the community.

I welcome the new employees and look forward to working with them and the community to deliver our Community and Business Plans.

*With the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer are Nat Ellis who has been appointed as the Executive Assistant to the Mayor and CEO; Cassie Obst- Administration Officer, Kate Rayner -Manager Corporate Services & Finance, Camille Lehmann -Manager Tourism & Events and William Paiva- Finance Officer*



*Robert Moir - Director of Infrastructure*



## Signage and Wayfinding Workshop

As mentioned in previous Newsletters, Council has been working with Aspect Studio to develop a Signage and Wayfinding Strategy, incorporating a style guide for Robe. An important part of the Signage will be an entrance statement for Robe.

Fourteen people participated in a workshop that introduced them to the idea of Place Branding and illustrate some best practice and other types of gateways around Australia. The participants then ran through a series of activities to identify the essence and personality of Robe. This also included a couple of round table discussions to interrogate the perception of Robe.

The output from the workshop will be used for the design process. It is anticipated that a number of designs will be done for the entrance statement that will be considered by Council before distribution for a community input. All information will finally be considered by Council before a final design is chosen for installation.

The entrance statement will be funded through a stimulus grant provided to Council by the Federal Government. This funding and the activity to install the entrance statement has been included as an activity in the 2020-21 Business Plan.

## Best Ociana Building Demolition

In 2019 Council's CEO commenced negotiations with the CEO of Best Ociana Seafood for the demolition of the building they own on Council land at the Lake Butler Marina. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic's impact on the Southern Rock Lobster industry, Council's CEO was advised by Best Ociana's CEO that they needed to postpone the demolition of the building at Robe's Marina. In late May, Best Ociana's CEO approached Council to recommence the process to demolish the building.

Agreement with Best Ociana has been reached and Council has approved the demolition through our planning and development process. We are currently awaiting SA Power Networks to disconnect the power to the site so demolition can commence.

We will notify through Facebook and Council's website once dates have been confirmed.

## Farewell Trevor Hondow

Also, as part of the changes in Council's structure, we are sorry to see the departure of Trevor Hondow, Works Operation Coordinator in early July. Trevor has serviced this community for over 30 years and is part of the fabric of Robe.

We wish Trevor all the best for his retirement.



Nick Brown, Deputy Chief Executive has already left Council to take up the position of Director Council Services at Central Desert Regional Council in the Northern Territory. This position is based in Alice Springs but covers an area of 282,000 square kilometres. There are 4,200 people in the Council area of which 77 percent are indigenous. The Works Operation Coordinator and Deputy Chief Executive positions are no longer part of the structure.



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## New Plaque for the Koning Willem II Memorial

Significant work has been undertaken by the Robe History Group to appropriately recognise the people who lost their lives when the Koning Willem II was shipwrecked in rough seas at Long Beach on June 30 1857. This work has culminated in the Mayor and Gus unveiling a new plaque to recognise the people who lost their lives.

The Koning Willem II was an 800 tonne Dutch vessel that had completed unloading 397 Chinese passengers and cargo on 25 June 1857. Because of bad weather, Koning Willem II remained anchored in Guichen Bay until 30 June when it was ripped from its mooring lines by strong winds. The captain set sail in an effort to safely beach the vessel, but after a successful grounding just off Long Beach, large seas continued to sweep over the ship, making it a total wreck.

Only nine crewmen made it safely to shore, thanks largely to the efforts of locals. The other 15 crewmen either died on the vessel or drowned while trying to swim to the beach. In particular it was interesting to see that two of the 15 people were 12 year old apprentices!

The new plaque will be fixed on the Guichen Bay side of the monument located near the drainage outlet.

## MyLocal Services App

MyLocal Services is a mobile phone app that allows you to report a problem within the Council area, receive notifications about waste collection days and check Waste Transfer Station opening times.

The app is designed to make it more convenient to find Council information 24/7. You'll never forget bin day again!!

You can also find places 'Near Me' such as parks and playgrounds. We encourage all residents and ratepayers to download the App. It is very easy to use, and the details are specific to your house location.

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## Representation Review

Councils in South Australia are required under the Local Government Act 1999 to undertake regular reviews of their elector representation Arrangements, i.e. a Representation Review. The District Council of Robe undertook its last Representation Review in 2012/2013. The Council is now required to undertake its next Representation Review.

In accordance with the Act, this Representation Review is required to consider the composition of the Council and the advantages and disadvantages of the options that are available for elector representation under the Act. The key areas for consideration are:

- Election or appointment of the Principal Member (Mayor/Chairperson);
- The number of Councillors;
- How Councillors are elected - from wards, across the whole of the Council area or a combination of both;
- Whether the Council name should change; and
- Whether the Council should have wards or no wards.

The process for the Representation Review provides an opportunity for community input. The key steps in the process are:

- Initiate the preparation of the Representation Options. Council have engaged Kelledy Jones to support Council throughout the process.
- Conduct the first round of public consultation on the Options Paper. Consultation will be open for a minimum period of six weeks.
- Council will consider submissions made during consultation and prepare a Representation Review Report that details the representation arrangements it favours, the reasons why and respond to issues raised during the first consultation.
- Conduct the second round of public consultation providing an opportunity for people making submissions to be heard personally or through a representative on the Representation Review Report by either the Council or a Committee of the Council. Consultation must be open for a minimum period of three weeks with opportunities for verbal submissions to follow.
- Council to adopt a representation structure.
- Prepare the Final Representation Review Report.

- Submit the Final Representation Review Report to the Electoral Commissioner of South Australia ("the Commissioner") to obtain a certificate of compliance. If the certificate of compliance is not provided the Council will be required to undertake further actions to meet the Commissioner's requirements.
- Place a notice in the Government Gazette providing for the operation of any proposal in the Final Review Report for which the Commissioner has provided a certificate of compliance. If the Council wishes to adopt a representation structure that changes the composition of the Council or to have an appointed Chairperson instead of an Elected Mayor a poll must be held on that aspect of the Representation Review.

Any changes as a result of the Representation Review usually take effect for the next periodic Council election to be held in November 2022.

We look forward to receiving your submissions.

## Infrastructure Update

### Project Update

Work on the footpath from Smillie Street to Mundy Terrace is now complete.

Stormwater management upgrade in Backler Street has commenced. Council is also replace two key pumps that are part of our waste water system. This requires road closures. Safety mesh on the CWMS pump stations is in the process of being replaced.

In terms of COVID-19 most of Council's operations have returned to normal. The main exceptions are that public BBQs are turned off and tank toilets remain closed. All playground are beings cleaned with disinfectant once a week. Davenport Stormwater lagoon cleanout has commenced with these works to be completed once the southern area dries out.

### Rural Construction and Maintenance

Roads graded in the last month were: Bowyers Way, Cowan's Road, Frog Island Road, Loxton's Road, Mt Bruce Road, Murraup Road, Springs Road, Sandy Lane, Nora Creina Road, Old Naracoorte Road and West Avenue and West Avenue South Road.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Second Chance



WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU

The Robe Lions Shop "Second Chance", located in Centennial Court, Victoria Street, is looking for more volunteers.

We ask for a few hours of your time: weekly, fortnightly or monthly. The shop's future depends on community volunteers that can help our small group of Lions.

If you would like to help, come into the shop and put your name on the roster OR contact Kerrie on 0418 629 121.

"Second Chance" offers great shopping for both tourists and locals.

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SATURDAY  
10.00 AM - 1.00 PM

CLOSED  
SUNDAY & MONDAY  
UNTIL THE 1ST SEPTEMBER 2020

ROBE BOWLING CLUB Inc  
Annual General Meeting  
to be held in the  
Robe Institute  
SUNDAY 19 July @ 2pm  
Nominations for Board positions  
and Notices of Motion  
to be with the Secretary by 12 July  
Nomination forms available at the Club  
SJ Phillips  
President  
Robe Bowling Club Inc

# WASTE AND RECYCLING

## JULY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



General Waste—Robe Township (to Drain L Bridge)



General Waste—Longbeach Area (East of Drain L Bridge)



Recycling- Robe Township (to Drain L Bridge)



Recycling—Longbeach Area (East of Drain L Bridge)

## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ROADMAP FOR EASING COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

### STEP 2 PLUS CURRENT



1 per  
4 sqm



1.5  
metres



300  
total max



75 max  
(per room/group)

- Defined businesses and public activities must have a COVID-Safe Plan
- Private gatherings 75 people max
- Funerals and weddings 75 people max
- Hospitality (seated at a table) at restaurants, cafes, wineries, pubs, breweries, bars
- Recreational spaces in venues using shared equipment (e.g. billiards, pool, darts) without alcohol and food consumption
- Beauty, nails, tattoo and massage
- Cinemas, theatres, galleries and museums
- Churches, mosques, places of worship and ceremonies
- Aged care visit restrictions apply
- Hospital visit restrictions apply
- Community, youth and RSL halls
- Auctions and inspections
- Local government libraries
- Pools (all water activities permitted)

- Campgrounds and caravan parks
  - Driving instruction lessons
  - Gyms
  - Zoos and wildlife parks
  - Outdoor public assemblies 300 max
- Indoor group fitness classes:
- 1 per 4 sqm for up to 10 people
  - 1 per 7 sqm for 11 to 20 people

#### SPORT (CURRENT)

- Non-contact outdoor sport (competition)
- Non-contact indoor sport (training and competition) and indoor recreation activities
- Contact outdoor sport (contact training)
- Contact indoor sport (non-contact skills training)

#### SPORT FROM 25 JUNE

- Contact outdoor sport (competition)
- Contact indoor sport (contact training)

### STEP 3 FROM 29 JUNE



1 per  
2 sqm



no  
max

COVID Safe Plans will continue to be required for defined public activities. An approved COVID Management Plan will be required for some activities, including large public gatherings (further details to be provided).

Most activities/business will be permitted including those previously not allowed:

- Food courts (on-site consumption)
- Gaming rooms/facilities in pubs and clubs
- Contact indoor sport (competition)
- Standing hospitality
- Nightclubs and music festivals
- Casinos
- Spas, saunas and bathing
- Indoor play centres, amusement arcades, amusement parks

### INTERSTATE TRAVEL

- Currently, travellers entering South Australia directly from Western Australia, Northern Territory, Queensland and Tasmania are not required to quarantine. Travellers entering from other states/territories are required to quarantine for 14 days.
- Subject to a public health risk assessment, from 20 July travellers entering from New South Wales, Victoria and the Australian Capital Territory will no longer be required to quarantine for 14 days.



Updated 23 June 2020



Avoid close contact with others  
Practise physical distancing



If you have cold or flu symptoms,  
seek testing and stay home until  
you are well



Wash your hands often, wipe  
frequently touched surfaces,  
and cover coughs and sneezes



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app to keep you, your family  
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# A friendly reminder - Please ensure you are using the correct bin

## WHAT CAN I PUT IN MY RECYCLING BIN?



### Waste Transfer Station Operating Times Located off White Street

\*no cash payments will be accepted at this time

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Sun 2.00 – 3.00pm

Boot Load	\$24.50
6'x4' Trailer, Car Type Utes	\$33.70
8'x5' Trailers or Similar, Large Utes	\$61.30
Small Trucks Single Axle -maximum 4 tonne)	\$226.70
Mattresses	\$28.60 ea
Sofas/ Lounge Chairs	\$17.40 ea
Car Bodies	\$56.20
Opening outside of operating hours	\$247.10

Half price for pensioners for car boot load only, on production of pensioner card.

### Green Waste Fee

Normal Fees will apply to any Green Waste Products that requires mulching, however, Green Waste products that are segregated and do not require mulching (lawn clippings and leaves only) can be dumped free of charge.

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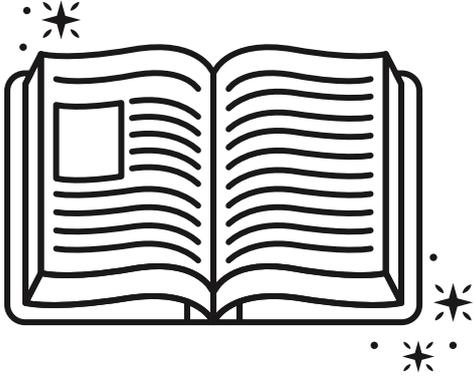
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## For the adults

The Last Day - Andrew Hunter Murray

She - H.C. Warner

The Girl from Berlin - Ronald H Balson

The Girl in the Painting - Tea Cooper

The Land Beyond the Sea - Sharon Penman

Where the Truth Lies - Karina Kilmore

Mister Wolf - Chris Wolfe

The Janes - Lousia Luna

The Girl She Was - Rebecca Freeborn

American Dirt - Jeanine Cummins

Lost Autumn - Mary-Rose MacColl

Hannah's War - Jan Eliasberg

The Keeper - Jessica Moor

The Rock Blaster - Henning Mankell

The Boy from the Woods - Harlan Coban

Grown-Up Pose - Sonya Lalli

Lost Boy Found - Kirsten Alexander

The Journey of the Pharaohs - Clive Cussler

Fool Me Once - Karly Lane

In the Time of Foxes - Jo Lennan

Buried - Lynda La Plante

The Liberation of Brigid - Patrica Scanlan

Small Mercies - Richard Anderson

Darkdawn - Jay Kristoff

The End of Cuthbert Close - Cassie Hamer

The Lost Man - Jane Harper

The Prisoner's Wife - Maggie Brookes

Second Sight - Aoife Clifford

Death of a Typographer - Nick Gadd

Wolf Hall - Hilary Mantel

The Dutch House - Ann Patchett

Showboat ... the Life of Kobe Bryant - Roland Lazenby

Pathfinders ... A History of Aboriginal

Trackers in N.S.W. - Michael Bennett

A Country Nurse - Thea Hayes

Just an Ordinary Family - Fiona Lowe

The Good Turn - Dervla McTiernan

Grown Ups - Marian Keyes

Mr Nobody - Catherine Steadman

Charlotte Pass - Lee Christine

20th Victim - James Patterson

The 24-Hour Café - Libby Page

A Long Petal of the Sea - Isabel Allende

The Devil Inside - D.L. Hicks

Watching from the Dark - Gytha Lodge

Black 13 - Adam Hamdy

Grace is Gone - Emily Elgar

Jane in Love - Rachel Givney

Walk the Wire - David Baldacci

The Deceptions - Suzanne Leal

The Boy from the Woods - Harlan Coban

House on Endless Waters - Emuna Elon

The Warsaw Protocol - Steve Berry

The Last Day - Andrew Hunter Murray

The Girl She Was - Rebecca Freeborn

She ... was meant to be the perfect girl - HC Warner

Where Fortune Lies - Mary-Anne O'Connor

We Own the Sky - Luke Allnutt

Bruny - Heather Rose

The boy in the Blue Trousers - Carol Jones

Celestial Bodies - Jokha Alharthi

The concubine's Child - Carol Jones

Melting Moments - Anna Goldsworthy

Code Name Helene - Ariel Lawhon

The Lost Jewels - Kirsty Manning

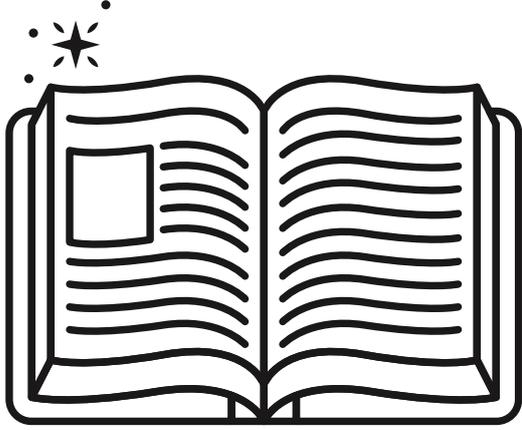
Faraway ... 100 Years of Wool...the Story of AJ & PA McBride Ltd of South Australia - Kristen

Weidenbach

Top end Girl - Miranda Tapsell

Growing Pineapples in the Outback -

Rebecca Lister & Tony Kelly



# WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY

For the children

**Grug and his First Easter – Ted Prior**  
**Big Trouble, The Plot Thickens, Bitter Enemies**  
**Never Fear, Girl Detective & Danger Ahead ... Frdiay**  
**Barnes**  
**Series by R.A. Scott**  
**Daisy and the trouble with Zoos – Kes Gray**  
**Spot's Easter Surprise – Eric Hill**  
**Mighty Minotaur ... Rise of the Muthix – Anh Do**  
**The Middler – Kirsty Applebaum**  
**Beast Quest New Blood – Adam Blade**  
**The Book of Stone – Mark Greenwood & Carol Tulloch**

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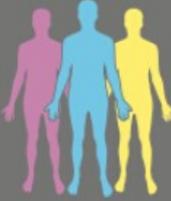
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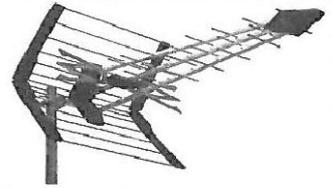
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