

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF YANKALILLA

July 2022



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Have You Considered Nominating to be on Council?

The 2022 Council Elections are approaching fast, and community members are being encouraged to think about whether they could run as a candidate to be on Council.

As a Council Member, you can influence important local decisions and address issues that affect quality of life or livability in your area. We need people with diverse backgrounds, ages, abilities, religions, genders and professions to consider nominating.

Candidate Information Sessions

Community members interested in learning more about the role of a Council Member and becoming a potential candidate are invited to attend one of three information sessions being held in the Southern Fleurieu region.

The information sessions are an opportunity for potential candidates to learn more about the responsibilities of Council Members.

- **City of Victor Harbor**
5:30pm, 17 August 2022
(Council Chambers, 1 Bay Road, Victor Harbor)
- **District Council of Yankalilla**
5:30pm, 23 August 2022
(Club Fleurieu, 140-142 Main South Road, Yankalilla)
- **Alexandrina Council**
5:30pm, 29 August 2022 (Civic Centre, 11 Cadell Street, Goolwa)

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Mayor's Corner

It has been a busy month with budget discussions, assessing community feedback and finally adopting a budget at the Special Meeting on 12th July.

I attended the Lions Hand Over dinner again with numerous awards presented and a new board elected. They are a proactive group with successful projects such as the Yankalilla Classic Motor Show.

There has been some misleading information circulating, about myself in reference to conflict of interest, due to my involvement in the Aldinga Bay Surf Life Saving Club (SLSC) within the Onkaparinga Council area. I would like to clarify that I have had legal advice, advising that I do not have a material, actual or perceived conflict of interest on matters relating to the Normanville SLSC. I have decided to declare a perceived conflict of interest, erring on the side of caution, in matters relating to the Normanville SLSC.

I have also had a ruling by the Ombudsman, who did not consider I had a material or actual conflict of interest on matters relating to the Normanville SLSC but agreed that I should declare a perceived conflict of interest on such matters. I am able to debate and vote on these matters.

I am hoping this clarifies some confusion on this matter.

Monday 11th July the Interim CEO, Kate O'Neill and myself had the pleasure of taking Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC on a tour of our district. We started with a tour of Fleurieu Milk followed by a walk in the Myponga Reservoir inspecting the launch facilities and infrastructure. A stop at the Carrickalinga look out for a photo opportunity, then off to the Normanville SLSC for a discussion with Karl Telfer (Senior Cultural Custodian) about the Tjilbruke trail. Finishing our tour with a visit to A Birdie Told Me. A recap of the day was discussed over dinner.

Our new CEO Nathan Cunningham started with Council on 13th July and our Interim CEO Kate O'Neil finished with us on the 15th of July. I would like to thank Kate for her time and effort while at the District Council of Yankalilla and for answering my numerous phone calls and questions.

She has had a good rapport with Elected Members, staff and rate payers, with many achievements in her short time with us. We wish her all the best on her short break, before returning to the City of Mitcham.

Simon Rothwell
Mayor



Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC with Mayor Simon Rothwell at Myponga Reservoir and (below) at Fleurieu Milk.



Local Landcare Legends

This month's local Landcare Legends are a relatively new one – the Friends of Wirrina Landcare Group.

Wirrina Cove is an area with significant beauty and conservation value. Wirrina was a traditional meeting place for First Nations before European settlement. It encompasses differing topographies including coastal frontage, steep cliffs, creeks, plus a large body of open freshwater servicing the needs of the Wirrina community. There are also some small patches of remnant vegetation. It is home to many birds and animals and provides habitat for a number of threatened species on the Fleurieu Peninsula.

The site the group helps manage is made up of 32 hectares of Yankalilla Council owned land and is currently planted out with approximately 25,000 plants from previous Landcare projects, including a Conservation Volunteers Australia (CVA) project funded through the "20 Million Trees" project.

The goal of this mass planting was to enhance the potential for the endangered glossy black cockatoo to have suitable foraging material locally and to act as a stepping stone for this species to come across from Kangaroo Island and potentially populate the Fleurieu Peninsula.



The group's aims include building on this previous revegetation work by increasing bushcare knowledge and capacity, maintaining the current plantings through regular working bees and to prepare a site review to identify areas that would benefit from specific ongoing bush care that are accessible and highly visible so as to promote local biodiversity. The plan is to focus the group's efforts for the best overall environmental outcomes.

The Friends for Wirrina Landcare group and its actions are supported by Green Adelaide/Yankalilla Council Coastal Officer Corey Jackson and the Fleurieu Environment Centre. The group are grateful for the support of neighbouring group, the Cape Jervis Coastal Community

Group. The mentorship shown by this long standing group showcases the importance of partnerships to share learnings and for passing on hard won technical advice.

The group would love to have some extra hands to protect this beautiful coastline – contact Fleurieu Environment Centre via their facebook page here to learn how you can get involved.

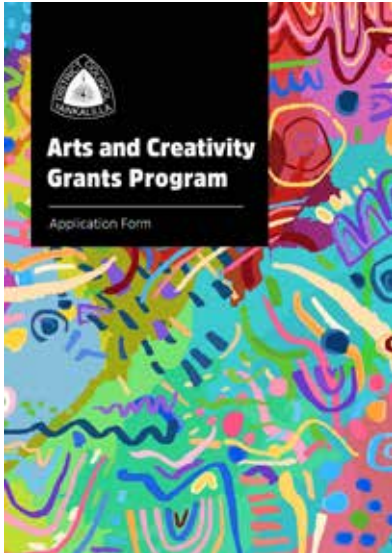
This news article was published in the Regional Landcare News – The Latest from the Landcare in the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board.

Tree Trimming Along Jetty Road

Council is undertaking tree trimming along Jetty Road Normanville to provide a clearance envelope across the full width of the road to allow for the safe passage of legal height vehicles and in accordance with DIT Operational Instructions and Council's Infrastructure Asset Management Plan for Transport. Council wishes to assure the community that no Morton Bay Fig Trees are being removed as a part of these works.

These works will allow for safe passage for the 23 new cabins being delivered to the Jetty Caravan Park over the next few months while also mitigating the risk of future damage to the Morton Bay figs and taller vehicles which utilise Jetty Road.





Community Grants Now Open

Council supports projects that strengthen our community, enhance community wellbeing and increase participation in social and leisure activities.

The program encourages projects that respond to local needs and issues.

An amount of \$25,000 has been allocated in 2022/23 for the Community Grants Program with the maximum available for any given project limited to \$2,500.

**Applications close
30 September 2022.**

Library At the Fleurieu Coast Visitors Centre

Please come and visit the library service at the FCVC, while our new building is under construction.

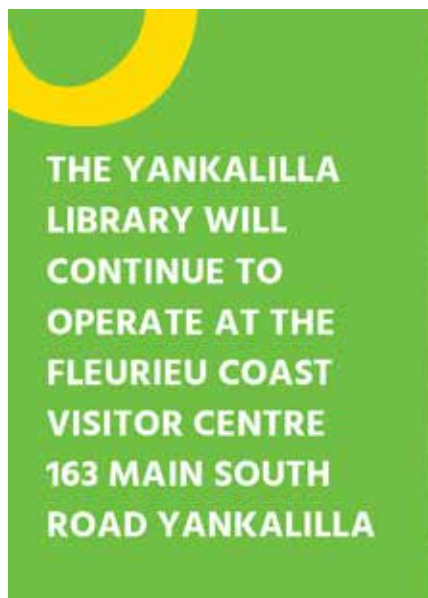
We have a small collection of new items for borrowing as well as being able to bring in material from around South Australia through our onecard network.

The Library staff would love to catch up with you but if you can't

for some reason visit us in person remember that there are digital items also available through our online resources. Just call us on 8448 2043 if you need some help.

Address: Fleurieu Coast Visitor Centre, 163 Main South Road Yankalilla

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm





Council Rates

Council Rates Payment Reminder

2022-2023 Rates Notices will be sent soon via email (EzyBill), post or Bpay view depending on your preferred method of contact.

1st Quarter Payments are due by 15 September 2022.

Having difficulty paying your council rates?

If you have (or are likely to have) difficulty in paying your rates, please contact Council's Rates Officer on 8558 0200, before your rates fall into arrears, to discuss options that may be able to assist you.

Payment arrangements and due date extensions can be negotiated with ratepayers who may be experiencing financial difficulties or need to set up weekly/fortnightly/monthly payments. Persons experiencing genuine ongoing financial hardship may seek assistance from Council where hardship can be substantiated by Certified Financial Counsellors.

These enquiries are treated confidentially.

EzyBill – Receive Rate Notices via email

Receiving rate notices electronically via email makes it easier and more convenient to manage payments, save paper and reduce waste.

Notices are sent directly to your nominated email address and are accessible on any electronic device: phone, tablet, laptop or desktop, as long as you have internet access.

To start receiving your rates notices via email:

1. Register your details on the EzyBill website – www.yankalilla.ezybill.com.au
2. Complete the registration form, and you will receive an activation email.
3. Open the email and select to activate your account
4. Register your properties to receive any future rate notices via email.

You will receive your quarterly notices via EzyBill. Overdue Notices and other Council correspondence will only be issued to your postal address, so please ensure you keep your details updated with Council.

Completed Project Updates

Community Land Management Plan for 55A Seaview Avenue Wirrina

The Council after considering the public submissions received in response to the community consultation resolved to not adopt a new Community Land Management Plan for the parcel of land at 55A Seaview Avenue Wirrina Cove and that the parcel of land remains in the Drainage and CWMS Reserve Community Land Management Plan.

Draft 2022/23 Annual Business Plan and Budget

Since the preparation of the Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2022/23 for consultation several changes were identified that needed to be considered before Council adopted the final Annual Business Plan & Budget 2022/23 on 12 July 2022.

The Council has made some difficult decisions to reduce expenditure, defer projects, and allowed for the rapidly increasing level of inflation and increasing project costs, so we can continue to maintain the expected level of services to the community and remain financially sustainable. The changes we have made to the plan have positively resulted in our Net Financial Liabilities Ratio (a measure of Council's indebtedness) now forecast at 94% for 2022/23, much lower than the figure that was included in our draft plan.

Elected Members having considered community feedback have tried to keep the Rates Rise as low as possible while maintaining sustainability, resulting in an average Rates rise of 5.5%.

Major Projects

Cape Jervis Boat ramp and Pontoon

The repair works to the boat ramp and installation of the new floating pontoon including a 3m extension have been completed. We are waiting for favourable weather and the barge to be available that they will bring around from Goolwa to complete the final works of installing one more pylon and handrailing.

Forktree Road Sealing

The majority of construction is finished, we are waiting for favourable weather to conduct the final preparation and seal to complete this project. The contractor repaired potholes on Thursday 28th July and will continue to maintain the unsealed surface until sealing can occur.

Library and Carpark

This week saw the roof go on the new Library and now the contractor will begin installing the first layer of external cladding which is a plywood backing then the Colourbond cladding will follow. The internal first fix will commence shortly after that. The Library is aimed to be opened before the end of the year.

The Thomas Street and carpark kerbing and layout are complete, when we have suitable weather the final seal and concrete footpaths works will commence. The installation of raingardens and further landscaping of the area will follow.

Normanville Foreshore

The majority of the kerb and gutter works will be completed, which when onsite allows you to now visualise the expanded recreational space. The nature play structures have been constructed off-site and the nature play and grass area will commence construction soon. Preparation works for the plaza are commencing and exposed aggregate concrete is scheduled to be poured in August. Construction of the boardwalks will also begin in August.

Council staff are expecting to commence landscaping and planting works in September, which will include revegetation works to the entrance area along jetty road. Once SA Water complete their required works Council will undertake a reseal of the entire carpark beginning at the Caravan Park entrance later in the project. Stage one of the Foreshore improvement works is scheduled to be completed in October, then the demolition and construction of the combined Surf Club and Kiosk will begin.



Surf Club and Café/Kiosk

Council and the South Australian Fire and Emergency Services Commission (SAFECOM) are progressing with the project. Council at the July Meeting resolved to sign a development agreement between Council and the Normanville Surf Life Saving Club.

Cabins

Construction of the underground services including wastewater, mains water, fire hydrant line, and electrical service in the caravan park has begun. Construction of the cabins has commenced offsite with the first delivery expected before the end of September and staged delivery through to the end of November.



Upcoming Agenda Items 2022

- Annual Report on Section 270 Internal Review Applications
- Outdoor Dining Policy Review
- Community Funding
- Temporary Road Closure – Cut It Cape Jervis Event
- Yankalilla District Local Heritage Code Amendment
- Privately Funded Planning and Design Code Amendment Policy and Procedure
- Dark Sky Lighting Policy – Carrickalinga
- Wirrina Cove Planning and Design Code Policy Report
- Consultation on the Miscellaneous Technical Enhancement Code Amendment
- Normanville Foreshore Activation (Food & Drink Vendors) During Construction Period
- Festivals & Events Sponsorship 2022/23
- Appointment of Board Member for Fleurieu Regional Waste Authority

Council Decisions

The following will provide a summary of the decisions made at the 21 June 2022 Council Meeting. As always, we encourage you to read the complete agenda and minutes to get the details and a greater understanding of topics at www.yankalilla.sa.gov.au/council/agenda-and-minutes

Mayor's Report

The Mayor's report was noted.

Reports of Members, Delegates and Working Parties

Cr. Quirke provided a verbal report advising she had attended 4 Council Meetings during June and July and the Chief Executive Performance and Remuneration Review Committee meeting on 19 July 2022.

Deputations

The written deputation from Mr Forbes be tabled in the minutes.

Questions on Notice

A question regarding the legal costs for the Surf Life Saving Club Café/Kiosk from Cr. Christie was answered.

Questions without Notice

Questions were asked and answered.

Motions on Notice

Surf Life Saving Club Café/Kiosk Project

The motion to recommend a redesign of the combined Surf Life Saving Club and Café/Kiosk to bring it within the original budget or that the SLSSA find funds elsewhere was tied.

Reports of Officers

Appointment of Members to Fleurieu Regional Assessment Panel (FRAP) 2022-2024

Council endorsed the appointment of selected members to FRAP for a two year term, commencing on 1 August 2022.

Changes to Council Meeting Venue

Council resolved that all Council or Committee Meetings would be held at Club Fleurieu, until the completion of air conditioning/construction building works in Council Chambers when it is deemed safe to return.

Wirrina CLMP Consultation

Council considered the public submissions received in response to its community consultation and it Council resolved that Council do not adopt a new Community Land Management Plan located at 55A Seaview Avenue, Wirrina Cove.

Surf Life Saving Club Café/Kiosk Development Agreement

It was decided that Council will negotiate with the Normanville Surf Life Saving Club and Café /Kiosk to make minor changes and to sign the Agreement.

Declaration of Prescribed Officers

Council resolved positions within Council that have a level of financial sub-delegation, which may be in addition to other delegations or authorisations to make decisions on behalf of Council, or the Chief Executive Officer, be declared as Prescribed Officers.

Internal Review of Council Decision – Appointment of Reviewer

It was agreed that the Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to appoint a legal firm to undertake the role of Reviewer in relation to the decision of Council made at its April 2022 meeting.

Consent of Right of Way Over Crown Land

It was resolved by Council that the Right of Way over Crown Land no longer need to consent to the granting of the right of way and authorise the Mayor and CEO to sign the necessary documentation.

Jetty Caravan Park Cabins Project – Services

Council approved negotiation between Neo Infrastructure and the Chief Executive Officer.

Chief Executive Report

The report was received

Minute Action Report

The report was received.

Monthly Finance Reports

The report was received.

FRAP Operations Report

The report for 2020–2022 was received.

Confidential Items

The Combined Surf Life Saving Club and Café/Kiosk Redevelopment – Pre-Tender Cost Estimate and Review of Confidential Item reports will remain confidential for a period of 24 months or such a lesser period as may be determined by the Chief Executive.

Meeting dates

Council meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 4.00pm.

Agendas are available the Friday prior to the meeting and Minutes are available the Friday after the meeting, both on Council's website.

In line with COVID Capacity restrictions, places in the public gallery are limited and bookings are essential. Please contact Council on 8558 0200 to secure your seat.

Tuesday 16 August 2022 – Club Fleurieu, Yankalilla

Tuesday 20 September 2022 – TBA

It's Dog & Cat Registration Time

Dog and cat registration renewals have been sent via email, SMS or post depending on your preferred method of contact in Dogs and Cats Online.

If you have any difficulties with completing your registration online, please contact our customer service team on 8558 0200 for assistance.

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