COUNCIL SNIPPESTS

Please refer to the Council Minutes & Agenda Reports available on the Council website mtr.sa.gov.au for full details.

Ordinary Meeting of Council held Tuesday 18 September 2018 Councillors Resolved:

Hammond Hall
Council has received approval from the Minister for Planning to revoke the classification as community land of the Hammond Hall. Councillors authorised the CEO to proceed with the processes to sell the Hall.

Willowie Memorial Hall
Willowie Memorial Hall Committee requested financial assistance for the publication of a book “Diggers From The Dust” honouring the soldiers of the Willowie and Amyton Honour Rolls. Councillors granted $1,785 (50% of printing costs) towards the printing costs of the ’Diggers From The Dust’ book. The book launch will be held on Sunday 28 October 2018 at the Willowie Hall.

Road Naming
The annual review of road names and requests for amendments was considered and Councillors approved:

- amends the spelling of ‘Tillbrook Road’ to Tilbrook Road
- 3 unnamed roads at Port Germein as shown in the agenda were assigned names, 1. (highlighted in Yellow) to Murdock Road 2. (highlighted in Pink) to Hayball Road 3. (highlighted in Blue) to Glasson Road.

Council will install signage on the various roads as soon as is practicable.

Council Delegations Review
Council is required to undertake a review of the Council’s Delegations Register in accordance with Section 44 of the Local Government Act 1999 (the Act) to take into account changes in legislation. Councillors considered 31 Instruments of Delegation and 1 Instrument of Subdelegation. A full listing of the delegations is available for viewing in the Minutes on the Council website www.mtr.sa.gov.au.

Waste Management Review
Councillors considered a discussion report in the agenda and a verbal update regarding changes in recycling processing and endorsed the development of an expanded options paper to go to public consultation and inform further discussion by the new Council. The report will be presented at a later Meeting of Council.

Booleroo Centre Community Waste Management Scheme (CWMS) Loan
Councillors authorised the CEO to make a payment of $28,578.91 as part of the final payment for the Booleroo Centre CWMS and took out a new loan of $400,000 over 10 years to finance the remaining amount owed on the CWMS.

MELROSE CARAVAN PARK EXPANSION STUDY PRESENTATION

Member for Grey Rowan Ramsey attended the presentation of the Melrose Caravan Park Expansion Study held in conjunction with the Melrose Caravan Park Management Committee meeting held on 25 September 2018.

The study was undertaken after Council successfully applied for a Federal Government Building Better Regions Fund grant. The study will enable Council to develop a future plan and direction for improvements, expansion and maintenance of the Melrose Caravan Park. The Management Plan will allow Council to make informed decisions regarding accommodation options and tourism growth.

The Melrose Caravan Park is owned and managed by the District Council of Mount Remarkable with profits going back to the Council. Council has commenced implementation of the short term recommendations including a name change and logo. The caravan park will be promoted as the Melrose Caravan and Tourist Park.
Sharing our roads

Whilst our farmers are experiencing a lean year hay season is underway and we are rapidly approaching harvest. This time of the year always sees more heavy vehicle activity on Council’s unsealed roads. Council encourages all road users to drive to the conditions, know the road laws and rules and be aware of their surroundings as the nature of unsealed roads have changing conditions.

The combination of increased heavy vehicle activity and the current dry conditions will result in unsealed roads becoming very dusty and powdery. Council will maintain the roads as best as is possible however in accordance with the ‘Unsealed Roads and Patrol Grading Methodology’, dry grading of category 1 and 2 roads will not take place.

Council is urging all road users to abide by the road rules and laws. Council’s road data recorded on the Booleroo Road is disturbing, with speeding very prevalent, putting safety at risk and damaging roads.

- 12% of motor cars exceed the speed limit > 100kph
- 30% of heavy vehicles exceed the speed limit > 100kph
- 44% B Doubles exceed the speed limit > 60kph
- 92% Road Trains exceed the speed limit > 60kph

Council appreciates it has a large road network to maintain and farming practices and people commuting on roads has increased largely from when the roads were first developed. Notwithstanding this everyone has an obligation to ensure the safety of all road users. SLOW DOWN
Ebony Rodda—Community Engagement Officer

Council has welcomed Ebony Rodda to the position of Community Engagement Officer. Ebony will work broadly across the Council district promoting Council services and providing administrative work in strategies, planning, facilitation, and development for Council and community organisations and groups. Working with the community, Ebony will provide organisations/groups with access to grants, assistance in grant preparations and communications between Council and the wider community.

Ebony has a background in graphic design and art and along with her previous experience working in schools, community groups and youth Council, looks forward to her contributing to the Council team.

Some community groups have met Ebony (along with Nola Finlay, Work Health Safety Officer) who have been meeting with Progress Associations and Societies to discuss ‘volunteer management’. Volunteers forge a strong bond between Council and the Community and volunteer management is an important aspect of Council’s legal requirements. As such, on direction from Council’s insurer, Local Government Risk Services, Ebony and Nola will be meeting with community organisation's/groups in due course, developing registers and providing a copy of the Volunteer Management Policy to ensure our volunteers are protected should an incident arise.

If your organisation or group needs direction or assistance contact Ebony on 8666 2014.

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**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY OR AN EVENT THAT HAS BENEFITED THE COMMUNITY?**

Nominations for the 2019 Citizen of the Year and Community Event awards are now open. Submit your nomination for the person or event that you believe has made an outstanding contribution to the Council District and tell us why you think they are deserving of an Australia Day Award.

Categories for nomination are:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Junior Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year

Application forms are available on Council’s website [www.mtr.sa.gov.au](http://www.mtr.sa.gov.au) or from the Council Office, 3 Stuart Street, Melrose.

**Nominations Close Monday 10 December 2018.**

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2018 Citizen of Year
Michael Wigg

2018 Young Citizen of year
Helane Blieschke

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*22 October 2018 to 15 April 2019 is Fire Danger Season*

Visit [cfs.sa.gov.au](http://cfs.sa.gov.au) for all information regarding fire bans, warnings & incident reports

*VOTE must be received by before 5pm by 9 November 2018*
FREE

Online Food Safety Training

Mount Remarkable takes food hygiene within our region very seriously. All food businesses have obligations and Mount Remarkable is assisting food businesses to meet these obligations by providing free access to this exciting new training tool.

There is a high demand for training within the food sector. This training will assist food handlers in developing the required skills and knowledge to ensure food is handled in a safe and hygienic manner.

The program is easy to follow, includes an entertaining presentation as well as interactive quizzes and the ability to view Chinese text and captions. A training acknowledgement form can be printed upon completion and be kept as a part of your staff records.

Visit mtr.imalert.com.au to conduct the training now.