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PUBLIC CONSULTATION**DRAFT ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN AND ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2015**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 123 of the Local Government Act 1999 ("the Act") each Local Government Authority is required to develop an Annual Business Plan and a Budget for each financial year.

This Draft Annual Business Plan and Annual Budget sets out Council's program for the 2014/2015 financial year in order to achieve the goals and objectives of Council's Strategic Management Plan.

The Draft Annual Business Plan and Annual Budget is based on the annual operating budget for service delivery and asset maintenance, and a capital works budget for the replacement, acquisition or enhancement of assets. The Draft Annual Business Plan and Annual Budget are aimed at satisfying current service requirements and expanding service delivery where possible and affordable, whilst recognising the need to put Council in the best financial position to provide services to the members of our community, both today and into the future.

DRAFT REVIEW OF COUNCIL'S BASIS OF RATING

A separate Consultation Paper has been prepared regarding Council's Basis of Rating and is now available for public consultation in accordance with Council's Public Consultation Policy. The Basis of Rating Paper includes:

- Converting from site value to capital value based rating;
- Using land use Council-wide as the basis of differential rating;
- Maintaining the current fixed charge when implementing changes to the basis of rating;
- Using a common rate for all properties Council-wide;
- Maintaining a rating cap to limit the annual increases.

PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1999, Notice is hereby given that The District Council of Mount Remarkable has prepared its Draft Annual Business Plan and Annual Budget for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2015 as well as a Review of Council's Basis of Rating, for public discussion. A copy of the documents are available for viewing at the Council Office, 3 Stuart Street Melrose and on Council's website www.mtr.sa.gov.au.

Written submissions are invited by interested persons and should be directed to:

- Wayne Hart, Chief Executive Officer, District Council of Mount Remarkable, PO Box 94, Melrose SA 5483;
- email to postmaster@mtr.sa.gov.au

A submission template is available at Council's website www.mtr.sa.gov.au.

Submissions are to be received by 5.00 pm, Thursday 3 July 2014.

Interested persons are also invited to attend public meetings on these documents to be held at 7.30 pm on:

- Thursday 3 July 2014 at the Melrose Institute, Stuart Street, Melrose.
- Monday 7 July 2014 at the Port Germein Institute, 9 Cottage Road, Port Germein.



COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

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COUNCIL MEETING SNIPPETS

Meeting snippets are written following each Council meeting and may not reflect follow-up decisions etc. Please refer to the Council Minutes & Agenda Reports available on the Council website for full details.

MARCH ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD TUESDAY 11 MAY 2014

Following a deputation to Council, Council has agreed to write to Forestry SA and relevant Ministers to seek that they consider to replant the Wirrabara and Bundaleer Forests recognising the socio-economic impact that it has on communities in both the District Council of Mount Remarkable and Northern Areas Council.

Community Assistance Grants

The following amounts were approved:

<i>Hammond Hall Committee</i>	\$1,500.00
Interpretative Signage	
<i>Booleroo Centre Men's Shed</i>	\$851.00
Router and table	
<i>Port Germein Foreshore Project</i>	\$2,000.00

Sealing of the Booleroo Centre Airstrip Apron

The Tender process has been completed and Council approved the awarding of the project to the successful tenderer.

Weeroona Island Outdoor Gym Equipment

Following a collaboration between Council, Southern Flinders LiFE, Port Flinders Development Association and Weeroona Island Progress Association to purchase and install outdoor gym equipment on Council land, Council approved the installation of the equipment on Lot 436, Hundred of Telowie.

Stephens Street/Appila Road, Booleroo Centre

The new housing development being undertaken in Booleroo Centre has half of the parcels of land sited on Stephens Street and the remainder on Appila Road. Council considered a proposal to extend Stephens Street to the Dunstan Road intersection. This does not change the town boundary.

Council endorsed the change of road name and will commence the necessary processes with the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure.

Brian Lane Shelter, Weeroona Island

Council approved the restoration of the Brian Lane Shelter which has become badly rusted and approved the quotation received to undertake the works.

Road Servicing Housing Development off Whitby Street, Melrose

Council agreed in principle to accepting the gifting of the road within the Unity Housing Development, Melrose, and that if accepted, the road will be named 'Gray Close'.

Central Local Government - Region Waste Management Strategy 2014-2020

Council endorsed the Central Region Waste Management Strategy and the provision of waste data to the Regional Waste Management Coordinator for the purposes of developing a collaborative and regional approach to waste services.

Construction of New Verandah at the Booleroo Centre Community Gym

Council considered tenders and approved works to be undertaken for a verandah be build over the Community Gym doors to prevent rain infiltration and to give protection from the summer sun.

Willowie Landfill Operations

Council will take over the operations of the Willowie Landfill and employ a full time staff member who will be responsible for:

- Opening and maintaining the Willowie Landfill to EPA requirements
- Transferring materials from the Wirrabara and Port Germein Transfer Stations to the Willowie Landfill
- The Clean-up of the old landfill sites, including the disposal of recyclable materials
- Recording of all waste collected to comply with EPA requirements
- Conducting Risk Assessments and complying with all Work Health Safety requirements
- Managing recycling programs including E-waste, drum muster, chem-collect

Willowie Landfill and Transfer Station Fees

Council approved new waste management disposal fees for the Willowie Landfill and Transfer Stations at Wirrabara and Port Germein which will commence from 1 July 2014. The new fee structure can be found on page 3 of the Newsletter and will be available on Council's website.

Booleroo Centre Swimming Pool Renovations

Quotes are sought from interested painters and decorators for the refurbishment of the Booleroo Centre Memorial Swimming Pool.

For information and specifications, please contact Muriel Scholz at the Council Office.

WASTE MANAGEMENT DISPOSAL FEES

That the following waste management disposal fees for the Willowie Landfill and Transfer Stations be adopted to commence from 1 July 2014:

Car Boot/ Wheelie Bins	\$10.00	Station Wagon / Panel Van	\$16.00
Single Axle Trailer	\$30.00	Single Axle Trailer High Sides	\$40.00
Tray Top Ute	\$35.00	Tandem Axle Trailer (small)	\$40.00
Tandem Axle Trailer (small) High Sides	\$52.00	Tandem Axle Trailer (large)	\$45.00
Tandem Axle Trailer (large) High Sides	\$60.00	Skip Bins (up to 4 m ³)	\$90.00
Tyres			
Car/Motorbike	\$8.00	4WD/Small Truck	\$18.00
Truck (super single)	\$25.00	Large Truck	\$35.00
Tractor	\$45.00		
Mattresses			
Single	\$18.00	Double/Queen/King	\$25.00
Truck (Willowie Landfill only)	Residential	Non-Residential	
All Trucks & Semi Trailers	\$20 per Tonne	\$100 per Tonne	
Miscellaneous (Willowie Landfill only)	Residential	Non-Residential	
Car Body	\$60.00	\$100.00	
Galvanized Rainwater Tank	\$25.00	\$50.00	

YOUR SAY ON SA WATER'S SERVICES AND INVESTMENT OPTIONS

SA Water's Customer Engagement Program - YourSay, will provide customers around the State with the opportunity to shape the future direction of SA Water's programs and services.

Feedback obtained through YourSay will be used to inform our next Regulatory Business Proposal to the industry's economic regulator, the Essential Services Commission of South Australia.

SA Water's Regulatory Business Proposal is the organisation's plan for how it proposes to operate and invest in the interests of the customers from 1 July 2016.

'YourSay' kicks off with a series of by-invitation workshops involving customers that represent the diversity of SA Water's state-wide customer base as well as business and industry. Workshops will be held in metropolitan and outer metropolitan Adelaide, the Riverland, the Mid North, Kangaroo Island, Port Augusta, Port Lincoln and Mount Gambier from 2 June to 18 June 2014.

The workshops will be complemented by an online survey, to be launched on 14 June, which will be open to all SA Water customers.

The workshops and survey will ask a range of questions relating to key themes:

- * water recycling,
- * water quality,
- * water growth,
- * customer experience and education, and
- * service delivery and investment.

If you have something to say about the services provided to you by SA Water, now is your opportunity - visit:

www.sawater.com.au

after 14 June and complete their online survey.

The survey closes 29 June 2014.

YourSay



COMMUNITY PAGE

WIRRABARA WAR MEMORIAL UPGRADE

The Wirrabara Institute Committee have work hard over the past two years to have the memorial in front of the Institute refurbished.

The names were unreadable and it needed a clean.

With grants from the Anzac Day Commemoration Fund and the Department of Veteran Affairs and support from the Council, we were able to complete this project.

The names of the second world war veterans and the Vietnam veteran was also added the memorial.



MELROSE HISTORY SOCIETY INC



Community Help Needed

Did you know that Melrose is home to one of the best historical museums in the state and it has achieved accreditation status?

There are 5 well set up out buildings and this history society is well worth a visit if you have not already done so. If it has been some years since you ventured into the Museum, it is well worth going for another look as it has been improved greatly.

The Society are seeking volunteers (male or female) to help keep this district museum open **every day** for locals and people who visit the region to experience our history.

The Caretakers manage the Museum six days a week and on the seventh day it is opened by a volunteer. The more people who volunteer will help spread the workload and each volunteer may only be required one afternoon every few months.

All that is required from a volunteer, is to open this historical site for 3 hours of an afternoon 3 or 4 times a year or as often as you wish.

What do you need to do?

Open up the museum doors and switch on the audio visuals. Welcome the visitors and take their entrance fee, be courteous and direct them to the right areas. Close up the museum before you leave.

What can you do while you are there?

Bring your computer and do your own work, or your knitting or quilting or even a book and chill out and learn more about our local history.

Want more information?

Contact: Terrie Stoyel on 8666 2141

Email: mdhsoc@gmail.com

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Melrose SA 5483

PICHI RICHI MARATHON

Advance Notice of Road Restrictions

The Pichi Richi Marathon will be held on Sunday 29 June 2014 and will include road restrictions along Flinders Way, between Quorn and Stirling North.

Vehicle traffic will be restricted to passenger vehicles only which will be permitted to travel; between Stirling North and Quorn during the hours of 8.30 am and 1.00 pm, adhering to the road restrictions in place, with the road being closed to traffic travelling from Quorn to Stirling North during the same period.

For more information, contact The Flinders Ranges Council on 8648 6031.

