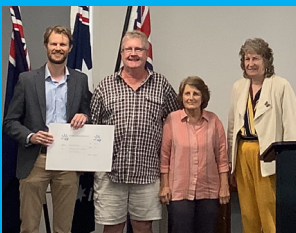


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News from the Council Chamber

Mayor's Message

A warm welcome to you all. It's hard to believe the year is moving so fast. It has been a busy time at Council, with a number of changes to bring in 2023.

I'd like to welcome our new CEO Kelly Westell, who joined us back in January after working as Deputy CEO at the neighbouring Wakefield Regional Council. Since Kelly's arrival she has been busily travelling the area meeting the many community groups and members.

As a Council we've also resumed our community forums across the area, with our first stop in Georgetown in April. We are keen to hear the views of members of the local community as these forums roll out.

Following Council elections we have farewelled Councillors Ben Browne, Denis Clark, Leon Pollard, Merv Robinson and Kathy Webb. On behalf of Council I'd like to thank them for their time and incredible efforts for our community for many years.

I'd like to welcome our new Council members Fiona Hockey, Tom Malone and Keith Pluckrose, as well as returning Councillors John Barberien and Hank Langes. We are looking forward to working with each other and the community in the term ahead.

Cr Sue Scarman, Mayor



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Community Funds Flow in 2023



Council Members, staff and AGL representatives at the funding announcement.

Thirteen community groups have shared in just over \$30,000 in funding from the AGL Hallett Wind Farm Community Fund for projects ranging from building repairs and security cameras, through to potting mix and landcare supplies.

David Russell and Catherine Mooney from AGL join elected members of Council and community members for the funding presentations.

This funding program has been in operation for well over a decade, with hundreds of thousands of dollars delivered to not for profit, volunteer based community groups from across the entire Council area.

The successful applicants for the 2022/23 Community Fund were:

- Gladstone Community Development and Tourism Association
- Gladstone Swimming Pool Management Committee
- Gulnare Community Development Board
- Jamestown Amateur Swimming Club
- Jamestown Bowling Club
- Jamestown National Trust
- Laura Bowling Club
- Laura Community Gym
- Rocky River Historic and Art Society
- RSL & Community Services Club Jamestown
- Spalding Sports Association
- Spalding War Memorial Committee
- Tarcowie Landcare Group

Council administers this program as well as the Neoen Hornsdale Wind Farm Community Fund and its own Community Grants Program.

CEO's Message

Since joining Council, I have been impressed by the strong, committed volunteers and community groups who give their all for the Northern Areas region. I was aware we had a large volunteering base – 34% of our community members volunteer according to the latest Census – but what we have here is special.

Each of the town committees I have visited have members who run the meetings, look after assets and bring events to life. There are many other clubs, sporting groups and event committees raising funds to inject back into their organisations and communities. I haven't managed to meet everyone as yet but I know already this community should feel exceptionally proud of its volunteering spirit.

One of the most important things for me is seeing the Council team – Elected Members and employees – working with our community to make Northern Areas the best it can be. We all want to enjoy a quality lifestyle that only a beautiful region like this can offer: clean, green spaces, thriving places and safe, healthy and inclusive communities are what it's all about.

Local government plays a vital role, no longer just focused on roads, rates and rubbish but obliged, under legislation, to grow economies, plan for the future and promote liveability.

At Council we're looking forward to working with you to make these things happen.

Here's to a safe and successful 2023!

Kelly Westell, Chief Executive Officer



Infrastructure Update



Crushed Rubble in Crawfords pit for re-sheeting of Cloverhill Abbeville Road near Georgetown.



Resheeting Ward Hill Road with crushed material from Mundunney pit, Belalie East.



Resheeting Bundaleer Rd with raw material from Boultons Pit, Washpool

Road resheeting in full swing

Despite a wet spring, our roads resheeting program has been full steam ahead.

Resheeting involves new road surfaces being laid and compacted across our large unsealed road network and we aim to make it a year-round project. Council allocates a substantial capital budget for these works and aims to resheet 75-85 kilometres each year. Over the past two financial years Council has made strategic investments in a bulldozer, impact crusher and stacker to produce high quality rubble for road construction – saving money on materials and ensuring we can undertake our own works, using local supplies, without relying on contractors.

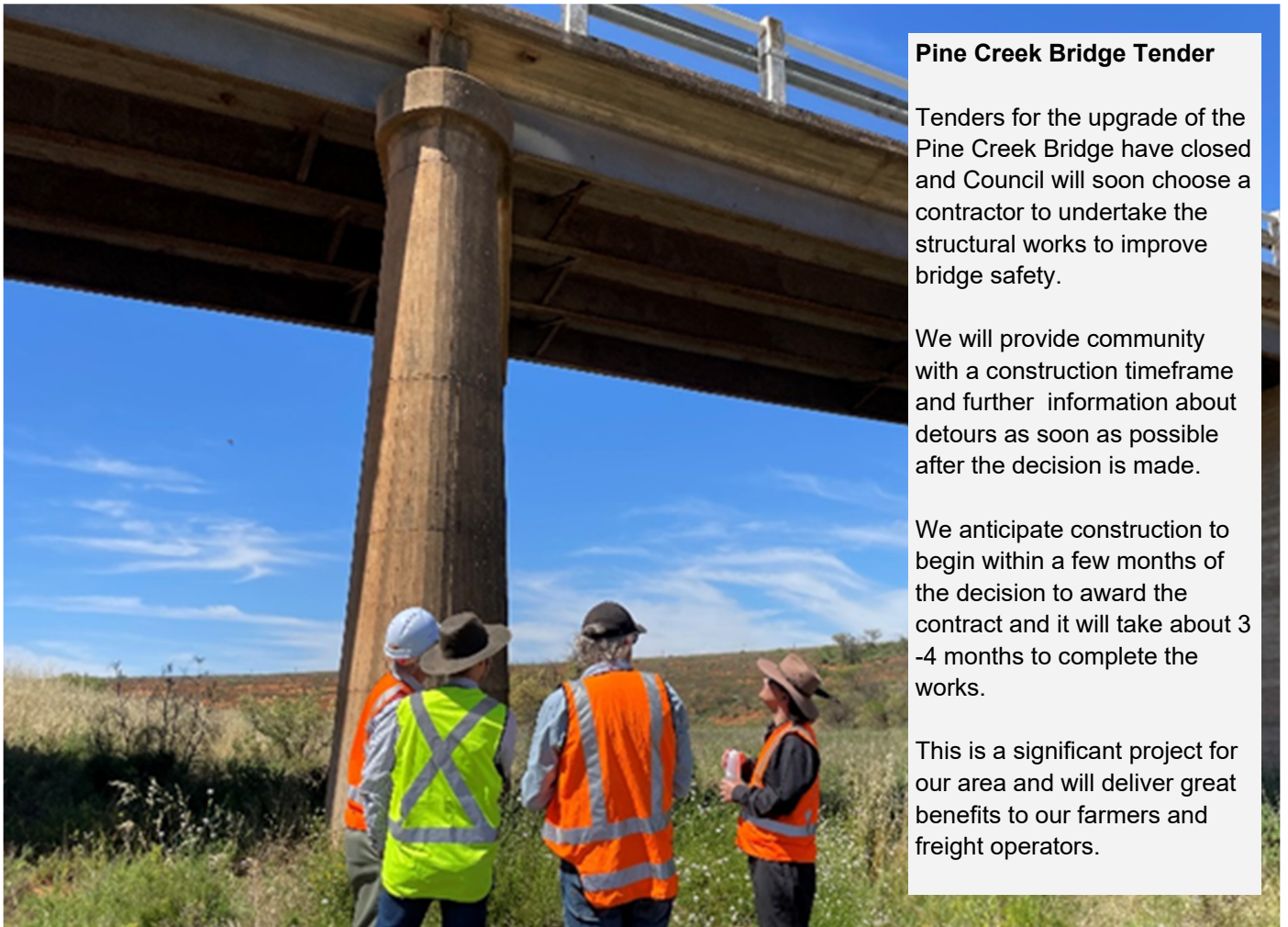
Some rubble is not conducive to the impact crusher so traditional methods of carting raw rubble from the pit and using grid or rib rollers to break the material on the road are still used. This financial year, we will do 28% of the program with raw material.



Above: crushing in Woolfords Pit for the Laura-Beetaloo Road; Below: before and after shots of Georgetown-Narridy Rd



Infrastructure Update



Pine Creek Bridge Tender

Tenders for the upgrade of the Pine Creek Bridge have closed and Council will soon choose a contractor to undertake the structural works to improve bridge safety.

We will provide community with a construction timeframe and further information about detours as soon as possible after the decision is made.

We anticipate construction to begin within a few months of the decision to award the contract and it will take about 3-4 months to complete the works.

This is a significant project for our area and will deliver great benefits to our farmers and freight operators.

Footpath program

The community identified footpaths as a key asset in Council's survey several years ago.

Since then, upgrades in Gladstone, Laura and Jamestown have taken place. Before the end of 2022/23 major upgrades at Spalding and Yacka will also be completed.

The upgrade program will continue in coming years with Council currently determining its plans for the 2023/24 capital program.



Footpath upgrades have been undertaken across the Council area including these in Jamestown and Laura



Belalie Creek upgrade

Council staff have been recently undertaking works to tidy up the Belalie Creek and surrounding area including the historic Diggers Walk.

Works have included clearing up the reeds, removal of fallen branches, repairs to the small weirs, upgrades of the walking paths and general improvements to the green space.



The picturesque Belalie Creek following upgrade work

RECYCLE RIGHT

WHAT CAN AND CANNOT BE PLACED IN YOUR 240lt. GREEN/YELLOW BIN FOR FORTNIGHTLY RECYCLING:



- Paper and envelopes
- Newspapers, magazines, catalogues and junk mail
- Cardboard boxes and egg cartons
- Shredded paper (if contained inside a paper bag or box)
- Cartons such as milk, juice and stock cartons
- Pizza boxes without food scraps
- Aluminium and steel cans and tins
- Metal lids (contained in a steel or aluminium can)
- Empty and dry paint tins
- Empty aerosol cans
- Glass bottles and jars (rinsed with lids off)
- Plastic bottles and containers (rinsed with lids off)
- Yoghurt and butter containers (rinsed with lids off)



- Plastic lids from jars and bottles
- Plastic bags and other soft plastics
- Food scraps
- Packaging contaminated with food
- Tissues and paper towel
- Clothing and fabrics
- Polystyrene foam packaging
- Foam trays and cups
- Crockery or drinking glasses
- Mirrors, light globes, oven-proof or window glass
- Car parts
- Toys
- Nappies
- Garden waste or organic material
- CDs, DVDs, video or audio tapes

Kitchen upgrades

Thanks to Federal Government Grant Funding through both the Drought Communities Program and the Local Roads and Community Initiative Program, Council has completed some kitchen upgrade works at both the Yacka Institute and the Jamestown Memorial Hall.

Local tradespeople did a fine job at both sites in replacing cupboards, preparation benches, electrical connections and whitegoods installation.



The upgraded kitchen at the Yacka Hall



Completed works at the Jamestown Memorial Hall

Single Farm Enterprise

Did you know that if you own two or more pieces of rateable farmland in the Council area you may be classified as a 'single farm enterprise' which means only one fixed charge may be imposed against the whole of your land.

If you feel you may be eligible, you will need to make an application to Council.

If you have not completed an application form - or have purchased, sold, subdivided or amalgamated any land or changed your entity since you submitted your last application - you can contact our Jamestown, Gladstone or Spalding Offices to receive a form.

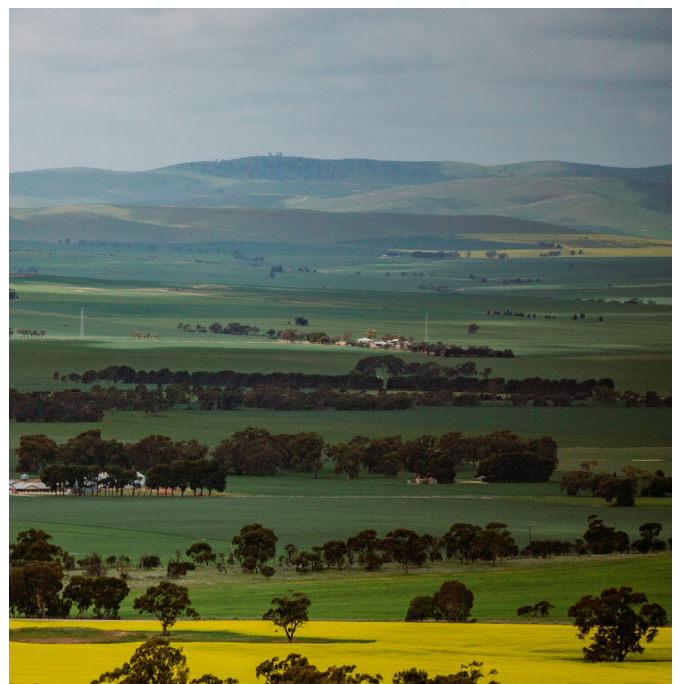
Or visit our website and download a form today: nacouncil.sa.gov.au/services/rates.

Forms must be completed and returned by 5pm on Friday 30 June 2023.

If the application form is not received by the due date, no exemption will apply to the 2023/2024 financial year fixed charge component of your rates.

A majority of farming entities have already completed a form, are receiving a Single Farm Enterprise and therefore a reduction on the fixed charge component of their rates.

For further information please contact Tanya Francis or Bernadette McCarthy at the Jamestown Office on 8664 1139.



My Local Services App

My Local Services app is a smartphone application designed to deliver local council information to residents of South Australia.

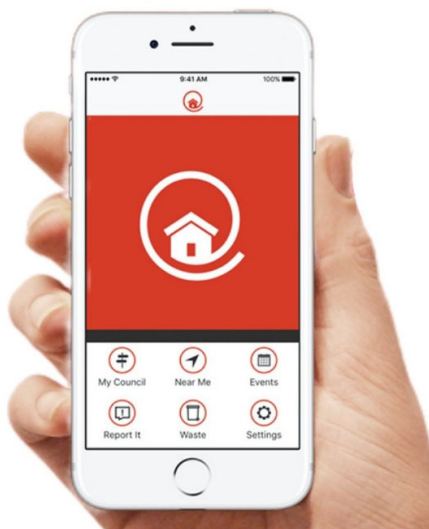
It's free to download and easy to use on any Apple or Android smartphone devices. Once you have installed the app, you can you do things like:

- Personalise the app to only show information for Northern Areas Council
- Check which waste bin is due each week
- Receive weekly waste collection reminders the night before
- Find out what's on in your local area
- Locate your nearest council facility including community centres, libraries, playgrounds, toilets, and council buildings
- Report an issue like a broken bin or damaged council infrastructure to the council

Once a report is completed from your smartphone it is then sent directly to Council and passed on to the relevant staff.

Download the app today!

Downloading and installing the My Local Services app onto your smartphone is easy. It is available on Apple App Store or Google Play.



Calendar of Council Meetings

Ordinary meetings of Northern Areas Council are held each month at the Council Chambers at 94 Ayr Street, Jamestown.

The general public are always welcome to attend. Upcoming meeting dates are:

Tuesday 20th June	6pm
Tuesday 18th July	6pm
Tuesday 15th August	6pm
Tuesday 19th September	6pm

For further meeting dates please visit

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