EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Annual Report
2016/2017
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Arrium from Hummock Hill Lookup - Whyalla
THE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

I commend this annual report to you.

The value of Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association (EPLGA) has historically been mostly limited to providing a united voice for member Councils keen to advocate on legislation and policy changes made by other spheres of government and to lobby collectively on such issues. This primary role has largely been unchanged since the organisation began in 1938. In more recent years, the pressures on member Councils arising from the need for a much higher standard of governance, risk management, planning and reporting, community engagement and the broadening of core duties has meant that EPLGA also has a growing role in assisting in coordinating a range of activities seeking efficiencies for Councils at the operational level.

The EPLGA is primarily funded by member subscriptions and since 1938 its legal entity has seen changes with the last major change in 2002.

In 2002 the EPLGA’s legal entity and charter was changed to make the EPLGA a regional subsidiary of the 11 Councils under Section 43 and Part 2 of Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1999 (“the Act”);

- To work collaboratively with the Local Government Association of SA (LGA) to achieve the aims and objectives of the LGA.
- To encourage, promote, protect and foster an efficient and effective autonomous, democratic system of local government elected by and responsible to local communities.
- To act as a forum for discussion and consideration of matters relating to the powers, functions and duties of the eleven Constituent Councils under the Act and other statutory provisions in relation to the region.
- To identify available resources within the region and to co-ordinate or assist in co-ordinating the management of these resources for the betterment of the region's community.
- To encourage, assist, seek out, determine, assess and respond to the needs and aspirations of the region’s constituents.
- To develop, encourage, promote, foster and maintain consultation and co-operation between local government authorities, State and Commonwealth Governments and their instrumentalities.
- To develop, encourage, promote, foster and maintain the financial and economic wellbeing and advancement of the region and if desirable for such purpose to undertake, establish, acquire, conduct or dispose of any business, enterprise, undertaking or venture which in the opinion of the EPLGA is necessary, desirable or convenient.

All member Councils maintain active participation and meetings are held quarterly with an annual conference rotated around member Councils. The last annual conference was held at Cummins and I thank and congratulate District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula for hosting a productive and enjoyable conference.
The EPLGA continues to be supported financially by the Local Government Association of South Australia via an Outreach Program and Regional Capacity funding that jointly, with member Councils, supports the engagement of Executive Officer Tony Irvine in the delivery of LGA and EPLGA programs to the region.

Some of the major highlights of the year have been:

- Regular meetings of the working group of Council CEOs to work through development of a proposal with Regional Development Australia Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula (RDAWEP), Eyre Peninsula Natural Resource Management Board (EPNRM) and the EPLGA seeking support for a pilot study into the formation of a regional Joint Planning Board as envisaged in the new Development Planning and Infrastructure Act.
- Further development of regional roads priorities and methodologies for future works.
- Ongoing support for member Councils, staff and elected member engagement.

My view is that pressure will continue to build on Local Governments to deliver more services, more efficiently.

Our organisation provides a platform for reform and will play an ever increasing role in the roll out of training, regional procurement, regional planning, shared service delivery and member service delivery.

More specifically, the new planning reforms offer an opportunity for member Councils to act cooperatively and regionally to ensure our sustainability and prosperity. If we are not proactive we risk decisions being made on our behalf.

I take this opportunity to thank all member Council delegate appointees; the Executive Committee of Mayor Low, Mayor Telfer, and City of Port Lincoln Chief Executive Officer Rob Donaldson; all management and technical Council staff who inform and guide our decisions; and to our support staff at RDAWEP.

I welcome to the EPLGA Board, Mayor Travis Barber from the District Council of Streaky Bay, replacing former Mayor Sherron Mackenzie, who resigned during the year. I also welcome Christopher Cowley and congratulate him on his appointment as Chief Executive Officer of the City of Whyalla. I thank Tony Irvine, who is always responsive to member Council requests, builds relationships with relevant bodies, represents and advocates our position, and is totally focused on delivering good local government in our region.

This annual report details the EPLGA’s last 12 month’s activities undertaken, financial accounts and operative regional collaborative partnerships.

MAYOR BRUCE GREEN
THE REGION

Regional Population and Local Government

The region has 11 Local Government Authorities (LGAs). The LGAs are: the City of Whyalla and City of Port Lincoln; and the District Councils of Ceduna, Cleve, Elliston, Franklin Harbour, Kimba, Lower Eyre Peninsula, Streaky Bay, Tumby Bay, and Wudinna.

The regional Local Government area population of 54,288 (ABS 2006 Census), 55,654 (ABS 2011 Census) and 55,919 (ABS 2016 Census) comprises about 3.5% of the South Australian population. These people reside in the eleven Council districts, which collectively occupy 43,779km² or about 19% of the regional land mass. Most of the population (about 64%) live in the regional cities of Whyalla and Port Lincoln.

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<td>Collective Local Government (11 LGAs)</td>
<td>43,778.6</td>
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In 2016, the region had 2,860 Aboriginal people comprising 5.1% of the regional LGA population. This was notably above the proportions in South Australia (2.3%). 87% of the region’s Aboriginal people (2,497) live in the LGAs of Whyalla, Port Lincoln and Ceduna. The greatest concentration is in Ceduna, where Aboriginal people comprise 21.8% of the Council population.
The regional population grew by 3% from 2006, but this was not consistent across the region as a whole. The District Councils of Ceduna, Cleve, Elliston, Kimba and Wudinna experienced population decline of 4.6%, 6.7%, 7.7%, 4.8% and 4.7% respectively; but DC Lower Eyre Peninsula experienced growth of 25.1%. Population growth was also experienced in the coastal Councils of Franklin Harbour, Streaky Bay, Tumby Bay, Whyalla and Port Lincoln.

The demographic change is caused by several factors, with the desire for a sea change lifestyle being a key reason. Streaky Bay and Tumby Bay are very desirable coastal locations and new estate developments have been established to cater for growing housing demand, notably by retirees from the agricultural sector. The higher population growth in the District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula stems from several locational and lifestyle advantages, including proximity to numerous coastal townships, Port Lincoln and Port Lincoln Airport.

**Population Ageing**

The regional population is ageing. In 2016, the region’s median age was 42, an increase from 38 in 2006. People aged 65 years and over comprised 18.2% of the regional population, which is above the 15.7% rate for Australia, but below the rate of 18.3% for South Australia.

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Table 2: (ABS Census 2006, 2011 and 2016).

The population 65 years and over grew by 3.9% from 2006, exceeding the growth rate of 2.9% for South Australia and 2.4% for Australia.

The District Council of Tumby Bay has the oldest population profile with a mean age of 50 whilst Kimba has the youngest population (0 - 14 years) – 23.2% of the population.

Projections indicate that South Australia’s population aged 65 and over will increase to 22.6% in 2020 and to 25.7% by 2030. It is also known that approximately 30% of young people leave the region each year for employment and study in metropolitan Adelaide. The combination of a growing aged sector and diminishing numbers of young people is not sustainable, and has serious implications for future workforce provision.

Pending Baby Boomer retirements will diminish the labour force of skilled and experienced labour and create employment openings for young people.

The regional population is too small to provide the workforce for anticipated future development needs, with the consequence that approximately 3,800 workers may need to be recruited from elsewhere by 2020.
Regional Economic Snapshot

The regional economy is extremely diverse. The key industries include manufacturing, agriculture, fishing, and aquaculture; however tourism and mining are fast emerging industries with substantial potential for future growth. Industrial diversity is one of the region’s greatest attributes, and underpins its comparative advantage and business competitiveness. Diversity is important for economic growth and sustainability, because it provides resilience through not being reliant on a single industry or product for prosperity.

However, industrial diversity is not evenly spread across the region. Manufacturing and steel processing is focused in Whyalla. Agriculture is the key industry in lower Eyre Peninsula, Tumby Bay, Cleve, Elliston, Kimba, Streaky Bay, Franklin Harbour and Wudinna. Nearly all (96%) of the region’s aquaculture jobs are provided in Port Lincoln, Lower Eyre Peninsula, Cleve, Ceduna and Franklin Harbour. Most of the region’s fishing jobs (76%) are based in Port Lincoln. Tourism activity is predominantly focussed in coastal areas. The region’s industries and economy have also changed since 2001. Agriculture has been the primary economic driver in many Council districts. However, larger farming properties, smarter management practices, and new technologies have reduced employment opportunities in agri-businesses, which saw agricultural employment decline between 2001 and 2016.

In the same period, employment in the health care and social assistance industry has grown largely due to the ageing of the regional population and increased demand for aged care services.

These following industries produced almost three-quarters of the region’s total exports.
- mining: iron and non-ferrous ore, and exploration and mining support services,
- agriculture: grains and sheep, and
- manufacturing: iron and steel production and processed seafood products.

Regional Economic Summary

The Eyre Peninsula is a highly productive region, generating exports worth over $4 billion per annum and GRP of approximately $4.2 billion. With regional GRP of approximately $4.2 billion, the Eyre Peninsula provided over 4% of the State economy.

On a per capita basis, as the Eyre Peninsula population is approximately 3.5% of the State population, the region is exceeding its fair contribution to the State economy. However a per capita analysis undersells the importance of the region to the State economy, which needs to be put into context.

One of the State Government’s key economic priorities is the production of premium food and wine from a clean environment exported to the world. This is an important brand SA platform for promoting South Australia internationally and a driving force for creating new export markets in Asia. This State Government priority is very much reliant on the region because the Eyre Peninsula produces and exports most of South Australia’s premium food product.

- Agriculture Industry: The region is renowned for its high quality grains and, on average, produces 40% of the State’s wheat crop, approximately 25% of the barley crop and 22% of canola. Approximately 97% of the region’s grain crop is exported.
- Fishing and Aquaculture: The region is reputed internationally for its premium seafood. On average, the region produces 100% of South Australia’s Southern Bluefin Tuna (with approximately 99% of tuna exported to Japan); along with 100% of the State’s farmed marine finfish; 97% of oysters, 92% of mussels, and about 62% of the State’s abalone production. In total, an estimated 82% of South Australia’s seafood product is exported from the Eyre Peninsula. (Regions SA, Regions in Focus: Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula, July 2015).

Other State Government economic priorities are to unlock the full potential of South Australia’s resources, and to enhance State prosperity by promoting international connections and engagement to increase exports. The region produces in the vicinity of 45% of GSP for iron and steel manufacturing, which highlights the importance of Whyalla to the State economy.
The region might only contribute approximately 4% of GSP, however the growth and sustainability of the Eyre Peninsula is vital to the achievement of key State Government economic priorities. As an overview, the regional economy is extremely diverse due to the broad range of industries generating exports and GRP. This is a great strength, which underpins the region’s comparative advantages and economic resilience.

MEMBER COUNCILS 2016/2017:

- City of Whyalla
- City of Port Lincoln
- DC Ceduna
- DC Cleve
- DC Elliston
- DC Franklin Harbour
- DC Kimba
- DC Lower Eyre Peninsula
- DC Streaky Bay
- DC Tumby Bay
- Wudinna DC

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES/ APPOINTMENTS

**EPLGA Board Executive:**

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<td>Mr Rob Donaldson</td>
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The President and Deputy President are our nominated representatives to the LGA, SAROC and State Executive Forums. The Executive Officer is also a SAROC voting delegate.

**Regional Governance Panel for Review of Decisions (Pursuant to the Ombudsman’s Right to Review report):**

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The Ombudsman’s Right to Review Report - Recommendation 5 requires Councils to respond, through the auspices of regional local government to establish a regional panel of independent reviewers to assist Member Councils in reviewing decisions when required.

**Chief Executive Officers Committee:**
All Chief Executive Officer’s of member Councils or nominee in their absence.

**Engineering & Works Committee:**
The committee is comprised of all Engineers, Operations or Works Managers from member Councils or nominee in their absence.
Eyre Peninsula Mineral & Energy Resources Community Development Taskforce (EPLGA Taskforce):
- CHAIR – Rob Kerin.
- STATE GOVERNMENT representatives from Deputy Premier/Treasurer or nominee; Minister for Regional Development or nominee; Member for Giles; Member for Flinders; senior officers from the Department of State Development (non-voting) and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (non-voting).
- SACOME – Chief Executive Officer.
- LGA of SA – CEO Matt Pinnegar or nominee.
- EPLGA – President Mayor Green and Executive Officer, Tony Irvine (non-voting).
- LOCAL COUNCILS – A Mayor and CEO from a Council directly affected by mineral and energy resources or exploration – Mayor Eleanor Scholz (Wudinna), CEO Trevor Smith (Tumby Bay).
- EPNRM – Presiding Member and Regional Manager (non-voting).
- RDAWEP – Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer (non-voting).
- Coordinator Geoff Dodd (non-voting).
- Other members as required for specific purposes (non-voting).

Eyre Peninsula Power Supply Reference Group:
The entire EPLGA Board members

Other Regional Organisations:

Regional Development Australia Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula Inc:
- Deputy Mayor Bryan Trigg, Chair/Executive - DC Cleve
- Cr Colin Carter - City of Whyalla
- Mayor Allan Suter, Executive Member - DC Ceduna
- Cr Clare McLaughlin - City of Whyalla

Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board:
- Mr Rob Donaldson - CEO, City of Port Lincoln

Zone Emergency Management Committee:
- Mayor Julie Low (Presiding Member) - DC Lower Eyre Peninsula
- Tony Irvine, Executive Officer - EPLGA
- Rod Pearson, Chief Executive Officer - DC Lower Eyre Peninsula
- Grant Drummond, General Manager Operations - DC Ceduna
- Ivan Noble, Works Manager - DC Cleve

Eyre Peninsula Integrated Climate Change Adaptation Committee:
- Mayor Bruce Green - City of Port Lincoln
- Tony Irvine, Executive Officer - EPLGA

Eyre Peninsula Integrated Climate Change Sector Agreement Steering Committee:
- Tony Irvine, Executive Officer - EPLGA

South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils (SAROC) Executive Officers Committee:
- Tony Irvine, Executive Officer - EPLGA

Eyre Peninsula Water Taskforce:
- All member Councils – Mayors and CEO’s
- Tony Irvine - EPLGA

Eyre Peninsula Demand and Supply Statement Reference Group:
- Tony Irvine, Executive Officer - EPLGA
**EPLGA Board Members 2016/17**

Under the terms of the EPLGA Charter, the following Board appointments were current as at 30 June 2017.

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND BOARD MEETINGS SCHEDULE

A highlight on the EPLGA calendar is the Annual Conference, hosted each year by a member Council. To assist in host Council planning, the following conference and Board meeting schedule is included. The 81st EPLGA Conference will be held in 2018, hosted by the City of Port Lincoln.

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REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2016/17

EPLGA core activities always include reacting to legislation and policy changes that may have a negative impact on our region. This year ongoing concerns and/or participation have been with the following matters:

› Natural Resources Management – joint partnership planning, delivery of services.
› Regional Recognition/Lobbying – ongoing on various matters as they arise.
› Mining and Impacts – continuation of the taskforce.
› Emergency Management – regional planning and Council planning, followed by implementation.
› Development, Planning and Infrastructure Act Reform.
› Coastal Access issues.
› Various roads and waste issues – regional strategy and Zero Waste cessation.
› Regional Strategy for LGA.
› Regional Capacity Funding – Rubble Royalties.
› Marine Infrastructure Planning – DPTI, jetty leases, etc.
› SAROC – meetings and regional Executive Officers’ meetings.
› LGA Organisational Review – Councils of the Future.
› Mobile phone hotspots.
› Water planning – state of the resource, etc.
› Energy planning – resulting from black outs.
› Regional planning – RDAWEP, EPNRM, DPTI, etc.
› Financial assistance and supplementary road funding – ongoing issues of South Australia’s injustice.
› Health – local sub-regional issues.
› Outreach Services:
  - Regional Procurement;
  - CEO’s Committee;
  - Engineering & Works Committee;
  - Regional training and seminars delivery;
  - Shared Services – DPTI pilot; and
  - Long term financial planning;
› Roadside Native Vegetation – regional planning and management issues.
› Regional Climate Change Adaptation Plan finalisation and continuation of the Eyre Peninsula Integrated Climate Change Agreement [EPICCA].
› Tourism – RDAWEP - restructure to sub-regional groups, Food and Tourism Prospectus, RV and Caravan Strategy.
› Aged Care at the local Council level – Council’s role.
› NHVR impacts on farm machinery movements.
› Transport Plan and SLRP prioritisation and funding applications.
› Oil and gas exploration in the Great Australian Bight.
› Joint submissions with RDAWEP on various issues.

PROGRAMS AND COMMITTEES’ PURPOSES 2016/2017

OUTREACH SERVICES PROGRAM (LGA)

The program includes:

› assisting with the preparation of LGA policy on regional development;
› preparing a profile of the region with a focus on what it contributes to the economic growth of both the State and the Nation;
› governance needs of each Council;
› legislative compliance in assets management and long term financial planning;
skills assessment in areas such as IT, planning, environmental health, etc., and development of a regional training plan;
short term employment requirements in lieu of full time employees;
shared services arrangements to assist in meeting the short/long term skills requirements and other needs;
opportunities arising from the Local Excellence program - trialling new methods of implementation, e.g. improving performance, systems and processes that sustain good performance, raising the image of Local Government, effective engagement across the region and State as a whole, i.e. political clout, with other spheres of government, seeking financial arrangements to support the programs required;
positioning Local Government and the region for the next State elections by gathering evidence of the needs of the sector and possible solutions that could be an “ask” in an election environment;
identifying any 'centre of excellence' that may exist within the region;
developing CEO, Works Manager and any other forums to assist in the sharing of resources and information, which would eliminate repetition of the same forum x 10; and
managing local issues for the Member Councils – advocacy, lobbying, problem solving, etc.

The LGA is currently reviewing the continuation of the program as part of their organisational review. The EPLGA is strongly committed to the continuation of the program to ensure:

preservation of the current important role of the Executive Officer of the EPLGA;

enhancement of the connections between the work of the EPLGA and that of the LGA where it is mutually beneficial to do so;

enhancement of the services of the LGA to be an ‘outreach’ service, but targeted to needs identified by the EPLGA/ Region;

appointment of a resource collaboratively identified by the LGA and EPLGA to deliver on the ground services to Councils;

agreement on a program of works/activity and the funding model required; and

other issues deemed important to the success of the pilot are addressed.

EPLGA CEO COMMITTEE

On 28 June 2013, the EPLGA established a Chief Executive Officer Committee to ‘meet from time to time to consider issues of relevance to Eyre Peninsula Councils, and to provide advice to the EPLGA Board on those issues’.

The Committee's role is to:

1. provide high level strategic advice to the EPLGA regarding identified priority issues;
2. arrange and coordinate reports to the EPLGA on those priority issues;
3. initiate reports and advice to the EPLGA on other matters identified by the Committee to be of strategic regional significance;
4. assist and advise the EPLGA about the development and implementation of its Management Plan and other plans; and
5. share operational information and expertise amongst the committee members and other agency Chief Executive Officers.

The membership of the Committee is comprised of the Chief Executive Officers of all Councils, who are members of the EPLGA. Other regional CEOs and the Regional Risk Coordinators are invited to the meetings as and when needed. These meetings allow the sharing of information and expertise, which mutually benefits clusters of Councils or the region as a whole. The associated agendas reflect the EPLGA agendas to a degree, with other day to day operational matters included, and are in the domain of the role of a CEO. However a regional economic component led by the CEO of RDAWEP is now core business for the committee.
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EPLGA ENGINEERING & WORKS COMMITTEE

On 4 December 2015, the EPLGA established an Engineering & Works Committee (Committee) to meet from time to time to consider issues of relevance to Eyre Peninsula Councils, and to provide advice to the EPLGA Board on those issues.

The role of the committee was to:
1. provide strategic advice to the EPLGA Board about its identified priority issues;
2. arrange and coordinate reports to the EPLGA Board on those priority issues;
3. initiate reports and advice to the EPLGA Board on other matters identified by the Committee to be of strategic regional significance;
4. assist and advise the EPLGA Board about the development and implementation of relevant plans;
5. share operational information and expertise amongst the committee members; and
6. collaborate on relevant engineering and works functions, with a view to maximising value for money to the Councils and region.

Membership of the committee is comprised of the Engineering, Technical, Infrastructure and Works Managers of all Councils, who are members of the EPLGA. An officer who is a member of the Committee may appoint a proxy to attend a meeting of the Committee in his/her place.

Other State Government Agency staff or independent expertise may be invited to the Committee on a regular or as needs basis.

The Committee operates on an informal basis and is therefore not subject to formal meeting procedures. However agendas are prepared for each meeting, and circulated to members at least 5 working days in advance of the scheduled meeting. Minutes are taken and distributed to Committee members, and tabled at the EPLGA CEO Committee and EPLGA Board meetings. Damian Windsor, Manager of Engineering & Works, DC Tumby Bay is the Chairperson of the committee.

The Executive Officer of the EPLGA provides executive support to the Committee, including financial support for venue hire and catering, etc. within the budget of the EPLGA Board. In addition the Committee may, from time to time, establish working groups or appoint individual members to consider and advance work on a particular issue or issues.

Pursuant to the Local Government Act 1999 Schedule 2 clause 36(2) (a), the EPLGA Board may delegate tasks to the Committee for action. The Committee may sub-delegate to the established working groups or newly established working groups as deemed necessary.

EP INTEGRATED CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION (EPICCA)

The Executive Officer and President are representatives on the EPICCA Committee.

Under the State Climate Change Adaptation Framework, areas across the State, including the Eyre Peninsula, are required to develop a Regional Climate Change Adaptation Plan. EPICCA facilitated the development of the plan for Eyre Peninsula, focussing on a practical, regionally-appropriate and sensitive measure to address the likely impacts of climate change.

The plan has now been completed for the region and with continuation of collaboration between the EPNRM, RDAWEP and the EPLGA in this area, this working group will move into implementation of the plan’s pathways. The State Government had committed $25,000 towards the group’s activities for 2015/2016, which was carried forward to 2016/17.
EP MINERAL & ENERGY RESOURCES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TASKFORCE

The Local Government Association together with the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, held the Mineral & Energy Resources Round Table Forum in November 2013 to discuss the proposed recommendations from the South Australian Centre for Economic Studies (SACES) titled:

"Impact of Mining and Resource Development: A Case Study for Eyre Peninsula Councils"

The Round Table focused on the following recommendations from the SACES Report:

- The importance of the social aspirations of communities which is directly linked to the economic development of regions.
- The role of the 3 tiers of investment including:
  1) private sector capital investment (e.g. infrastructure investment – ports, rail, power, etc.);
  2) 3 spheres of government investment to improve public services and community facilities; and
  3) government investment to respond to structural shifts in the economy, principally by facilitating investment in human capital, upgrading education, training and skills formation. People will invest in themselves if the support systems are there for them.
- The importance or issues such as population growth and responding to what this brings, e.g. accommodation and the attraction of skilled workers and their families.
- That individual Councils and mineral and energy resources companies share a common goal.
- Regions that have prospered over the years have focused on raising the skill level of the people at the bottom of the skills ladder rather than the top.
- If community engagement is not undertaken appropriately there are risks that the opportunities of mineral and energy resources activity will be viewed negatively by local and regional communities.

In essence, individual Councils and mineral and energy resource companies share a common strategic goal and how to exploit this common goal is a job for the taskforce. They both want to:

- obtain and attract skilled workforce;
- attract families to the region;
- minimise cost;
- maximise productivity;
- a high quality of life;
- low cost housing;
- social amenities that accompany the quality of life; and
- strategically plan for the future to capture and obtain these benefits for the future of the region.

Economic development advisors in regions highlight the importance of strategic leadership coming from local and regional levels. Success is achieved with a bottom up approach.

The main objectives of the taskforce are to:

- provide a single and strengthened strategic forum for information sharing as to the development of mine sites, infrastructure and community impacts;
- assist Local Government in preparatory strategic planning for housing and support services;
- provide a focus to all State agencies activity (e.g., education, healthy, police) as a result of mineral and energy resources projects proceeding and thereby provide support to the EPLGA and RDAWEP as they address local strategic issues;
- ensure strategic actions are being undertaken to address the recommendations and issues raised at the taskforce table;
- propose strategic ways to build on stakeholder and community engagement with a view to meeting regional long term needs;
- determine clear strategic roles and responsibilities of stakeholders in relation to a developing regional mineral and energy resources industry;
- develop strategic recommendations where required, to be considered by the mineral and energy resources industry, RDAWEP, EPLGA, State and Local Government to encourage sustainable regional economical growth; and
• assist in the regional coordination of State and Local Government and agencies to avoid duplication and unnecessary “red tape” to optimise a quality return for the region.

**EP WATER TASKFORCE**

The Eyre Peninsula Water Taskforce (EPWT) has been established to provide opportunities to create abundant water to support ecologically sustainable economic development on Eyre Peninsula. The group meets annually or as otherwise required, to:

- inform and receive annual report on the Supply and Demand Statement for Eyre Peninsula (including SA Water’s long term plan);
- receive the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources (DEWNR) report on the state and condition of the priority water resources on Eyre Peninsula;
- receive information from, and provide feedback to Councils and RDAWEP with updated information regarding projected demands and opportunities relating to development (in accordance with the pro-forma provided by DEWNR to Councils and RDAWEP);
- agree on priority opportunities for additional consideration and assessment;
- report back to their respective organisations and communities information presented to the group by member agencies;
- encourage future regional planning based on fit for purpose water and sustainable supplies that boost regional economic development, health and livelihoods.
- understand the impacts on water quality and quantity from pollution and surface and groundwater withdrawals; for priority water resources
- make water a critical part of economic development – understanding the economic benefits of improved management and water services; and
- investigate and encourage development of other water resources.

**REGIONAL TRAINING**

The Executive Officer of the EPLGA encourages Councils to participate in LGA sponsored training programs and other training sessions/seminars. The Executive Officer provides advice to the LGA on locations and timing of training to avoid clashes with regional seasonal events such as harvest, as well as other scheduled events. As part of the independently conducted Outreach Services Pilot Program survey, the following statement was made with regard to training:

“Regional Training has been very successful and continues to be supported and valued by officers and elected members:

The past year has seen a reduction in sessions conducted and participation in comparison to previous years.

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**Training day estimated costs if not held in the region – 1 day averaged:**

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There are also the non-dollar benefits through increased participation and therefore increased skills, experience and networking within the region.”

There is no doubt the effort in arranging regionally held training has resulted in significant savings to Councils.

The session ran in the last 12 months were:

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<td>31/10/2016</td>
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CORPORATE PLAN 2016 – 19

The Council Mayors and Chief Executive Officers of the EPLGA have contributed to the development of the EPLGA Corporate Plan. It was clear from responses to our 2015 survey that the member Councils placed great importance on:

- advocacy (and representation) – the EPLGA being the principal regional advocate for Local Government in the region;
- governance – continuing to ensure that our business is conducted in accordance with the law and proper standards;
- member services – the EPLGA to continue to provide member support services as they are needed; and
- outreach services – connecting Councils with desirable services offered by the LGA of SA.

Recognising that regional strategic and economic plans have been jointly developed by RDAWEP, EPNRM and the EPLGA to set out longer term regional strategies, through which the EPLGA will be responsible for a wide range of actions, the regional strategic plan will become the EPLGA’s Strategic Plan once adopted later in 2017.

To avoid confusion between the Business Plan prepared by respective Councils, the EPLGA uses the term ‘Management Plan or Corporate Plan’. The Management Plan is for the period 2016 – 2019 and reviewed annually, incorporating an updated annual work plan and budget for the current year. It also includes the current strategic directions of the EPLGA for that period.

MANAGEMENT PLAN PERFORMANCE 2016 – 17

1. Actively Assist Members by Representing Their Combine Interests.

1. Seek invitation to provide responses to legislative and policy changes that materially impact our region.

1.2 Seek the mandated preparation of regional impact statements prior to any State legislated changes likely to affect our region.

Comment: RDAWEP and EPLGA jointly funded the preparation a regional statement and have captured regional evidence by developing 78 industry sets of statistics. This information will not only be used to support or object to State legislation or policy changes but to develop/refine regional economic and strategic plans. The data is provided to all member Councils too, along with summaries relevant to their districts.

1.3 Prepare coordinated submissions to relevant inquiries and proposals on behalf of members.

Comment: RDAWEP and EPLGA prepare regional submissions in partnership. In the last year submissions have been prepared on energy supply to the region; telecommunications blackspots; regionalisation and decentralisation; regional governance; and mining legislation.

1.4 Take an active interest in regional waste management, water planning, marine parks, mining, food, security, climate change, local workforce planning and any activities that could impose changes to our region.
Comment: President and/or Executive Officer are actively involved in regional committees and/or meetings dealing with regional waste management, water planning, mining, food security, climate change, local workforce planning and other activities that may impose change upon the region. There are also taskforces and reference groups established which the EPLGA is represented on plus external regional committee membership by the EPLGA.

1.5 Continue to advocate for roads funding opportunities.

Comment: The developed roads database for all EP roads and the new Regional Transport Strategy will be used as a tool for prioritising regional roads for funding. The DPTI shared services MOU is also about working together with State Government to maximise road funding by costs savings, better integrated planning and joint funding submissions opportunities.

1.6 Develop a coordinated approach to the Commodity Freight Routes across the region, being mindful of divergent needs between Councils.

Comment: Comments in 1.5 will apply to this as freight roads are weighted to assist in the prioritisation of regional roads seeking funding assistance.

2 Building Strong Partnerships for the Promotion of our Sector and our Region

2.1 Ensure we are represented at SAROC, State Executive Committee meetings and the General meetings of the LGA.

Comment: The President (and proxy) and Executive Officer attend these meetings when held.

2.2 Ensure regular information flows to our member Councils via newsletters, website updates, media announcements and personal contacts.

Comment: After each EPLGA Board meeting a wrap of the meeting is prepared and forwarded to all regional media outlets. It is also posted on the EPLGA website. The media are used as and when needed and are also sent the meeting agendas and minutes. Council senior staff are well informed through emails of any developing issues of matters of interest.

2.3 Seek reports from regional partners at EPLGA Board meetings and forums.

Comment: Regional partners have a standing agenda item at each Board meeting to present to the constituent Councils. They are also invited to CEO Committee meetings as and when needed.

2.4 Actively seek direct engagement with State Government partners in order to allow bottom up, and more streamlined, planning and engagement.

Comment: The EPLGA has been a strong advocate for State Government partners to visit the region on planning and engagement matters, e.g. regional forums, regional roadshows, planning reform, Ministers visiting regional functions and openings, etc.

2.5 Seek opportunities to partner with industry and community groups to promote the economic and social prosperity of Eyre Peninsula.

Comment: RDAWEP and EPNRM CEOs and Staff meet regularly with the Executive Officer on a range of economic and social matters. The EO also meets with NGO’s.

2.6 Work with member Councils to facilitate economic expansion by coordinating the approach to structure planning, ensuring consistency with the principles contained in the Eyre and Western Plan.

Comment: The EP Mineral & Energy Resources Community Development Taskforce has a focus on this functional role for Councils. The development and implementation of a regional economic plan in conjunction with the RDAWEP and EPNRM Boards will also ensure consistency in the approach to facilitating economic expansion. The adoption of a regional strategic plan will add further strength to this strategy. The Regional Economic Development Plan and Regional Strategic Plans are in consultation phase and will be adopted in the 2017/18 year.
2.7 Work with State departments and regional partners to better coordinate infrastructure planning consistent with the principles in the Eyre and Western Plan.

Comment: The Executive Officer, along with Council representatives, has been involved in various infrastructure planning sessions with regional organisations and State agencies, e.g. Minister for Regions road shows, etc. The EPLGA/DPTI MOU is an excellent example of this strategy in operation.

2.8 Investigate ways to encourage the State Government to streamline its regional consultation processes to avoid multiple meetings that duplicate effort.

Comment: This has been an issue discussed at the SAROC level and continues to be pursued. The Minister for Local Government and Regions has held forums and roadshows in the region plus attended EPLGA Board meetings and other regional meetings. This is an example of the State Government’s commitment to consulting the region in a more concise way. The EP Mineral & Energy Resources Community Development Taskforce is another great example of streamlining meetings and consultation.

3 Raise the Profile of the Association by Greater Media Presence

3.1 Issue a media release after each Board meeting and at any occasion where deemed appropriate.

Comment: Media used as and when appropriate. Agenda and minutes of the Board are distributed to regional media to seek interest. The meeting wrap is also distributed to the media outlets.

3.3 Consider the nomination of media representatives to present a coordinated and endorsed approach to all media.

Comment: Still managing media in-house.

4 Assist Member Councils by Coordinating Regional Investigations of Operational Issues

4.1 Actively participate in meetings that promote Continuous Improvement activities in Councils.

Comment: The Outreach Services program is, in part, about the continuous improvement of activities in Councils. Through the Regional Chief Executive Officer’s Committee Local Government reform is always on the agenda, particularly around continuous improvement and cutting red tape. Through the Engineering & Works Committee there are examples of regional procurement and sharing of services, which are about continuous improvement.

4.2 Continue to promote regional training opportunities to assist Councils to up-skill their workforce.

Comment: The Executive Officer has been assisting with this through better co-ordination of the type of training required, when it could be held and the most suitable location for training. Councils’ response has been excellent, highlighting the success of this effort.

4.3 Facilitate shared services investigations and discussions at either the regional or sub regional level, where appropriate.

Comment: The Executive Officer has, in the past, assisted in this area however it is pleasing to learn that Councils are now taking the lead and working in sub-groups whether for regional health planning, waste management or simply sharing human resources. The EPLGA/DPTI MOU is another example of State/Local Government shared services initiative.

4.4 Liaise with the LGA program managers to assist in linking funding opportunities to Council activities.

Comment: As an example of this working, funding has been gained for the Outreach Services ($50,000), Regional Capacity Building ($38,000+) and other funding is sought from the LGA Research and Development Fund on a needs basis. The Regional Capacity – Rubble Royalties funding is another great example of the success of this strategy. The region also offers itself to various pilot projects which often result in additional funding and resources addressing issues.
4.5 Review the EPLGA Charter.

Comment: Completed in December 2013.

4.6 Coordinate a regional or sub regional approach to road upgrades required for resource sector expansion.

Comment: A Mining Roundtable was held in October 2014 to assist with this type of planning. A report from the SA Centre for Economic Studies was part funded by the EPLGA and LGA to assist with these issues. A taskforce terms of reference was developed along with appointing a Coordinator to manage the process. The taskforce conducted 3 meeting during the 2016/17. It has gathered significant information and developed effective working relationships with mining companies, State Government, EPNRM, RDAWEP and other groups as required, to ensure it can now be more individual mining project and location focussed. The taskforce provides an annual report to the EPLGA and is reviewing its objectives for the 2017 year and beyond.

4.7 Review the methodology of preparing the Eyre Peninsula Road Strategy.

Comment: The Roads Strategy was re-worked in 2013. Following this a database has been developed to include all Eyre Peninsula roads with an inbuilt methodology prioritisation tool to provide improved road prioritisation. Further data was collected to finalise the database to allow better planning and prioritisation. The collection of data has been a difficult task however the EP Transport Strategy was completed in 2015 in relation to roads. There will need to be further refinement of the strategy as it is reviewed annually, with the next review due in 2018.

4.8 Prepare regional submissions to fund combined approaches to governance activities required of Councils, where agreed by Members.

Comment: Working Groups and shared services will lead to this occurring on a more regular basis.

5 Develop Ways to Directly Engage with Both State and Federal Governments to Assist in Regional Promotion

5.1 Include funding in the Annual Business Plan to allow deputation to both State and Federal parliaments on key issues that arise.

Comment: Funding included in the budget.

5.2 Liaise with other regional LGA and RDAs where combined lobbying best represents our interests.

Comment: The Executive Officer meets bi-monthly with other regional LGA’s Executive Officers to manage such issues as joint collaboration and lobbying. The Executive Officer is located in the RDAWEP Port Lincoln office facility and has an enterprising connection to RDAWEP lobbying efforts.

5.3 Seek opportunities to strengthen working relationships with the senior levels of State Government.

Comment: The Executive Officer has strong political connections, which are utilised when necessary.

6 Undertake a 2 year "Outreach Services" Pilot Program in partnership with the LGA of SA

6.1 Establish a funding agreement for $50k per year with the LGA of SA.

Comment: Established a pilot in July 2013, which concluded 30 June 2015. Following the completion of the pilot, the program has continued in all regional LGA’s, with $50,000pa funding from the LGA for each regional LGA. Currently the program is being reviewed by the LGA however funding has been secured for 2017/18.

6.2 Establish a work plan for the pilot program in consultation with member Councils and the LGA of SA.

Comment: Established as per 6.1 and reported against to EPLGA and LGA of SA on a half yearly basis and in accordance with the new agreement.
6.3 Prepare a case study of the pilot program for future reference.

Comment: Completed an independent evaluation.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

While the measurement of performance is a key component of planning, the nature of the workload for the Executive Officer has typically made KPI setting and measurement difficult. Much of the day-to-day operational activity remains reactive and in response to legislated and policy changes that routinely emerge. However, the following measurement may be an indication of performance for each year.

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<td>Actual: Zero complaints received.</td>
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<td>Number of members who are represented</td>
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EPLGA COMMITTEE AND TASKFORCE REPORTS


Nil report

Chief Executive Officer’s Committee:

Actions/Discussion/presentations from the meetings:
- Regional Training Plan negotiation between EPLGA Executive Officer and LGA Training.
- Barngala Native Title Claim and ILUA – legal representation and presentation to committee.
- Regional training requirements. Refer email from LGA Training – sent to CEOs on 17 Aug 2016.
- Development, Planning and Infrastructure Act 2016 – new legislation and ramifications for Councils and the planning reform opportunities.
- POMS and oyster industry – Cowell response.
- Western Councils collaboration – Joy Hentschke outlined the work being undertaken with a Waste Management Feasibility study, which was a collaborative project between the District Councils of Ceduna, Wudinna, Streaky Bay and Elliston.
- Quarry and borrow pit rehabilitation in South Australia November 2016 – response to guidelines.
- Ombudsman’s S270 Audit Report - response submitted.
- Regional Building Fire Safety Committees – administration options.
- Rail Interface Agreements development and negotiation.
- Shared Services Pilot with DPTI – working group and MOU development.
- Rubble Royalties – common regional wide signage around the HML’s on freight and commodity routes – effective use of funding.
- Roadside Native Vegetation Plan development in conjunction with Native Vegetation Unit and EPNRM.
- Night Time Movement of Agriculture Machinery pilot update and submissions.
- Asset Management – common software, sharing of expertise, sharing of templates, etc.
- Regional Risk Coordination – arrangements need to be made for a visitation by the Scheme to explain the future role of the RRC’s considering Sky Trust, etc.
- Tourism Regional Wide Approach – presentation and handouts from Brad Riddle, Tourism Development Manager, RDAWEP for future discussion and decisions by Councils.
- LGA Governance Panel Presentation - Andrea Malone.
- LGA Governance Review Presentation - Kathy Jarrett.
- LGA Benchmarking - Kathy Jarrett and Corinne Garrett from the LGA outline the project and interaction was sought on Councils’ involvements and obtaining consistency in the metrics and data comparisons.
- Regional tourism - further discussion required with RDAWEP around the tourism proposal put forward by Brad Riddle.
- Seek clarification from RDAWEP of its role in supporting Councils, e.g. funding applications etc. There is confusion amongst Councils on the actual role of RDAWEP in supporting individual Councils.
- EPLGA Sustainability - EPLGA subscription model requires workshopping in the future to acquire full justification for the model. Kathy Jarrett, LGA has offered assistance with workshopping a future model(s) for presentation to the EPLGA Board.
- Coastal Access Strategy – where to from here.
- Development Planning and Infrastructure Act – Joint Planning Board Pilot application.
- Energy supply and cost issues.
- Legislative compliance – working in collaboration to assist one another.
- Group procurement – Engineering & Works Committee efforts with plant and machinery group procurement were noted.
- Supplementary Roads Funding – indicators of amounts for individual Councils.
- Jetties’ agreements with State Government – what does the future hold, which will be raised through SAROC.
Engineering & Works Committee:

Actions/Discussion/ presentations from the meetings:

- Presentation - Mike Stephenson presented on various matters involving CWMS management and planning. The future of the LGA’s CWMS funding was discussed.
- CWMS submission to LGA - information on future needs was supplied by Member Councils to the EPLGA Executive Officer regarding infrastructure, including any possible new schemes and any upgrades required to meet new Department of Health or EPA requirements as per the CWMS Funding Agreement (should it continue), to enable preparation of a regional submission to be lodged with the LGA.
- Terms of Reference - review by the committee.
- EPLGA Board Budget: Rubble Royalties - pursuant to the directions of the EPLGA Board, the committee recommended the following projects be financed from the Rubble Royalties funding ($64,500):
  1. EP Transport Strategy – 2015 (review and updating) $15,000
  2. Regional Roadside Native Vegetation Plan $50,000
- Special Local Roads Program (SLRP) and Development of Industry Wide Standards/Guidelines. A number of issues have been experienced with SLRP projects in the current and in previous years. It was suggested that there needs to be a review of the way in which this program is delivered in the region. As a result the following recommendations were submitted to the CEOs’ Committee and the EPLGA Board by the Engineering & Works Committee:
  1. That projects submitted for regional SLRP funding are required to be developed to a ‘for construction’ state, and accompanied by adequate design and engineering detail (i.e. Austroads Guidelines – until Local Government sector-wide standards or guidelines are developed) and detailed cost estimate to clearly define the project deliverables.
  2. Consideration be given to the appointment of an independent person/company to review road funding applications and assess their suitability and to provide certification services for completed projects. Further, the costs for this assessment/certification are the EPLGA’s responsibility with the successfully funded Councils contributing 2.5% of their SLRP funding to the EPLGA to cover such costs.
  3. That the EPLGA Board supports the LGA R & D funding application to develop Road Construction and Maintenance Standards/Guidelines, which when completed should be:
    a. included in the EP Transport Strategy 2015;
    b. used on a Local Government industry wide basis; and
    c. used in assessing Special Local Roads Funding applications by the Local Government Transport Advisory Committee.
- DPTI and EP Councils Service Delivery Collaboration – pilot steering group established. The Engineering & Works Committee identified the following areas/functions as possible targets for the joint Service Delivery Collaboration pilot.
  1. Signage.
  2. Vegetation management.
  3. Line marking.
  4. Joint procurement.
  5. Supply of rubble.
  6. Local Government is able to consider anything other than sealing of highways.
- DPTI Marine Strategy - SA Boating Facilities Advisory Committee funding is to be contingent on a regional marine strategic plan being developed. DPTI is to supply criteria used for funding future projects, in both recreational and commercial sectors. A call was made for coastal Councils to submit any jetties work required to enable a coordinated approach can be made to this work, particularly where specialist equipment and expertise is required from outside the region.
- Road Rail Interface Agreements - all Councils amended their agreements to designate the maintenance boundary at 3m from the nearest rail line to coincide with the designated safe working boundary/protection boundary and returned to GWA.

- Native Vegetation: Roadside Management Plan - Russell Seaman from the Native Vegetation Unit presented to the CEOs’ Committee meeting in June 2016. He encouraged the Eyre Peninsula to develop 1 regional roadside native vegetation plan. The Engineering & Works Committee recommended that all 11 EPLGA member Councils work to produce an Eyre Peninsula Local Government roadside vegetation management plan (Level 1 RVMP), with assistance being sought from the Native Vegetation Unit in line with the rubble royalty funding. The recommendation to the EPLGA Board was approved.

- Night Travel for Agricultural Machinery - many Councils passed resolutions in relation to this matter however there is concern in the agricultural industry that the current standards for exemption are not adequate, i.e. 4m wide x 25m long. The Engineering & Works Committee advised the EPLGA Board that the following should occur in relation to the night travel exemptions for agricultural machinery:
  1. Acknowledge DPTI’s standard of 4m x 25m exemption from permits.
  2. Any Council (Road Manager) considering permitting machinery over the 4m x 25m standard to undertake night travel on its roads needs to undertake a detailed risk assessment of the route to protect Council (i.e. the permits may have specific conditions included).
  3. That the LGA Mutual Liability Scheme should be requested to provide opinion on the matter.

- Road Closure Advertisement Templates – the District Council of Kimba sought assistance with templates pertaining to road closure advertisements. Councils that had templates in place circularised them to other Councils.

- Grave Sites: Lifting of Slabs – the District Council of Kimba has a procedure in place, which was circularised to all Councils.

- MapInfo Training – the District Council of Ceduna circularised training information to other Councils.

- Rubble Royalties to land owners and relevant forms – the District Council of Ceduna circularised to all other Councils their consent form for opening/operating a rubble pit, which is to be signed off by the land owner.

- Access Conditions for Permit Vehicles on EP - the committee investigated the access conditions that apply to GML and HML permit vehicles travelling on the District Council roads of the EPLGA region and now have a consistent policy and access conditions in place for the whole of the region. The Committee recommended the following to the EPLGA Board, with conditions being as follows.
  1. Speeds of 70km – unsealed; 80km – sealed; and 40km – local.
  2. RAV operators are required to inspect all unsealed routes that have received greater than 15mm of rain in the preceding 24 hours to ensure that the pavement will not be damaged by the RAV operation.
  3. Operators may be liable for the cost of pavement repairs.

- Unsecure Loads on Council Vehicles – the District Council of Tumby Bay sought how other Councils were addressing the issue in relation to Council vehicles.

- Presentation: Office of Green Industries SA regarding the review and update of the Regional Waste Strategy.

- Presentation: Regional Roadside Native Vegetation Management Plan by Jonathan Clark, EPNRM Board.

- Presentation: Local Government Procurement - Liz Camp and Di Harris delivered a presentation on the benefits of utilising the LG Procurement.

- Recycling/ Mulching – seeking to have a cooperative and collaborative approach to regional mulching and scrap steel collection.
Rubble Royalties – it was recommended to the EPLGA Board that $35,350 needs to be allocated towards consistent signage around HML conditions in each Council area. Hence the importance of common conditions for HML across the region. All Councils were encouraged to have these conditions gazetted.

Grader Over Dimension Permits - information was shared.

Asset Management - discussions were held on what Councils were using for asset management in the way of software, asset assessment, etc. It was agreed that there is a strong need for a regional approach and common software where possible. This would enable sharing of templates and expertise amongst Councils and would also assist in overall regional planning for future funding, etc.

Power price increase and affects on budgets was discussed.

Snails - general discussion on the issues around increasing numbers of snails. Realistically it is not a Council matter, except where it affects Councils operations, e.g. airports.

Joint Contracts, e.g. resealing of roads - general discussion on the positives regarding this issue. DPTI also a contender for assistance in this area. Grant Drummond, DC Ceduna outlined his positive experiences in this area.

**EP Mineral & Energy Resources Community Development Taskforce:**

**Annual Report to the EPLGA Board** (as presented to and received by EPLGA Board at its 29 June 2017 meeting)

As required under the terms of reference for the taskforce as adopted by the EPLGA, the following report is presented to the EPLGA on the activities of the EP Mineral & Energy Resources Community Development Taskforce (taskforce) over the past 12 months.

The taskforce conducted 3 meetings during the financial year, which enabled the membership to hear presentations on current mining, industrial and energy issues from various industry and community groups. In addition it also provided the opportunity to ask questions and participate in active discussion with presenters and government representatives on various issues.

Meeting outcomes included deputations and submissions by the taskforce to:
- State Government Gary Burns enquiry into the September Black event.
- Iron Road mine and port development applications.
- Professor Alan Finkel, Chief Scientist, September Black Event.
- Review of the Mining Act.
- SA Multiple Land Use Framework (RDAWEP).

Minutes of all taskforce meetings together with some of the presentations have been made available on the EPLGA website.

It has been acknowledged by the taskforce members that the meetings have been an important and relevant forum for presenting regional issues to high level government department representatives, providing access to Ministers and keeping members informed of mining and energy developments and potential impacts on the region.

Feedback on the meetings from members and guests has been very positive. The taskforce has developed into a high level Eyre Peninsula regional, industry and State Government network.

Geoff Dodd
Taskforce Coordinator
The following is brief summation of the 3 meetings held this financial year.

**Meeting # 6 August 5th 2016**

**Venue:** Port Lincoln Racing Club  
**Time** 10.05am

**Present:**  
Rob Kerin - Chair  
Geoff Dodd - Coordinator  
Diana Laube - Presiding Member, EPNRM Board  
Peter Treloar - Member for Flinders  
Bryan Trigg - Ag Chair, RDA Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula  
Dr Ted Tyne - Executive Director, Mineral Resources, DSD  
Tony Irvine - EO, Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association  
Dion Dorward - CEO, RDA Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula  
Trevor Smith - CEO, DC Tumby Bay  
Jason Kuchel - CEO, South Australian Chamber for Mines and Energy  
Skana Gallery - Senior Policy Officer Economic Development, LGASA

**Invited Guests:**  
Aina Danis - Executive Assistant, RDAWEP  
Melissa Muller - Principal Policy Advisor, Resource Land Access Strategy Branch, DSD  
Renee Preece - External Affairs Adviser SA, BP Australia  
Terry Krieg - Community Advocate-Nuclear Industry  
Mark Mentha - Partner, KordaMentha  
Dean Johnson - Mayor, District Council of Kimba  
Dr John Parker - Managing Director, Lincoln Minerals  
Dwayne Povey - Chief Geologist, Lincoln Minerals  
Peter Scott - Economic Development Manager, RDAWEP  
Geoff Rayson - Senior Project Officer, Regions SA  
Jeanine Carruthers - Stakeholder Engagement Manager, RESA

**Presentations:**

Renee Preece, External Affairs Advisor, South Australia, BP Australia - updated the taskforce on the BP/Stat Oil exploratory drilling program in the Great Australian Bight.

Terry Krieg - community advocate for the nuclear industry.

Mark Mentha, Partner Korda Mentha - update on the Arrium Group of Companies and the future operations and activities for the Whyalla steel and mining industries.

Mayor Dean Johnson, District Council of Kimba - an overview of community consultation process and outcomes regarding the proposal for low level nuclear waste site near Kimba.

Dr John Parker, Managing Director, Lincoln Minerals - update on the Kookaburra Gully mineral lease application and project.

**Member presentations included:**

Skana Gallery, LGA of SA spoke on the community consultation protocols project and the development of a formal document.

Dr Ted Tyne, DSD, Director of Mines reported on relevant EP mining operations, the substantial increase in mining activity in South Australia and tabled the following documents with the taskforce:
- Mineral Exploration in South Australia – Commodity Highlights and Achievements 2015.
- MESA Journal.
- SA Mineral resources regulation report 2015.
Mining lease approval timing was also discussed in detail with Dr Tyne.

Jason Kuchel, SA Chamber of Mines and Energy (SACOME) reported on current energy options adding that nothing is available for next 5 years which is a huge issue for manufacturing industry in South Australia. SACOME is working on the matter with possible alternatives in the pipeline.

Dion Dorward, RDAWEP discussed the Iron Road project and updated members on the:
- partnership with China Rail; and
- mining lease approval process.

**Meeting # 7 – 7th October 2016**

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**Present:**
- Rob Kerin  Chair
- Geoff Dodd  Coordinator
- Diana Laube  Chair, EPNRM Board
- Bruce Green  Chair, EPLGA/Mayor, City of Port Lincoln
- Bryan Trigg  Acting Chair, RDA Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula
- Daniel Woodyatt  Director, Resource Land Access Strategy, DSD
- Peter Treloar  Member for Flinders
- Dion Dorward  CEO, RDA Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula
- Trevor Smith  CEO, DC Tumby Bay – EPLGA representative
- Nigel Long  Director, Policy and Community, SACOME
- Jeanine Carruthers  Stakeholder Engagement Manager, RESA
- Phil de Courcey  CEO, Resources and Engineering Skills Alliance
- Geoff Rayson  Senior Project Officer, Regions SA

**Invited Guests:**
- Brad Flaherty  BNJ Consultants
- Brian Foster  Premier’s Climate Change Council
- Graham Shardel  SA Police, Regional Acting ZEMC Chair
- Kevin Lawton  SA Police, Inspector
- Tim Scholz  Iron Road
- Ross Kassebaum  Eyre Peninsula Solar Citizens team
- Peter Scott  Economic Development Manager, RDAWEP
- Doug Schmidt  General Manager Network Management, SA Power Networks
- Sue Henriksen  RDAWEP [minute taker]

**Apologies:**
- Tony Irvine  EO, EPLGA
- Dr Ted Tyne  Executive Director, Mineral Resources, DSD
- Eddie Hughes  Member for Giles
- Electranet
- Mark Mentha  Partner, Korda Menta/Administrator, Arrium
- Mark Bolton  Area General Manager, Telstra
- Craig Nielsen  Energy Australia
- Don Hogben  DPTI
- Jason Kuchel  CEO, SACOME

Rob Kerin welcomed attendees and thanked them for coming at short notice. He pointed out that there are big issues on Eyre Peninsula due to the recent power outage, plus flow-ons including communications.

The purpose of the meeting was to better understand what happened, to explore possible solutions and to inform Government and other bodies as to why we need to fix the system.
The meeting focused on a summary of the power and communication outages and impacts on the EP Community.

A presentation was also made to the taskforce by Ross Kassebaum on a case study: Renewables Future for SA – Carbon-less energy Eyre Peninsula.

Items discussed included:
- Cathedral Rocks Wind Farm;
- generator at Port Lincoln;
- communications redundancy;
- AEMO preliminary report;
- lessons learnt;
- SAPOL response; and
- future options and opportunities.

Several actions to be undertaken from the meeting included including forwarding the Taskforce findings to:
- SA Premier and Ministers for Energy and Infrastructure;
- Federal Ministers for Energy and Regional Development;
- Dr Alan Finkel, Chief Scientist; and
- correspondence to Electranet regarding maintenance and infrastructure programs for Eyre Peninsula, along with an invitation to present to a future taskforce meeting.

A presentation and submission was subsequently made to the Ex-Police Commissioner Gary Burns’s enquiry into the State Government’s response to the crisis.

Meeting # 8 March 7th 2017

Venue: Port Lincoln Hotel
Time 10.05am

Present:
Rob Kerin   Chair
Geoff Dodd  Coordinator
Peter Treloar  Member for Flinders
Pru Freeman  Ag Executive Director, Mineral Tenements and Exploration Branch, DSD
Tony Irvine  EO, Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association [EPLGA]
Rebecca Knol  CEO, South Australian Chamber of Mines and Energy [SACOME]
Eleanor Scholz  Mayor, District Council of Elliston
Bruce Green  President, EPLGA
Phil de Courcey  CEO, Resources and Engineering Skills Alliance SA
Eddie Hughes  Member for Giles
Stephen Smith  Director Policy, Local Government Association of South Australia
Trevor Smith  CEO, DC Tumby Bay
Geoff Rayson  Senior Project Officer, Regions SA, PIRSA

Invited Guests:
Brad Flaherty  BNJ Consulting
Peter Scott  Economic Development Manager, RDAWEP
Aina Danis  Executive Assistant, RDAWEP [minute taker]
Dee Bourbon  External Affairs Chevron Australia
Nigel Long  Director Industry and Community, SACOME
Darren Niejalke  Sustainability Manager, Archer Exploration
Melinda Maher  Rail Operations Manager Bowmans Intermodal Pty Ltd
Brad Parker  Network Planning Manager, ElectraNet
Rainer Korte  Executive Manager, Asset Management ElectraNet
Haydon Manning  Associate Professor, School of Social and Political Studies Flinders University
Apologies:
Bryan Trigg, Chair, RDAWEP
Dion Dorward, CEO, RDAWEP
Diana Laube, Presiding Member, EPNRM Board
Dr Ted Tyne, Executive Director, Mineral Resources, DSD
Daniel Woodyatt, Director, Resource Land Access Strategy, DSD
Scott McKay, CEO, Bowmans Intermodal Pty Ltd

Presentations to the taskforce included:

Dee Bourbon, External Affairs Chevron Australia, Great Australian Bight Exploration update.

Darren Niejalke, Sustainability Manager, Archer Exploration, Campoona Graphite Mining Lease application.


Melinda Maher, Rail Operations Manager, Bowmans Intermodal Pty Ltd, Rail and Container project at Roopena Siding.

Associate Professor Haydon Manning, School of Social and Political Studies, Flinders University, current political decisions.

Phil de Courcey, CEO Resources and Engineering Skills Alliance, South Australia, Mining, Energy and Resources jobs and opportunities for South Australians.

Updates from members included:

Mayor Bruce Green, need for a power supply reference group on EP.

Peter Treloar commented on reference group and putting pressure on ESCOSA to undertake a more active role.

Pru Freeman update on Central Eyre Iron Project and on the Mining Act review.

Eddy Hughes presented update on Arrium sale of business in Whyalla.

Rebecca Knol spoke on development of a prospective buyer group representing manufacturing, retail and resources biding competitively for reliable, affordable power.

Peter Scott updated the taskforce on current alternative power solutions for South Australia that are being discussed.

Membership changes to the taskforce:

- SA Chamber of Mines and Energy, Jason Kuchel, CEO replaced by Rebecca Knol.
- RDA Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula, Jim Pollock Chairman replaced by Bryan Trigg.
- Department of State Development, Mineral Resources, Executive Director Dr Ted Tyne replaced by Daniel Woodyatt, Director, Resource Land Access Strategy, DSD.
- LGA of SA, Skana Gallery, Senior Policy Officer Economic Development replaced by Stephen Smith, Director Policy, LGA of SA.
USE OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The following audited statement indicates another year of solid financial performance.

9th August, 2017

Mr Tony Irvine,
Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association
89 Liverpool Street
PORT LINCOLN SA 5606

Dear Tony,

RE: AUDIT OF EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

We advise that we have now completed our Audit of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association for the year ended 30th June 2017 and enclose a copy of our Audit Opinion for your records.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report and therefore may not detect all points of weaknesses in systems and procedures which may exist.

Having completed the Audit we now make the following comments:

Internal Controls

It is our opinion that the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association has adequate internal controls. During the conduct of our audit we did not make any observations which would contradict this opinion.

Taxation & Superannuation Liabilities

During the conduct of our audit we observed that GST, PAYG Withholding and Superannuation are being paid in a timely manner and in accordance with legislative guidelines.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

[Name]
Gill Penfold Kelly Pty Ltd

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30TH JUNE 2017

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### STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2017

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#### TOTAL INCOME

| Total Income                        | 387,182    | 323,229    |

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#### TOTAL EXPENDITURE

| Total Expenditure                    | 370,345    | 321,155    |

#### NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

<p>| Surplus/Deficit                     | $ 16,837    | $ 2,074    |</p>
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# EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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<td>19,273</td>
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<td><strong>NET ASSETS</strong></td>
<td>125,853</td>
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Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2017

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared for use by Board and members of the association. The Board has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

2. The financial report has been prepared on historical cost basis and does not take into account changing money values or except where stated current valuations of non-current assets. The statements are prepared on an accruals basis.

3. Provision is made in respect of the association's liability for annual and long service leave at balance date. Long service leave is accrued from an employee's start date. Leave provision is based on current wages as at reporting date, and does not include on-costs.

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NOTE 2 - Grants Received

LGA of SA - Outreach Service...50,000...
LGA of SA - Regional Capacity...155,847...
LGA of SA - CWMS Users Group...
LGA of SA - Mining Taskforce...

$ 205,847 $ 53,273

NOTE 3 - Project Income - EP Councils

CWMS Users Group...
Emergency Management Planning...
Tourism Subscriptions...

$ 6,250 $ 97,969
NOTE 4 - Membership Fees
District Council of Ceduna 13,355 12,491
District Council of Cleve 11,769 11,108
District Council of Elliston 10,397 9,583
District Council of Franklin Harbour 10,531 9,748
District Council of Kimba 10,425 9,613
Wudinna District Council 10,579 9,732
District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula 16,016 15,547
District Council of Streaky Bay 12,141 11,443
District Council of Tumby Bay 12,469 11,739
City of Whyalla 33,863 32,197
City of Port Lincoln 25,756 24,386

$ 167,301 $ 157,587

NOTE 5 - Project Expenditure
Unspent Funds at 1 July (42,129) (94,084)
Climate Change Sector
Agreement - 12,500
Committee & Working Group Mtg 6,223 5,410
CWMS Users Group - 6,435
Emergency Management Planning 337 8,316
EP Integrated Climate Change Agreement Program 24,701 299
Mining Taskforce 40,446 25,959
Regional Native Vegetation Management Plan 50,000 -
Regional Roads Strategy - 34,015
Shared Services EBACC Project 119 -
Tourism Subscriptions - 76,094
Unspent Funds at 30 June 92,210 42,130

$ 171,907 $ 117,074
## EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

### NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2017

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### NOTE 6 - Cash at Bank

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<td>BankSA Society Cheque Account</td>
<td>51,734</td>
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<td>Bendigo Bank Term Deposit</td>
<td>155,369</td>
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<td>LGFA</td>
<td>125,482</td>
<td>71,855</td>
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<td>LGFA - Cores EP</td>
<td>9,064</td>
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Total Cash at Bank: $ 341,649 $ 268,403

### NOTE 7 - Sundry Creditors

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<td>PAYG Withheld</td>
<td>2,552</td>
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<td>Superannuation</td>
<td>1,203</td>
<td>1,185</td>
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Total Sundry Creditors: $ 3,755 $ 3,709

### NOTE 8 - Unspent Project Funds

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<td>Regional Capacity Building</td>
<td>62,081</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Cores - EP</td>
<td>9,064</td>
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<td>EP Integrated Climate Change</td>
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<tr>
<td>Agreement Program</td>
<td>12,500</td>
<td>24,702</td>
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<td>CWMS Group</td>
<td>8,565</td>
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Total Unspent Project Funds: $ 92,210 $ 42,130

### NOTE 9 - Prov'n for Long Service Leave

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<th>Organization</th>
<th>2017</th>
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<td>District Council of Tumby Bay</td>
<td>6,562</td>
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<td>Eyre Peninsula Local Govt. Assoc.</td>
<td>12,711</td>
<td>9,468</td>
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Total Prov'n for Long Service Leave: $ 19,273 $ 16,030
EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

BOARD CERTIFICATE

The Board have determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The Board of the association declares that:

1 the financial statements and notes present fairly the association's financial position as at 30th June 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements;

2 in the Board's opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board:

signed ........................................ .................................

position ........................................ .................................

Dated this ............... day of ............... 20....
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

To the members of Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association,

Report on the financial report

We have audited the accompanying financial reports, being a special purpose financial report, of Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, for the year ended 30th June 2017.

The responsibility of the members of the Board for the financial report

The members of the Board are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report are appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Board’s responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor’s responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian auditing standards. These auditing standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the members of Board, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the Board’s financial reporting responsibilities under the Local Government Act 1999. We
Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association

We do not assume any responsibility for reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Auditor's opinion

In our opinion the financial report of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association presents fairly the operations and financial position of the association for the year ended 30th June 2017.

Gill Penfold Kelly Pty Ltd

[Signature]

Gregory S Nicholls
9th August 2017
4 Tasman Terrace, Port Lincoln SA 5606