

Council Matters



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Council Meeting

11.00 am, Tuesday 10 June 2025

Information Briefing Session

9.30 am, Thursday 29 May 2025

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Assistance is Available for Residents Experiencing Financial Difficulty - Please reach out early!

Kangaroo Island Council recognises that many ratepayers are feeling the impact of rising living costs. If you're finding it difficult to pay your rates, please know that support is available. Council offers flexible payment arrangements and, in some cases, other forms of assistance as permitted under legislation.

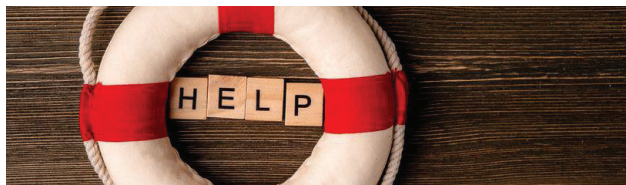
Hardship can be short-term or long-term, and may be caused by:

- Financial misfortune or sudden loss of income
- Serious illness or health impacts
- Natural disasters (e.g. drought)
- Other personal or family challenges

We're committed to treating all requests for assistance fairly, respectfully, and in confidence. Every situation is different, and we'll work with you to find a practical solution.

Contact our Customer Care Team on 08 8553 4500, email kicouncil@kicouncil.sa.gov.au, or visit www.kangarooisland.sa.gov.au to learn more or access a hardship application form.

Your wellbeing matters, and we're here to help.



COMMUNITY THANK YOU

Future of Memorials on Kangaroo Island - Community feedback now in!

Thank you to everyone who participated in Council's recent community survey on the future of memorials on Kangaroo Island.

The survey was open for three weeks and asked for feedback on current

memorial options, such as memorial seats and roadside tributes, and whether the community supports expanding or revising these options.

Key themes from the responses included:

- Strong support for expanding memorial types to include more natural and low-maintenance alternatives
- Interest in allowing a broader range of memorial locations
- A desire for clearer application processes and long-term care responsibilities
- Community focus on fairness in cost and preserving the Island's natural character

This feedback will help guide the next steps as Council reviews the Memorials Policy.

Council thanks everyone who contributed their thoughts and will continue to share updates as the review progresses.

COMMUNITY EVENT CALENDAR

Showcasing What's On - Community Event Calendar Refresh

We've given the Community Event Calendar a bit of a refresh to make it easier for locals to share their events and for the community to stay in the loop.

A new streamlined process is now in place to help manage event submissions. When an event is submitted via the website, it comes through to Council for review and approval within three business days.

To help us promote events in a timely way, submissions should be made at least seven days before the event date. Events need to be community-based, open to the public, and not political or commercial in nature.

If someone gets in touch at the front counter or by phone asking how to list their event, please direct them to the website to submit via the new form: www.kangarooisland.sa.gov.au/community/community-and-events/community-events

We'll also be promoting the calendar on Council's Facebook page each month to help spread the word and encourage community use.

Thanks for helping us shine a light on the great things happening across the Island!

ADVANCED NOTICE OF WORKS

Parndana Town Hall - Toilet Upgrade Works

Council will be carrying out important upgrade works to the toilets at the Parndana Town Hall from **Monday 19 May to Friday 24 May 2025**.

The upgrade includes removal of the existing toilets, floor grinding, installation of new vinyl flooring, and replacement of the toilet fixtures.

These improvements will significantly enhance the safety and amenity of the facilities.

During the upgrade period, the **toilets at the Town Hall will be unavailable**. Community members and hall users are advised to use the **alternate public toilets located at the Lions Playground on Jubilee Avenue**, with signage in place to assist.

Thank you for your understanding while we complete these works.

WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

Independence Point - Walkway Bridge Replacement Underway

Council is currently replacing the pedestrian footbridge at the end of the Independence Trail near Muston Road, American River. The bridge connects the trail's car park to the nearby shelter and plays an important role in providing access for walkers and visitors.

Safety barriers and cones have been installed, and alternative routes may be required during construction. Please follow all signage and take care in the area.

Works are expected to be completed by the end of this month. We appreciate your patience as we upgrade this section of the trail to improve access and safety.

Pedestrian Culvert Crossing Works Also in Progress

Separate works are also underway to improve culvert crossings along pedestrian paths. These upgrades will support better drainage and accessibility.

Pratts Road Re-sheeting

Council has commenced re-sheeting works on Pratts Road (between Stokes Bay Road and North Coast Road) as part of ongoing infrastructure improvements.

Works will include vegetation trimming, minor road realignment, stormwater upgrades and resurfacing.

Schedule: 28 April - 31 May 2025

Impacts may include:

- Temporary road closures (local traffic only)
- Speed restrictions
- Restricted access for large machinery
- Increased noise, dust and construction activity

We appreciate your patience during these important works.



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