



District Council of
ORROROO
CARRIETON

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District Council of Orroroo Carrieton

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1 INTRODUCTION

Section 12(4) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the **Act**) requires councils undertake a review of all aspects of its composition and the division (or potential division) of the council area into wards, as prescribed by the Minister every eight (8) years (the **relevant period**) by a notice published in the Government Gazette (the **Representation Review**).

The District Council of Orroroo Carrieton (the **Council**) completed its last review in November 2017.

A Representation Review must be conducted in accordance with sections 12, 26(1)(c) and 33 of the Act.

This Report sets out the Council's proposed elector representation and the process it has undertaken to reach its proposed adopted composition and structure.

1.1 Legislative Requirements

Pursuant to regulation 4 of the *Local Government (General Regulations) 2013*, the relevant period for the Council to undertake its Representation Review was determined by the Minister, by notice in the SA Government Gazette (the **Gazette**) on 9 July 2020, being the period from October 2024 to October 2025 (**Appendix 1**).

However, in addition to its 'in cycle' Review, changes to the Act have also resulted in the requirement for all councils to have an elected Mayor as the Principal Member, as well as the introduction of a 'cap' on the number of Elected Members a council may be comprised of.

Whilst the 'Member cap' under section 11A of the Act is not an issue for consideration for the Council, being comprised of six (6) Councillors, from which a Chairperson (called the Mayor) is elected from amongst the same, it is section 51 of the Act that now requires that the Council make changes to its current structure as part of this Representation Review.

Section 51 provides, in part, as follows:

- (1) *A council must be constituted on the basis that the principal member is to be appointed or elected as a representative of the area as a whole (in which case the principal member is to be called a mayor).*

The Council area is not currently divided into Wards.

This Report sets out the Council's proposed elector representation for this next period, as well as the process it has undertaken to reach its proposed composition and structure.

1.2 Matters to be Considered

In accordance with section 12(4) of the Act:

A review may relate to a specific aspect of the composition of the council, or of the Wards of the council, or may relate to those matters generally - but a council must ensure that all aspects of the composition of the council, and the issue of division or potential division, or the area of the Council into Wards, are comprehensively reviewed under this section at least once in each relevant period that is prescribed by the regulations.

At its meeting of 24 July 2024, the Council resolved to appoint Kelledy Jones Lawyers to assist it with its Review, being persons who, in the opinion of the Council, are qualified to address the representation and governance issues that may arise with respect to the matters under review (**Appendix 2**).

The Representation Review is required to consider the composition of the Council and the advantages and disadvantages of the options that are available for elector representation under the Act.

The key areas for consideration are:

- the number of Councillors, noting the section 51 requirements for the Mayor to now be elected as a representative of the area as a whole;
- whether the Council should have Wards, or maintain its 'no Ward' structure (and if it has Wards, the name of the Wards);
- how Councillors are elected, from Wards; across the whole of the Council area; or a combination of both;
- the name of the Council.

The Representation Review Report must also take into account the principles set out in section 26 of the Act, in particular:

- the resources available to local communities should be used as economically as possible while recognising the desirability of avoiding significant divisions within a community;
- a council should have a sufficient resource base to fulfil its functions fairly, effectively and efficiently;
- a council should offer its community a reasonable range of services delivered on an efficient, flexible, equitable and responsive basis;
- a council should facilitate effective planning and development within an area, and be constituted with respect to an area that can be promoted on a coherent basis;
- a council should be in a position to facilitate sustainable development, the protection of the environment and the integration of land use schemes;
- a council should reflect communities of interest of an economic, recreational, social, regional or other kind, and be consistent with community structures, values, expectations and aspirations;
- a council area should incorporate or promote an accessible centre (or centres) for local administration and services;
- the importance within the scheme of local government to ensure that local communities within large council areas can participate effectively in decisions about local matters;

- residents should receive adequate and fair representation within the local government system, while over-representation in comparison with councils of a similar size and type should be avoided.

The Representation Review Report must have regard to section 33 of the Act, being the considerations that must be taken into account, as far as practicable, if the Council proposes to introduce Ward representation. These include:

- the desirability of reflecting communities of interest of an economic, social, regional or other kind;
- the population of the area, and of each Ward affected or envisaged by the proposal;
- the topography of the area, and of each Ward affected or envisaged by the proposal;
- the feasibility of communication between electors affected by the proposal and their elected representatives;
- the nature of substantial demographic changes that may occur in the foreseeable future; and
- the need to ensure adequate and fair representation while at the same time avoiding over-representation in comparison to other councils of a similar size and type (at least in the longer term).

A proposal that relates to the formation or alteration of Wards must observe the principle that the number of electors represented by a Councillor must not, at the relevant date (assuming the proposal was in operation), vary from the Ward quota by more than 10% (+ or – across each Ward).

1.3 Representation Review Process

In undertaking this review, and in accordance with section 12 of the Act, the Council is required to:

- prepare a Representation Review Report, representing the Council's preferred composition and structure, to be adopted by the Council for public consultation purposes;
- undertake a minimum three-week public consultation on the Representation Review Report (the **public consultation**);
- review the submissions received during the public consultation process and, if submissions are received, include those submissions in the Representation Review Report;
- consider and adopt a representation structure, having regard to the submissions received during the public consultation processes;
- have prepared, and adopt, the Final Representation Review Report;

- submit the Final Representation Review Report to the ECSA, requesting a certificate of compliance; and
- on receipt of a certificate of compliance, publish a notice in the Gazette notifying of the future composition and structure of the Council, to come into effect on polling day for the November 2026 Local Government Periodic Elections.

2 ADOPTION OF PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTATION

The Council's last Representation Review was completed in November 2017, at which time it determined to not divide the Council area into Wards, to retain six (6) Councillors, and for the Chairperson (called the Mayor) to be elected from within by Members.

Whilst the Council resolved to engage Kelledy Jones Lawyers to assist with its Representation Review process in July 2024, it did not commence its Review process until a workshop held in October 2024.

At that workshop, in the nature of an Information and Briefing Session for the purposes of section 90A of the Act, Members received information regarding the Representation Review process, particularly with respect to the amendments around the changes to the election of the Principal Member.

Following feedback received from Members, a draft Review Report was prepared for the Council's consideration.

Pursuant to sections 12(6) and (7) of the Act, at its meeting of 22 January 2025, when the Council reached Agenda item 11.2 *Draft 2024/2025 Representation Review Report*, following is consideration of the same, the Council resolved to adopt the proposal set out in the draft Review Report for the purposes of the public consultation process.

A copy of the relevant page of the Minutes are **Appendix 3**.

A link to the Agenda report for item 11.2 can be found from page 37 as follows:

https://www.orraroo.sa.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0026/1742930/Council-Meeting-Agenda-22-January-2025-Public-Merged.pdf

As part of this Review, the Council proposes to **alter its existing structure and composition** as follows:

- the Mayor, to be elected as a representative of the area as a whole;
- to continue to not divide the Council area into Wards, and maintain its no Ward structure; and
- the Council, as an elected member body, is to be comprised of five (5) Councillors (plus the Mayor).

That is, to reduce its representation from six (6) Councillors (wherein the Chairperson was elected by the Members), to five (5) Councillors, with the Mayor to be elected as a representative of the area as a whole.

Under this proposal, and based on the current number of electors in the Council area, being 657¹, the elector representation quota will be 131 electors per Councillor.

As a result of recent amendments to the Representation Review process under the Act, the Council is required to undertake public consultation for the purposes of section 12(7) in accordance with section 50 of the Act (in addition to any further discretionary matters set out under the Council's *Public Consultation Policy*).

A copy of the Council's *Public Consultation Policy* is **Appendix 4**.

There is nothing under the Council's Public Consultation Policy that would otherwise displace (or operate to supplement) the provisions under section 50 of the Act.

3 CONSULTATION PROCESS AND OUTCOMES

As above, pursuant to sections 12 (6) and (7) of the Act, at Agenda item 11.2 at its meeting of 22 January 2025, when the Council reached the item in question, and following is consideration of the same, the Council resolved to adopt the proposal set out in the draft Review Report, for the purposes of the public consultation process.

In accordance with the Council's resolution and pursuant to section 12(7) of the Act, the public consultation on the Representation Review Report was commenced.

The consultation was initially notified by notice published in a local newspaper circulating in the Council area on 5 February 2025, the Plains Producer, with outcomes to be received by 21 February 2025.

The consultation was also notified on the Council's website www.orreroo.sa.gov.au

A copy of these public consultation notifications are **Appendix 5**.

Of course, section 50 of the Act requires that the consultation must at least provide for publication of a notice in a newspaper circulating with the area of the Council and on a website determined by the CEO, inviting interested persons to make a submission within a period, not being less than 21 days.

Once it was discovered that the deadlines for the January edition of the Plains Producer had been missed, specifying a consultation period of less than 21 days, the Council re published its consultation on this Review, with a further advertisement being placed in the Plains Producer on Wednesday 26 March 2025, inviting submissions to be received by 5pm on Thursday 24 April 2025 (being a period of 29 days) (**Appendix 6**).

The consultation on the draft Representation Review Report was left up on the Council's website over this period, that is, from 5 February 2025 until 24 April 2025.

In addition to these statutory publication requirements, the public consultation process also included:

- posts made to the Council's Facebook page, notifying of the availability of the Review Report and inviting interested persons to make a submission;

¹ *Statistics for Elector Representation Review 24 February 2025 ECSA.*

- a copy of the Representation Review Report was available to view at the Council's Civic Centre located at 17 Second Street, Orroroo SA 5431 as well as available for download from the Council's website.

In accordance with Section 12(7) of the Act, interested persons were invited over both processes to make a written submission to Council in respect to the draft Representation Review Report, and more specifically the composition and structure the Council proposes to introduce on polling day for the November 2026 Local Government Periodic Elections.

Submissions could be made via:

- completing the feedback form online at:
<https://www.orraroo.sa.gov.au/about-council/public-consultations>
- or by collecting a copy from a Customer Service office located at 17 Second Street, Orroroo SA 5431;

Submissions were to be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 3, Orroroo SA 5431 or emailed to council@orraroo.sa.gov.au

Further information regarding the Review could also be obtained by emailing council@orraroo.sa.gov.au.

Despite the Council giving effect to not only its statutory obligations on consultation, but also undertaking additional, discretionary processes, there were **no submissions** received on the consultation process.

4 REPRESENTATION AND COMPOSITION PROPOSAL

Based on the consultation outcomes, and having received, considered and adopted this Representation Review Report at its Meeting of Wednesday 28 May 2025, the Council now proposes as follows with respect to composition and structure on this Review:

- the name of the Council to remain unchanged;
- the Principal Member of Council is to be a Mayor, elected from the Council area as a whole;
- the Council area will not be divided into Wards; and
- the elected body of the Council will be comprised of five (5) Councillors (plus a Mayor).

As above, as the Council does not have Wards, it was not required to examine any realignment of Ward boundaries, to ensure Ward quotas remained within the statutory tolerances.

A copy of the extract of the Minutes from the meeting of 26 March 2025, evidencing its decision on Agenda item 11.5 is **Appendix 7**.

A link to the Agenda Report for item 11.5, received and considered by the Council in making this decision, can be accessed here from page 42:

https://www.orraroo.sa.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0022/1812703/Council-Meeting-Agenda-28-May-2025-Public-Merged.pdf

5 PROPOSAL RATIONALE

5.1 Council Name

The Council was formed when the District Council of Carrieton and the District Council of Orroroo merged in 1997.

The Council takes its name from the town of Orroroo, which was named by George Goyder in 1875, on the suggestion from C.J. Easter, an early settler in the region².

The meaning of 'Orroroo' is still disputed, with early claims that it derives from an indigenous Australian word for wind³ or was taken from the name of a nearby creek, *Orroroo*⁴.

Whilst section 12(2) of the Act provides that the Council may consider the alteration of its name as part of the Review process, the current name of the Council is an important part of its history.

The Elected Member body has indicated it is not contemplating a change to the name of Council at this time.

The name of the Council has no impact upon the provision of fair and adequate representation.

5.2 Composition

5.2.1 Number of Area or Ward Councillors

There are two (2) key factors the Council must consider in relation to the number of Councillors:

- whether the current number of Councillors, six (6), has an impact on decision making by the Council;
- whether the change to introduce a Mayor elected separately from the Council area as a whole, thereby reducing the number of Councillors to five (5), necessitates the addition of another Councillor to maintain the current representation; and
- ensuring adequate and fair representation, whilst avoiding overrepresentation in comparison to other councils of a similar size and characteristic.

The Council's proposal is to alter its composition to five (5) Councillors, and a Mayor elected from the Council area as a whole.

² Manning, Geoffrey Haydon (1990). Manning's Place Names of South Australia. Adelaide: G.H. Manning. OCLC 25016107; https://geoffmanning.info/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Mannings-Place-Names_-full-version-.pdf (pg. 634-635)

³ The Advertiser, 9 January 1903

⁴ The Advertiser, 15 August 1908

The Council's view is that this number is appropriate and will not detrimentally impact representation, nor does hinder the ability of the Council in its decision-making functions.

In relation to the consideration of adequate and fair representation, a table demonstrating a comparison of the Council quotas, with an amended composition of five (5) Councillors, against those similarly classified as Rural Councils for the purposes of the Australian Classification of Local Government framework, is contained in the below Table¹.

Table 1: Comparison of Proposed Elector Ratios⁵

Council	Area	Councillors	Electors	Ward Quota
Barunga West	1,528 km ²	9	2,088	232
Ceduna	5,247 km ²	8	2,345	293
Cleve	4,506 km ²	7	1,277	182
Elliston	6,500 km ²	8	760	95
Flinders Ranges	4,200 km ²	8	1,183	147
Franklin Harbour	3,300 km ²	6	968	161
Goyder	6,719km ²	7	3137	448
Karoonda East Murray	4,415 km ²	6	732	122
Kimba	3,986 km ²	7	735	105
Kingston	3,337 km ²	7	1,918	274
Mount Remarkable	3,422 km ²	7	2,157	308
Northern Areas	3,070km ²	9	3572	396
Orroroo Carrieton	3,300 km²	5	654	130
Peterborough	3,020 km ²	8	1,238	154
Robe	1,091 km ²	6	1,379	229
Southern Mallee	5,702 km ²	7	1,312	187
Streaky Bay	6,230 km ²	8	1,682	210
Wudinna	5,390 km ²	7	813	116

The Table demonstrates the Council's elector ratio is towards the lower-mid range in comparison to other councils. When taking into account the relative elector numbers, and

⁵ As at December 2024 when the comparisons were modelled.

the proposed decrease in member numbers, the Council's representation is not disproportionately skewed.

It is noted that with five (5) Councillors, the Council will be the smallest governing body amongst this cohort, however, there are a number of other councils in this grouping that will be required, equally, to consider their composition so that they have Mayor elected as a representative of the area as a whole (for example, the Regional Council of Goyder and the District Council of Munt Remarkable).

The Council's own experiences demonstrate that as an elected body:

- it has been able to make informed, transparent and accountable decisions effectively for the community;
- it provides appropriate, proportionate, representation for various interest groups/areas in the Council, having particular regard to the physical size of the Council; and
- each Councillor feels that their workload is appropriate and manageable.

The rationale for proposing to adopt a composition of five (5) Councillors as part of this Review, includes:

- the Council considers five (5) Councillors to be an appropriate number to provide:
 - appropriate elector representation for the different areas of the Council, taking into account the specific characteristics and demographics of the population of the Council area;
 - it provides for a diversity of skills, knowledge and life experiences amongst the elected member body; and
 - provides for different views points on matters to be raised and debated, to ensure all relevant considerations are taken into account in representing the interests of the community;
- this is a sufficient number to share the workload in giving effect to the Council's representation obligations, as well as the individual roles and responsibilities of Councillors; and
- the number is favourable when compared against similar councils in South Australia. That is, it could not be said that the electors in the Council area are under, or over, represented, when compared to other councils of a similar size and composition (refer **Table 1**).

The feedback from the Council and an analysis of the data, demonstrates that five (5) Councillors, with a total elected member group of six (6) (including the Mayor), is both a reasonable and suitable number to ensure that each Member can carry out their role in accordance with section 59 of the Act, including that Members:

represent the interests of residents and ratepayers, to provide community leadership and guidance and to facilitate communication between the community and the council.

5.3 Ward Structure

5.3.1 Wards or No Wards

The Council area is not currently divided into Wards.

‘Ward’ is the name given to an electoral division within a council area in South Australia. Wards exist solely for electoral purposes and are similar in concept to electorates in the Australian and South Australian Parliaments.

As part of its Review process, the Council is also required to consider whether it retains its existing Ward Structure (and if so, how many Wards) or whether it abolished Wards.

The issue of whether a council is divided into Wards will also impact on the number and manner in which Councillors can be elected, including:

- whether elected from within Wards as Ward Councillors;
- across the whole Council area as Councillors; or
- a combination of Ward Councillors and Councillors.

Despite popular opinion to the contrary, there is no difference in the roles and responsibilities of Members elected as Ward Councillor *vis a vis* those elected as Councillors, save for, Ward Councillors are generally thought to have specific expertise and experience in their particular Ward and are considered to be representative of the electors, residents and ratepayers in that Ward.

However, there is no impediment to a Member of the community approaching another Councillor, from outside of their Ward and a member does not need to live in the Ward of which they may be Ward Councillor.

The Council proposes **to continue with its current structure of no Wards, but to reduce the number of Councillors by one (1), to five (5) Councillors, each to be elected from within the Council area as a whole.**

In making this decision, the Council has considered the arguments in favour of the options available to it.

The Council acknowledges the factors that support the introduction of a Ward structure, including that:

- Ward Councillors may provide enhanced representation for specific Council areas, including smaller communities, communities of interest and those communities that may need additional assistance;
- Councillors may be said to have better local knowledge of their Ward area and understanding of local issues;

- reduces concerns that 'at large' elections do not guarantee that Councillors will have any empathy for, or affiliation with, all communities within the Council area, or be a representative of the same;
- more prominent or popular Councillors, or those perceived to have more 'power' or 'control', are not disproportionately called upon more frequently by community members, ensuring equity in demands on time and resources;
- Councillors having a smaller area to manage an appropriate workload;
- ensures more effective representation of all areas across the Council and reduces the risk of lack of representation in some areas and over representation in others;
- ensures Councillors do not all come from one area and reduces the risk of dominance by factional groups or 'stacking' of the Council;
- keeps costs of campaigning for candidates lower, as they only need to campaign within their Ward area. This is particularly relevant given the geographical and population size of the Council;
- face to face communication between Councillors and electors, residents and ratepayers can be facilitated more easily; and
- the cost of Supplementary elections is lower for a Ward than across the whole Council area.

However, the Council's preference is to continue with its current structure of no Wards, and in so determining, is persuaded that such a structure:

- affords electors the opportunity to elect more than a restricted number of nominal representatives from within a Ward (for example, from two (2) for each Ward);
- it gives electors the opportunity to vote for any candidate at an election, and judge the performance of all candidates (not just the candidates in their Ward, and noting a Ward Councillor is not required to live in the Ward);
- Councillors can be challenged to find the right balance between corporate governance duties and their representative role, with the desire to make decisions in the best interests of their Ward sometimes seen to outweigh the requirements to make decisions in the interests of the community as a whole;
- potential reduction in electoral accountability, where periodic elections are required for all Wards of a Council area, with the result that sometimes, incumbent members in some Wards are returned unopposed;
- the lines of communication between the Council and the community may be enhanced, given that members of the community can consult with all Members of the Council, rather than feel obliged to consult with specific Ward Councillors;

- such a structure automatically ‘absorbs’ any fluctuations in elector numbers and adjusts the elector ratio accordingly. That is, specified quota tolerance limits do not apply, and the Council is not required to adjust its Ward boundaries as part of any subsequent Representation Review, particularly noting proposed development in the area over the next few years and an existing Boundary Reform process, the outcome of which is currently unknown;
- avoids the potential for ‘factionalism’ in the Council area, across Ward boundaries; and
- if the Council has adopted a Policy it can carry a casual vacancy and avoid the cost of a Supplementary Election.

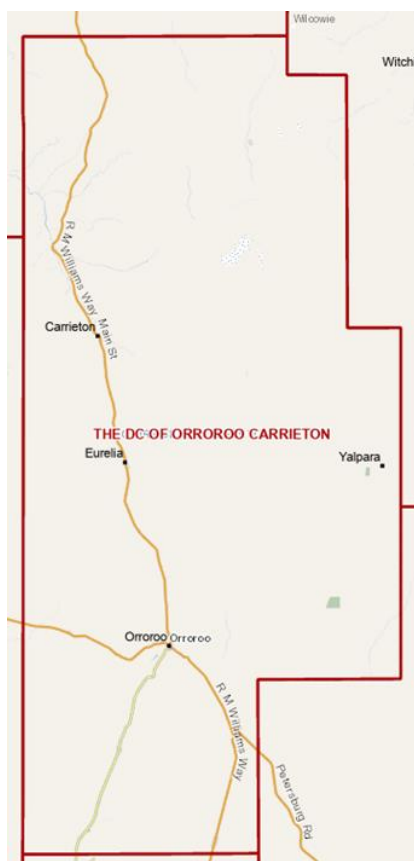
For these reasons, continuing with the current structure of no Wards is the preferred option for the Council at this time.

5.3.2 Ward Representation and Quotas

The elector ratio is the average number of electors represented by each Councillor, who represent Wards. The Mayor is not included in these calculations.

Where a Council does not propose a Ward structure, it is not required to observe the principle outlined in section 33(2) of the Act, where the number of electors represented by each Councillor must not vary from the Ward quota (+/- 10%).

A copy of the existing Council map is depicted here at **Figure 1**



The Table below demonstrates the Council's current elector statistics, including the ratio of representatives to electors, being 1:109.

Table 2: Elector Statistics⁶

Statistics for Elector Representation Review



050 District Council of Orroroo Carrieton

Mayor/Chairperson: C

Area Councillors: 0

Ward Code	Ward Name	HA Electors	Council Voters Roll	Total	No. of Rep	Quota	% Difference
1	Orroroo Carrieton	651	6	657	6	109	0.00%
Total:		651	6	657	6	Average: 109	

Last Review: 28-11-2017

Next Review: 01-10-2024

The Council's proposed composition, of five (5) Councillors and a Mayor, to be elected from the Council area as a whole, do not materially change the quota, as below:

Table 3: Elector Statistics with Proposed Representation Composition

Council	Councillors	Electors	Average Elector Ratio
Orroroo Carrieton	5	651	130

Having considered the relevant arguments as required under the Act, as the Council does not propose to divide the Council area into Wards, it does not need to have regard to Ward Quota tolerances and is not required to consider Ward boundaries to ensure compliance for the purposes of section 33 of the Act.

6 LEGISLATIVE PRINCIPLES TO BE CONSIDERED

In arriving at the abovementioned position, there are a number of legislative requirements that are required to be taken into consideration, when determining the Council's composition as part of its Review, including the Principal Member changes and the objectives contained at section 26(1)(c) of the Act and the considerations provided under section 33 of the Act.

6.1 Section 51 of the Act

As addressed above, section 51 of the Act requires that the Principal Member of a council must now be elected as a representative of the area as a whole (rather than elected from the body of the council).

The effect of regulation 11A of the *Local Government (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2021* is that those councils currently constituted on the basis that the Principal Member is chosen amongst themselves, must conduct a 'transitional' review of its composition to ensure compliance with section 51 of the Act.

⁶ Statistics for Elector Representation Review February 2025 ECSA

However, as the Council is also required to conduct an 'in cycle' review, that issue can be determined at part of this Review process.

6.2 Section 12(6) of the Act

The Council is also required under section 12(6)(a) of the Act to address whether the number of Members should be reduced and whether the Council's area should continue to be divided into Wards or not.

Section 11A of the Act has introduced a Member cap for councils. The Council's composition is within the Member cap. It is not required to refer its Review Report to the ECSA requesting an exemption certificate.

The Council has determined that reducing the current structure by one (1) Councillor, in accommodating the requirement to have a Mayor elected by the area as a whole, will not result in a reduction of representation for electors.

In light of the future population, demographic and development projections, outlined in the following section to this Report, the Council considers this composition is reasonable and appropriate and will not have a detrimental impact on the Council's ability to meet its future community obligations.

The Council is also of the strong view that its current no Ward structure also appropriately represents the diverse communities within the Council area. The Council's diversity is not only limited to its community members, but also extends throughout its expansive, regional topography.

As set out above, in determining to retain its current structure of no Wards, the Council is not required to consider section 33(2) of the Act, which establishes the principle that the number of electors represented by a Councillor must not vary from the Ward quota by more than 10 per cent.

The following factors have also been taken into account by the Council in determining its proposed composition and structure as part of this Review.

6.2.1 Population and Projections

The Australian Bureau of Statistics, as well as the Department for Infrastructure and Transport prepare population projections for South Australia, with the estimated population projections for the Council area are as follows:

- 2024 – 889⁷;
- 2026 – 912 (+23)⁸

⁷ Australian Bureau of Statistics

⁸ Department for Infrastructure and Transport, Local Government Area Projections 2011 – 2036, released December 2019

- 2031 – 906 (-6)⁹; and
- 2036 – 897 (-9)¹⁰.

Population projections must be cautiously considered, based on the date the data was collected, and applying assumptions about future fertility, mortality and migration. This population data should also be interpreted having regard to the Council's own knowledge about its area, as well as anticipated population changes.

However, it is noted there are no significant changes in population for the Council area in the projections, supporting its proposal to reduce the number of Councillors to five (5).

6.2.2 Demographic Trends

Equally, demographic trends have been considered, together with the potential for these trends to impact on the population of the Council area.

Data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics demonstrates that the Council has experienced slight increases in both the size and diversity of its population.

The below **Table 4** sets out the pattern of internal and overseas migration within the Council population over the past five (5) years. It demonstrates consistent, although slight (to be considered together with the remoteness of the Council area), annual net increase in overseas migrants settling into the Council area, with a slight increase in internal migration in the past 24 months following several years of net decreases.

Table 4: Internal and Overseas Migration Figures

Description	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Internal arrivals	40	35	41	35	41	35
Internal departures	75	43	41	46	31	32
Net internal migration	-35	-8	-	-11	10	3
Overseas arrivals	1	1	1	-	1	2
Overseas departures	-	-	1	-	-	1
Net overseas migration	1	1	-	-	1	1

The data demonstrates that around 6% of the community was born overseas. That is, there is not a significant level of diversity within the Council area, nor external or internal migration, again supporting the Council's decision to reduce its number by one (1).

⁹ as above

¹⁰ as above

6.2.3 Communities of Interest

Communities of interest are also factors relevant to the physical, economic and social environment, and include consideration and analysis of:

- neighbourhood communities;
- history/heritage of the Council area and communities;
- sporting facilities;
- community support services;
- recreation and leisure services and centres;
- retail and shopping centres;
- industrial and economic development; and
- environmental and geographic areas of interest.

Local knowledge is always the best tool to identify and determine communities of interest, along with development characteristics of the Council area.

Members are of the view that its proposed composition and structure will adequately serve such communities.

6.2.4 Topography

The Council is located in the Southern Flinders Ranges, bordered by the District Council of Mount Remarkable to the west, the Flinders Ranges Council to the north, the Northern Areas Council to the South and the District Council of Peterborough to the east.

It is comprised of 16 localities, namely, Belton, Black Rock, Carrieton, Coomooroo, Erskine, Eurelia, Johnburgh, Minburra, Morchard, Orroroo, Pekina, Tarcowie, Walloway, Yalpara, Yanyarrie and Yatina.

The Council has an estimated population of approximately 889 in an area of 3,300 km²¹¹ making it one of the larger councils geographically of the comparison councils (**Table 1**), with one of the smallest populations.

The Council area is large and the district changes from rolling hills and valleys in the southern area, to sweeping plains in the north eastern part, bordered by the ranges preceding the Flinders Ranges. The topography and size of the Council, together with its small population, presents a challenge for elector representation but is not considered to be significantly prohibitive by Members in meeting the representation demands of the community, and mitigates against the creation of Wards, to avoid 'fracturing' the Council area.

6.2.5 Communication

The Council considers the retention of the existing level of representation will continue to provide adequate and proven lines of communication between the Elected Member body of the Council and the community.

¹¹ Australian Bureau of Statistics, Estimated Resident Population at 2024

6.2.6 Adequate and Fair Representation

For the reasons set out in this Report, the Council is confident that its proposed representation composition and structure will continue to:

- provide an adequate number of Councillors to manage and meet the demands of its community and give effect to its representative role under the Act;
- provide an appropriate level of elector representation for local areas;
- maintain desired diversity in the skill set, experience and expertise of the Elected Member body; and
- ensure adequate lines of communication between the community and the Council.

6.3 Section 26 of the Act

Section 26(1)(c) of the Act also requires that the council take into account a number of broader principles as part of the Review process, including:

- the desirability of avoiding significant divisions within the community;
- proposed changes should, wherever practicable, benefit ratepayers;
- a council having a sufficient resource base to fulfil its functions fairly, effectively and efficiently;
- a council should offer its community a reasonable range of services delivered efficiently, flexibly, equitably and on a responsive basis;
- a council should reflect communities of interest of an economic, recreational, social, regional or other kind, and be consistent with community structures, values, expectations and aspirations;
- ensure that local communities can participate effectively in decisions about local matters; and
- residents should receive adequate and fair representation within the local government system, while over-representation in comparison with councils of a similar size and type should be avoided (at least in the longer term).

In determining its proposed composition and structure, the Council has, demonstrably, taken into account these principles specifically in:

- avoiding division within the community by maintaining its no ward structure;
- benefiting ratepayers with the reduction of Members, by one (1) which constitutes a saving for the Council (and, hence, its ratepayers) way of allowances and support;
- ensuring there are a sufficient number of Councillors to undertake their representative roles fairly, effectively and efficiently;
- little to no detrimental impact upon ratepayers and/or existing communities of interest;
- continuing to provide adequate and fair representation to all electors;
- ensuring that communities, through its elected representation, can participate in decision making; and

- the proposal compares favourably with the composition and elector ratios of other Councils of a similar size (in terms of elector numbers) and characteristics.

7 CONCLUSION

This Representation Review Report has been prepared to:

- provide information to the ECSA on the process undertaken by the Council in conducting its Representation Review;
- sets out the rationale for selecting the proposed composition and structure;
- sets out the outcomes of the public consultation process; and
- to submit to the ECSA for certification.

7.1 Preferred Composition and Structure

Based on the consultation outcomes, the Council proposes as follows with respect to composition and structure on this Review:

- the name of the Council to remain unchanged;
- the Principal Member of Council is to be a Mayor, elected from the Council area as a whole;
- the Council area will not be divided into Wards; and
- the elected body of the Council will be comprised of five (5) Councillors (plus a Mayor).

As above, as the Council does not have Wards, it was not required to examine any realignment of Ward boundaries, to ensure Ward quotas remained within the statutory tolerances.

7.2 Referral

This Report is now referred to the ECSA under section 12(11) and (12) of the Act for certification.

KELLEDY JONES LAWYERS

11 June 2025

APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1999
NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF RELEVANT PERIOD
Review of Council Compositions and Wards

Pursuant to section 12(4) of the *Local Government Act 1999* and Regulation 4 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2013*, I, Stephan Karl Knoll, Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Government in the state of South Australia, hereby revoke the Notice of Determination of Relevant Period published in the *Government Gazette* on 1 August 2019, pages 2883 to 2885 (inclusive) and determine the relevant period for the next review of council compositions and wards, to be the date as contained in the table listed hereunder.

Council	Last Review	Next Review Period
Adelaide	19/11/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Adelaide Plains	26/11/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Alexandrina	26/11/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Burnside	8/01/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Charles Sturt	5/09/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Coorong	18/09/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Flinders Ranges Council	14/05/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Goyder	16/08/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Light	14/11/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Marion	27/11/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Mid Murray	05/11/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Mitcham	12/11/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Mount Remarkable	29/11/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Murray Bridge	8/07/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Robe	18/09/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Unley	19/08/2013	June 2020–October 2021
Elliston	14/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Franklin Harbour	9/07/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Gawler	26/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Holdfast Bay	5/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Mount Barker	26/08/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Port Pirie	05/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Prospect	28/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Streaky Bay	28/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Tatiara	05/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Tumby Bay	12/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Wakefield Regional	26/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Wattle Range	26/08/2013	October 2020–October 2021
West Torrens	06/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Wudinna	26/08/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Yorke Peninsula	19/11/2013	October 2020–October 2021
Adelaide Hills	30/11/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Barossa	1/05/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Berri Barmera	29/06/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Campbelltown	1/05/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Clare & Gilbert Valleys	7/07/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Grant	8/05/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Kangaroo Island	14/02/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Kimba	5/06/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Mount Gambier	1/05/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Northern Areas	21/08/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Norwood, Paynham & St Peters	31/08/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Onkaparinga	7/12/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Playford	16/10/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Port Adelaide Enfield	3/07/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Port Lincoln	6/04/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Salisbury	21/11/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Southern Mallee	1/06/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Victor Harbor	27/07/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Yankalilla	27/07/2017	April 2024–April 2025
Barunga West	31/07/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Ceduna	5/10/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Cleve	26/10/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Coober Pedy	21/11/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Copper Coast	3/10/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Karoonda East Murray	6/11/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Kingston	4/09/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Lower Eyre Peninsula	26/10/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Loxton Waikerie	31/07/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Naracoorte Lucindale	4/09/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Orroroo Carrieton	6/11/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Peterborough	15/12/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Port Augusta	3/10/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Renmark Paringa	3/10/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Tea Tree Gully	28/11/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Walkerville	26/10/2017	October 2024–October 2025
Whyalla	21/11/2017	October 2024–October 2025

Dated: 7 July 2020

HON STEPHAN KNOLL MP
Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Government
Minister for Planning

APPENDIX 2

10. ENGINEERING AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 2023/2024 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRESS REPORT & 2024/25 RESHEETING PROGRAM DRAFT

MOTION: (003/0724)

That the capital works progress report for the period ending 30th June 2024 be received and noted.

Cr Goehring / Cr Bowman **CARRIED**

10.2 GENERAL WORKS REPORT – 30th JUNE 2024

MOTION: (004/0724)

That the general works report for the period ending 30th June 2024 be received and noted.

Cr Ford / Cr Goehring **CARRIED**

10.3 WORKS REQUEST REPORT 30 JUNE 2024 & PRIVATE WORKS REPORT APRIL TO JUNE 2024

MOTION: (005/0724)

That the Works Request report for the period ending 30th June 2024 and the Private Works Report 1st April to 30th June 2024 be received and noted.

Cr Bowman / Cr Goehring **CARRIED**

11. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

11.1 RESOLUTION STATUS REPORT

MOTION: (006/0724)

That the updated Resolution Status Report be received and noted.

Cr Ford / Cr Goehring **CARRIED**

11.2 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION CIRCULARS

REPORT AND LGA CIRCULARS PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION

11.3 2024 INTERIM REVIEW OF MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM REMUNERATION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

MOTION: (007/0724)

That the CEO Remuneration Tribunal Report be received and noted.

Cr Bowman / Cr Ford **CARRIED**

11.4 REPRESENTATION REVIEW 2024

MOTION: (008/0724)

That Council note and receives the report on the Representation Review 2024; and

That Council appoint Kelledy Jones Lawyers to undertake the Representation Review.

Cr Ford / Cr Parkyn **CARRIED**

APPENDIX 3

10.3 WORKS REQUEST REPORT 31ST DECEMBER 2024 & PRIVATE WORKS OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2024

MOTION: (005/0125)

That the Works Request report for the period ending 31st December 2024 and the Private Works Report for the period October to December 2024 be received and noted.

Cr Ford / Cr Goehring **CARRIED**

11. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

11.1 PARATOO SOUTH ROAD LAND DIVISION – UPDATE REPORT

MOTION: (006/0125)

That Council:

1. Notes the update report.
2. Authorise the CEO to proceed to seek legal advice to best manage (by way of Land Management Agreement, encumbrance or such other legal instrument) the following aspects of the individual sites created relative development occurring:
 - a. Future land owner's requirement to have substantially completed the construction of a dwelling on each site within 5 years of purchasing the property.
 - b. Domestic outbuildings constructed on each residential site created are not to be used for human habitation.
 - c. Fencing, general appearance and maintenance of properties.
3. Request that a further update report be presented to Council at its March 2025 meeting.

Cr Bowman / Cr Ford **CARRIED**

11.2 DRAFT 2024/2025 REPRESENTATION REVIEW REPORT

MOTION: (007/0125)

That Council endorse the Draft Representation Review Report provided as an attachment to this Agenda Report for the purposes of community consultation as guided by the consultation plan set out in the Draft Representation Review Report.

Cr Parkyn / Cr Goehring **CARRIED**

11.3 AED GRANTS PROGRAM

MOTION: (008/0125)

That the report be noted.

Cr Ford / Cr Goehring **CARRIED**

11.4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION CIRCULARS

REPORT AND LGA CIRCULARS PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION

11.5 RESOLUTION STATUS REPORT

MOTION: (009/0125)

That the updated Resolution Status Report be received and noted.

Cr Bowman / Cr Goehring **CARRIED**

APPENDIX 4



District Council of
ORROROO
CARRIETON

Public Consultation Policy

Version 5.0

Public Consultation Policy

Strategic Reference	
File reference	LG_024
Responsibility	Chief Executive Officer
Revision Number	5.0
Effective date	8/5/2020
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Minutes reference	009/0114 009/0616 MB Page 290 SC001/0520 MB Page 848
Next review date	May 2022
Applicable Legislation	Local Government Act 1999 s50 Local Government Act 1999 s302B Public Access and Public Consultation Notice (No 2) 2020
Related Policies	
Related Procedures	

Introduction

The District Council of Orroroo Carrieton ("the Council") is committed to open, accountable and responsive decision making, which is informed by effective communication and consultation between the Council and the community.

In carrying out a consultation process, the Council applies the following principles:

- members of the community have a right to be informed about issues affecting their area and their lives, and to be involved in the Council's decision making processes about these matters;
- the Council recognises that the level of consultation with the community will vary depending on community interest in the issue, the number of people potentially affected, and the legislative requirements for consultation set out in the Act for specific matters. The Council's level of consultation will reflect this;
- community involvement in Council decision making will result in greater confidence in the Council and responsive decision making;
- Council decision making will be open, transparent and accountable.

Policy Objective

The purpose of this Policy is to promote positive interactions between the Council and the community, and to ensure that the Council meets its legislative obligations with regards to public consultation. This will be achieved by:

- using appropriate and cost effective methods which are relevant to the specific circumstances of each consultation topic;
- informing and involving the local community, key stakeholders and interested parties in the public consultation process;
- using feedback received to enhance decision making processes.

Scope

This Policy will apply as required by section 50 of the *Local Government Act 1999* ("the Act").

This Policy applies to Council Members sitting as the elected body and Council employees, as well as contractors, agents and consultants acting on behalf of the Council.

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for:

- the implementation of the Public Consultation Policy;
- reporting the outcomes of a public consultation process to the Council; and
- reporting on the review and evaluation of the Policy as required.

The Council has delegated responsibility to the Chief Executive Officer to determine the method of Public Consultation required for each circumstance, by reference to the requirements specified under the Act.

In accordance with the Act, the Council may, from time to time, alter this Policy or substitute a new policy. Where significant changes to the Policy are proposed, the Council must submit the proposal to a public consultation process.

Policy Statement

The preparation and adoption of this Policy fulfils the Council's obligations under section 50 of the Act .

The Act requires the Council to consult in accordance with its Public Consultation Policy with regards to certain matters, and provides a discretion to consult for the purposes of other matters.

Section 50(2) of the Act relevantly provides that:

- the Council **must** set out the steps that the Council will follow in cases where the Act requires consultation on a matter; and
- the Council **may** set out the steps that the Council will follow in other cases involving the Council's decision-making.

Public Health Emergency: Public Access and Public Consultation

On 15 March 2020, the Chief Executive of the Department for Health and Wellbeing in the State of South Australia, pursuant to section 87 of the *South Australian Public Health Act 2011*, declared that an emergency which threatens to cause the death of, or injury or other damage to the health of any person is occurring or about to occur in relation to the transmission of COVID-19, and declared the emergency to be a public health emergency.

On 22 March 2020, the State Co-ordinator for the State of South Australia declared, pursuant to section 23 of the *Emergency Management Act 2004*, that a Major Emergency is occurring in respect of the outbreak of the Human Disease named COVID-19 within South Australia.

On 8 April 2020 the Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Government issued a notice pursuant to section 302B of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the *Public Access and Public Consultation Notice (No 2) 2020 (Notice No 2)* varying or suspending the operation of the specified provisions of the *Local Government Act 1999* as set out in Schedule 1 to Notice No 2. Notice No 2 commenced operation on 8 April 2020.

For the period Notice No 2 has effect (as provided for in Notice No 2), this Public Consultation Policy is altered as set out below and those alterations have effect notwithstanding any other provision in this Policy to the contrary.

For the avoidance of doubt, save for the alterations to the Policy as set out below, the Policy otherwise applies to public consultation undertaken by the Council for the purposes of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

Procedure

Where it is required to follow its Public Consultation Policy under the Act, the Council has the following obligations. The Council must:

- provide interested persons with a reasonable opportunity to make a submission regarding relevant matters;
- publish a notice in a newspaper circulating in the area and on the Council's website, describing the matter under consideration and inviting interested persons to make submissions within the period stated in the notice (which must be at least 21 days); and
- must consider any submission received from the public during the prescribed consultation period.

Other sections of the Act refer to consultation requirements, and in some instances set out what the Council must do in specified circumstances. See **Specified consultation requirements** below.

Alterations to Public Consultation Policy

A. Definitions

For the purposes of these alterations **the Council** includes an officer or employee of the Council acting within the scope of that person's ordinary functions and duties except in circumstances where these alterations expressly require a matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council.

B. Statutory Requirement to Hold Public Meetings Suspended

The Council will not publish a notice in a newspaper circulating in the area of the Council inviting interested persons to attend a public meeting or meeting of the Council in relation to any matter within the scope of Sections 123, 151 or 156 of the *Local Government Act 1999* for which public consultation is required under the *Local Government Act 1999*. The Council will not hold such a public meeting or invite persons to attend a meeting of the Council to ask questions or make submissions on the matter.

The Council will publish a notice in a newspaper circulating in the area of the Council inviting interested persons to make written submissions within the period stated in the notice (which will not be less than 21 days after the publication of the notice) in relation any matter within the scope of Sections 123, 151 or 156 of the *Local Government Act 1999* for which public consultation is required under the *Local Government Act 1999*. The Council will consider the submissions at a meeting of the Council.

C. Other Requirement to Hold Public Meeting Suspended

The Council will not hold a public meeting in relation to any matter for which the *Local Government Act 1999* requires the Council to follow the steps set out in its public consultation policy.

The Council will not hold a public meeting in relation to any matter for which this Policy would, but for this provision, require the Council to hold a public meeting.

To the extent this Policy would otherwise require the Council to hold a public meeting in relation to a matter, the Council will instead publish a notice on its website or in a newspaper circulating in the area of the Council inviting interested persons to make written submissions in relation to any matter within the period stated in the notice (which will not be less than 21 days after the publication of the notice, unless the matter is considered by the Council to require urgent consideration and it is not otherwise contrary to the *Local Government Act 1999* to consult for a lesser period). The Council will consider the submissions.

D. Other Requirement to undertake in Person Consultation Activity Suspended

The Council will not undertake any form of face-to-face or in person public consultation activity (including without limitation a door knock, focus group, forum, briefing session, workshop, open house, citizen panel, conversation café, citizen jury, round table or symposium) in relation to any matter for which the *Local Government Act 1999* requires the Council to follow the steps set out in its public consultation policy.

The Council will not undertake any form of face-to-face or in person public consultation activity (including without limitation a door knock, focus group, forum, briefing session, workshop, open house, citizen panel, conversation café, citizen jury, round table or symposium) in relation to any matter for which this Policy would, but for this provision, require the Council to hold such an activity.

To the extent this Policy would otherwise require the Council to hold a face-to-face or in person public consultation activity in relation to a matter, the Council will instead publish a notice on its website or in a newspaper circulating in the area of the Council inviting interested persons to make written submissions in relation any matter within the period stated in the notice (which will not be less than 21 days after the publication of the notice, unless the matter is considered by the Council to require urgent consideration and it is not otherwise contrary to the *Local Government Act 1999* to consult for a lesser period). The Council will consider the submissions.

E. Suspension of Other Inconsistent Provisions

To the extent that any other provision of this Policy could be read as requiring the Council to undertake public consultation with a person face-to-face or in person, the provision is suspended while these provisions are in effect and the provisions of paragraph D operate in their stead.

Any steps taken by the Council in addition to the minimum requirements set out under the Act are at the absolute discretion of the Council and will depend upon the particular topic under consideration, the resources available to the Council and the level of interest the topic is likely to generate.

In this regard, other consultation and engagement methods may include (but are not limited to):

- publication in a regular newsletter;
- letters to residents and other stakeholders;
- other direct mail publications or letterbox drops, as appropriate;
- advertising in media outlets as deemed appropriate;
- media releases to appropriate media outlets and community groups;
- community forums and stakeholder meetings;
- direct consultation with community representative groups;
- active and passive use of Council's website and social media;
- use of a community email database;
- customer surveys;
- fixed displays, e.g. community notice boards; and
- community group representations to Council workshops.

The Council will always refer directly to the relevant section of the Act before determining the appropriate consultation requirements.

Where there are legislative requirements for consultation under other legislation applicable to the Council, such as the *Development Act 1993*, in the event of any inconsistency, the specific legislative provisions take precedence over matters set out under this Policy.

Specified consultation requirements

Under the Act the Council is required to undertake particular types (or levels) of consultation as a minimum requirement in relation to the following matters:

- carrying out Representation Reviews (section 12);
- considering a change of status of Council or name change (section 13);
- determining the manner, place and time of opening of its Principal Office (section 45);
- carrying out commercial activities - Prudential Arrangements (section 48);
- adopting or varying a Public Consultation Policy (section 50);
- altering the Code of Practice relating to the principles, policies and procedures that Council will apply to enable public access to Council and Committee Meetings, minutes and release of documents (section 92);
- adopting Strategic Management Plans (section 122);
- before changing the basis of rating in certain circumstances (section 151);
- before changing the basis of differential rates in certain circumstances (section 156);
- excluding land from classification as community land (section 193);
- revoking the classification of land as community land (section 194);
- adopting, amending or revoking a management plan for community land (section 197);
- amending or revoking a management plan for community land (section 198);
- alienating community land by lease or licence (section 202);
- authorisation or permits restricting access to a road (section 223);
- before planting vegetation that may have a significant impact on residents, the proprietors or nearby residents (section 232); passing Bylaws (section 249); and
- amending a Council policy in certain circumstances (section 259).

For details of the requirements for public consultation specified under these sections, please refer to the relevant sections of the Act.

Further information

This Policy will be available for inspection at the Council offices during ordinary business hours and available to be downloaded, free of charge, from the Council's website: www.orreroo.sa.gov.au

APPENDIX 5



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General Notices

PUBLIC NOTICES AND EVENT



WED 5 FEB TO WED 12 FEB

BETTER MAN	(MA)	★★★★★
Fri 7 Feb	7.30pm	Biography, Fantasy, Musical
Sat 8 Feb	7.30pm	
Sun 9 Feb	4.00pm	
Tues 11 Feb	2.00pm	

CONCLAVE	(M)	★★★★★
Thurs 6 Feb	6.30pm	Drama, Mystery, Thriller
Fri 7 Feb	8.00pm	
Sat 8 Feb	8.00pm	
Tues 11 Feb	10.30am	

A REAL PAIN	(M)	★★★★★
Sun 9 Feb	4.30pm	Comedy, Drama
Tues 11 Feb	10.30am	

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PUBLIC NOTICES AND EVENT

PAPER DRIVE 2025 DATES

Blyth - Friday 2pm
14th Feb
20th June
17th Oct

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Saturday 8:30am
15th Feb
21st June
18th Oct

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PUBLIC NOTICES AND EVENT

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PUBLIC NOTICES AND EVENT



District Council of Mount Remarkable Revocation of Community Land Proposal Lot 736 - CT5693/195 Booleroo Centre CWA Hall

Notice is hereby given that Council at its meeting held on 21 January 2025, resolved to approve undertaking a public consultation process in relation to a proposal to revoke the community land classification currently applicable to Lot 736 within Certificate of Title Volume 5693, Folio 195, being the Booleroo Centre CWA Hall.

Council is seeking feedback from the community either supporting or objecting to the above proposal and seeks to receive any submissions by 5pm Friday 28 February 2025.

Enquiries during the public consultation period are welcome and should be directed to

Lee Heron, via email at lee@mlr.sa.gov.au or telephone 8666 2014.

Written submissions should be addressed and posted to the Chief Executive Officer, District Council of Mount Remarkable, 3 Stuart Street, Melbourne, SA 5483 or alternatively via email at postmaster@mlr.sa.gov.au.

Martin Borgas

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Our business values are honesty, quality, family, teamwork, time management, fun, rewarding workplace, fulfilment, originality, and reputation.

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Full training is provided, with ongoing learning opportunities including site visits, information sessions and social events.

The Visitor Centre is open across 7 days, with a variety of shifts available.

Key responsibilities may include:

- Promoting tourism experiences across the Goyder Region.
- Responding to visitor enquiries face to face and on the phone.
- Promoting 'Burra Passport' sales and tours.
- Processing payments through the till.
- Ensuring the Centre is looking clean and tidy.
- Restocking shelves and brochures.
- Collecting statistics as required.

To register your interest in volunteering, contact Barb Burton on ph. 08 8892 0100 or download the Volunteer Registration Form from www.goyder.sa.gov.au/council/ employment and return it to employment@goyder.sa.gov.au or 1 Market Square, Burra SA 5417

David J Stevenson
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CASUAL TOURISM OFFICER

Are you passionate about tourism and sharing the beauty of the unique Goyder region?

Council is seeking a Casual Tourism Officer to work from the Burra & Goyder Visitor Information Centre in Burra.

The successful applicant will provide an informative and enjoyable experience to visitors and the community by utilising a story telling approach to promote the tourism attractions and offerings across the Goyder region.

What's on Offer for You:

- Casual Position
- Local Government Tourism, Hospitality and Retail Award
- \$27,879 per hour + 25% Casual Loading
- Penalty rates will apply
- Junior rates will apply where necessary

To be considered for the position, applicants must:

- be able to work permanently in Australia.
- obtain a position Information Pack, which includes the Job and Person Specification and guidelines in how to apply.

Information packs are available on Council's website: www.goyder.sa.gov.au or at the Burra and Eudunda offices.

Enquiries about the position should be directed to Barb Burton, Director of Community Engagement & Development, ph 8892 0100.

Applications to be received by 4.00 pm Wednesday 9 April 2025 and addressed as follows:

"Confidential - Casual Tourism Officer"
Attention: Human Resources
Email: employment@goyder.sa.gov.au
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District Council of
ORROROO
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MINUTES

Council Meeting

Wednesday 28th May 2025

11.4 CHANGE OF MEETING DATES – JUNE & JULY 2025

MOTION: (009/0525)

That pursuant to Section 81 of the Local Government Act 1999, Council amend the following Council meeting dates:

1. June 2025 Council meeting from Wednesday 25th June 2025 to Friday 20th June commencing at 9am.
2. July 2025 Council meeting from Wednesday 23rd July 2025 to Wednesday 30th July 2025 commencing at 9am.

Cr Parkyn / Cr Ford **CARRIED**

11.5 FINAL 2024/2025 REPRESENTATION REVIEW REPORT

MOTION: (010/0525)

That the Council:

1. having considered the outcomes from the public consultation received as part of its Representation Review process, and noting that no submissions were received, determines that the future composition and structure of the Council be as follows:
 - the name of the Council remains as the District Council of Orroroo Carrieton;
 - the future elected body of the Council be comprised of the Mayor and 5 Councillors; and
 - the Council area will not be divided into Wards;
2. authorise the CEO (or delegate) to make any necessary administrative amendments to the Representation Review Report, prior to submitting the Report to the ECSA.

Cr Goehring / Cr Ford **CARRIED**

9.54am Mr David McDonald, Care in Motion was present to discuss Council contributions towards the operations of the Northern Passenger Transport Network.

Mr McDonald departed from the Chambers at 10.31am.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

MOTION: (011/0525)

That the Council meeting be adjourned from 10.37am and to be reconvened at 10.45am for the purpose of a morning tea break.

Cr Ford / Cr Parkyn **CARRIED**

RECOMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 10.45am.

Returned to format of agenda -

11.6 ORROROO SWIMMING POOL – MURAL

MOTION: (012/0525)

That Council seek expressions of interest from the community including Orroroo Area School and Orroroo Swimming Club for the repair or replacement of the mural;
That should the mural be replaced, the top panels be installed in the changerooms and a photograph of the whole mural be framed and displayed within the pool facility.

Cr Goehring / Cr Ford **CARRIED**