MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Communicating clearly with all stakeholders in Council is the most important way to provide good services to our community. Elected Members’ talking with ratepayers; staff giving advice to ratepayers and visitors; community organisations and business owners talking with Elected Members and Council staff; ensures everyone is listening.

During our four year term from 2014 to 2018, it has been very apparent to me that every single Councillor has listened well to all aspects within their role in Local Government. No doubt you have seen in the media or have noticed local banners advertising the fact that South Australian Elections for all 68 Councils will be held coming November. I would encourage anyone to give this idea of community involvement serious consideration. It is rewarding, engaging and will challenge all aspects of your ability and passion for your District, so why not have the courage to put forward your nomination.

Budget considerations for 2018/19 are now completed. We have prioritised projects throughout our districts, with a big emphasis on increasing unsealed road renewal from 12 kilometres in 2017/18 to 20 kilometres in the next 12 months. Council has adopted a "rip-and-reform" method as part of its road maintenance in areas where roads have sufficient rubble base, but require significant upgrading of the unsealed surface.

I encourage you all to take the time to read Barunga West Council’s Annual Business Plan, as adopted at the 2018 June Council Meeting.

I believe with continued debt reduction and ongoing loan schedule repayment, our Council is in a sound financial position. This places us in a position whereby we can resource loans if required, to match grant funds for any large scale strategic project which arises at a future date.

I trust your favourite football team is performing well this season. Keep cheering them on, even in the gloomy times!! I must admit that I enjoy relaxing by the fire with a good book (even though sometimes it does include Council Agendas!!) Anyone is most welcome to come along to our monthly Council meetings, scheduled at either our Port Broughton or Bute Council Chamber, to learn more of our discussions, activities and outcomes.

With best wishes,
Mayor Cynthia Axford

Council Elections 2018
Supplementary Voting Roll

Did you know that you can vote in our Council Elections even if you don’t live here? If you are one of the following:
- a sole owner/occupier of rateable property
- a landlord for rateable property
- an organisation/business owner or occupier of rateable property
You can be included on our supplementary roll, contact Council to find out more. Cut off date for enrollments is August 10 2018
Thinking about becoming a Councillor?

Election Candidate Information Session

Wednesday September 5th 2018
7:00–8:00PM, Port Broughton Council Chambers
11 Bay Street, Port Broughton

10 great reasons to become a council member

Only a small number of people ever nominate for position on their local council, but here are 10 reasons you might want to consider it:

1. You care about what’s happening in your local community
Consider for a moment how everyday life is improved by the many services that councils provide. Imagine your community without street lighting, rubbish collection, footpaths, libraries, playgrounds and sports club facilities, community halls, senior’s services – and the list goes on. Decisions about council services, policies and projects are made by people just like you, who care about what’s happening in their local community.

2. It’s a great way to develop your knowledge
Councils deal with an enormous range of subjects, from economic development and environmental protection to dog and cat management … the list and variety is almost endless. As a Councillor you’ll learn about a wide range of topics and the legislative and budgetary frameworks that sit around them.

3. You want to contribute to your community
As you learn about council business and develop your knowledge of council meeting procedures, you’ll have the opportunity to contribute to the (often robust) discussions in chamber and build further in terms of your confidence in your public speaking and debating skills by representing your community.
4. You want to provide a voice for your age group/cultural group/gender
Like other levels of government and most of our social institutions, councils are typically made up of older ‘anglo’ males. They are knowledgeable and experienced and more often than not, nominate for council, however to achieve a greater diversity similar to our communities we encourage people of different ages, genders, cultures and backgrounds to step up and make themselves heard on council. We believe this is the best way to ensure a broad range of views are represented on council.

5. You’re sick of watching from the sidelines
Are you one of the silent majority growing increasingly frustrated with the state of politics as you watch from the sidelines? Councils are the closest level of government to the community, so stop shouting at the TV and nominate for council instead!

6. You’ve got great ideas to contribute
Think you know how things could be better? Being closer to the community, councils are more agile and responsive to community needs than other levels of government and have a record of implementing innovate new ideas.

7. It’s a nice addition to your CV
Community service (tick). Broad range of knowledge (tick). Ability to put forward a cogent argument (tick). Understanding of political systems and processes (tick). Ability to work constructively in a team environment (tick). What aspiring executive wouldn’t want to add a stint on council to their CV?

8. You’ll meet interesting people
As a Councillor you’ll represent the residents in your council ward – and that means you’ll get to meet a few of them! You’ll also work closely with your fellow Councillors and council staff.

9. It’s a way of making a meaningful and lasting contribution
You’ll play an important part in the ongoing life and development of your community. In years to come you’ll be able to say things like “I had a role in getting that new sports centre built” or “I helped get that program started to support our migrant community”.

10. Your chance to make a different
The workings of Council are often criticised due to lack of knowledge of what legislation governs how councils run and what can and can’t be resolved during a council meeting. Councils can be quite complex and a challenge to some. However, there is training available to those newly elected and support systems in place to help ease the way. Ask most Councillors they’ll say it can be a challenge however helping make a difference in their communities makes it all worthwhile. Use this opportunity to get out and make a difference! Nominate for council.

Contact Council for further information or visit or visit our website www.barungawest.sa.gov.au
make a difference -

COUNCIL ELECTIONS -2018-

Participating in your local council election is one of the most direct ways you can make a difference to everyday life in your community.

- SA councils -
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EVERY DAY.

ENROL
by 5pm Friday 10 August 2018

NOMINATE
by 12noon
Tuesday 18 September 2018

VOTE
must be received before 5pm
Friday 9 November 2018

Local Government Association of South Australia

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Desexing
Dogs and cats born after the 1 July must be desexed by 6 months of age or 28 days after purchase by the owner. Working livestock dogs as well as dogs and cats owned by registered breeders will be exempt from the requirement to desex, however will still need to be microchipped.

Dogs and Cats Online
From 1 July 2018, Dogs and Cats Online will be the central database for microchipped and registered dogs and cats, registration payments and breeder registration. New laws require dogs and cats to be microchipped and desexed. Exemptions apply.

Microchipping
From 1 July, owners must microchip their dogs and cats by 12 weeks of age or at the point of sale. Veterinarians may exempt an animal for medical reasons. Owners are encouraged to take advantage of the numerous discount microchipping days throughout the state. Visit chipblitz.com for upcoming dates, locations and to make a booking. Alternatively, contact your local vet.

* Please note Barunga West Council will not be requiring cats to be registered for the 2018/19 year.
Dog & Cat laws beginning 1 July 2018 require all dogs and cats to be microchipped. This includes older dogs and cats.

Microchipping

Unless your pet has a mobile phone, we suggest a microchip!

ONLY $10

www.chipblitz.com

PORT BROUGHTON 27 June
Port Broughton Community Hall

Brought to you by

LPSA
Lost Pets of South Australia

Government of South Australia
Dog and Cat Management Board

BARUNGA WEST

1.00pm to 8.00pm

Go to chipblitz.com to make a booking.

Any enquires please call Barunga West Council 8635 2107

www.barungawest.sa.gov.au
GAZANIA FREE BARUNGA WEST?

Gazania is that colourful flowering plant which is beginning to colonise along roadsides, in farming and grazing land and on beaches in South Australia and beyond. It has daisy like flowers in vivid yellow and orange, flowers during Spring and seeds profusely. It is now a declared weed in South Australia, and prohibited from sale.

Gazania overtakes and chokes out native vegetation. It flourishes in sunny positions and dry and poor soil, so many areas of South Australia are now being overtaken by Gazania as conditions are perfect for its growth. If you have Gazania on your farm or in your garden, it is advisable to remove the plants and destroy them.

Native alternatives to Gazania in your garden could be, (Brachyscome multifida) Cut Leaf Daisy, Rhagodia spinescens (Spiny Saltbush), Rhagodia parabolica (Mealy Saltbush), Scaevola (Fanflower), Goodenia ovata (Sticky Goodenia), Correa pulchella (Salmon Correa) or Eremophila glabra (Tar Bush). These plants will attract birds and butterflies to your garden and should be available through your local plant nurseries or native plant supplier.

Photo Competition- Get your photo featured in Council’s 2018/19 Annual Report!

We are looking for the best sunset photos from each town in the Council area. The best photos from each town will be chosen by Council to be included in our report (with photography credited). Entries can be emailed to barunga@barungawest.sa.gov.au or via our Facebook page. Please include your details and the location the photo was taken. Good luck! Competition will run from July 1st to August 31st 2018.
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES UPDATE

Mail Road Progress
In 2017 Council worked with Wakefield Regional Council to secure grant funding through the Special Local Roads Program 2017/2018 for the sealing of segments of Mail Road from the Copper Coast Highway to Beaufort Road at South Hummocks. Both Council’s were successful in attaining grand funding and works have been progressing. Barunga West segments of road have been sealed and works will be completed with guide posts, line-marking etc. in association with Wakefield Regional Council in the near future.

Bute Post Office Boxes
Council staff have coordinated the replacement of 132 post office boxes at the Bute Post Office. Works were completed promptly, with little disruption to normal mail delivery. The remaining boxes will be replaced at a future time.

2018/19 Council Community Grants
The Council has allocated $30,000 in 2018/19 for the purposes of Community Grants. Applications will open on Monday July 2nd 2018. We invite applications from any group in the Council area for grant funding to a maximum of $5,000 for a specific project.

Applications will close at 12 noon on Friday August 17th 2018. All applications must be submitted on a prescribed form, which can be collected from the Council offices, or downloaded directly from Council’s website www.barungawest.sa.gov.au. For more information contact Lucy Gale, ph: 86352107 or email: barunga@barungawest.sa.gov.au

Rinse them out, round them up and run them in.
drum MUSTER is the national program for the collection and recycling of empty, cleaned, non-returnable metal and plastic agvet chemical containers.

Bookings to dispose of chemical containers through Council’s drumMuster can be made through Council on 8635 2107. An agreed time will be made with trained Council staff.

CONTAINERS CANNOT BE DROPPED OFF AT WASTE TRANSFER STATIONS WITH NO PRIOR BOOKING.

For drums to be eligible for collection they must be:

- Free of chemical residue (some stains may be accepted)
- Be clean, dry and have lids removed
- Containers carrying the drumMUSTER logo only, will be accepted.

Working together for a safer environment.
For more information visit www.drummuster.com.au
**Business and Household Storm Emergency Preparedness**

The Bureau of Meteorology forecast a 25% chance of exceeding median rainfall for this coming wet weather season. The chance of consistent rain is unlikely, accompanied with warmer winter days and nights.

However, the forecast is, when it does rain, it could rain heavily.

This type of rainfall can be damaging. All business and homeowners are encouraged to plan for and prepare their properties for this type of event.

There are 8 things that you can do now to prepare your business or home and reduce the potential damage caused by severe rain events.

- secure or store items that could blow around in strong winds
- clean your gutters, down pipes and drains regularly to prevent blockages, and manage overflows
- trim trees and branches that could potentially fall on your home or property
- fix any damage to your roof, including broken or missing tiles
- check your insurance policy is current and adequate
- make an emergency plan for your family/business, outline what you would do in an emergency
- prepare an emergency kit with essential items
- check local media for information, updates and advice

An emergency plan can consist of

- Contact details of household members, friends and neighbours, contacts at work or school, emergency services, medical, insurance services and council.
- A record of where main switches for electricity, gas and water are located
- How and who will look after each other
- Animal safety and security, for farm animals look at PIRSA animal safety in emergencies webpage
- Identify where the high ground is to move stock or equipment
- Protect the irreplaceable, plan which personal items you will move, how and at what point.
- Recovery process – what will you or your business need, to recover from such an event. Eg generators, extension leads, gas cylinders etc.

**Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery (PPR&R)**

- Prevention – something undertaken before and event. (building maintenance)
- Preparedness – making arrangements, talking to your family and workers
- Response – assistance and intervention during an event
- Recovery – the process of restoration of emotional, social and physical wellbeing.

Council encourages the community to be ready for emergency events before they occur.
## WHAT’S ON

Please read the calendar below for “What’s On” at Barunga West Council

### Port Broughton parkrun
7:45am for 8am start every Saturday morning at Port Broughton Foreshore Bus Park (200m north of Jetty)

### June

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### Office Hours

**Port Broughton**  
Monday–Friday 8:30AM—5:00PM  
Bute  
Monday–Friday 9AM—5:00PM  
*please note financial transactions cannot be done after 4:45PM at Bute

### Port Broughton & Bute Waste Disposal Sites

**PORT BROUGHTON:** Dale Road, Port Broughton SA 5522  
**BUTE:** Barunga Gap Road, Bute SA 5560

**Port Broughton Opening Hours**  
Sunday.......... 9.00am to 12.00pm  
Monday......... 9.00am to 12.00pm  
Thursday........ 9.00am to 12.00pm

**Bute Opening Hours**  
Sunday.......... 2.00pm to 4.00pm  
Wednesday......3.00pm to 5.00pm

Please be advised that ALL Waste Disposal Sites will be closed on Total Fire Ban days.  
Both sites charge a range of fees depending on quantities and efforts are made to recycle as many products as possible.