



Assessment of the extent to which Council's 2017/2018 objectives were achieved

✓ = achieved, ? = in progress or partly achieved, x = not achieved

- Upgrade to NRLE cattle selling pens (funded 50% anticipated grant and balance with a 20-year loan) x
- Continued replacement, renewal and upgrade of Council roads, footpaths, kerbs & watertables ✓
- Continuation of Naracoorte Caves Connection Project ✓
- Design Naracoorte's Eastern & Western entrances Hard Waste Disposal x
- Early Flood Warning Monitoring System in the Naracoorte Creek (primarily grant funded) ?
- Repair walls and concrete surround at the Naracoorte Swimming Lake ✓
- Community Wellbeing Support ✓
- Storyboard Project - telling the story of our Towns ?
- Master planning for Open Spaces ✓
- Aerial Photography ?
- Upgrade Stormwater on Stewart Terrace, Naracoorte ✓
- Develop a dog park at Market Square, Naracoorte ✓
- Upgrade of the Playground at Lucindale ✓
- Develop a Natural Play Area at Memorial Oval ✓
- Continue to implement the Community Art Plan ✓
- Continue Naracoorte's Heritage Trail Signs Project ✓
- Continuation of Community Chest Program, Innovation Fund & Heritage Assistance Fund ✓
- Continue emphasis on consultation, Council's webpages & social media sites ✓
- Science Week ✓
- Community Art & Science ✓
- Develop Natural Burial Area & Upgrade Naracoorte Cemetery Entrance ?
- Upgrade the Naracoorte Public Library (subject to grant funding) x
- New fire pits & signage at Cockatoo Lake x
- Contribution to the State Government Planning Portal ✓
- Update fixtures, fittings & stage curtains at the Naracoorte Town Hall ✓
- Design Hangar Area at the Naracoorte Aerodrome ?
- Upgrade flooring in the Naracoorte CBD & Market Square Public Conveniences x

A more detailed analysis of Council's performance during 2017-2018 will be provided in the Annual Report.

Road reserves, trees and fence lines

The maintenance of road reserves, that is the section of land between a road and a fence or property boundary, is the responsibility of Council. However, constructing and maintaining fences adjoining a road reserve are the responsibility of the owner of the land abutting the road reserve.

Under the [Fences Act 1975](#), (section 20) Council (and other levels of government) is not required to contribute to the cost of establishing or maintaining fences that divide private land from public land such as a road reserve. This includes instances where a tree or limb from a road reserve falls onto a fence.

A landholder who wishes to clear native vegetation on a road reserve, to enable construction or maintenance of a boundary fence, requires Council consent. In granting any consent, Council must comply with the following Native Vegetation Council standards:

- Where the roadside vegetation consists largely of trees, only branches protruding through or overhanging the fence, or trees growing on the actual fence alignment, should be removed.
- Where shrubs or bushes are growing through the fenceline, those plants growing within one metre of the fence alignment can be removed.

In other circumstances the Native Vegetation Council allows you to clear vegetation for access to maintain or establish a fence:

- limited to the extent required to obtain access
- a maximum of 10 metres wide (or less) for a property boundary fence (5 metres each side of the fence)
- a maximum of 5 metres wide (or less) for a dividing fence on a single property

Further information is available at www.environment.sa.gov.au/managing-natural-resources/native-vegetation/clearing/fences

When trees fall during storms, Council will clear trees from roads to make it safe for traffic, but will generally not remove trees off fence lines, unless it is required to ensure road safety.

To provide safe access for vehicles on roads Council undertakes tree trimming. Subject to obtaining a permit from Council fallen dead timber can be collected from Council road reserves. To apply for a permit you must complete an Application to Alter a Road, which is available by contacting Council or from the website <http://www.naracoortelucindale.sa.gov.au/formspermits>



Councils are part of the democratic framework of Australia. The community elects their council members every four years and the next general elections is in **November 2018**. Information on enrolling, nominating or voting is available from Council and on the website at www.naracoortelucindale.sa.gov.au/councilelections

Enrol - must be received by 5pm, 10 August 2018

The voters' roll for council elections consists of two components - the House of Assembly (State) roll, and the council Supplementary roll.

If you are already on the House of Assembly (State) roll (in your council area) and vote in State elections, you are automatically included on the council voters roll and will receive ballot papers through the post. To vote landlords, business lessees and resident non-Australian citizens must apply for enrolment on the Supplementary roll. For an enrolment form contact Council or visit Council's website.

Nominate as a candidate - close 12 noon Tuesday 18 September 2018

Nominations for council elections open **Tuesday 4 September** and close **12 noon Tuesday 18 September 2018**. To nominate you must complete and lodge a nomination form, which will be available from Council. A candidate information session will be run in early September.

Being a councillor is a rewarding challenge; one which requires commitment, responsibility and accountability.

If you are invested in the future of Naracoorte Lucindale, are willing to learn and participate, and prepared to contribute strategically to decision making that benefits the broader community, then you should explore what it takes to be a councillor and nominate yourself for council elections.

Voting - must be received before 5pm, 9 November 2018

Voting in council elections is completed by posting your voting papers. If you are on the state (House of Assembly) electoral roll or have completed an enrolment to join the supplementary roll, you will receive a voting pack in the mail in late October 2018. Make a difference by participating in your council election. (This document is authorised by Trevor Smart, DeGaris Place, Naracoorte SA 5271.)

All Sporting Club Information Forum - 6 August

There are over 50 sporting and recreational clubs located in the Council area offering a variety of sports and recreation. Clubs often approach Council for support and advice in relation to improving facilities and equipment, seeking letters of support, funding or in kind support from Council and seeking funding from other bodies.

To help clubs to understand the best way to work with Council an All Sporting Club Information Forum is being held at the **Naracoorte Town Hall on Monday 6 August from 6.00 to 7.30pm**. All Sporting and Recreational Clubs are strongly encouraged to attend the Information Forum.

The Limestone Coast Local Government Association's Star Club Field Officer, Tony Elletson, will provide valuable tips and advice on the importance of obtaining Star Club accreditation and its impact on potential funding from a State, National and Local perspective. Council officers will discuss how to work with Council, ways to better prepare Club plans and project budgets and grant writing basics and how to attract sponsorship.

For further information or to register your attendance visit www.naracoortelucindale.sa.gov.au/sports or contact Council.



Annual Business Plan and Budget 2018-19

Vision Statement

The best place in regional South Australia to live, work, do business, raise a family and retire. Created by having a Prosperous Community with Healthy Landscapes, Liveable Neighbourhoods and a focus on Harmony and Culture.

Council Responsibilities & Services

Councils have responsibilities under the Local Government Act and other legislation. Council also provides a range of services:

- Regulatory activities such as supporting the elected Council and dog control
- Setting rates, preparing an annual budget and determining longer-term strategic management plans
- Management of infrastructure including roads, footpaths, parks, public open space and buildings (such as Town Halls)
- Stormwater drainage
- Development planning and control, including building safety assessment
- Various environmental health services
- Street Cleaning and Waste Management
- Aerodrome management
- Cemetery management
- Library and Community Services
- Visitor Information Centre and Services
- Naracoorte Regional Livestock Exchange

Financial Sustainability

Council's long-term financial sustainability is dependent on ensuring that, on average over time, its expenses are less than its revenue.

In delivering services and projects for 2018-2019 Council is anticipating to complete the year with an operating surplus before capital revenue of \$67,733.

Capital Values

Council's capital valuation (excluding non-rateable properties) has increased from \$2,108,039,091 in June 2017 to \$2,180,625,372 in June 2018 or by 3.44%. Approximately 4436 (71.9%) properties can expect a general rate increase of less than 2.3%.

Method Used to Value Land

Council continues to use capital value (the value of the land and all of the improvements on the land) as the basis for calculating annual rates within its area. Council considers this method provides the fairest distribution of the rate burden across all ratepayers on the following basis:

- The equity principle of taxation requires that ratepayers of similar wealth pay similar taxes and ratepayers of greater wealth pay more tax than ratepayers of lesser wealth;
- Property value is a relatively good indicator of wealth and capital value, which closely approximates the market value of a property, provides the best indicator of overall property value;

The Land against which rates may be assessed includes:

- Any piece or section of land subject to separate ownership or occupation; or
- Any aggregation of contiguous land subject to the same ownership or occupation.

Unlike State and Federal Governments which have the power to impose a number of different taxes which are used to "top-up" annual budgets, by comparison the only tax that Local Government can impose to "top-up" its annual budget is rates.

Minimum Rate

A minimum rate of \$385 will apply in relation to all rateable properties.

CWMS Service Charge

Council fixes an annual service charge for the Lucindale Community Wastewater Management Scheme (CWMS). The charge for the 2018-19 year will increase from \$568 for occupied properties to \$580 and increase from \$205 for vacant land to \$210.

Waste & Recycling Collection Service Charge

Council fixes an annual service charge for Waste and Recycling Collection in defined collection areas in Naracoorte, Lucindale, Frances, Hynam and Kybylote, and properties zoned Rural Living. This charge will remain at \$320 per occupied rateable property.



SE Natural Resources Management (NRM) Levy

Council collects the NRM levy on behalf of the Natural Resources Management Board. No portion of the levy is retained by Council. The NRM Levy is based on land use codes as established by the Valuer-General.

The levy continues to be charged per rateable property:

• Residential, Vacant & Other	\$ 72.75
• Commercial	\$109.35
• Industrial	\$173.90
• Primary Production	\$335.65

Declaration of Rates

Council declares differential general rates according to the locality and the use of the land and based upon the capital value of the land on all rateable properties within the area of the Council. Rate in the dollar for this year are:

Payment of Rates

Rural Living Zone	0.490
Deferred Urban Zone	0.490
Residential (Naracoorte) Zone	0.667
Recreation (Naracoorte) Zone	0.667
Conservation (Naracoorte) Zone	0.667
Caravan & Tourist Park (Naracoorte) Zone	0.667
Mixed Use (Naracoorte) Zone	0.667
Commercial (Naracoorte) Zone	0.695
Light Industry (Naracoorte) Zone	0.695
Industry (Naracoorte) Zone	0.695
Town Centre (Naracoorte) Zone	0.695
Infrastructure (Naracoorte) Zone	0.695
Industry Zone	0.695
Primary Production Zone	0.404
Airfield Zone	0.404
Town Centre (Lucindale) Zone	0.667
Commercial (Lucindale) Zone	0.667
Township Zone	0.667
Residential (Lucindale) Zone	0.667
Recreation (Lucindale) Zone	0.667

Payment of Rates will be by quarterly instalments due on the first working day of:

1. September 2018
2. December 2018
3. March 2019
4. June 2019

Planned projects for 2018/2019

For more information, refer to Council's website under "Projects" or under "Council", "Financial" for a copy of the Annual Business Plan & Budget.

- Commence stage 1 upgrade to NRLE cattle selling pens
- Partner with Adelaide University to commence the ARC Linkage Project
- Continue the Innovation Fund, Heritage Fund & Community Chest Program
- Upgrade electricity supply at Naracoorte Aerodrome to allow establishment of additional hangars and other infrastructure
- Wayfinding Project (Stage 1) - improve signage in and around Naracoorte
- Installation of an electric car charging site
- Continued emphasis on waste management and reduction of waste to landfill
- Improved stormwater management in Bibury Avenue, Naracoorte Rail Lands and Schinckel Road
- Naracoorte Creek Erosion Control
- New Christmas Tree for Naracoorte
- Introduction of the Senior Supa Bowls Series to Naracoorte
- Develop a cycling & walking trail to the Naracoorte Caves (subject to grant funding)
- Extension of season at the Naracoorte Swimming Lake
- Memorial Parklands Nature Play Area (Stage 2)
- Master planning for Naracoorte CBD, Pioneer Park, Lucindale and Frances
- Installation of Storyboard Signs
- Council elections - November 2018
- Installation of defibrillators at the Naracoorte Town Hall and Naracoorte Swimming Lake
- Rural Culvert Replacement
- Replace retractable seating at Naracoorte Town Hall
- Continued replacement, renewal and upgrade of Council roads, footpaths, kerbs and watertables, including Fifth Street Frances, Old Caves Road, Robertson Street and Crooked Lane.

Customer Requests

Council's Customer Request system captures information on Council works. To log a Customer Request or for clarification on where your road fits in the road hierarchy, when and how often you can expect the road graded and when upgrades have been scheduled call 8760 1100 or email council@nlc.sa.gov.au