



## **DISTRICT COUNCIL OF GRANT**

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## **\$1.17 M WATERFRONT PROJECT COMPLETE**

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**The District Council of Grant has completed Stage 1 of a two-staged foreshore redevelopment in time for the 2019 summer season. Works have been completed at a cost of \$1.17M, co-funded between Council and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure.**

District Council of Grant Mayor Richard Sage, Deputy CEO Jane Fetherstonhaugh and Member for Mount Gambier Troy Bell, officially opened The Waterfront project at a launch at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex on 22 November. Key stakeholders and companies involved in delivering the project came together to celebrate a successful outcome.

Council CEO, David Singe stated that the Stage 1 upgrades have delivered a more attractive and accessible foreshore area that is suitable for the local community and visitors alike.

“These works were originally identified in the Port MacDonnell Masterplan in 2014 and we are really pleased that with the help of funding from the South Australian State Government, we have completed the first step in delivering a redeveloped foreshore”.

“Council congratulates everyone involved in this project and in particular we thank the local community for their patience during the wintery construction period, where most of the area was inaccessible and heavy equipment and machinery was located on site”.

“I would like to make particular mention to Oxigen, the design team who worked with Council staff in 2017 to develop a strong vision for the space. At the launch Travis Wright, one the lead designers, travelled to Port MacDonnell to survey the final project and meet the various contractors involved”.

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“Gambier Earth Movers were the successful company to tender for the project, and over the past eight months have worked with Council staff and other contractors to deliver the final result, which is a wonderful asset for the region”.

“I would also like to thank the hard work of the Council staff, who have project managed the Waterfront and put great thought and consideration into each and every detail of the construction.”

The project began in 2017 under the State Labor Government and has continued on successfully under the leadership of the Liberal Government and Minister Stephan Knoll. Council are currently working on developing the project plan for Stage 2, which will feature a new regional playground adjacent to the redeveloped foreshore area.

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