



DISTRICT COUNCIL OF GRANT

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COUNCIL AND REX AIRLINES TO FORM PARTNERSHIP

The District Council of Grant held a Special Meeting on Monday 13 August 2018 to put forward a proposal to Regional Express (Rex) Airlines to implement the Rex Community Fare scheme (\$129) on the Mount Gambier to Adelaide and Melbourne routes. The proposed five year partnership between Council and Rex will include Council's offer to reduce the head tax by \$2 per person which will be matched by Rex, resulting in an overall \$4 reduction off all existing fares.

Rex's Deputy Chairman John Sharp AM has been appraised of Council's intentions and he has extended an invitation to Mayor Richard Sage and Council's Chief Executive Officer, Mr David Singe, to attend the Rex Board dinner at the end of the month where Council could present Council's proposal to the Rex Board.

Mr Singe said the region will benefit from the \$129 community fare with fare affordability and increased passenger numbers. This type of partnership has been very successful in many regional areas all around Australia and the Council is looking forward to the success of this joint venture.

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