

## PROJECT UPDATES

Council has been busy implementing its annual capital works program across the district. Stage 2 of the Waterfront Redevelopment is well underway with the installation of the new playground equipment, shelters and BBQs, and landscaping.

As part of this project Council has been working in partnership with lots of different community groups, schools and organisations to ensure that the redevelopment is a success.



Other projects include new town signage at Pelican Point and Blackfellows Caves, retaining wall and shelter at Carpenter Rocks and a sprinkler system at the Tarpeena oval.



At the Ordinary Council Meeting 19 October 2020 Council endorsed the DCG Disability Access & Inclusion Plan 2020-24 (DAIP). The DAIP demonstrates Council's vision for a fully inclusive society that values and respects all people as

equal and contributing members of the community. The DAIP outlines 4 Pillars which guide our outcomes and actions over the next 4 years. Key actions include:

- Training DCG staff in access and inclusion;
- Investigating and responding to access issues identified by the community; and
- Advocate for better public transport.

A copy of the DAIP is available on our website.

## COUNCIL DECISIONS

### Resolutions for financial sponsorship 2021/22:

- Youth Opportunities Program
- Tour of the Great South Coast

### Resolutions to consult the community:

- Have Your Say on Council's Community Engagement
- For Council to hold public meetings to consult on Annual Business Plan & Budget 2021/22

## IN FOCUS

### Waste Transfer Station (WTS) Cashless Vouchers

**WHAT?** A voucher which gives each DCG households 6 trips to the WTS for free. Additional vouchers can be purchased as the WTS no longer accepts cash.

**HOW?** Contact Council to request your voucher then take it along when you head to the WTS to drop off your waste for it to be hole punched.

**MORE INFO:** Head to our website & search for Waste Transfer or contact us on the detail below

HAVE

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Keep up to date and let us know what you think about Council's key projects, plans and services at [yoursaydcg.com.au](https://yoursaydcg.com.au)



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## OUT & ABOUT WITH COUNCIL



Opening of the new Mt Gambier Regional Airport



Drawing the winner of the staff survey



DCG Silver Sponsors of WiBRD



Inspecting the works on the new effluent pit at the Sale Yards



WiBRD International Women's Day breakfast

## MOBILE GARBAGE BINS COLLECTION DAYS BY AREA

### MONDAY

- CARPENTER ROCKS
- PELICAN POINT
- BLACKFELLOWS CAVES
- NENE VALLEY
- KONGORONG
- COMPTON

### TUESDAY

- TARPEENA
- SUTTONTOWN
- MIL-LEL
- WORROLONG
- GLENBURNIE

### WEDNESDAY

- MOORAK
- OB FLAT
- YAHL

### THURSDAY

- ALLENDALE EAST
- PORT MACDONNELL
- RACECOURSE BAY
- DONOVANS
- CAVETON

Please refer to the 2020/21 Mobile Garbage Bin Calendar for the relevant Refuse and Recycling alternating week collection days



## GRANTS

- DCG Community Grants Scheme
- SA Water Community partnerships Grants
- Australia Post Community Grants Program
- Strengthening Rural Communities Grants Program

For a full list of grants head to [www.communitygrants.gov.au](http://www.communitygrants.gov.au)

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**Fire Permits:** with the fire season coming to an end applications for permits to burn in the open may be required from 1 May 2021. Head to Fire Prevention on our website for more info.

**The annual road grading program has started!** Council's graders have hit the roads now that the slashing season is coming to an end. Keep your eyes out for roadworks, always adhere to the speed limits and drive safe!

## MAYOR & CEO DROP IN'S

Mayor Richard Sage and CEO Darryl Whicker are going to be dropping in to locals across the District for a chat about what's important in your town and community.

**JUNE: 5-6pm, Friday 11 June, at the Rocks Tavern, Carpenter Rocks.**

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# DCG ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN & BUDGET 2021-22

Council's Annual Business Plan and Budget 2021-22 is a key document that maps out what we are going to do and how we spend council's budget over the next financial year. The Draft Annual Plan and Budget 2021-22 is our on public exhibition and we want to hear what you think of it.

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

### YOURSAYDCG.COM.AU

Head to our DCG Your Say page read the draft plan, leave your feedback and give us your ideas

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

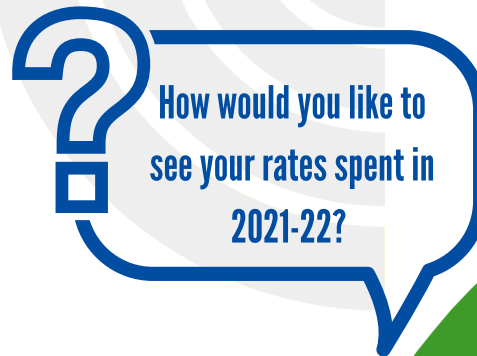
**5:30pm Monday 31st May 2021**  
DCG Offices, 324 Commercial St West, Mount Gambier.

**4:30pm Monday 7 June 2021**  
DCG Offices, 324 Commercial St West, Mount Gambier.

### CONTACT COUNCIL

Email  
[info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au](mailto:info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au)

or call  
**08 8721 0444**



## CONSULTATION CLOSES ON 31 MAY

Council will consider your feedback and incorporate it into the final draft of the Plan and Budget where possible.

We will keep you informed on the progress of the final Plan and Budget and upload the final version once endorsed by Council in June 2021

**IT'S  
OVER TO  
YOU!**

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## WHAT IS IT?

# RATING REVIEW

Our largest revenue source is from rates, given that Council has implemented a similar rating structure for a number of years a rating review has recently been undertaken. The rating review has compared Council's current rating structure with alternatives to determine whether the distribution of rates is equitable across ratepayers.

## WHAT ARE THE PROPOSED CHANGES?

Here is a summary of the proposed changes to Council's rating structure:

1. Transition from a General Rate to a Differential Rate by land use structure
2. Align minimum rate to inflation
3. Altering the rate cap to increase equity in distribution of rates
4. Implementing a rate cap on application process.

**A full Consultation Paper is available on [yoursaydcg.com.au](https://yoursaydcg.com.au)**

## HOW CAN I FIND OUT MORE & HAVE MY SAY?

**Head to [yoursaydcg.com.au](https://yoursaydcg.com.au) for all the details and to leave your feedback! Or you can**

- Request a feedback form or collect a hard copy from the Council Office or Port MacDonnell Community Complex, and return it via email [info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au](mailto:info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au), in person, or via post (District Council of Grant, PO Box 724 Mount Gambier SA 5290)
- Attend the Public Meeting: Monday 31 May 2021, 5:30pm, District Council of Grant Offices. Verbal and written feedback will be accepted at this meeting.

## WHERE TO FROM HERE?

- Consultation closes Monday 31 May at 8:00pm.
- A feedback report will be developed and given to Council for consideration.
- Council will adopt the final rating structure June 2021.



# DISTRICT COUNCIL OF GRANT

## Community Grants Scheme

### Round 1 2021-22

The District Council of Grant (DCG) Community Grants Scheme is for community groups to develop projects and events that enhance community wellbeing and increase participation in social and leisure activities.

#### KEY DATES

**OPEN MONDAY 10 MAY**  
**CLOSE FRIDAY 18 JUNE**

#### HOW TO APPLY

1. VISIT <https://yoursaydgc.com.au/>
2. READ THE GUIDELINES
3. FILL IN THE APPLICATION FORM

#### WHO CAN APPLY?

Incorporated not-for-profit organisations based in or servicing the DCG that:

- Do not collect substantial income from other sources and
- Provide a valuable service or benefit to the DCG community

#### WHAT DO YOU NEED TO APPLY?

- A project or event that responds to a community need or helps build a stronger community in the DCG
- Public Liability Insurance or the capacity to take out appropriate coverage
- Quotes to support your application

#### COMMUNITY HALLS

- Maximum Council allocation \$1000
- Council 75% (up to \$1K) and applicant 25% contribution

#### COMMUNITY GROUPS

- Maximum Council allocation \$2,500
- Council 75% (up to \$2.5K) and applicant 25% contribution

#### SPORTING CLUBS

- Maximum Council allocation \$800
- Council 50% (up to \$800) and applicant 50% contribution

#### PROJECT IDEAS

- Kitchen upgrades
- Water tanks
- Fire alarm install
- Painting or flooring
- Paths or ramps

#### PROJECT IDEAS

- Event equipment eg marquees
- Printing or promotional materials
- Facility upgrades

#### PROJECT IDEAS

- Facility upgrades
- Purchase equipment
- Club development eg training or planning
- Safety upgrade

Contact Council's Community Engagement Coordinator Hayley Rowe for further info or support to apply Email: [info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au](mailto:info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au) or call 08 8721 0444