

# Tumby planning for future

THE Tumby Bay District Council wants people to have a say on its plans for the district over the next 10 years.

The council released the 2012-2022 draft strategic plan at the end of November, which outlines

its goals for the next decade.

The council's chief executive officer Tony Irvine said the draft plan was built around the responses received from the council's strategic survey in October, which asked people if they were

happy with facilities and infrastructure in the Tumby Bay area.

Mr Irvine said the quality of the 86 survey responses allowed the council to get a firm understanding of what the community wanted in the strategic plan.

He said meeting with the local progress associations has also allowed the groups to have a lot of input on what they want to see around the community.

Comment on the strategic plan will be open until December 23 at

5pm, and Mr Irvine said the council welcomed any written comment from the public on the plan.

Copies of the council's vision for the next decade can be found at [www.tumbybay.sa.gov.au](http://www.tumbybay.sa.gov.au)

■ By Kimberlee Meier

## Discussing health care priorities

COMMUNITY meetings for the Linkin Health Study will be held next week.

The University of Adelaide research team wants to hear from residents about their priorities for health care in Port Lincoln and talk about how the study is progressing following last year's health cen-

sus.

One of the research team's chief investigators, University of Adelaide Professor of Nursing Alison Kitson, is leading the communication strategy for the project.

During the community meetings she will talk about issues such as access to health care,

the availability of services, and what is important to patients.

Linkin Health Study community engagement research fellow Dr Kathryn Powell urged people to go along and share their views about health care.

Two meetings will be held in Port Lincoln on

Thursday, December 15.

The first is at 10am at Community House, 14 Conrad Street. The second is at 4pm at Lincoln Grove Retirement Estate, 27 Marine Avenue.

Further meetings will be posted on the Linkin website [linkin-health.org.au](http://linkin-health.org.au)

## Grain lobby turmoil following vote to change SAFF

THE state government has no entity to pass on the money collected through the 5 cent grain levy on South Australian farmers until the issue of grain grower representation is sorted out.

Growers voted in October to change from the South Australian Farmers Federation Grains Council, which was the recipient of the money, and form their own lobby group, Grain Producers South Australia or GPSA.

But the SAFF has decided to continue with its own lobby group, which caused the resignation of two SAFF board members

who were angered over the decision.

As part of the proposed arrangement to set up the new lobby group, GPSA would have controlled the grain industry's levy fund, which can be up to \$400,000 each harvest, to lobby on behalf of farmers, like the SAFF Grains Council has done in the past.

Agriculture Minister Gail Gago was angered by the SAFF decision to go back on the in-principle agreement to work with GPSA.

"I am extremely disappointed that SAFF has walked away

from a signed in-principle agreement to work cooperatively with GPSA," she said.

"I consider this to be a very serious issue and not in the best interests of the overall industry.

"I am seeking advice on the options to best ensure that levy funds are utilised most effectively in the interests of the vitally important South Australian grains industry.

"I have also commenced working towards a bipartisan approach with Shadow Agriculture Minister Adrian Pederick."



**EQUIPMENT DONATED:** Lincoln brigade Captain Greg Napier, SA Water Eyre Peninsula service delivery manager Rob Hughes and CFS regional coordinator Kevin May with the new forestry firefighting kit.

## Kit to boost firefighting capacity

THE local CFS will be better equipped to fight fires in inaccessible terrain with a new forestry firefighting kit courtesy of SA Water.

The kit contains canvas fire hoses, nozzles, connections and accessories, specifically designed for firefighting in native forest with high fuel loads. Lincoln brigade captain Greg Napier said the equipment could be used anywhere but it was typically suited to thickly vegetated or hilly terrain inaccessible in vehicles.

The hoses can be linked together to fight fires up to 240 metres from the water source.

Mr Napier said the hoses would fit

the brigade's existing equipment so the kit could be put to use immediately.

Rob Hughes from SA Water said the equipment would improve safety and efficiency in firefighting.

"SA Water is just proud to be involved in this initiative to support the CFS in the protection of infrastructure and assets around Port Lincoln and also the great community of Port Lincoln," he said.

"As a major landholder (in the area) we see it as part of our role to partner with the CFS and help protect the community."



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### FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

#### CAROLS ON THE FORESHORE 2011

TUESDAY, 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

The popular free event is presented by the Combined Churches of Port Lincoln.

**6.00pm** - Food Stalls open. Enjoy a picnic tea on the grass with a sausage sizzle, steak sandwiches, hot dogs, pancakes, donuts and ice blocks for sale.

**6.30pm** - Entertainment starts showcasing St Joseph's School Kids Choir, Accidentals and Boston Bay Jazz Group.

**8.00pm** Christmas Carols start, led by young local musicians and talented singers.



A community choir will present two brackets of songs with a special children's focus featuring favourite songs such as Rudolf the Red Nose Reindeer and Jingle Bells.

**Carols on the Foreshore acknowledges a worthy local charity and this year it is St John Ambulance and there will be a special collection on the night to support these volunteers.**

Tunarama entrants will distribute candles donated by Woolworths throughout the crowd.

Don't forget your rug, deckchair, Christmas hats and candles.

#### Temporary Road Closure

**REMEMBER!** The section of Tasman Terrace from Adelaide Place to Bligh Street will be temporarily closed from **6.00 pm to 10.00 pm**.



### COUNCIL CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

The Council administration office in the Civic Centre and the Library at TAFE will be closed for the Christmas New Year period from:

**Midday on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2011**  
**Council Office reopening at 9am on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 2012**

**New Library hours commence from Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**Monday to Friday 10.00 am - 6.00 pm**  
**Sunday 1.00 pm - 4.00 pm**  
(closed Public Holidays)

### SUMMER READING CLUB

Welcome to the  
**Summer Reading Club 2011-2012**  
at the Port Lincoln Library



Register now and collect your activity pack— only \$2 for a summer of entertainment and fun!



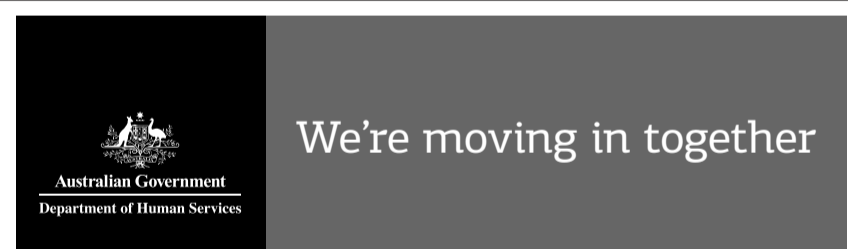
Suitable for ages birth – 16 years.

**Limited number, don't miss out!**

Enquiries welcome **8688 3622**

All information approved by Geoff Dodd - CEO - City of Port Lincoln

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centrelink

From **Monday 19 December**, Medicare will move to the Centrelink service centre at **85-89 Tasman Terrace, Port Lincoln.**

There you will be able to access both Centrelink and Medicare services from one convenient location.

Speak to a staff member or visit [humanservices.gov.au](http://humanservices.gov.au) for more information.



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