

# Six Month Report Card



January-June 2018



Welcome to the second edition of the Roxby Council Six Month Report Card series.

The Six Month Report Card initiative was first introduced for the July-December 2017 period. It illustrates our ongoing commitment to inform you about Council initiated activities, programs and events and their progress in meeting the objectives of the Annual Business Plan & Budget.

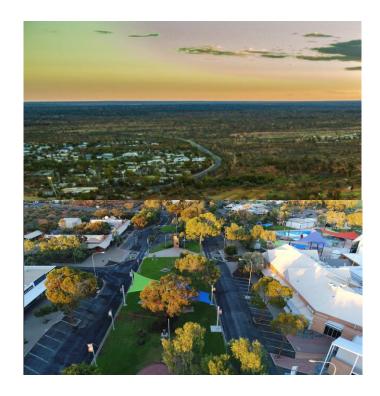
This edition provides an overview of Council's achievements during the period January to June 2018. We also report upon a number of projects which are already underway and will, as they are progressively implemented, contribute to the economic and community wellbeing of Roxby Downs.

Many of these achievements are reported upon as they transpire via the Roxby Council website, Roxby Council Facebook page and via videoed and online published, Council meeting highlights. 'Council Catchup' -a weekly radio segment is also utilized as a key way of communicating progress and achievements. The Six Month Report represents a succinct and easy to read summation of these highlights.

Council expects to publish the Annual Report in November 2018. The Annual Report will cover all achievements for the year and include audited financial statements.

We encourage you to provide feedback regarding the Six Month Report Card. Please feel free to email us at:

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## Introduction:

### • A focus upon scheduled and planned maintenance plans

On behalf of the Roxby Downs Community, Council holds infrastructure and property assets valued at \$120m (Municipal Council of Roxby Downs Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2017).

Key components consist of:

Assets Category	Value \$m
Land, buildings and parks	22.98
Roads, footpaths, kerbing and car parks	38.65
Power infrastructure	23.56
Water infrastructure	13.05
Sewerage infrastructure	15.75
Stormwater drainage	4.86
Plant and other assets	1.40

To provide a stronger knowledge base of asset condition, modifications, improvements and scheduled maintenance, technology based systems have been evaluated. These investigations have been productive and the Council expects to be installing a new asset management system by the end of 2018.

The results from this work will include an asset management plan that will be available to the Community with up to date information about the condition of community assets, lifespan and the timing of future works. Good asset management will allow Council to develop and implement cost-forecasting improvements which will provide financial efficiencies. There will be a continued focus on keeping current assets in good shape thus maximizing the life and quality of vital infrastructure and property.

### Renewal and/or replacement of service contracts for townscape maintenance and waste management

Service contracts for major Council work now include improved detail on specification of tasks and a requirement for contractors to be flexible in their delivery of services. Improved procurement strategies are enabling Council to be more proactive and responsive; ultimately providing better value for money for the community.



# HIGHLIGHTS - Essential Services & Assets

- Work commenced on a strategic review of town essential services & assets maintenance planning and scheduling.
- New Tender for Townscape Maintenance services contract opened for tender.
- Variation & Extension of Waste Contract with BSH Waste Solutions Pty Ltd for the provision of Waste Management Services to the community of Roxby Downs until 28 February 2023.
- Roundabout resurfacing at high use roundabouts in the Copper Sands subsection.
- Planning & scheduling of a 2 yearly power network maintenance cycle.







# HIGHLIGHTS - Essential Services and Assets



- Significant increases in waste delivered to the Gosse St Resource Recovery Centre.
- Overall waste collected from households increased by 17% compared to the same period in 2017.
- Significant increases in total household waste generated, including a 15% increase in general waste and 12% increase in recycling tonnes.
- A positive increase of 127 tonnes of overall waste diverted from Landfill compared to the same period in 2017.

		JAN-JUNE 2017	JAN - JUNE 2018	CHANGE
Waste collected from Households	Overall tonnes of waste collected	512	600	17%
	Tonnes of general waste collected	390	478	22%
	Tonnes of recycling collected	<b>78</b>	90	14.8%
	Green waste tonnes collected	43	31.7	26%

# HIGHLIGHTS - Community





Photo-right: Jordan Dillon accepting on behalf of Tommy Hannigan - Citizen of the Year, Jennah Laister — Young Citizen of the Year. Sister Patricia Hogan, Citizen of the Year and Peter Price accepting on behalf of the Roxby Downs Community Christmas Pageant 2017 committee for Event of the Year.

- Australia Day over 600 people in attendance at the Roxby Down's Australia Day celebrations and Citizen of the Year Awards.
- Total Community Youth Centre attendance increased by 418 to 1575 compared to the same period in 2017. A sharp increase coinciding with the appointment of a Youth Development Officer in April 2018.
- 2018 South Australian Youth Week saw the Community team guide the Roxby Downs Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) on the running of 2 key events. An outdoor cinema event and inspiring guest speaker sessions run at both local schools.

# Community Youth Centre

JANUARY - JUNE 2018



1575 ATTENDANCE

Includes Lego Club, Drop-In, Youth Activities and Events at the CYC The Roxbylink Library has 1850 active members. January to June 2018 saw an increase in loans to 667 compared to 458 for the same period in 2017.

Roxbylink Library - Jan-June 2018



**797**CHILDREN

655 CHILDREN

### KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS



#### HOLIDAY PROGRAM ATTENDANCE

198



# HIGHLIGHTS - Sport & Recreation

- Council submitted a grant application for \$500,000 to fund female friendly change rooms through the Office for Recreation and Sport.
- ◆ 15 talented young Roxby Down's athletes were selected as the first participants at the Roxby Downs Junior Sports Academy. These young people participated in a variety of strength, fitness and wellbeing programs whilst receiving professional support in identifying potential elite sporting pathways for the future.
- Roxbylink splash pad open (for the first time) throughout the winter months for public use as an open park area.





# HIGHLIGHTS - Sport & Recreation

- Roxbylink Stadium 1 re-flooring commenced with the assistance of a \$40,000 grant.
- Park on Curdimurka Street to be named Rotary Park. A Community Consultation survey saw 70% of respondents support the proposal from the Rotary Club of Roxby District to name the park 'Rotary Park'.
- Roxbylink indoor and outdoor pools resurfaced. The last outdoor pool resurface was 9 years ago. The indoor pool, with very high community usage was overdue for resurfacing.
- The fee for use of the Roxbylink tennis courts was removed. All community members now have free access to the courts.
- 24 Sporting Clubs registered with the STARCLUB development program. As part of this program 8 workshops were delivered to clubs in the January-June 2018 period. Including social media training, liquor licensing updates, child safe officer training, mental health & alcohol awareness, and governance workshops.





# **HIGHLIGHTS - Communications**

- Roxby Council has been actively enhancing its communication to and with the community through various platforms including its website, Facebook page, a new weekly radio show - Council Catchup, the My Local Services App, Video, You Tube and traditional mediums such as fliers, television screens and posters.
- Website user numbers, sessions and page traffic has steadily increased with Council's enhanced online activity.

- An increase of 411% in page views to the Current Consultations page of the website. (recorded as Consultation Activity on the table below).
- Strategically balancing post content across different themes: need to know, information, educational, social interaction and visual engagement has contributed to steady increases in page likes, follows and engagements.

£	Facebook Page Likes	Facebook Page Followers	Daily Page Engaged Users
Jan-June 2018	750	864	20,119
Jan-June 2017	532	538	5,911

	Website Users	Sessions	Top 4 Webpages	Consultation Activity*
Jan-June 2018	14,821	31,226	Cinema Homepage Roxbylink Waste Services	501
Jan-June 2017	12,897	24,860	Homepage Cinema Movie Times Pulse Fitness	98

Council's first Facebook live consultation: Council held a Facebook live consultation for the Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget 2018/19. The session engaged record numbers of participants with 46 peak live viewers. Traditional public meeting consultation sessions have attracted in the order of 2-10 people.



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	Roxby Council: Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget for 2018/19.
	Facebook Live Session

Audience retention	Followers - 30%
	Others - 70%
Audience engagement	
People reached	2,892
Unique views	1,193
Post engagement	102
48 comments	
9 shares	

# Ongoing Projects

- Collaboration with Roxby Downs Community Board and forums to have a more effective and participatory role in the community.
- Partnerships with Roxby Downs Area School and St. Barbara's Parish School –Emu Walk and Hermit Street Nature Play Playground Project.
- Pump Track continued work with the community, Sport & Recreation Forum and local business in the development and design of a Roxby Downs pump track facility.
- Upgrade of Richardson Place Rotunda and Public Amenities.
- Dog Park continued consultation with the community in efforts to realise the development of an off-leash dog park for Roxby Downs.
- Assessment of the suitability of an online engagement platform to enhance the ability for the community to comment and collaborate with Council on community developments and projects.
- Female friendly multi-use change rooms investigation of funding and other support.



