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# Hon Geoff Brock MP



23MINFOI-0019

Hon David Speirs MP Leader of the Opposition Parliament House ADELAIDE SA 5000 leaderoftheopposition@parliament.sa.gov.au

Dear Mr Speirs

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION - REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the FOI Act) received by this agency on 25 May 2023.

You have requested access to the following:

For the period, 1 January 2023 and 25 May 2023, a copy of all documents, including emails, briefings, letters and reports relating to the 2023 Port Pirie Community Lead Abatement Grants.

There is one (1) document that falls within the scope of your application and is that listed in the attached document schedule. I have determined to release this document in full.

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, if you are given access to documents as a result of this FOI application, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, may be published in the agency's disclosure log. Any private information will be removed. A copy of PC045 can be found at <a href="https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars">www.dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars</a>. If you have any objection to this publication, please contact us within 30 days.

Should you require any further information please contact me on telephone (08) 7133 1200.

Yours sincerely

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DOCUMENT SCHEDULE - FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPLICATION NUMBER 23MINFOI-0019					
Document Number	Description of Document	Date of Document	Author	Determination Release/Refuse Access	Schedule Clause Applied
1	Media Release	19 May 2023	DPC	Full Release	NIL

#### **DIT:Minister Brock**

From: SA Govt Media <media@sa.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 19 May 2023 6:30 AM

**To:** DIT:Minister Brock

**Subject:** KOUTSANTONIS-COOK-BROCK - Port Pirie community groups share in \$56,000 greening grants

# **Media Release**





# **Tom Koutsantonis MP**

Minister for Energy and Mining

# **Nat Cook MP**

Minister for Human Services

# **Geoff Brock MP**

Member for Stuart

# Port Pirie community groups share in \$56,000 greening grants

Improving the local environment and community health are among the outcomes of the latest round of Port Pirie Community Lead Abatement Grants announced today.

Six Port Pirie community groups will share in \$56,000 funding for a range of local community projects.

The abatement grants, previously known as the Port Pirie 'greening grants', provide up to \$10,000 to community groups in the Port Pirie region to help them reduce community exposure to dust and soils.

This year's successful recipients are:

 South Port Cricket Club, \$10,000 – covering surface dirt next to the playground,

- Port Pirie & Districts Road Safety Group, \$10,000 clean the bitumen road structure and surrounding seating areas and clubroom facility,
- Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia, \$9,245 overflow camping and parking upgrade,
- Port Pirie Harness Racing Club, \$8,715 rainwater systems for washdown and irrigation, and landscaping,
- Port Pirie Junior Soccer Inc, \$8,910 clubhouse paving upgrade to suppress dust while children are playing sport,
- Novita Services, \$10,000 landscaping of large outdoor space to reduce dust.

The Port Pirie Community Lead Abatement Grants are offered as part of the South Australian Government's lead abatement initiatives.

Organisations will use the funds for projects that would limit the community's, exposure to dust. In most cases, this involves greening around outdoor seating areas and playgrounds, covering exposed soil with soft fall, especially if the exposed soil is accessible to children and greening to reduce dust and enhance the amenity of the area.

The grants can also be used for improving education and awareness about the importance of greening and other dust management initiatives or implementing sustainable equipment or infrastructure to help with dust management.

These newly funded projects will complement work now underway through the Port Pirie Greening Program to significantly reduce dust movement in targeted areas.

Port Pirie Regional Council recently commenced a program including tree planting, installing water sensitive urban design (WSUD) infrastructure, and sealing footpaths in the Solomontown area.

### **Quotes attributable to Tom Koutsantonis**

The State Labor Government continues to play an active role in efforts to reduce lead levels in Port Pirie, and these grants will generate activity that will benefit both the local environment and local organisations.

This work will complement the \$5.7 million we're spending on projects to help Green Port Pirie, but these grants will empower community groups to propose their own innovative ways to address this longstanding problem, while improving local facilities and amenities.

#### **Quotes attributable to Nat Cook**

These Lead Abatement Grants are a great way for organisations to protect their communities from lead exposure and improve their facilities at the same time.

It's encouraging to see that half of the organisations who applied for a grant were sporting clubs – places where children congregate and spend a lot of their time.

The ideas for the funded projects came directly from the Port Pirie community, but they are in lockstep with the Port Pirie Greening Program funded by the South Australian government and the Targeted Lead Abatement Program and delivered by Port Pirie Regional Council.

#### **Quotes attributable to Geoff Brock Member for Stuart**

I'm pleased to see our community groups have opportunities to work alongside local council and state government to deliver these vital projects.

The projects are an important part of improving our environment and community health in Port Pirie, which we will see the benefits of for years to come.

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