



LIGHT REGIONAL COUNCIL MEDIA RELEASE

SEPPELTSFIELD ROAD UPGRADE

Light Regional Council is pleased to announce that it will receive \$720,000 in funding through the Australian Government's Special Local Roads Program to upgrade Seppeltsfield Road between Stonewell Road and Kraehe Road through Marananga.

In regard to the announcement of the funding for these works Council's Mayor Bill O'Brien stated *"Seppeltsfield is an iconic South Australian tourist destination and having a road network that can safely bring over 200,000 tourists into this area per year is paramount. Council has invested into this road heavily over the past few years and this next stage will compliment previous works that have occurred. This road forms part of the Epicurean Way and will nicely lead drivers from the historic towns of Greenock & Kapunda as well as other parts of the Barossa."*

Jon Durdin of Seppeltsfield Road Distillers said *"This improvement of transport infrastructure for vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians is critical to the ongoing success of businesses along the iconic Seppeltsfield Road. The widening of Seppeltsfield Road and improvement of access into businesses along the road, particularly through the village of Marananga will ensure tourists, our customers, employees and the local community can safely access their premises and enjoy this fantastic place. This investment by Light Regional Council and the Australian Government is a greatly appreciated recognition of the importance of the heritage, beauty and economic impact of the Seppeltsfield Road precinct."*

Council will match the federal government's contribution and has estimated the works at \$1.1m. Works will include road widening, resurfacing and general safety improvements between Stonewell Road and Kraehe Road (near the Mausoleum).

Council is planning to commence engaging with the community in the coming weeks and anticipates construction to be completed in early 2020.

For further information on these works, enquiries should be directed to Council's General Manager, Infrastructure & Environment, Richard Dodson on 8525 3200 or light@light.sa.gov.au

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