

## 5. OUTCOMES, ACTIVITIES AND KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS, November 2016

<b>Outcome 1: Regional Plan</b> - A current three to five-year plan that focusses on economic development of the RDA region taking into account Commonwealth, state, territory and local government plans.			
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Maintain and develop a regional consultation network.	Multiple meetings and communications with DSD and other State government agencies were held with regard to identifying key issues and projects to help address Whyalla's depressed economy, and current and future challenges. 4 meetings were held including: Industry Minister Kyam Maher to discuss the Whyalla Heavy Industry Cluster resourcing and other issues. Also met with Disabilities Minister Leesa Vlahos to discuss Whyalla's Disability and Ageing Masterplan, resourcing issues and co-funding.	Information was provided about RDAWEP current and future plans, projects and resource requirements.	Communication is ongoing about State Government support for multiple projects, and initiatives including continuation of implementation of Whyalla's Masterplan for Disability and Ageing; pending NDIS rollout including expansion of workforce and services in Whyalla, Heavy industry cluster.  Communication with government agencies in regard to co-funding several projects continues to be progressed.  Meetings with Ministers are aimed at increasing awareness of projects, problems, and solutions, and enlisting State Government support.
	RDAWEP attended industry group Global Maintenance Upper Spencer Gulf AGM and provided input to strategic issues raised at the meeting.		A GMUSG strategy for 2017 is under development. The organisation is also undergoing a strategic review of its operations, with outcomes and a report due for release early in 2017.
	Established a local government tourism advisory group to identify common priorities and maximise opportunities.	Regular quarterly meetings have been scheduled. Based on feedback, an invitation has been extended to Local Tourism Assn's and VIC's. The next meeting is scheduled for 2 <sup>nd</sup> February.	
	Phone link up was held with Peter Mitchell to discuss potential training programs identified in the Whyalla area.		
	Met with the owners of Call A Car to assist with future business and marketing ideas, and how RDAWEP could assist with employee training through the individual assistance program.		
	Spoken with Rob from Ottaway for a progress update on a pending contract.		
	Conducted a survey across Eyre Peninsula for businesses and the community regarding the SA black system event during September 2016	The extensive survey was distributed through existing RDAWEP networks and media. Response rate was high at 340. Answers to survey questions were insightful and provided valuable information.	Information in the survey was used to back up ongoing negotiations for power and communication improvements across Eyre Peninsula.

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Maintain and develop a regional consultation network (Cont'd).	<p>Participated in meetings with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>01/11/2016 - attended the DES Job Expo final planning meeting. The Expo was held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016.</li> <li>01/11/2016 - attended a meeting with Tim Coote regarding the DSD funded training proposal for Certificate III in Individual Support with TAFESA.</li> <li>02/11/2016 - meeting held with Stacey Higgs from Orana regarding their accommodation services and expanded program services moving into 2017.</li> <li>03/11/2016 - attended the DES Job Expo. This was a fantastic event that was very well received throughout the community.</li> <li>04/11/2016 - held a meeting with Barry Brougham from Advancing Whyalla to discuss the community guide and their Wellness Guide.</li> <li>04/11/2016 - meeting held with Jess Law from the Department of Rural Health regarding the RDAWEP Summer Scholarship students.</li> <li>09/11/2016 - attended the Disability and Ageing Leadership Team meeting. This was our final one for 2016.</li> <li>14/11/2016 appointment with Tim Breuer to discuss their upcoming training program and how RDAWEP can support this project. 15/11/2016 - Phone conference with Lew Owens, Migelle Hiscock and Alex Todd to discuss the Masterplan work moving into 2017 and the funding required to assist.</li> <li>15/11/2016 - meeting held with John May from DSD to discuss the DSD Industry and Skills Brokerage Role.</li> <li>16/11/2016 - attended the community information session for Orana regarding the increase of services required for Whyalla.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>16/11/2016 - held a meeting with Tim Coote and Richard Horgan regarding the DSD funded program - Certificate III in Individual Support.</li> <li>17/11/2016 - meeting with Mardi Webber from Return to Work SA regarding Mental Health in the Workplace and the extended resources that are available.</li> <li>20/11/2016 - meeting with Minister Leesa Vlahos and her team to discuss the project work undertaken within the Masterplan. Following this meeting; I attended the Country Cabinet Community BBQ.</li> <li>21/11/2016 - conducted a disability-friendly city checklist conversation with Zia and Cyanne Westerman.</li> <li>22/11/2016 - met with the two new Summer Scholarship UniSA Students who are undertaking projects within the Masterplan for the month of December.</li> <li>22/11/2016 - organised and attended the Disability Advisory Group meeting.</li> <li>23/11/2016 - organised and attended the Age-Friendly Advisory Group meeting.</li> <li>29/11/2016 - meeting held with Rebecca Gow from Australian Work for the Dole regarding the Masterplan actions for 2017 and creating additional training projects through the Industry and Skills Brokerage Role.</li> <li>29/11/2016 - meeting held with some members of the Disability and Ageing Leadership Team to finalise the 2017 KPI's and Actions for the Masterplan project. There have been an additional 14 KPI's added to this project and work has already commenced on these.</li> <li>30/11/2016 - meeting held with Emma Schreiner regarding the direction and training requirements of Caring Choice moving into 2017.</li> <li>30/11/2016 - meeting held with Ron Hay and Soto Stuppos regarding a presentation they would like to be made to the Chamber of Commerce on December 12<sup>th</sup> 2016.</li> </ul>	<p>All meetings are identifying new employment and training opportunities in Whyalla as well as ensuring that RDAWEP has effective working relationships with key stakeholders in the disability and ageing sectors.</p> <p>All meetings attended are having a direct positive impact on the Disability and Ageing Masterplan project.</p>

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Maintain and develop a regional consultation network (Cont'd).	A regional network has been established that includes the following Aboriginal organisations: Yalata, Scotdesco, Koonibba, Ceduna, Aboriginal Lands Trust, and Port Lincoln. The network also includes the Transitional Accommodation Centre, Housing SA, DPMC – Ceduna, Regional Health Ceduna, Save the Children, Red Cross the homeland groups (Munda & Wanna Mar, Bullinda, Munda Munda Wadutjinna, Tia Tuckia, Akenta and Ikkata. Business ventures that include Walga Mining in Whyalla, and the Playford Avenue Arcade are also in the network. Both of the regions natural resource management groups are also part of the network (EPNRM and AWNRM)	<p>Developed a project plan that will assist the Far West Aboriginal Sporting Complex to operate along commercial principles. The project plan will focus on a reduction in overheads, encourage more use, and have some health programs delivered from the site.</p> <p>Developed a duty statement and job description with the aim of getting the Piling's Trust to fund a development manager for Yalata. This will assist the organisation in establishing or improving commercial activities.</p> <p>Connected the Far West Native Title Group with RDAWEP's Employment and Skills activity – this will assist with the supply of labour to the Iluka mining operation.</p>	<p>The Far West Aboriginal Sports Complex has been advised that some funding support will be provided to assist with the establishment of sub-terrain water system this will reduce water cost through the use of re-cycled water, an upgrade of the oval lights. The complex also received funding to re-surface the netball courts, upgrade the wet areas and, make the canteen more user and patron friendly. It is anticipated the lights and new watering system will be functioning by 30/06/2017</p> <p>Concept is being used to engage a development manager for Yalata, this should assist with making projects that have commenced in some form more viable.</p> <p>This project commenced in December 2016 – refer employment and skills report</p>
	Followed up on survey to transport forum participants, designed to gather information on initiatives planned or implemented since the forum.	Return rate on surveys very low – following up individual participating organisations.	Refer Outcome 3 “Sustainable Communities and Population Growth: Social - REGIONAL PRIORITY: Support development of social and community infrastructure and services to enhance liveability”
	249 changes were made to the stakeholder database in November.	At 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2016, the database listed 4,923 contacts.	The RDAWEP Regional Newsletter for November was distributed on 3 <sup>rd</sup> November, 2016.
Document regional intelligence about key issues supported by research and data.	A capability mapping exercise is ongoing for a range of Heavy Industry businesses with operations in and around the Whyalla area.	A process was developed to capture detailed information about capabilities of Heavy Industry businesses and their supply chains.	<p>Interviews and reporting is in progress, but it was determined at the April meeting of the Heavy Industry Cluster that this was not a current high priority. The information will continue to be collected and collated and report prepared but this process will take longer than previously planned.</p> <p>This project is currently on hold while work continues on other identified priorities.</p>
	Regular regional tourism statistics are collated, interpreted and distributed.	Ongoing	Ongoing
Distribute and promote Regional Plans.			

<b>Outcome 2: Critical issues - Advice to the Government on critical issues affecting the RDA region.</b>			
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Pursue an integrated, cross-agency approach to regional development.	Information about Local Government projects was provided to PIRSA on 3 November to assist potential projects that might be funded under the State Government LGA Infrastructure Fund.	The latest version of the RDAWEP Local Government Project Tracker was provided, with advice that the tracker does not prioritise the project for each Council, and that the priorities should be sought from individual Councils.	
	On 7 November 2016, information about the provision of economic data to Local Government was provided to RDA Yorke and Mid North to assist its provision of data to Councils.	RDA Yorke and Mid North is in the process of providing EconSearch data to its Councils, and wanted to see the RDAWEP material to use as a model. Data was provided for the RDAWEP region and DC Lower Eyre Peninsula, along with copies of the relevant support and explanatory papers.	
	A meeting was held on 9 <sup>th</sup> November with various agencies regarding a potential whole-of-region approach to the coordination and development of basketball. The project aim is to improve Indigenous and disadvantaged participation in sport, and reduce social disengagement.	RDAWEP hosted the planning meeting. Participating agencies included: SA Country Basketball, SA Primary Schools Sports Association, SA Secondary Schools Sports Association, basketball and sporting representatives, and the Member for Flinders, Peter Treloar.  Options to secure recurrent funding for a Regional Basketball Coordinator were investigated, with a preferred option identified. This will be pursued via the SA Country Basketball association. RDAWEP is facilitating the process.	A discussion paper prepared from the meeting outcomes was distributed for amendment by key participants on 11 November. The final paper was distributed on 21 November.
	Represent and advocate for regional South Australia and Eyre Peninsula as a board member of the South Australian Tourism Industry Council.	Ensure the priorities of regional South Australia are reflected in SATIC's plans and operations and that SATIC provides an effective platform for its regional tourism members.	Ongoing
	Represent and advocate for Eyre Peninsula as a member of the South Australian Regional Tourism Network	Attend bi-monthly meetings representing the Eyre Peninsula Tourism Industry, RDAWEP and EPLGA.	Ongoing
	Represent and advocate for Eyre Peninsula tourism in the development of the DEWNR / SATC Nature Based Tourism Strategy (NBTS)	Opportunities identified in Eyre Peninsula National Parks and crown lands  Site visit with EPNRM to Lincoln National Park to explore options regarding resort developments.  Completion of draft discussion paper on the development of a touring route for the northern Eyre Peninsula that will assist in aligning the investment and marketing of the area.  Workshop held in Wudinna on 24 <sup>th</sup> November.	Ongoing  Strong community and industry support for the development of a touring route for northern Eyre Peninsula.  Eyre Peninsula commended for proactive approach to implementing the plan.

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Pursue an integrated, cross-agency approach to regional development.	Represent and advocate for Eyre Peninsula tourism in EPNRM	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Provide leadership and represent the Eyre Peninsula tourism industry at intergovernmental and interagency meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attended the Dept. Transport Boating Strategic Plan Workshop (2<sup>nd</sup> Nov).</li> <li>• PIRSA Regional Marketing Forum (4<sup>th</sup> Nov)</li> <li>• AusIndustry Regional Forum (14<sup>th</sup> Nov)</li> <li>• Country Cabinet – Whyalla (20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Nov) including presentations to CEO, SATC and Hon. Ian Hunter MP.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	Ongoing
	RDAWEP is working closely with Whyalla employers to discuss the training and employment requirements as we move into 2017. These conversations/meetings are important to link the requirements of employers to the Jobs First Employment Projects.		
	RDAWEP continues to work with the Whyalla City Council to ensure the work being undertaken aligns with the Council Strategic Plan.	RDAWEP has identified approximately 140 employment outcomes for Whyalla that will be addressed with the upcoming training proposal.	
	Working with DSD to establish employment and training projects that can assist Whyalla with new employment opportunities and assist companies diversify their business by upskilling staff. A monthly meeting date has been set with Tim Coote; Regional Manager, DSD.		
	Working with Mission Australia with the students who are attending the New Opportunities and the Next Step program, and youth support program, assisting with career development and resume assistance.	Waiting to see how many of the participant's manage to secure work after the training has finished.	
	Working with local employers to identify potential training opportunities for new employees through the Jobs First Employment Project.		

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Pursue an integrated, cross-agency approach to regional development (Cont'd).	Met with Mardi Webber from Return to Work SA regarding Mental Health in the Workplace and the extended resources that are available for business.		
	Delivered information sessions for older drivers with Council Of The Ageing (COTA) presenter.	Three sessions delivered over two half days with 27 people attending. Information was well received and discussion topics engaged all participants. Overall good feedback from participants.	DC Tumby Bay has requested another session to be held in Tumby Bay for residents who could not get to Pt Lincoln. Have followed this up with COTA and an application for sessions in 2017 will be lodged, once dates provided by DCTB.
	Attended Collective Impact Group meeting with Dept of Children's Development and Country SA Primary Health Network	Good information exchange regarding Volunteer Support Worker for clients of NDIS, GP recruitments in region, successful CSAPHN tender applications in region, Engagement for Impact workshop, access to immunisation and other data.	Low attendance at this meeting enabled focussed and very relevant exchange between those present.
Pursue opportunities for collaborative projects.	Regular communication including monthly meetings with Whyalla Chamber of Commerce.	Meetings as scheduled to discuss a range of issues.	Knowledge and understanding of WCC/RDAWEP activity, projects, collaboration on projects and initiatives.
	RDAWEP is providing support to the National Railway Museum with a project to celebrate the centenary of the Trans Australian Railway line in October 2017. RDAWEP is project managing the design and installation of two sculptures, to replace monuments that were unveiled at the 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary in 1967. These monuments have since deteriorated and collapsed.	The project brief for a sculptor was drafted and issued to various parties for comment and further development.  Photographs and measurements of the 1967 monument bases were prepared for the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC), which is also involved in the project development.	The National Railway Museum provided useful advice to improve the sculptor brief.  A meeting was held with a local high profile sculptor about the brief and additional improvements were identified.
	Working with the Local Area Coordinator for the NDIA to organise and facilitate a community information session that will explain the NDIS rollout to people who live with a disability and those families who support and care for them. Tanya Cumerlato is working towards this occurring before the end of 2016.	RDAWEP are continuing to work with our local NDIS Local Area Coordinator to ensure we are aware of all the outstanding work being done as well as the barriers they may be facing in our community as the rollout continues.	
	RDAWEP is working on developing a Community Services Guide. This includes working closely with Advancing Whyalla as they have an original concept with the Wellness Guide. A meeting will be held with Advancing Whyalla on 02/12/2016.	Developing the Community Services Guide has allowed RDAWEP to establish a working relationship with many service providers, government organisations and volunteer organisations in Whyalla.	

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Pursue opportunities for collaborative projects (Cont'd).	RDAWEP continues to work with the Whyalla City Council to ensure the work being undertaken aligns with the Council Strategic Plan.		
	Connecting the three tiers of government plus the relative NGO's to develop the "Far West Aboriginal Tourism" Strategy	All groups are enthusiastic with positive input. A funding application to support value adding to strategy has been submitted.	
	Had the last meeting to discuss how the expo worked and what could we do better for 2017.		
	Assisting DSD with participant numbers for a project with Ottaway.		
	Support and advice provided to CEO, DC Franklin Harbour regarding plans to build additional residential aged care accommodation in Cowell.	Followed up in query regarding 2016-17 Aged Care Approvals Round (bed licences) – only applicable to registered providers of residential aged care (in this case CHSA). Raised the subject of competition amongst other rural towns in the region and a need for a broader strategic approach to meet the needs of the ageing population – and working together to keep people in their own communities.	Facilitated introduction and positive discussion between CEO, Matthew Flinders Home and CEO, DC Franklin Harbour as potential advisor / partner to expansion of services to Cowell.
Assisted UniSA Dept of Rural Health identify suitable placement for psychiatry student in 2017	Contacted Country & Outback Health Mental Health Coordinator and provided information. Followed up with UniSA Project Officer. Eventually left communication between the two parties.	A host has not been secured for a placement in the Port Lincoln area at this stage. Offered further assistance if required for future placements.	
Engage with Local Government on regional planning and economic development.	Regular communication including monthly meetings with Whyalla Council senior management. 2 meetings held in November.	Meetings as scheduled to discuss a range of issues.	Knowledge and understanding of WCC/RDAWEP activity, projects, collaboration on projects and initiatives has improved but requires further improvement.
	RDAWEP Project Managers met with the EPLGA on 30 November to discuss potential projects for funding from the Building Better Regions Fund and the State Government Infrastructure Fund being designed for Local Government.	The need to update and progress the Local Government Project Tracker was identified, which will be pursued at the EPLGA CEO and Board meetings at Wudinna 1-2 December.	
	RDAWEP holds meetings with the Whyalla City Council each month on several areas of the Masterplan work being undertaken, ensuring the Masterplan work is in line with the WCC Strategic Plan, and that reports that are written by the Project Implementation Officer.	Following a report developed for the Whyalla City Council and then a motion being raised at the November Whyalla City Council meeting; the Disability and Ageing Masterplan project has once again been supported.	I attended the Whyalla City Council meeting and it was fantastic to hear the accolades coming from Elected Members regarding the work that had been undertaken to date.

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Engage with Local Government on regional planning and economic development (Cont'd).	<p>Consultations were held with Local Government about regional tourism priorities.</p> <p>Ensure all councils have an adequate understanding of the visitor economy and provide advice and expertise on tourism development.</p>	<p>Meet regularly with Local Government regarding tourism.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Streaky Bay Council (7<sup>th</sup> Nov)</li> <li>• Ceduna Tourism Roadmap (10<sup>th</sup> Nov)</li> <li>• DC Wudinna (15<sup>th</sup> Nov)</li> <li>• Coffin Bay Tourism (22<sup>nd</sup> Nov)</li> <li>• Port Lincoln Open Space Strategy (25<sup>th</sup> Nov)</li> <li>• Port Lincoln City Council (28<sup>th</sup> Nov)</li> <li>• Streaky Bay Council (30<sup>th</sup> Nov)</li> </ul>	Ongoing
	Provide regular information to Local Government including active promotion of RDAWEP plans.	Relevant statistics distributed	Ongoing
	Connected the District Council of Ceduna with the "Far West Aboriginal Tourism Strategy".	Ceduna Council is very supportive of concept. They will also be included in the final workshop with all agencies from State and Australian government.	
	Met with CEO, DC Cleve to discuss council's plans to increase residential aged care accommodation in Cleve. Developed draft Terms of Reference for engagement of consultant to undertake a feasibility study and develop a business case on behalf of DC Cleve.	Draft Terms of Reference completed and with DC Cleve for feedback.	DC Cleve expressed preference for RDAWEP representation on a steering committee, and to assist with assessment of tenders for consultancy project.
	Further discussion with CEO, DC Tumby Bay regarding plans for Ministerial visit in January 2017	Priority is to progress strategy as a Southern EP alliance and have an agreed position between the three councils (and preferably an initial concept) to present to the Minister.	This will be presented at a meeting of RDAWEP and the three councils on 9 <sup>th</sup> December.
	Met with planning consultants, URPS to provide input into PLCC Open Space Strategy Discussion Paper with regard to access and ease of use by aged, disabled and transport disadvantaged residents.	Discussed transport corridors for safe use by mobility scooters; surfaces, signage and space for older people and people with disability. Provided consultants with links to resources for designing Age and Dementia Friendly Streetscapes.	Identified that the logical corridors for mobility scooters need improvements to footpaths and safety crossings. This will be included in the next draft.
	Set up meeting with Manager Community Development, Port Lincoln City Council to develop terms of reference and support material for volunteer database development research project.	The need for a centralised coordination of volunteers, and support for organisations utilising volunteers was discussed at a recent forum, with PLCC assuming a central role.	The successful application lodged by RDAWEP has strengthened the community services link between RDAWEP and PLCC. The ongoing impact of the project will be determined by the successful coordination and use of the volunteer database, once developed.



<b>Outcome 3: Priority activities</b> - Advice on priority activities that will drive regional economic development, on future economic opportunities and on the RDA region's comparative advantages, based on consultation and engagement with community leaders. <i>(Priority activities are those with an economic focus where the RDA takes a lead or supporting role. RDAs should identify if they are taking a lead or supporting role.</i>			
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<b>Human Capital - REGIONAL PRIORITY: <i>Develop and retain a skilled workforce.</i></b>			
Develop sustainable employment networks.	RDAWEP has been working with local employers to identify employment and training opportunities within the disability and ageing sectors.	There are two JFEP applications being developed throughout December for two projects that pertain to the Disability sector.	
	Working with TAFE and the students in the Certificate III in Individual support (Aged Care) group who are now looking for work  Working with Mission Australia with the students who are attending the New Opportunities and the Next Step program.  Working with Sue from Plaza Youth to assist their students with careers advice, resume and cover letters.	RDAWEP is working with individuals to get their resume's up to date, so that they can hand them to the HR Manager at the Aged Care facility when on work placement.	Still early days and will not know who has gained employment until the course has been completed or they are advised when on work placement
Provide career development services.	Offering a shop front service to the community of Whyalla, the Career Development Centre (CDC) can provide services to assist people into work, or to increase their hours of work, or advice with a career change.	74 participants used the CDC, some participants needing just 1 appointment, and others coming back for support with other job applications. CDC offers support through empowering the job seeker to understand self-marketing and meeting the needs of employers.	5 employment outcomes were achieved.
	Port Lincoln to date - 46 clients have been serviced.	Port Lincoln to date - 3 employment outcomes	
Deliver targeted projects to support workforce development and participation.	Prepared a proposal for accelerated vocational training project: Building capability for defence and heavy industry projects through focussed vocational training and industry placement.  The proposal titled "Building capability for defence industry projects through focussed vocational training and industry placement" was presented to and discussed at the Heavy Industry cluster meeting.  Key points; Commitment by state government will be required to fund a three year program of focused heavy industry skills training.	The project requires that students be fully funded for their two years of training. Up to 30 Students selected each year over a 3 year period. The program needs to be developed and delivered in Whyalla by TAFESA in collaboration with Defence SA, Defence Teaming Centre and local industry. Year one involves multi-skill, pre-vocation training and general trade training. Students would be streamed and do the second year of their trade training. Industry placement would be negotiated with local industry At the end of the second year they would effectively have knowledge and skills equivalent to a third year apprentice and would be at no cost to employers until this stage.	The Heavy industry group are highly supportive of the project and will provide support via supervised work for students during their practical program. Additional work is required to attract the resources required for implementation.  Presented project and met with Industry Minister Kyam Maher and DSD Deputy CEO Alex Reid seeking support for the project.  Commenced Preparation of the project proposal and budget in specific format required by DSD.  Communication is ongoing

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Deliver targeted projects to support workforce development and participation (Cont'd).	RDAWEP is working with DSD to finalise a project for a fully funded Certificate III in Individual Support training program as Whyalla employers are going to require at least 45 Support Workers by December 2016.	This training looks as though it will now commence in early 2017; however, the pre-placement and selections will occur in late November/early December.	RDAWEP developed the funding proposal for this training project to occur and DSD has approved the project to be undertaken.
	Making contact with local employers to see how the RDA through DSD can assist with training requirement for new workers.	Early days.	
	<p>Submitted a Jobs First Employment Project application to DSD for an employment project for Iluka Resources. Currently preparing submissions for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The thoroughbred horse racing industry for training in the following units: Follow OHS procedures and observe environmental work practices, catch and handle quiet horses under supervision, perform basic stable duties, apply basic communication skills, organise and complete daily work activities, investigate job opportunities in racing and related industries, perform basic riding tasks.</li> <li>2. Ceduna Foreshore Hotel Motel and Ceduna Foodland where the primary objective of this project is to establish a pool of experienced and competent jobseekers such that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Locals obtain meaningful short term seasonal employment and an increased eligibility for future long term employment; and</li> <li>• Local employers, especially Ceduna Foodland and the Ceduna Foreshore Hotel Motel have access to a ready and available skilled workforce in the medium and longer-term.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. The EP primary producers program has developed from a survey of EP farmers where it was concluded that the majority (52) of respondents already employ seasonal workers. The majority (40) are likely or highly likely to take on additional seasonal underemployed or unemployed workers. The six most popular skills they require to do this are HC truck licence - 40, welding - 39, MC truck licence - 36, basic mechanical &amp; small motors - 33, chemical accreditation - 32 and front end loader - 31. The project will work with approximately 40 participants across these units with an emphasis (20 people) on HC and MC truck licencing. This emphasis is justified as a result of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association's 2015 Regional Transport Strategy report for the period 2012 to 2015.</li> <li>4. Ceduna - Town Accommodation - This project aims to employ local aboriginal people who will soon exit a labour hire company. Participants will be offered training in five units total from skill clusters in kitchen operations, cleaning operations and parks and gardens. Graduates will then be employed by Housing SA to provide catering for residents and cleaning and maintenance of the "Town Camp" property.</li> </ol>	<p>Iluka application has been successful This is a three month paid work experience program, including general on-the-job and selected surface mobile equipment (SME) training, for eighteen aboriginal (Far West Coast Traditional Owner) jobseekers. The primary objective is to establish a pool of ten experienced and competent jobseekers.</p> <p>Four other applications are still being developed.</p>

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Deliver targeted projects to support workforce development and participation (Cont'd).	RDAWEP is working with Career Employment Group on three Jobs First Employment Projects where the predominant employment outcomes will be situated in Whyalla.		
	In collaboration with Alzheimer's Australia RDAWEP is promoting and assisting with the scheduling of accredited Dementia Essentials training in the region for the first half of 2017.	The training was delivered in the region in 2016 with low levels of uptake (only 8 participants). It was suggested that the 3 day training be delivered 1 day a week over 3 weeks, to fit with staff rostering. RDAWEP is taking expressions of interest and will coordinate with Alzheimer's Australia on locations and dates for delivery of the course.	In response to the promotion the AASA Dementia Link Worker for Eyre Peninsula has sent information about her role and offered to speak at the training sessions and other forums that RDAWEP is involved with.
<b>Sustainable Communities and Population Growth: Economic - REGIONAL PRIORITY: <i>Build the capacity of the community to grow the regional economy.</i></b>			
Increase Aboriginal participation in the labour force.	Support the development of an Aboriginal Tourism Strategy for the Far West Coast of Eyre Peninsula aimed at increasing the economic benefit of tourism to Aboriginal Communities.		
	Through the Certificate III in Individual Support funded training program that RDAWEP have been working on with DSD; Aboriginal people will have priority places dedicated.		
	RDAWEP is taking a lead role in developing the "Far West Aboriginal Tourism" strategy. One of the aims of the strategy is to increase Aboriginal participation in the labour force.  RDAWEP is developing two skills upgrade and or training programs that will assist employees to be employed directly in the Ceduna Town Accommodation Centre. Program is being developed.	Draft tourism strategy document sent to all far west Aboriginal organisations and the ALT for the December workshop. Support continues to be provided from a wide range of agencies.	
	Ceduna – Town Accommodation – This is a Jobs First Employment Project aimed at employing local aboriginal people who will soon exit a labour hire company. Participants will be offered training in five units total from skill clusters in kitchen operations, cleaning operations and parks and gardens. Graduates will then be employed by Housing SA to provide catering for residents and cleaning and maintenance of the "Town Camp" property.		

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Pursue solutions to improve small businesses innovation, skills development and viability.	Follow up meeting with Phil DeCourcey 25 Nov16 to discuss a collaborative project based in Whyalla and how this could work with RDA.	<p>The project would target local and regional SME businesses aiming to enter the Defence Industry supply chain. Potential activities include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of a local and interactive business portal including an electronic database of local companies and capabilities</li> <li>Development of mechanisms for companies with projects in the region to buy local</li> <li>Link to projects and shutdown schedules</li> <li>Link to workforce skills</li> </ul> <p>Defence Industry expert, audit of Defence Capability, gap analysis, with a guided program to bridge gaps</p> <p>New resources in the region based in Whyalla, Linkages with TAFE and UniSA</p>	Need commitment and buy in from local industry, with some cost to industry. Need for a State Government sponsor/advocate, may be Ministers Maher and Brock.
	<p>A meeting was held with a business owner on 3 November to progress business plan improvements and help the enterprise to become grant ready.</p> <p>The target is to achieve both and lodge an application for business innovation funding prior to the Christmas holiday break in December.</p>	<p>The business plan is being gradually progressed through wording contributions from RDAWEP and the proprietors. The third version of the business was completed and distributed to the owners for consideration.</p> <p>This version of the plan was accelerated for tabling at a business site meeting with staff from the Australian Government Department of Industry, Innovation and Science on 14<sup>th</sup> November.</p>	
	Provided leadership, advice and support to the tourism industry to grow tourism	<p>General business development assistance provided including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Port Lincoln Hotel</li> <li>• Frontier Seafood</li> <li>• Oceanic Victor</li> <li>• EP Trails</li> <li>• Peter Teakle Foundation</li> <li>• Calypso Star Charters</li> <li>• Modra's Apartments</li> <li>• Port Lincoln Joy Flights</li> <li>• Matt Dodd Photography</li> <li>• EP Cruises</li> <li>• Perlubie Pavilions</li> <li>• Bay Function</li> </ul>	
	Provided business development and quality training opportunities to the tourism industry	Ongoing communication with the SATC, SATIC and RDAWEP regarding specific workforce and training needs of the tourism industry.	Secured commitment from SATIC for the delivery of training from the service excellence program.

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Pursue solutions to improve small businesses innovation, skills development and viability (Cont'd).	Through the Industry and Skills Brokerage Role; we have identified the projects that must be undertaken in order to improve the number of Support Workers required in the Disability sector. The employers that the brokerage role have been working with include; Bedford Phoenix, Caring Choice, Whyalla Aged Care, Community Support Incorporated, Disability SA and Orana.		
	The Far West Aboriginal Tourism strategy has a specific objective of improving the capacity of the operators and the employees.	RDAWEP has a funding application being considered to support the tourist ventures and potential tourist ventures to update or develop tourism venture plans. The funding application has been revised, the amount of funds to be applied for has increased to \$80,000.00 from \$25,000.00 with a change in the scope of works.	
	Assisting a wide range of new and existing businesses in Whyalla (11) to assist with business ventures, and improve existing services. Ventures include tourism (1), gardening and landscaping (4), Arts (1), Hospitality and Catering (3), Transport (1), Mining (1).	Two new business have been established, A landscaping and Lawn Mowing business has improved his list of customers and improved efficiencies in delivery, a hospitality and catering business is ready to proceed, the mining company has restructured their staff operations and improved their efficiencies.	
	Met with the owners of Call A Car to assist with future business and marketing ideas, and how we could assist with employee training through the Individual employment assistance program		
	Provided background information and contacts for private psychology practice wishing to establish EAP services for employees and small businesses in the Whyalla area. There is currently a waitlist of up to five months for some services in Whyalla.	Contacts included CentaCare, Country & Outback Health, Country SA PHN and other NGOs - for client referrals and promotion of the service. Also contacted RDAWEP Whyalla office to follow up with additional local contacts.	The practitioner will make another trip to Whyalla in December to meet with contacts and small businesses.
<b>Sustainable Communities and Population Growth: Environmental - REGIONAL PRIORITY: <i>Consider the environment when planning regional development.</i></b>			
Participate on the Eyre Peninsula Integrated Climate Change Agreement (EPICCA) Committee.			
Liaise with relevant agencies about solutions to address environmental issues.			

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Pursue solutions to provide sustainable and abundant supplies of energy and quality water.	Co-ordinated an energy solutions group to an Aboriginal organisation to discuss use of land near a power substation for solar energy provision.	The two groups are to meet in early December	
	Presentations made to tuna industry association regarding smart energy grid and roof top solar.	Presentation well received - lots of interest and positive questions.	Letters of intent from seafood industry to be a part of the smart energy grid have been received from one stakeholder so far.
	Travelled to Ceduna with renewable energy experts to provide briefings to local government.	Valuable insights to Ceduna's needs and potential for renewable energy projects shared.	Introductions from meeting directly led to further meetings and negotiations with interested parties.
Support the development of waste management initiatives.			
Support improved environmental infrastructure.			
<b>Sustainable Communities and Population Growth: Social - REGIONAL PRIORITY: <i>Support development of social and community infrastructure and services to enhance liveability.</i></b>			
Support improved social and community infrastructure.	Communication with Whyalla council to review proposal and planning process to improve sporting facilities through development of a multi-sport precinct in the city, including Bennett oval.	Planning and engagement process expected to commence in coming weeks	Communication is ongoing
	Upgraded the 5 year project plan for the Far West Aboriginal Sporting Complex (FWASCI) with the aim of reducing operational costs, and increasing the use of the facility. Developed a project plan to provide initial assistance to the Central Whyalla Football Club - re upgrade of oval lighting with the aim of increasing use of facility.	Discussed benefits of amalgamating (multi-user)use of facilities with a Whyalla Soccer representative, also provided links to documents where similar multi user facility benefits.	FWASCI has received two separate amounts of funding to upgrade the facility.
	The Community Transport Service Providers Forum was held and hosted by RDAWEP as a result of a priority need identified by the Community Services Advisory Group.  Forum participants gained a better understanding of the transport services and needs of different demographic groups, particularly the 'transport disadvantaged' in the area. Contacts and networks were formed and have been either a catalyst to implement projects or generated new projects in partnership with other services.	Transport services planned or implemented since the forum include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PL Red Cross and DCLEP establishing a transport scheme to bring together members of Cummins and Coffin Bay communities, using DCLEP community bus.</li> <li>• PL Red Cross and DCLEP proposing to provide community bus service between Cummins and Port Lincoln to incorporate local events like Tunarama, Nautilus Theatre shows, Christmas Wonderland.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australian Red Cross and Matthew Flinders Home are jointly working towards providing a community bus service for the Port Lincoln community.</li> <li>• A taxi company is reviewing its sponsorship offer to local sporting clubs. Instead of a cash donation to clubs it will offer a partial cash donation plus taxi vouchers to be used at the club's discretion to support disadvantaged members and to ensure young members do not drink and drive.</li> </ul>

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Support improved educational infrastructure.	A monthly meeting has been scheduled with UniSA regional manager and TAFE regional manager for the purpose of sharing intelligence and fostering collaboration.	Opportunities to develop formal links with the Heavy Industry Cluster and opportunities for access to the University's AARNet high speed broadband by commercial businesses in Whyalla are ongoing.	Communications and collaboration with UDRH in regard to implementing specific actions from the D&A Masterplan are ongoing. Three students (1 Medicine and 2 allied health) commenced a one month work placement with RDAWEP to progress actions from the Masterplan.  RDAWEP continues to supervise two late stage UniSA students to work on aspects of implementing the plan.
	RDAWEP has been working with TAFESA to ensure the training opportunities are in line with the employment opportunities in Whyalla.		
	UniSA Dept of Rural Health Summer School Research Program placement was confirmed.	Applications for three research topics were lodged but only one student in the 2016/17 group was willing to come to Port Lincoln.  RDAWEP has accepted the student and will allocate to the research project "Volunteer Network - Southern Eyre Peninsula Database" to be co-hosted with Port Lincoln City Council.	Historically students who are from the metropolitan area are not keen to be located seven hours drive away from Adelaide. This is a difficult sell for our region, but together with UniSA we will continue to promote the benefits of a remote placement to future students.
Address health, aged and child care services and infrastructure in regional planning.	<p>The Community Services Advisory Group has opened up opportunities for collaboration amongst services across the sector to expand and enrich the services provided in the community.</p> <p>Through networks established at CSAG meetings several services have come together to create new programs or expand on existing services.</p> <p>Projects and collaborations formed as a result of the CSAG include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matthew Flinders Home (MFH) and Kirton Point Children's Centre (KPCC) are programming combined activities to foster intergenerational relationships and enhance the lives of each age group, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mini concerts performed by KPCC children at MFH</li> <li>○ MFH residents participating in activities at KPCC with young students.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Through discussions with Disability SA and MFH plans have been drawn up to develop a young disabled persons hub at MFH to provide a living environment that more appropriately caters for the needs of MFH's young disabled residents and a social outlet for young disabled people in the community.</li> <li>• MFH, with information from Aust Red Cross, have applied to Bendigo Bank for funds to purchase a van that would be used for delivering lifestyle assistance equipment into clients' homes and providing a "food van" service on days when other meals services do not operate.</li> <li>• Through introductions made between MFH and Whyalla Aged Care the CEO of MFH is now a member of the Regional, Rural and Remote Advisory Group for the national peak body Aged &amp; Community Services Australia (ACSA)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two successful tender applications from CSAG members have been received from the Country SA Primary Health Network commissioning and procurement process. These were lodged as a result of information presented at a CSAG meeting. The successful projects are to deliver palliative care training and a health promotion program targeting ageing health conditions.</li> </ul>

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Address health, aged and child care services and infrastructure in regional planning Cont'd).	Work on specific actions of Whyalla's Masterplan for Disability and Aging has been ongoing.  A formal proposal and request for co-funding support with 3 year budget was prepared and sent to Whyalla Council and DSD	Work to progress and complete specific actions is ongoing with a focus on 12 priority actions which have been identified by the Leadership group.  Implementation work is ongoing. Communications with Whyalla Council and DSD in regard to funding is ongoing.	A comprehensive report on the project including outcomes from the project to date and future plans was prepared and provided to Whyalla Council and DSD to support formal requests for co-funding. A second planning meeting was facilitated with members of the Leadership group to clarify and finalise priority actions for implementation for the next 12 months.
	RDAWEP is working with the University of South Australia on the possibility of research grants and opportunities that we may collaborate on together in 2017. This will be discussed further at the Training, Development and Research Advisory Group meeting 6th December 2016.		
Support coastal development planning initiatives.			
<b>Access to International, National and Regional Markets - REGIONAL PRIORITY: <i>Promote investment to develop strategic infrastructure and foster globally competitive business.</i></b>			
Assist investment attraction.	Multiple meetings with representatives from DSD. To discuss and develop actions to help strengthen Whyalla's economy.	Communications with DSD in regard to NDIS, Whyalla Heavy industry cluster, Commercial access to AARNet very high speed broadband. Also funding to support the Heavy Industry Cluster, Industry Supply Chain officer position, and Project officer position for implementing Whyalla's disability and aging Masterplan.	Communication with government agencies in regard to co-funding for resources to implement economic development initiatives in Whyalla is ongoing.
	Meeting and communications with a proponent of a significant potential recycling project.	Identify requirements and promote the capability of Whyalla and regional businesses to provide goods and services to the project.	Communication is ongoing
	Follow up meeting and communications with a Tier 1 contractor bidding for work at Cultana regarding engagement of Whyalla businesses to undertake subcontract work within the Cultana expansion project.	Identify requirements and promote the capability of Whyalla and regional businesses to provide goods and services to the project.	Communication is ongoing
Support utility and transport infrastructure development.			
Pursue the development of competitive grain supply chain infrastructure.			
Pursue the development of port infrastructure, including containerisation options.			



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Support export development initiatives.	Follow up meeting with AusTrade export advisers Justin Harman and Todd Miller.	Investigating opportunity for Heavy Industry Cluster business to access AusTrade and other export programs and incentives.	Communication is ongoing including identification of export opportunities for Heavy industry. There are grants to encourage and assist export market development by businesses. EMDG (Aust Govt program) and Export Partnerships program (State Govt). Need to define/sharpen capability use as basis for a brief, sent out via AusTrade network to identify pockets of opportunity, Fiji and New Guinea infrastructure projects potential targets, opportunity to export services and expertise rather than physical manufactured product.
<b>Comparative Advantage and Regional Competitiveness - REGIONAL PRIORITY: <i>Strengthen, foster and promote the region's business and product diversity.</i></b>			
Provide strategic direction for provincial brand marketing, product development and new markets by food industry stakeholders.	The EP Brand Marketing Plan was developed to provide strategic direction.	Plan was completed in 15/16. Annual budget allocated for implementation.	This activity ongoing
Provide strategic direction for destination, brand and infrastructure development by tourism stakeholders.	The Eyre Peninsula Brand Program marketing plan was developed and implemented.		
	Create and distribute content for Social Media applications in order to grow social media reach.	Share the regular creation and distribution of content to meet target market needs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eyre Peninsula Instagram audience grew by 5.5% to 3,150 followers.</li> <li>Eyre Peninsula Australia's Seafood Frontier Facebook audience grew by 4% to 4,037 followers.</li> <li>Eyrepensinsula.com decreased page views by 9.5% to 9,179.</li> <li>Seafoodfrontier.com.au increased page views by 10% to 3,533.</li> <li>Nullarbor (digital version) decreased page views by 3% to 13,345.</li> </ul>	This is an ongoing activity because the use of social media needs to be carefully monitored on a regular basis.
	Provided leadership and expert advice and support to local government in relation to the Whyalla Northern Coastline Masterplan.	Awaiting changes from consultants	Ongoing

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Provide strategic direction for destination, brand and infrastructure development by tourism stakeholders (Cont'd).	Supported improved environmental infrastructure in relation to tourism.	RDAWEP in partnership with EPNRM and the EPLGA is developing the Eyre Peninsula Coastal Access and Off-road Vehicle Strategy aimed at improving consistency in the planning, implementation and marketing of coastal management in Eyre Peninsula.  Draft Final Strategy presented to EPLGA in Dec	
	Maximise the economic benefit of the caravan and camping market.	Plan and manage the development of a Camping Options Strategy for the Eyre Peninsula region.  Project brief and funding request presented to EPLGA in Dec.	Ongoing
		Plan and manage the development of a northern touring route for the Eyre Peninsula  Initial workshop has been completed (24 <sup>th</sup> Nov).	Ongoing
	Increase the development, coordination and marketing of regional trails.	Plan and manage the development of a Eyre Peninsula Trails Strategy for the Eyre Peninsula	
	The Eyre Peninsula Brand Program marketing plan was developed and implemented. Specific actions included:	Engagement of JAMSHOP to undertake the brand extension project aimed at reviewing the existing brand and providing strategic advice on the future development and use of the brand.	Distribution of the broad base survey Oct 25-27th
	Refresh and include additional social media integration to the home page of eyrepeninsula.com	Digital marketing plan implemented	Ongoing
	Market the Nullarbor suite of platforms including print, online and app.	Use of the online website and app was high during the reporting period.	Ongoing
	Market online publications including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Culinary Adventure Guide</li> <li>Corporate Planners Guide</li> </ul>	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Grow social media reach.		Ongoing
	Establish a cooperative video project for Local Government.	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Develop and maintain a suite of print marketing collateral, including support to the SATC and HWR media to develop the Eyre Peninsula Visitor Guide.	HWR Media have been awarded the tender.  Continues meetings with HWR Media and regional stakeholders to maximise the benefit of the guide.	Ongoing

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Provide strategic direction for destination, brand and infrastructure development by tourism stakeholders (Cont'd).	Provide leadership and assistance to the SATC in relation to marketing and distribution.	Ongoing	This assistance is an ongoing activity.
	Provide leadership and assistance in development, facilitation and marketing of regional events. Specific activities included:	Ongoing support is being provided to regional events.  Met with Tunarama (2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov) to discuss increasing participation of local producers and the development of a showcase dinner.	Ongoing
	The EP Brand Marketing Plan was developed to provide strategic direction.	Ongoing	Ongoing.
	Support the regional famils and influencer program	Media and trade opportunities are identified and prioritised based on regional benefit.  Facilitated a trade and media famil to the Eyre Peninsula including Streaky Bay, Perlubie and Ceduna on the 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov focusing on new product.	Ongoing  The famil activated significant social media activity and features on television and radio.
	Currently developing the "Far West Aboriginal Tourism Strategy". The aim of the strategy is to assist current and new Aboriginal tourism ventures to operate sustainable activities that support employment, and to change the Far West from being a drive through region to a destination that will increase the length of stays by 2 - 3 days or more.	Strategy is being supported by stakeholders, current operators, and new potential ventures. The first workshop with only the Far West Aboriginal Organisations will be held on 13/12/2016	
Improve the collection and use of meaningful tourism data.	The tourism strategy will recommend that all Aboriginal tourism ventures have provision for collection of data.		
<b>Comparative Advantage and Regional Competitiveness - REGIONAL PRIORITY: <i>Strengthen, foster and promote the region's business and product diversity.</i></b>			
Support the development of the agricultural industry.			
Support the development of the manufacturing industry.	Meeting and communication with AusIndustry State Manager Adam Comley, Regional manager Emily White, Defence Industry representative Audra McCarthy	Main points for discussion: Advisian report and its implications for Whyalla manufacturing businesses. Whyalla's significant manufacturing capability for Defence projects. Potential for Whyalla to build, fit and finish modules of ships, submarines and other equipment and ship to Adelaide/Osborne for fitting. Need for support to build local capability, potential co- funding support for the proposed Industry supply chain coordinator role.	AusIndustry are unable to provide any co-funding to support the industry supply chain coordinator position.  Clear direction about support programs for industry not available. These are being developed and expected to become clearer when Centre for Defence Industry capability opens in December. May be able to provide some support for capability mapping.

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Support the development of the manufacturing industry (Cont'd).	Meeting and communication with Tier 1 Contractor to determine requirements and discuss bid for the Cultana expansion project in particular, opportunities for local suppliers	Cultana Training area expansion expected to involve \$160 million over the next 5 years. Tender documents released 1 November and close 6 December (this closing date was subsequently extended to early 2017) .	Provided information and contacts for local suppliers. Preparing a bid which needs to demonstrate both local and indigenous content.
	A project to enable commercial access to Ultra High Speed Broadband via UniSA's AARNet network is ongoing.  Meeting and communication with Vocus communications (formerly NextGen) to discuss requirements for connection of Whyalla businesses to the Very High speed optic fibre network. Access and availability of this network will be critical for businesses in Whyalla to access future Defence and other project supply chains.	This project has been identified as a priority for the Heavy Industry Cluster as a means to increase access to manufacturing/heavy industry projects which increasingly rely on data rich IT systems. A regular meeting has also been facilitated with representatives from industry, Whyalla council, UniSA and Chamber of commerce to progress the concept of commercial access to AARNet in Whyalla. A survey of businesses was undertaken and reviewed.  NextGen manage the AARNet optic fibre network Australia wide, has recently been acquired by Vocus communications. The company own infrastructure in Whyalla with access to the existing optic fibre network	Communications with a commercial service provider, DSD and other stakeholders is ongoing to progress this project. The concept is mirrors the State Governments "Gig City" project which joins multiple commercial precincts in northern Adelaide with access to very high speed broadband.  Plans are in place to provide commercial access in Whyalla have been developed, are at an approval stage with connections expected to commence in early 2017  A short list of Whyalla businesses expected to utilise the service was provided to Vocus Communications. Local Information sessions are expected during first quarter 2017
	A subgroup of the Heavy Industry Cluster has been established to investigate formal collaboration, collective bidding, to determine if/how this issue can be progressed, and next steps. Meeting facilitated with 3 companies and GMUSG.	Identified issues that need to be addressed for a successful joint bid.  Structure, governance and risk management are complex, difficult to establish a business model for joint bidding that customers will accept  A lead contractor needs size, backing and accreditation required by the customer	Considered that the best way for joint bids via self-forming alliances/natural relationships, the company with the strongest relationship as the primary contractor.  Follow up with State government is required on a range of policy issues associated with economic benefits of local/regional procurement. Specific opportunities are being investigated.
	RDAWEP attended DCNS Australian Future Submarine Industry Briefing in Adelaide to gather information about the future submarine project, supply chain and potential opportunities for Whyalla & EP businesses.	Australian build option demands and Australian supply chain, DCNS will be transferring technology to Australian businesses.  OPV's, Future Frigates, Future Submarines build and maintain projects present significant, long term opportunities and a means to diversify Whyalla's economy.  Future Frigates and Future Submarines projects are currently the largest of their type in the world with a \$90 Billion expected project cost.	Represent a change in Government policy, in an insecure environment need to develop Australia's domestic capability Defence industry is large, global and growing, also presenting substantial export opportunities for Australian business Growth of Defence Industry can provide a substitute for the mining industry

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Support the development of the manufacturing industry (Cont'd).	Assisted with the development of a funding application to assist a Whyalla based client to obtain funding (Commercialisation Grants) to obtain tooling for a manufacturing business venture	Grant approved 9intended start date of manufacturing April 2017 – employment FTE 4.	
Support the development of the mining industry.			
Support the development of renewable energy projects.			
Increase Aboriginal participation in business enterprises.	Currently assisting two individual potential Aboriginal businesses with plans to commence in commercial ventures, one a lawn mowing and landscaping business. The other is a craft/, manufacturing venture. Developed a share farming agreement for an Aboriginal Homeland Group, and negotiating an improved agreement for another group.	Business plans have been written with one applicant applying for funding support from the Far West Native Title Corporation. The lawn mowing business is on hold. One share farming agreement completed and signed by both parties.	The agreement has provided stability, and security for both parties.

<b>Outcome 4: Project proposals – Assistance to local community stakeholders in order for them to develop project proposals; and referral of stakeholders to appropriate public and/or private funding sources - including the \$1 billion National Stronger Regions Fund.</b>			
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Support stakeholders to access government programs through assistance with business cases and grant applications.	Ongoing communications were held with the Tacoma Preservation Society (TPS) regarding the development of a tourism and permanent wharf facility for the Tacoma at the Port Lincoln Marina.  This included ongoing communication by telephone and email, and an on-site meeting on 21 November.	The RDAWEP role is assist the TPS to become grant ready and help with a grant application to best possible funding source.  There are issues with the Places for People Grant Program, because the applications can only be lodged by Local Government (not the TPS), and Councils must provide at least 50% of the project funding. To access this funding program, TPS would need to convince the City of Port Lincoln to prioritise the project and provide the 50% funding contribution.	State Government RDF funding is likely to be cost prohibitive due to the high minimum grant funding and partner contribution thresholds.  This matter will be assessed when the guidelines for the Australian Government, Building Better Regions Fund have been released.  A paper providing an overview of various grant funding opportunities was prepared and issued to the TPS on 22 November.
	Assistance was provided for the development of a community centre facility at Big Swamp near Port Lincoln.	Previous grant applications to the Bendigo Bank were reviewed. Advice was provided about how to improve future applications, along with information about several suitable grant programs for future project development.	

<b>Outcome 5: Promote Australian Government Programs - Increased awareness of Australian Government programs in the RDA's region.</b>			
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Provide information about government programs to stakeholders.	The Australian Government Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) was launched on 23 November. Information about the program (including the program guidelines and media release) was emailed to the 11 EPLGA member Councils on 24 November.	The differences between the BBRF and former National Stronger Regions Fund were highlighted.	
	RDAWEP have been working with local businesses to inform them of the newly established Industry and Skills Brokerage Role in Whyalla and the Jobs First Employment Project guidelines.		
	Two applications are being developed for the second quarter and these applications pertain to the Disability sector.		

<b>Outcome 6: Continuous Improvement - improved operational practices to enhance RDA capacity.</b>			
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Comply with legislative, contractual and reporting requirements.	Prepared financial reports for the auditors for 2015/2016 DSD employment and CDS projects.		
Review and refine policies, procedures, planning and reporting documents.			
Develop marketing, communications and media plans.	The Corporate Marketing Plan was developed to provide strategic direction.	Plan was completed in 15/16. Annual budget allocated for implementation.	This activity ongoing
	RDAWEP Media Gallery upgrade.	New images received for uploading and tagging.	This activity ongoing.
	Corporate Newsletter production.	New MailerLite template is now established and being utilised for monthly mail out of newsletter.	Positive feedback received.
	Corporate website - rdawep.org.au	The website received 4107 page visits in November. An increase of 44.8% from October.	Will continue to monitor the analytics of the rdawep.org.au website on a regular basis.
	Added some refinement to the EP Workforce Builder marketing plan.	This has been used in the Port Lincoln CDS application to DSD.	

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Develop marketing, communications and media plans (Cont'd).	Create and distribute content for Social Media applications in order to grow social media reach	Share the regular creation and distribution of content to meet target market needs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eyre Peninsula Instagram audience grew by 5.5% to 3,150 followers.</li> <li>Eyre Peninsula Australia's Seafood Frontier Facebook audience grew by 4% to 4,037 followers.</li> <li>Eyrepensinsula.com decreased page views by 9.5% to 9,179.</li> <li>Seafoodfrontier.com.au increased page views by 10% to 3,533.</li> <li>Nullarbor (digital version) decreased page views by 3% to 13,345.</li> </ul>	This is an ongoing activity because the use of social media needs to be carefully monitored on a regular basis.
	The EP Brand Plan was developed to provide strategic direction. This included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain and develop EP Brand program's digital footage by effectively managing its social media and email marketing digital assets.</li> <li>Maintain and distribute existing Eyre Peninsula branded printed collateral - e.g. The Adventure Culinary Guide and the Seafood User Guide.</li> </ul>	Plan was completed in 15/16. Annual budget allocated for implementation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New content was created and distributed to meet target market needs.</li> <li>New content was created to promote the brand program in the monthly RDAWEP newsletter.</li> </ul>	The RDAWEP Regional Newsletter for November was distributed on 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2016.
Improve financial and IT systems.			
Implement best practice HR initiatives.			