



MOUNT BARKER
DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Hahndorf main street revitalisation a step closer

Frequently voted among the country's top tourist destinations, Hahndorf is the centrepiece of tourism for South Australia and the Adelaide Hills.

During consultation on the Township Plan in 2018, the Hahndorf community identified the need for a revitalisation of the main street as a key priority for the Mount Barker District Council.

Mount Barker Mayor, Ann Ferguson said Hahndorf is a premier tourism destination and the revitalisation will be a massive economic boost to the main street which is much needed following the recent bushfires and pandemic."

In October 2020, the Australian and State Governments committed \$250 million to jointly fund the Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade project.

The project considered traffic and pedestrian management measures for the main street of Hahndorf to improve safety and reduce congestion.

"Council has consistently advocated for the inclusion of an upgrade of the Hahndorf main street that is line with our Main Street Revitalisation project concept, Mayor Ferguson said.

"There is a need to plan for the upgrade of the popular precinct to improve the facilities, pedestrian safety, usability and amenity of the street to secure its long-term tourism and economic future."

Last month, the Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) wrote to the council seeking a commitment to collaborate on future community consultation and Council funding toward improvements to the Hahndorf main street.

At its July meeting, the council confirmed its commitment to collaborating with DIT and funding to a maximum of \$2.7m towards the project.

"Revitalisation of the Hahndorf main street is one of the top 5 priorities that Council presented to the Labor and Liberal parties leading up to the state election in March," Mayor Ferguson said.

“Council is thrilled that the Malinauskas government is moving quickly on this and other infrastructure priorities in Mount Barker”

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