

# **The MASTER PLAN July/August 2014**

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## **Introduction**

The purpose of this document is to begin to create a genuine, strategic, long term plan for the Callington and Kanmantoo areas and their surrounding catchments. I hope that this document will begin to provide a catalyst for change, allow people to pose many questions, share concerns and enable actions to be taken which will benefit these communities.

So often in many situations people are consulted or informed about decisions but have little power to affect them. At this time we are able to provide a point of contact through the Kanmantoo Callington Community Consultative Committee (K4C) and bring together a wide representation of community members with a focus on working together.

## **Community Benefit**

Community benefit needs to be promoted, developed and brought to the forefront.

Especially the

- repair, protection and promotion of significant features of the landscape
- preservation and appreciation of historical aspects of the area
- analysis of the commercial activities in the district and their impact (positive and negative) on the social, economic and environmental benefits to the community
- consideration of land use and what it attracts to the district. Future needs can be clearly defined, planned for and communicated especially by those who oversee strategic direction for area.

## **Health, well-being and lifestyle of the communities of Callington and Kanmantoo.**

- Minimise the negative impact of the mine on both communities through working parties and the K4C remove those issues which are unacceptable to both communities in the areas of dust, blasting, traffic, loss of property value and erosion of rural lifestyle. *(regardless of Aus. standards)*

## **Environmental outcomes**

- request information from Hillgrove regarding the on-going protection of existing habitats within the mining lease.
- work with relevant bodies to clearly establish appropriate and realistic outcomes for existing habitats, rehabilitation sites, offset planting and surrounding projects within the mining lease and in the surrounding areas of Kanmantoo and Callington.
- consider assisting with the creation of a wildlife corridors eg. especially to link the Dawesley Creek with Kanmantoo.

- with regard to offset plantings assess the logistics of this type of project in this type of area and how successful it could be. Quality habitat ? Old v new habitat ? Will it be a public area or not ?
- link with Kanmantoo and Callington Landcare group to gain knowledge of area and provide practical support with existing and future projects re watering, local seed production and collection (where possible), tree guards etc

#### ACTION:

- Develop an overall map of the catchment and identify the environmental links in the landscape between private landholders, community projects, council projects and the Kanmantoo mine site.
- Request from both councils the results of the 'imagine' workshops concerning community input and future development.
- Ask for plans and future projections from both Councils regarding resources for both communities of Kanmantoo and Callington.
- Investigate grants and possibilities related to sustainable land and water management and catchment repair. eg a tertiary student or project/topic in sustainable land and water management.
- Find out from DMITRE what could be done regarding the repair of the overall area - catchment and their input into interpretive signage

Request access to satellite mapping of area

*Continual updates every K4C about environmental progress within mining lease.*

*Ask to what extent can they (Hillgrove) repair any historical mining damage as part of their remediation program.*

#### **Rehabilitation**

So what will both communities be left with ?

- The Mine Site - of the total mine area -

How much will be revegetated ?

Will any of the mine site be available for public access and use ?

If so will there be recreational areas or wetlands ?

If so what types of recreational areas will be created ?

Will any of the existing habitat be declared a conservation park ?

What will happen to the water that has been used by the mine and will it be available from Laratinga after the mine closes ?

The remediation of the landscape appears to be attached to the life of mine extension.

What will the remediation look like if the mine stopped working tomorrow ?

**ACTION** - Identify and plan for future rehabilitated areas for the public. Create holistic plans (statements of intent) with Councils and all stakeholders for future development.

### **Tourism** -

- Work with DMITRE, Hillgrove, Councils, local school and those with a historical or mining perspective to develop interpretive signs (like overlooking the Bremer Mine) outlining history of mining in the area, historical mining trails (both walking and driving), existing mining chimneys and current mining operations and practices. Incorporate the remains of any towns (St. Ives/Staughton etc) from the past and their historical ruins. Also walking trails around both towns taking in significant buildings and sites.
- Through Mt Barker Council and Department of Transport and Infrastructure establish possible sites for laybys and viewing platforms and areas overlooking significant sites.
- Identify the relevant bodies and pinpoint a site for a mining museum.
- Investigate tourism grants from Councils and other bodies.
- Locate the funds raised from the sale of the Callington CFS building. Establish whether money can be used for the community.
- Contact Mt Barker Council (Peter McGinn) and Murray Bridge Council to investigate the supposed 10 year plan and also Councils' future plans for both areas.
- Track down the information collected on the Landcare stall from the Callington Show (about 5 years ago or more !) regarding the development of the Callington oval complex incorporating walking trails, bike tracks, toilets and other tourist facilities.

### **ACTION:**

To instigate the planning of a tourism initiative for the district combining all affected and responsible bodies.

Meet with locals already involved in local tourism eg bed and breakfasts/restaurants/mines etc to explore information and possibilities. Investigate the resources available from available bodies and Tourism SA. *Could Hillgrove assist in developing the infrastructure that would promote tourism in the region.*

Encourage activities in the district that benefit the community and enhance its rich rural lifestyle.