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Expression of Interest Council Assessment Panel

Dear Sir

Please accept this Expression of Interest for the position of Independent Member on the Council Assessment Panel.

By way of introduction I am currently employed as the Senior Coastal Planner within the Department of Environment and Water's Coast and Marine Branch.

My primary role in this position is the management and assessment of Development Applications referred to the Coast Protection Board, providing advice on town planning and coastal management issues within the Department and to Councils, the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure, the State Commission Assessment Panel, landholders, developers, consultants and other parties as necessary. Adjunct work includes contribution to Coast Protection Board and Development Plan policy along with various coastal projects.

I have an extensive understanding of coastal management and development from 11 years within DEW, and where issues including tourism, economic development, conservation and coastal policy sit within the Government's strategic agenda. This is combined with some 19 years as a town planner with the City of Onkaparinga in development assessment and senior planning policy positions, thus providing a solid appreciation of local government interests and local community expectations.

My career has facilitated the development of professional working relationships across many Councils, State agencies, past and current members of the Coast Protection Board, various development and community stakeholders, and specialists in a range of terrestrial and marine fields.

I am applying for a role with the Council Assessment Panel as I have a genuine interest in good planning outcomes, and a sustainable future both economically and environmentally for Yorke Peninsula. I am a regular and

long-standing visitor of Yorke Peninsula and I believe my professional experience and interests can serve the Panel well in this regard.

Please find enclosed a brief Resume. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss further my qualifications and competencies plus Panel membership arrangements either in person, by phone or teleconference. I foresee no impediments to attending all required meetings and site inspections as necessary.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'PA' followed by a long horizontal line.

Peter Allen
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RESUME

PETER ALLEN

PROFESSIONAL OBJECTIVE

To make a positive contribution to the development and management of South Australia's valuable urban and natural landscapes.

CAREER SUMMARY AND CORE COMPETANCIES

Current employment: Senior Coastal Planner, Coast and Marine Branch, SA Department of Environment and Water.

In this role I principally provide, and oversee the provision of, expert advice in relation to Development Applications referred to the Coast Protection Board and DEW. I also contribute to Development Plan Amendments, Coast Protection Board policy, and the current Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016; provide support and advice to senior staff and executive on a range of development matters, including proposals declared as Major Development under the Development Act 1993; provide preliminary advice on significant proposals to prospective developers, the Coast Protection Board and Branches within DEW and other Agencies; collaborate and negotiate with consultants and specialists in engineering, geomorphology, coastal processes, urban design, marine environments, heritage, environmental management etc.; and collaborate with the public and non-Government stakeholders as necessary.

Professional competencies include a sound understanding of the Development Plans for coastal Councils across South Australia; a sound understanding of the SA planning system generally; experience in interpreting and applying legislation; a practical understanding of the impact of planning policies within the development industry; wide ranging experience in development assessment; ability to analyse maps, technical drawings and aerial images; critical analysis of complex reports; experience in local and broad area concept planning and land use zoning; an ability to communicate and negotiate with a diverse range of stakeholders; and an ability to present concepts and proposals to a diverse range of interested parties.

I have longstanding experience in attending Coast Protection Board and Council meetings and presenting the merits or otherwise of development proposals to Appointed and Elected Members, community groups, the former Development Assessment Commission, and the Environment, Resources and Development Court.

I have also planned and at time led numerous field trips for the Coast Protection Board.

I have an understanding of the full range of development and conservation issues relevant to the South Australian coastline and adjoining land including urban areas, including for metropolitan Adelaide, major regional centres, coastal settlements, plus farming and conservation land.

My current and previous roles, including the design and direct management of some 12 Development Plan Amendments, has also allowed me to acquire knowledge and experience in:

- Rural development and primary production
- Major tourism development proposals
- Major renewable energy proposals
- Residential and commercial demand
- Marinas, port development, boat ramps and harbours
- Aboriginal cultural heritage awareness
- Centres hierarchies, retail demand and trend analysis
- Industrial development
- Coastal engineering and township infrastructure
- Human services planning
- Interface issues between settlements and primary production
- Biodiversity concepts and regeneration of land
- Land division

I have well developed interpersonal skills, including the ability to develop effective working relationships and networks within and outside of government. I have a proven capacity to undertake consultation and provide expert advice and recommendations on complex issues, and to work as a member of multidisciplinary teams to achieve suitable outcomes.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2008 to present: Department of Environment and Water
Senior Coastal Planner, Coast and Marine Branch.

1998 to 2008: City of Onkaparinga
Senior Policy Planner, Strategy and Policy Division

1990 to 1997: City of Noarlunga
Development Assessment Officer, Development Directorate

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Active participation in courses, seminars or conferences to advance my professional and personal development within South Australia, Queensland, Northern Territory and New South Wales, including for, amongst other things:

- Urban design
- Housing industry and forecasting
- Coastal processes and hazard mitigation
- Coastal engineering
- Tourism development
- Visual impact assessment
- Ocean wave propagation
- Climate Change
- Sea level rise
- Geomorphology
- Acoustics assessment
- Development Act 1993
- Planning, Infrastructure and Development Act 2016
- Team dynamics
- Project management
- Report writing
- Public speaking, presentations, media relations
- Computer and information technology

Participation in the regular meetings of professional groups including the Country Planning Officers Group (quarterly meetings hosted by Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council, SA) and the inter-agency Portfolio Planners Group (quarterly meetings Adelaide CBD).

QUALIFICATIONS

1987 – 1989 SA Institute of Technology / University of SA
BA Town Planning

Member of the Planning Institute of Australia (currently lapsed)

REFEREES

Dr. Murray Townsend

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