

MINUTES FOR THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE LIMESTONE COAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, HELD ON FRIDAY 1ST APRIL 2022 IN THE TATIARA DISTRICT COUNCIL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BORDERTOWN FROM 10 am.

Meeting opened at 10:00 am

President Vickery welcomed everyone to the LCLGA General Meeting. A particular welcome was made to Acting CEOs and representatives from Coorong Council.

Mayor Excell welcomed everyone to the Greater Tatiara region and acknowledged the traditional owners of the land and country. He spoke briefly about the challenges facing the Tatiara District Council, noting that one of the most significant challenges has been housing shortages and that a local business had bought a motel for employees as temporary accommodation.

There has also been an expansion in industrial investment, which has been a positive for the Tatiara Council.

1.0 WELCOME, PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

1.1 Present

Mayors

Naracoorte Lucindale Council	Mayor Erika Vickery OAM (President)
City of Mount Gambier	Mayor Lynette Martin OAM (Vice President)
District Council of Grant	Mayor Richard Sage
District Council of Robe	Mayor Alison Nunan
Kingston District Council	Mayor Kay Rasheed
Tatiara District Council	Mayor Graham Excell
Wattle Range Council	Mayor Des Noll

CEOs and LCLGA

Naracoorte-Lucindale Council	Mr Trevor Smart (CEO)
City of Mount Gambier	Mr Tim Coote (Acting CEO)
District Council of Grant	Mr Leith McEvoy (Acting CEO)
District Council of Robe	Mr James Holyman (CEO)
Tatiara District Council	Ms Anne Champness (CEO)
Wattle Range Council	Mr Paul Duka (Acting CEO)
LCLGA	Mr Tony Wright (EO) Mr Paul Manfrin (Corporate Service Officer)

Guests

UniSA	Mr Ian McKay
Coorong Council	Ms Bridget Mather (CEO) Mayor Paul Simmons Deputy Mayor Jeff Arthur

1.2 Apologies & Absentees

Member for Barker	Mr Tony Pasin MP
Member for MacKillop	Mr Nick McBride MP
Member for Mount Gambier	Mr Troy Bell MP
City of Mount Gambier	Ms Sarah Philpot (CEO)
District Council of Grant	Mr Darryl Whicker (CEO)
Wattle Range Council	Mr Ben Gower (CEO)
PIRSA	Ms Peta Crewe
RDALC	Mr David Wheaton
LGA	Mr Stephen Smith
Kingston District Council	Ms Nat Traeger (CEO)

1. Note that the apologies be accepted.
2. Note Mayor Alison Nunan and CEO Mr James Holyman from District Council of Robe arrived at 10:15 am.

Moved: City of Mount Gambier

Seconded: Wattle Range Council

CARRIED

2.0 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Any delegate or staff member with a potential conflict of interest is asked to declare the interest on the supplied Conflict of Interests Declaration Form detailing what the conflict is and why they will not be participating in any item relating to that issue.

No conflicts were disclosed

3.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Confirmation of the Minutes of the LCLGA General Meeting held in the District Council of Grant on 11 February 2022.

The LCLGA Board accepts the Minutes of LCLGA General Meeting held at the District Council of Grant on 11 February 2022.

Moved: Wattle Range Council

Seconded: Kingston District Council

CARRIED

4.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – ACTION SHEET

That the LCLGA Board note the business arising from the February General Meeting.

1. Note Item 7.4 regarding the advertisement of an independent member to the Risk and Audit Committee was delayed.

Moved: City of Mount Gambier

Seconded: Wattle Range Council

CARRIED

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards and Outwards

Correspondence register to 29th March 2022.

That correspondence is received and noted by LCLGA delegates.

Many of these correspondence items will have been received directly by member councils. Should any delegate wish to access any correspondence items listed but not included with this Agenda, they can be made available by contacting the LCLGA Executive Officer.

Moved: City of Mount Gambier

Seconded: Kingston District Council

CARRIED

6.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Executive Officer provided a verbal update on the current LCLGA's financial position.

It was recommended that the LCLGA Board receive and note the Report from the Executive Officer, the Draft Balance Sheet as of 31st January 2021 and the Draft Consolidated Profit and Loss Budget for the period 1st July 2021 to 31st March 2022.

Note the correction on the Profit and Loss that the date shows January and should be February.

Moved: Wattle Range Council

Seconded: Tatiara District Council

CARRIED

7.0 RECOMMENDATION REPORTS

7.1 Updated Terms of Reference

The Executive Officer provided a verbal update.

It is recommended that the LCLGA

1. Approve the updated TORs for the Roads & Management Group, Waste Management Steering Committee, Audit & Risk Committee and Tourism Management Group.
2. Amend the Tourism Management Group TOR membership period from 1 year to 4 years.

Moved: Wattle Range Council

Seconded: City of Mount Gambier

CARRIED

7.2 Wine Show Sponsorship

The Executive Officer provided a verbal update, seeking a decision on whether or not the LCLGA would sponsor the Wine Show.

It is recommended that the LCLGA Board

Approve the request for sponsorship of the Limestone Coast Wine Show.

Moved: Wattle Range Council

Seconded: City of Mount Gambier

CARRIED

7.3 Great Ocean Road Regional Tourism (GORT)

The Executive Officer provided a verbal update on the opportunities from forming an MoU with GORT.

It is recommended that the LCLGA Board

1. Note the report.
2. Endorse the establishment of a formal cross-border tourism alliance between Limestone Coast Local Government Association and Great Ocean Road Regional Tourism through a Memorandum of Understanding.
3. Authorise the LCLGA President to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

Moved: District Council of Grant

Seconded: City of Mount Gambier

CARRIED

7.4 Regional Material Recycling Facility Update

The Executive Officer spoke to the report in the Agenda. He noted he would be briefing the CEOs on the project's next steps. A tender for a Commercial Advisor will be released soon for the next phase.

Mayor Excell commented that Tatiara District Council utilise services for waste and recycling to Adelaide and Murray Bridge which are potentially more cost-effective for the Council, and observed that changes to packaging laws in 2025 would also dramatically change the scenario for recycling.

The Executive Officer offered to attend Council meetings to provide a briefing to elected members on the project.

It is recommended that the LCLGA Board

Note the proposed pathway forward.

Moved: District Council of Robe

Seconded: Wattle Range Council

CARRIED

7.5 Draft Business Plan

The Executive Officer provided a verbal update on the draft business plan and noted the Risk and Audit Committee had reviewed the proposed budget.

Mayor Noll asked if provisions had been included in the Business Plan to move offices and if the issues with the current Office had been resolved.

The Executive Officer noted that a number of the issues associated with the Office had been fixed and that we were still looking for an office that wouldn't require a significant fit out. When a suitable office was found, this would be presented to the Board for a decision.

It is recommended that the LCLGA Board

1. Provide feedback to the Executive Officer on the 2022/23 Business Plan.
2. Approve the draft plan, with any suggested amendments, for release to our members for consideration.

The Executive Officer offered to attend Council meetings to present the business plan.

Moved: City of Mount Gambier

Seconded: District Council of Robe

CARRIED

7.6 Ministerial Audit Committee Exemption

The Executive Officer spoke to the report.

It was recommended that the LCLGA Board

Approve the lapsing of the Ministerial exemption from the requirement to have an Audit Committee of the Board.

Moved: Kingston District Council

Seconded: District Council of Robe

CARRIED

8.0 REPORTS

8.1 LCLGA President's Report

Mayor Erika Vickery OAM – Report attached to minutes.

8.2 Local Government Association of SA

Mr Stephen Smith was an apology for the LCLGA Meeting, so there were no updates from the LGASA. The LGASA OGM is to be held on 8 April 2022.

8.3 Executive Officer

8.4 Destination Development Manager

8.5 Starclub & Regional Sporting Academy

Workshop held after this meeting to discuss the future funding structure for StarClub.

8.6 Substance Misuse Limestone Coast Project Officer

Documents have been sent to the Federal Government to transfer from LCLGA to SMLC.

8.7 LCLGA Program & Policy Co-ordinator

It was recommended that the LCLGA Board receive and note the Reports for LCLGA President, Executive Officer, Destination Development Manager, Starclub & Regional Sporting Academy, Substance Misuse Limestone Coast Project Officer and Program and Policy Co-ordinator.

Moved: District Council of Robe

Seconded: Wattle Range Council

CARRIED

9.0 LCLGA SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

9.1 Roads and Transport Management Group

Minutes of meeting held on 8 February 2022.

9.2 Risk & Audit Committee Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 1 February 2022 and 15 February 2022.

It was recommended the LCLGA sub-committee minutes are noted.

Moved: District Council of Robe

Seconded: Kingston District Council

CARRIED

10. OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND COMMITTEES

10.1 RDALC

A report from the RDALC CEO, Mr. David Wheaton, was tabled at the meeting.

A copy is attached at the end of these minutes.

10.2 LC Heritage Advisory Service

Report from Mr Ian Hamilton.

It was recommended that the LCLGA Board receive and note the Reports from the RDALC and LC Heritage Advisory Board.

Moved: City of Mount Gambier

Seconded: District Council of Robe

CARRIED

11. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

12. CALENDAR KEY DATES & NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Date	Meeting	Location
10 February 2022	LCLGA Strategic Plan Meeting & Dinner	District Council of Grant
11 February 2022	LCLGA AGM & GM	District Council of Grant
28 February 2022	SAROC & LGA Board of Directors Meeting	LGA House, Adelaide
17 March 2022	SAROC & LGA Board of Directors Meeting	LGA House, Adelaide
1 April 2022	LCLGA GM	Tatiara District Council
8 April 2022	SAROC & LGA Board of Directors Meeting	LGA House, Adelaide
19 May 2022	SAROC & LGA Board of Directors Meeting	LGA House, Adelaide
17 June 2022	LCLGA GM	Naracoorte-Lucindale Council
21 July 2022	SAROC & LGA Board of Directors Meeting	LGA House, Adelaide
12 August 2022	LCLGA GM	Kingston District Council
15 September 2022	SAROC & LGA Board of Directors Meeting	LGA House, Adelaide
14 October 2022	LCLGA GM	City of Mount Gambier
28 October 2022	LGA AGM	LGA House, Adelaide
17 November 2022	SAROC & LGA Board of Directors Meeting	LGA House, Adelaide
9 December 2022	LCLGA GM & Christmas Lunch	Wattle Range Council
9 February 2023	LCLGA Strategic Plan Meeting & Dinner	District Council of Robe
10 February 2023	LCLGA AGM & GM	District Council of Robe

13. MEETING CLOSED

Meeting closure at 10:55 am.

The next LCLGA General Meeting is to be held at Naracoorte-Lucindale Council on Friday, 17th June 2022. Acceptances and apologies to admin@lclga.sa.gov.au or Phone 8723 7310.

President's Signature

Date

LCLGA President's Report

Thank you to regional support at the opening of the Naracoorte Library.

Over the past weeks there have been many pre-state election meetings advocating for local government with the LGASA theme of "Local Voices for a resilient South Australia".

Federal election priorities are under the ALGA banner "Don't Leave local Communities Behind" and will continue as we move towards the federal election.

Both these advocacy papers compliment the LCLGA Advocacy policy.

Date	Activity
Monday 14th February	RDALC Board meeting @ Green Triangle Group Training
Thursday 17 February	TICSA McKillop Electorate Regional Roadshow – Talking Tourism with RAA, Nick McBride and Zoe Bettison
Wednesday 23rd February	SA Boundaries Commission – Town of Gawler and Tikeria proposals SA Grants Commission ALGA Information session ALGA Strategic Planning workshop
Thursday 24th February	Country Arts SA Governance and Finance Committee meeting Country Arts SA Board meeting at Renmark Restless Dance performance at Renmark Chaffey Theatre
Friday 25 February	LC Mayor's Catchup via zoom
Tuesday 1 March	LCLGA Risk and Audit Committee meeting
Wednesday 2nd March	SAROC Meeting – consideration of motions from councils for the LGA OGM
Friday 4th March	LCLGA Mayor's catchup via zoom
Tuesday 15 March	LCLGA Risk and Audit Committee meeting in Penola
Thursday 17th March	SAROC meeting at LGA House LGA Board and CEO Advisory Committee
Monday 21 March	LGA Board meeting
Friday 18 March	LCLGA Mayors catchup ABC Port Pirie Radio interview – re SAROC regional housing project
Tuesday 22nd March	ALGA board meeting pre meeting
Wednesday 23rd March	ABC Radio interview with Narelle Graham re Premier Peter Malinauskas' visit to Mt Gambier and his commitments to the Limestone Coast region
Thursday 24 March	ALGA (Australian Local Government Association) Board meeting at Old Parliament House in Canberra. The Agenda included presentations on disaster response by the Insurance Council of Australia, JLT Public Sector and National Recovery and Resilience Agency.

	<p>Heavy Vehicle Productivity - ALGA is working with local government associations to address their concerns relating to Heavy Vehicle Road Reform and the Heavy Vehicle National Law Safety and Productivity Program, including the proposed changes in heavy vehicle mass and height and the proposed data and technology framework.</p> <p>Any reforms will be slow to implement but could have a major impact on local government roads and associated infrastructure, human resources and ultimately, council budgets.</p> <p>ALGA continues to advocate for more collaboration, more meaningful consultation and the resources and support councils need to implement the proposed productivity reforms.</p> <p>Financial Assistance Grants – ALGA has undertaken financial analysis and modelling on Financial Assistance Grants (FA Grants) to be used during the Federal Election and for ongoing advocacy.</p> <p>Federal Election Campaign – “Don’t Leave Local Communities Behind”. Priorities are Financial Assistance Grants; Transport and Community Infrastructure; Building Resilience; Circular Economy; National Cabinet.</p>
Thursday 31st March	RDALC Strategic Planning workshop at Wynn’s Coonawarra

SAROC update: Regional Housing Crisis, Regional Medical Workforce and SAROC's Annual Business Plan

Dear regional mayors and councillors

The South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils (SAROC) committee met this week to discuss our work on a Regional Housing Policy Toolkit and sector advocacy for the regional health workforce.

These issues are outlined below, and I encourage you to take the opportunity to review the reports on our [Agenda](#) for further detail on these important advocacy priorities.

Councils are also invited to provide feedback on SAROC's draft Annual Business Plan 2022-23.

SAROC Chair Erika Vickery OAM

Regional Housing Policy Toolkit

In my previous update, I advised that following the State Election SAROC will hold a Regional Housing Crisis Roundtable, inviting relevant State Government representatives and representative Mayors from each of the Regional Local Government Associations.

At our meeting this week, SAROC received an update on the development of the Regional Housing Policy Toolkit we commissioned to provide councils with advice on what they can do to facilitate regional residential development and an advocacy agenda to take to other levels of government.

Leonie Boothby provided a verbal update on the findings of her extensive research and consultation with representatives of SA Government agencies, private sector developers and builders, and many local governments and Regional Development Australia (RDA) staff.

A draft advocacy agenda will be provided to assist local government preparations for the Regional Housing Crisis Roundtable and finalised toolkit materials will be presented to the May SAROC meeting.

Regional Medical Workforce

Councils recognise that many people living in regional areas are unable to access even the most basic primary care medical services in their local community and must travel significant distances to see a General Practitioner.

At our meeting, SAROC discussed a comprehensive Regional Health Workforce Literature Review prepared by the LGA, that outlines the unique challenges to accessing adequate health care. SAROC will commission a toolkit for regional and remote councils dealing with the challenge of attracting and retaining professionals to live and work in their community.

Draft SAROC Annual Business Plan 2022-23

SAROC recognises that to be a strong partner and voice representing the regions, it will need to continue to work in close collaboration with regional councils and Regional LGAs. SAROC has prepared a draft Annual Business Plan 2022-23. I will shortly write to all regional mayors inviting your feedback on this plan.

The Annual Plan is a key driver of SAROC's mission to provide leadership support, representation, and advocacy on behalf of regional South Australian Councils for the benefit of the community. SAROC will seek to build on what we have achieved together over recent years and

will collaborate with your Councils and the Regional LGAs to ensure that SAROC is a strong, united voice for regional councils.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the SAROC committee will be held at LG House on Thursday, 19 May 2022.

RDALC REPORT TO LCLGA

JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2022

ABOUT US

Regional Development Australia Limestone Coast (RDALC) has evolved into the area's key regional development agency, focusing on the success and growth of businesses in the Limestone Coast. We do this by supporting and mentoring businesses in a way that maximises opportunities, reduces costs and builds economic resilience.

RDALC provides a free one-on-one business support service for business owners. We help with starting and operating a business, including business plan development and review, licensing and registration, recruitment (including connection to job seekers and accessing the skilled migration program), and information on (and referral to) State and Federal Government programs and grants. We also assist with developing marketing and communications strategies, and help operators further their online presence. This includes facilitating the delivery of the Government's Australian Small Business Advisory Services (ASBAS) workshops on a variety of digital topics.

RDALC also provides tailored support for businesses and organisations across our region that are seeking private investment as well as funding through grants. We provide economic impact analysis reports for applications, assist with the development of Information Memorandums and Investment Prospectus and assist with framing grant applications.

SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT

From 1 January to 28 February 2021, **16** businesses/organisations accessed Regional Development Australia Limestone Coast's small business support services. A further **26** businesses/organisations were supported in their applications for investment (grants and funding).

the big picture

To date this financial year, RDALC has provided support to a total of **168** businesses/organisations.



REGION READY

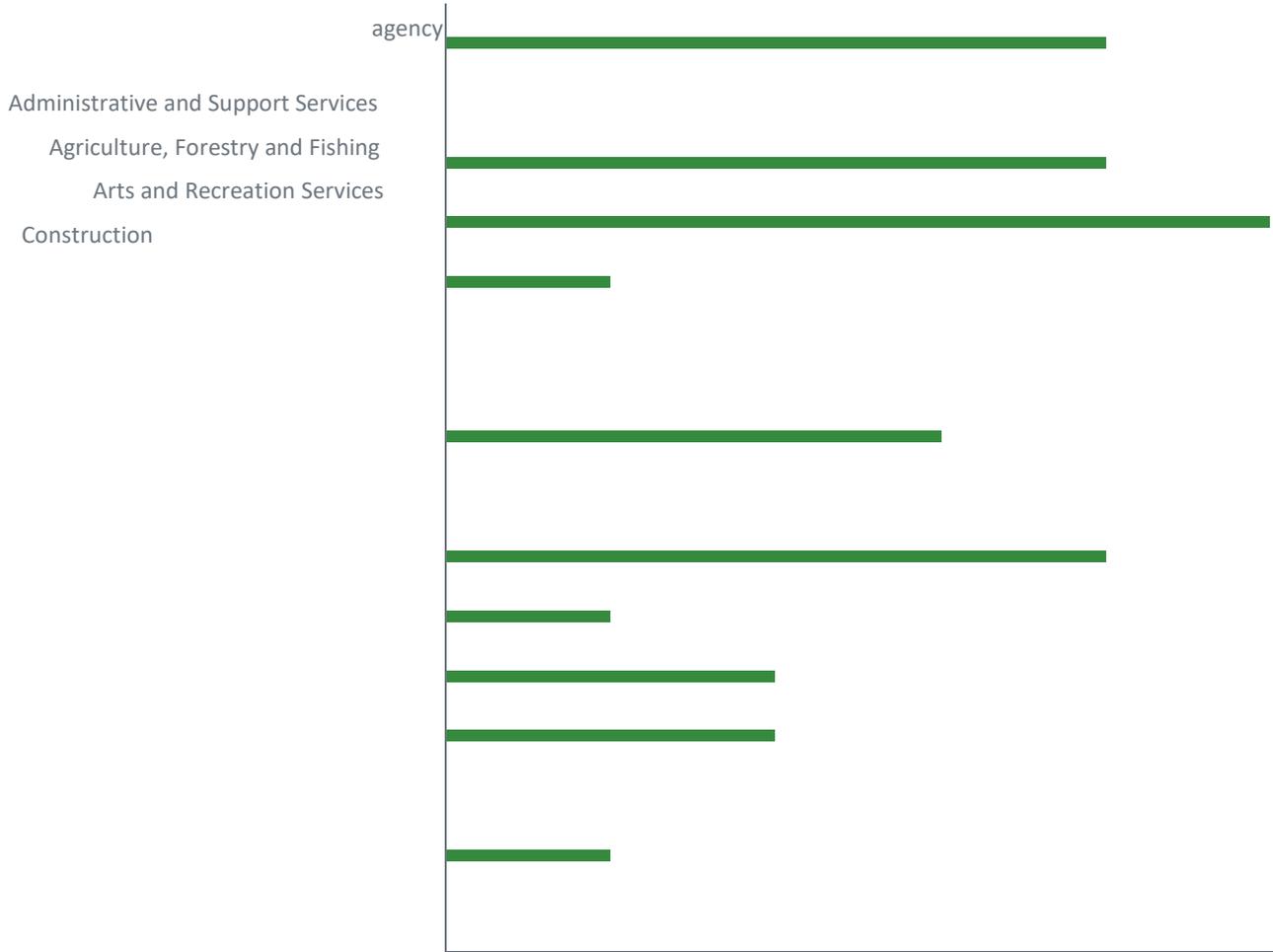
February saw the official announcement of our new program, funded under the South Australian Government's Accelerating Regional Employment pilot. The Region Ready program will support skilled workers into employment and build capacity in small to medium businesses to attract, develop and retain a skilled workforce in the Limestone Coast.

Region Ready will focus on supporting skilled migrants and domestic relocators into employment in the Limestone Coast by promoting job vacancies and connecting skilled workers with employers. The program will also support 25 employers to become 'employers of choice' through a free capacity building workshop and one-on-one case-managed support.

Additional small to medium businesses in the Limestone Coast will have the opportunity to engage with the program through access to our self-paced toolkit and web portal, as they work towards becoming employers of choice.

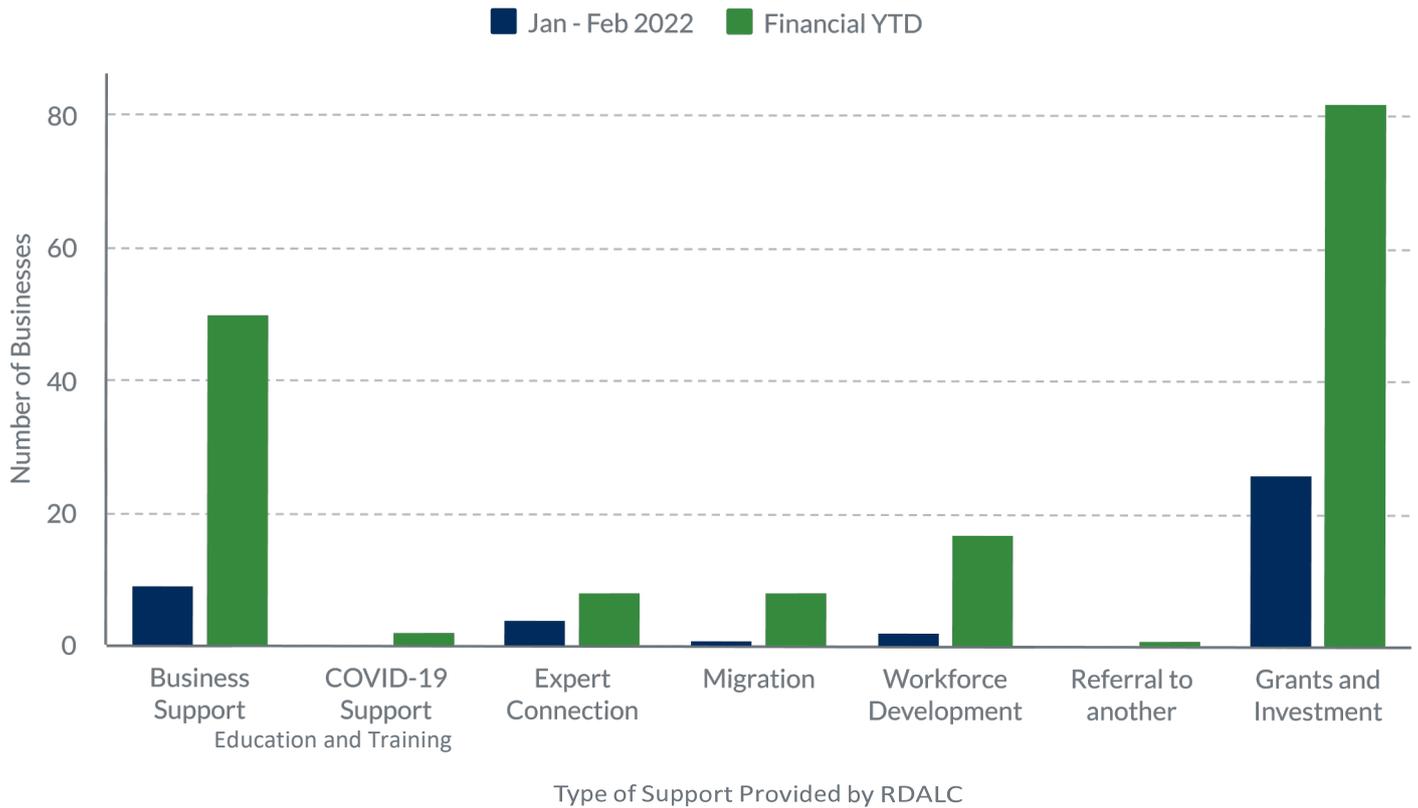
Running for 12 months, the program will also deliver 6 Specialist Seminars for the wider business community covering topics such as migration, apprenticeship and traineeship program, Safe Work and Fair Work.

Industry (ANZSIC Category)





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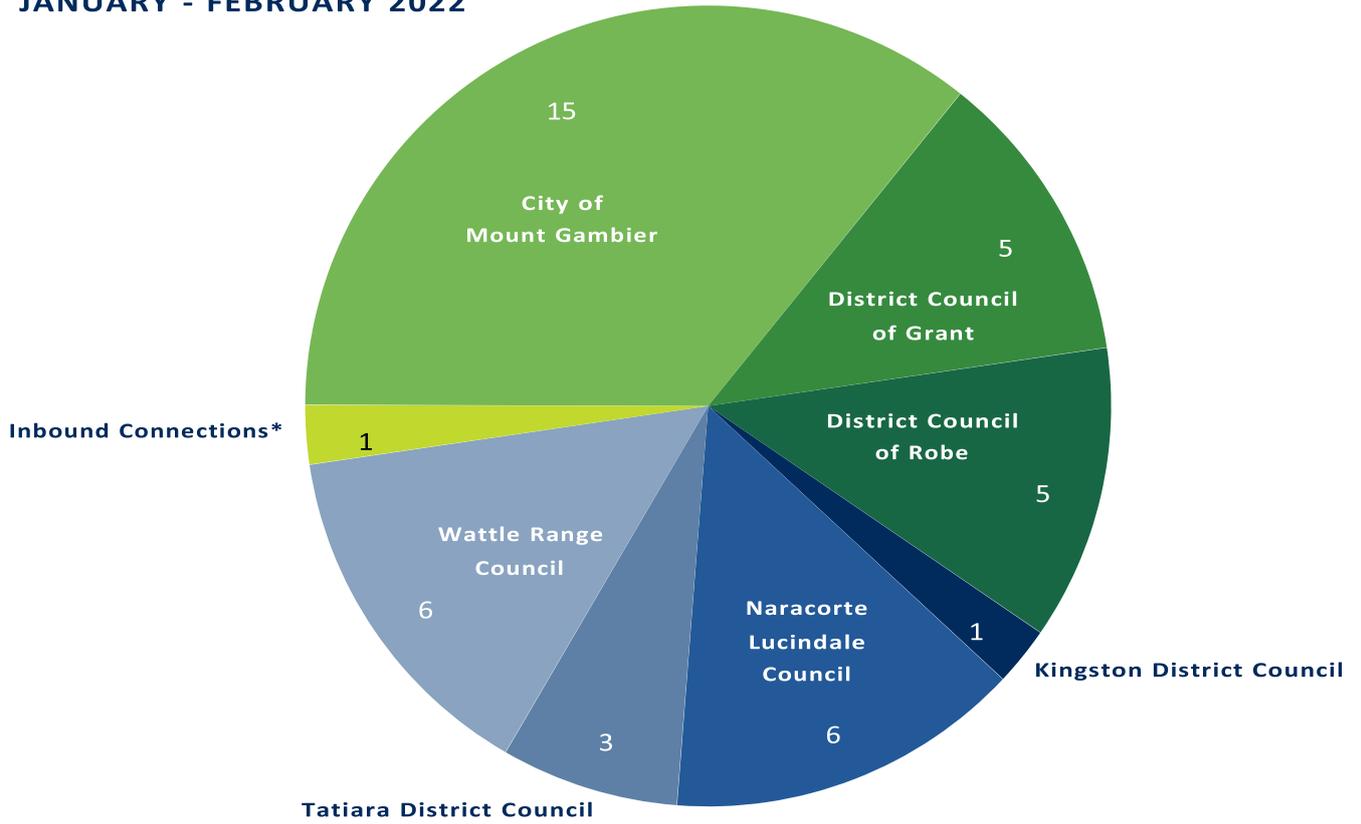


INDUSTRY RECEIVING RDALC SUPPORT

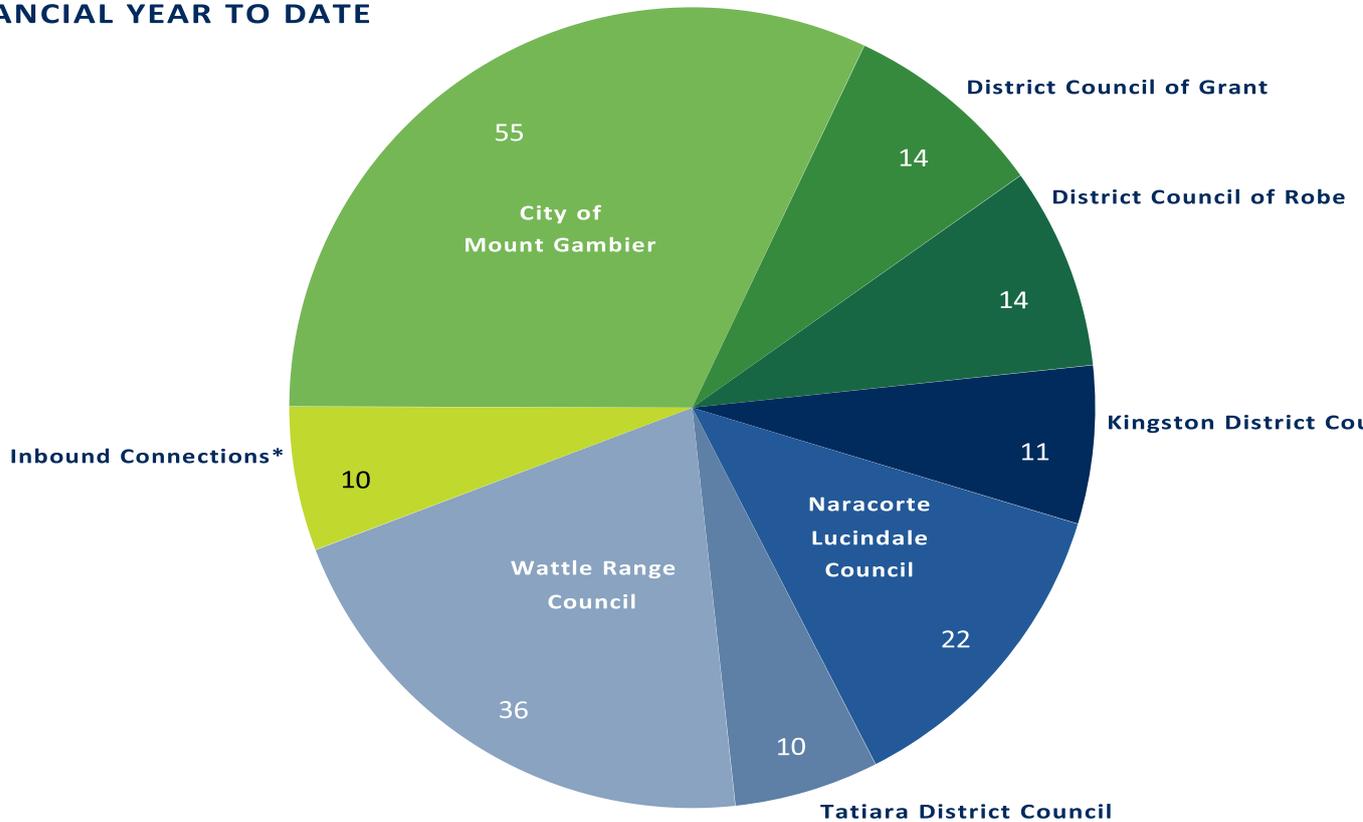


LOCATION OF BUSINESSES RECEIVING RDALC SUPPORT

JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2022



FINANCIAL YEAR TO DATE



* The inbound connections figure represents businesses that are not located in the Limestone Coast, but are either looking to expand into our region, or are collaborating on a project with a Limestone Coast business.