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MEMBER FOR ENFIELD

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Andrea's Community Update



Well hasn't 2020 thrown a curveball at us? I learnt a new word this year, 'coronavirus'. Our lives got thrown upside down. Too many lives have been lost; too many families kept apart; and too many people out of work. In many ways though, it has brought people together. The Covid fight is not over and I urge you all to look after yourselves and to look after each other.

Covid of course meant a change to how we live and work, and for me, it meant less of being out in the community but more Zoom and other ways of connecting. Thank you to those of you who have come along to virtual street corner meetings and emailed me with your concerns. Despite the challenges, we have still managed to get a lot done. I've especially appreciated the community support in fighting the Liberal government's bus cuts and the Prospect Service SA closure. I'm very happy that those decisions have been reversed.

I also had my first anniversary as your local Member of Parliament since my last newsletter. Again, I want to thank you for your support as I look forward to continuing to serve you in any way that I can.

Just as this was going to print, it was announced that I was being promoted to SA Labor's Shadow Cabinet with the portfolios of Small Business and Family Business, Consumer and Business Affairs, and Housing and Urban Development. Small and family businesses play a vital role in our local economy. I watched

my father start his own business, which inspired me to start my own prior to entering State Parliament. I look forward to engaging with the community and stakeholders to develop policies that strengthen our state for all South Australians.



Stay well.



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Support Local - Saving Small Businesses

The restrictions put in place on South Australians due to the unprecedented nature of COVID-19 have put small businesses under a huge amount of pressure.

The hospitality sector was hit particularly hard by the restrictions.

Many small business owners have struggled in these extraordinary times to keep their lights on.

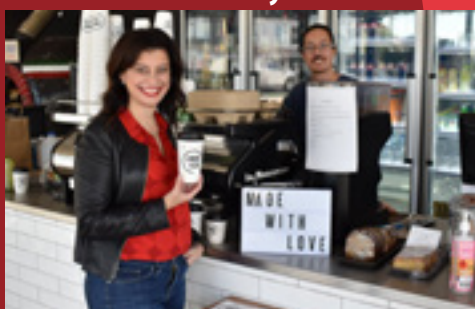
Please continue to support these businesses that have made a significant contribution to our local community and economy for so long.



The Coffee Barun



Ikigai Coffee Shop & Conscious Eatery



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Prospect Service SA Community Campaign Win!

When I stood for the seat of Enfield in February 2019, I promised our community that I would fight for the Prospect Service SA to remain open.

The announced closure of Service SA was part of the Marshall Liberal Government's agenda of cuts, closures and privatisation.

Following sustained pressure from the community, the Marshall Liberal Government has backflipped on its announced plans to close the Prospect Service SA. The decision to close the Prospect Service SA came as a shock to many in our community as it is one of the busiest in the state.

The fight to save the Prospect Service SA from closure was not an overnight success. It was a long and hard campaign, where I was joined by many volunteers who collected signatures for our "Save Service SA" petition.

More than 15,000 South Australians signed the petition to retain the three Service SA centres that were marked for closure open.

While I welcome the Government's backflip, it was a policy that should never have been announced and defended by the Marshall Liberal Government for almost two years.

Thank you to all who joined in the fight to retain our local Service SA and didn't give up on our essential community services.





Northgate and Lightsview Public Transport

The Marshall Liberal Government has continued to ignore the dire need for better public transport services for the residents of Lightsview and Northgate. Currently, the 206 bus route services East Parkway Monday to Friday between 7 am – 9.30 am and 3.30 pm – 7pm with no services at all operating along East Parkway on weekends and public holidays.

I have continuously called for improved access to public transport in Lightsview and Northgate since being elected. In what appeared to be a victory for these residents, I received a letter from then Transport Minister, Stephan Knoll advising that the route from the City to Lightsview via O-Bahn, Klemzig and East Parkway would become a Go Zone.

However, what the Minister gave with one hand, he took away with other. In creating a new route, the Minister took away the 206, 208 and 528 bus routes. The new route would have removed services to the southern section of Fosters Road and created a longer route to the Klemzig interchange. It also removed a public transport link to the shopping and medical districts in Walkerville. When Steven Marshall announced the backflip on two of Minister Knoll’s major policy decisions, the increased bus services to Lightsview and Northgate were scrapped.

Following the Government’s backflip, the Minister posted on his Facebook page, “We have listened to the people of South Australia on the proposed changes to the bus network”. I made it known to the Minister that my constituents in Lightsview and Northgate have been loud and clear that they need greater access to public transport and that I hoped he was listening to their needs as well.

Since Minister Knoll’s shameful ‘resignation’ from Cabinet, I wrote to the new Transport Minister, Corey Wingard reinforcing the importance of improvements to public transport in these suburbs. I hope Minister Wingard will listen.



Andrea at Bus Stop 26C on The Promenade



Galway Avenue Bus Route Saved Community Victory

As a part of the Marshall Liberal Government’s plan to cut costs through the removal of public services, residents of Broadview learnt that the highly valued and well patronised 206 and 208 bus routes were set to be axed.

This was part of sweeping changes to the way the Adelaide Metro bus network was going to operate, which saw the proposed removal of some 1,067 bus stops right across the Adelaide metropolitan area.



Andrea with Peter Malinauskas SA Labor Leader and local resident Alison

I asked the residents of Broadview to complete the Adelaide Metro public consultation document to voice their concerns directly with the Government. It had an immediate response, with Premier Steven Marshall fronting the media only two weeks into the public consultation period to tell the media that then Minister Knoll’s plan to cut these buses was no longer happening.

This was a great victory for the people of Broadview, who rely heavily on the 206 and 208 buses. Thank you for coming together as a community to fight these cuts.

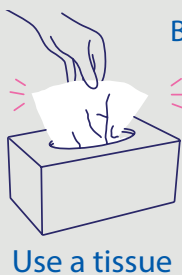
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Important Information

Helpful web links:

- > **Job Keeper**
www.ato.gov.au/general/JobKeeper-Payment/
- > **Job Seeker**
www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/jobseeker-payment
- > **Small Business**
www.business-sa.com/covid19
- > **State Gov COVID-19**
www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/

Cough or Sneeze into your arm



Bin the tissue



Use a tissue

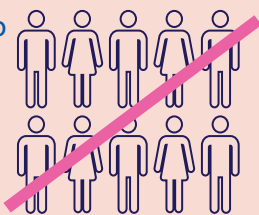


Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap



Avoid large gatherings & keep updated on restrictions.

Maintain 1.5m distance from others.



If you need support with food and household items

Blair Athol Church of Christ
Provide Emergency Fresh Food Parcels which can be picked up from the Car Park with ID
(08) 8262 6263
379 Prospect Road
Blair Athol SA 5084
Meals on Wheels
You may be eligible for Meals on Wheels to be delivered to your home.
Please call 1800 854 453 for further information or visit www.mealsonwheelssa.org.au

Lutheran Community Care Blair Athol
Offer a range of assistance from food and clothing to counselling and medical assistance.
(08) 8269 9300
309-311 Prospect Road
Blair Athol SA 5084
North East Community Assistance Project
(08) 8266 2780
489 North East Road
Hillcrest SA 5086



Mental Health

A range of telephone and online support is available:

SA COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line (8am to 8pm)
1800 632 753

Beyond Blue 1300 224 636
www.beyondblue.org.au

Lifeline Australia 13 11 14
www.lifeline.org.au

Headspace (Northern Office)
08 8209 0700

Kids Helpline
1800 551 800



Domestic & Family Violence (DFV) Support

If you are a victim of domestic violence, or believe that someone you know is, please reach out to one of the following DFV resources:

1800 RESPECT 1800 737 732
1800respect.org.au

Women's Information Service
8303 0590

Men's Referral Service
1300 766 491

Elder Abuse 1800 372 310



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Visit us at: 6/430 Prospect Road, Kilburn SA 5084

> Justice of the Peace (JP) available

The Electorate Office is open and here to help



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