# **Media Release**



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## Tenders open for future works on Fleurieu Connections

Fleurieu Peninsula businesses are encouraged to tender for future works on the Fleurieu Connections Main South Road and Victor Harbor Road duplication projects.

The Australian and South Australian governments have committed a total of \$560 million to fund the projects, to be delivered by the Fleurieu Connections Alliance with mentoring and support services available to help them through the procurement process.

The South Australian Government have also promised an additional \$125 million as part of its election commitment to deliver a full duplication of Main South Road between Seaford and Sellicks Beach, plus new overtaking lanes between Myponga and Cape Jervis and a grade separation at the intersection of Aldinga Beach Road and Aldinga Road.

Major work is now underway on the upgrades, which are expected to support 945 jobs per year throughout construction.

A key commitment of the projects is to create opportunities for small businesses, Aboriginal businesses and local Fleurieu Peninsula businesses. Opportunities range from the supply of materials and equipment to the provision of labour, transport and logistics, and support services such as security and office supplies.

Local Fleurieu businesses interested in tendering for one or more packages of works on the project are encouraged to get in touch with the Alliance to find out more about the services that are on offer, and to register their interest. For more information, visit <u>www.fcalliance.com.au/about/employment-and-business-opportunities</u>.

#### **Quotes attributable to Geoff Brock**

The Fleurieu Connections Main South Road and Victor Harbor Road duplication projects will result in safer and faster journeys for motorists and provide a vital boost for local tourism, communities and support hundreds of jobs each year during construction.

On top of this, a key commitment of Fleurieu Connections is to build local industry and leave a long-lasting legacy that will benefit the south of Adelaide.

I'm a big supporter of governments procuring locally, whether state or local government, and that includes supporting local businesses to develop the capabilities to work on government projects. This project is a great example of that.

#### **Quotes attributable to Leon Bignell**

When Labor duplicated the Southern Expressway, built the Darlington underpasses and overpasses, and extended the rail line to Seaford, we always had local jobs and businesses as a focal point.

The Fleurieu Pensinsula has so many skilled workers and small businesses and these sorts of local projects are important for them to have work close to home.

I encourage everyone to check out what qualifications they need to work on the latest infrastructure projects and put their hand up for a job.