

# David Basham MP, Member for Finniss

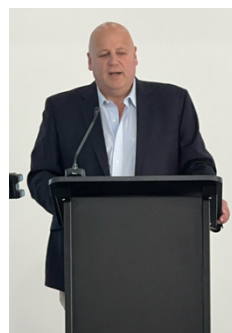
# OUT & ABOUT WITH DAVID

September 2023

## Southern Fleurieu Health Forum



Tuesday 19 September 2023



Three reasons we need to plan for Southern Fleurieu Health Services in the future:

- Population growth
- Aging population
- Private investment in the region

**What we do well:** physiotherapy, optometry, radiology, pathology, and pharmacy services as well as the excellent service we get from visiting medical specialists on the south coast. The volunteer transport drivers for medical appointments.

**What needs work:** Specialists in the areas of Neurology, geriatrics and psychiatry. Additional GP coverage on the South Coast and careful planning for growth.

Shadow Minister for Health, Ashton Hurn vowed to advocate for the SA Government to incentivise health care professionals working and living in our state. A key to good health care is professional staff.

There was not enough time for all the questions and contributions so I encourage every one to fill out the survey or contact the office. This was just the beginning and a great springboard for focus groups.

**What is next?:** We will collate the responses, writing to the State Minister for Health and submitting a summary to the Southern Fleurieu Health Advisory Council.



Speakers: Ashton Hurn MP, Dr Andrew Benson, David Basham MP, Loretta Byers, Penny Pratt MP

## FINNISS ELECTORATE

### Planning for our future, today

#### Artist's Impression, South Coast District Hospital



The purpose was not to announce a new hospital, but to clearly think about how the community can vision for the future that will be well planned. The forum is only the beginning of a conversation to improve and plan for our future health care needs.



#### What is a Health Advisory Council (HAC)?

Southern Fleurieu Health Advisory Council is a conduit between Barossa Hills Fleurieu Local Health Network and the community as their eyes and ears on health services.

[www.facebook.com/Southernflurieuahc](https://www.facebook.com/Southernflurieuahc)

The Forum can be viewed on facebook live at [www.facebook.com/DavidBashamFinniss/videos/2412182995654040](https://www.facebook.com/DavidBashamFinniss/videos/2412182995654040)

## Do you have more to say?

- Email: [finniss@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:finniss@parliament.sa.gov.au)
- Ph: 08 8552 2152
- Post a submission to 71 Victoria Street, Victor Harbor
- Fill in a Survey
- Scan the QR code and complete the survey on line.



[davidbasham.com.au/health-forum-post-event-survey](https://davidbasham.com.au/health-forum-post-event-survey)



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### Victor Harbor playgroup brings together young and old

Great to see the Victor Harbor library Intergenerational Playgroup profiled by Indaily.

Kate and Adelaide attended the pilot of this program. They both loved attending and cherish the connections that they made.

If you're interested in getting involved please reach out to the Victor Harbor Library Ph: 8551 0730



### Hon. John Gardner visits Goolwa Primary School & Victor Art precinct



### Changes for Emergency Helicopter Landing



● September 14, during Parliament question time, I asked the Minister for Health why the rescue helicopter 🚁 is now landing at Goolwa Airport, causing an ambulance 🚑 to be involved and delaying patient retrievals.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- The rescue helicopter landed at the Victor Harbor Oval, surprising the school and other concerned residents.
- This prompted phone calls to me and the Finnis Electorate office.
- We have discovered that a safety concern arose recently with the rescue helicopter landing at the helipad near the Southern Fleurieu Health Service.
- The rescue helicopter is now landing at the Goolwa Airport, 21 kilometres from the hospital.

I have written to the Health Minister to request that this issue be dealt with urgently.

I also encourage communication. Where an issue concerns the wider community, we all have the right to be informed and not surprised.

September 26 we learned that the five initial recommendations have been rectified, but in the process, they have found a sixth safety issue - DUST MANAGEMENT!

I wrote for the first time to the Minister on 23 December 2022 and sent the video in January 2023 with no response until May regarding the DUST MANAGEMENT issue.

To 'fix' the DUST MANAGEMENT issue, the helicopters will continue to land at Encounter Bay Sports Ground, and the hospital carpark will be sealed sometime during October.

When will the Minister listen to community concerns raised with him from my electorate?

### Mount Compass Area School Careers Compass



### Port Elliot RSL celebrates 80yrs at SALT





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### ADELAIDE SHOW

It was great to spend a few days at the Royal Adelaide Show. The show is a fabulous example of the country combining with the city. Generations of families and friends come together to exhibit and enjoy the atmosphere of the Show. If you didn't have the opportunity to go this year there are some fabulous local shows coming up over the next months. \* Port Elliot \* Yankalilla \* Strathalbyn





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### Men's Shed began in Goolwa



**AUSTRALIAN  
MEN'S SHED  
ASSOCIATION**  
Shoulder to Shoulder



Noticing the men sitting in their cars waiting for their wives, Maxine Kילו from the Goolwa Heritage Club for Aged Care Services invited them to clean an unused shed.

When they asked Maxine what they should do next, she suggested they come up with their own ideas and sort it out for themselves.

#### The first "Men's Shed" began!

September 8 was a 30-year Celebration of "Men's Sheds" held in Goolwa hosted by the Australian Men's Shed Association. The celebration is making its way around the country but it was here in Goolwa first!!

There are now over 1000 sheds across Australia and 500 plus worldwide.

<https://mensshed.org>

### Learn to Swim

Enrollments are now open for the popular VACSWIM summer program.

VACSWIM is a State Government-funded initiative that's been providing SA primary school children with water knowledge for more than 50 years.

Programs book quickly, so don't hesitate if you have a particular beach or pool in mind. Enrol today!

[vacswimsa.com.au/enrol](http://vacswimsa.com.au/enrol)



**VACSWIM**  
WATER AWARENESS - WATER SAFETY - WATER CONFIDENCE - WATER SKILLS - WATER FUN!

### LOCAL LOCATIONS

#### BEACH

Goolwa Beach  
Block 1 - 18-22 Dec 2023

Horseshoe Bay  
Port Elliot  
Block 2 - 2-6 Jan 2024  
Block 3 - 8-12 Jan 2024

Victor Harbor  
Bridge Terrace Reserve  
Block 4 - 15-19 Jan 2024

#### POOL

Victor Harbor  
Primary School  
Block 1 - 18-22 Dec 2023

Fleurieu Aquatic Centre  
Block 3 - 8-12 Jan 2024

PLACES FILL  
QUICKLY,  
DON'T  
DELAY!

Enrol online today  
[vacswimsa.com.au/enrol](http://vacswimsa.com.au/enrol)



## SA Seniors Card

### Scam warning

● We would like to urge all South Australian seniors to be aware of a scam website, attempting to charge applicants a fee for a Seniors Card.

The only official website to apply for an SA Seniors Card is [www.seniorscard.sa.gov.au](http://www.seniorscard.sa.gov.au)

A legitimate SA Seniors Card is always free of charge and applicants are never requested to pay a fee or disclose any financial information in exchange for membership.

If you have provided payment to an unofficial website, please contact your bank immediately and report to Scamwatch at [www.scamwatch.gov.au](http://www.scamwatch.gov.au)

Remember to always:

- ✓ Look for the official SA Gov logo
- ✓ Check that the web address includes [sa.gov.au](http://sa.gov.au)

For more information, contact the Seniors Card on 1800 819 961 or email [seniorscard@sa.gov.au](mailto:seniorscard@sa.gov.au)

Please reach out to the Finniss Electorate Office if you require clarification on messages or emails you receive from government departments.



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