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[Annual Report 2015-2016](#)

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The Commissioner for Kangaroo Island, Wendy Campana, has released her Annual Report for the 2015-2016 year.

This comprehensive report documents the key activities of the Commissioner's office during the previous financial year, in carrying out her functions under the Commissioner for Kangaroo Island Act.

The Commissioner's statutory functions include:

- Improving the delivery of government services and infrastructure;
- Providing assistance to businesses and individuals in dealing with government agencies;
- Assisting to improve the local economy.

You can read about the [Management Plan for Housing on Kangaroo Island](#) along with the formation of various Local Advisory Boards – all designed to assist island residents in many ways. In addition, the Commissioner has undertaken activities to better understand the issues for island residents, in areas such as medical and health services, transport, sports and recreation and youth affairs.

The Annual Report also outlines the manner in which the office can assist residents and businesses to deal with government agencies.

The work of the Energy Security Focus Group and the Marine Parks Working Group has continued during this reporting period.

In assisting the local economy, a primary activity currently underway is the Kangaroo Island Transformation Project, targeting numerous industry groups. This project aims to prepare participating businesses for the growth opportunities anticipated on the island in the coming years. Developments such as the Wilderness Trail, American River Resort, Golf Course, Bickford's Distillery, replacement of the Undersea Cable and the Emu Bay Housing Development will increase economic activity on the island, with many business opportunities to flow.



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There is also the Beverages Project – working collaboratively with the Kangaroo Island Food and Wine Association to promote Kangaroo Island beverage producers to licensed premises both on the island and in Adelaide CBD.

Other industry groups working in this manner are agriculture and food production, construction (other than airport), retail and services, tourism and hospitality and transport and logistics. This [Annual Report](#) provides a summary of the activities undertaken by the Commissioner's office for anyone interested in Kangaroo Island, particularly during this time of transition. The report can be found on the Office of the Commissioner for Kangaroo Island [website](#).

