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Office of the Commissioner for Kangaroo Island

## Deputy Premier John Rau MP

Attorney-General

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### KI Economic outlook launched

The *Kangaroo Island Economic Development Outlook* which highlights the many opportunities the Island offers for economic growth was launched last night.

The document showcases a range of opportunities for economic development aligned with State Government priorities.

It highlights the major projects currently approved or in the planning stages along with the value of the project, employment outcomes and provides an overview of the number of other projects initiated by developers with current interests on the Island.

### Background

The Kangaroo Island Economic Development Outlook includes quotes from the Premier, Mayor of the Kangaroo Island Council, the Commissioner for Kangaroo Island, various State Government Ministers and chairs of the key industry groups on the Island;

The Kangaroo Island Economic Development Outlook is available from the Office of the Commissioner for Kangaroo Island's website [www.kangarooislandcommissioner.sa.gov.au](http://www.kangarooislandcommissioner.sa.gov.au). For more information call the Office on (08) 8553 4525 or email: [KICommissioner@sa.gov.au](mailto:KICommissioner@sa.gov.au).

The Deputy Premier and the Commissioner held Community information session in Kingscote last night. As part of that forum, the Draft Housing Management Plan was also announced.

### Quotes attributable to Deputy Premier John Rau

There are many development opportunities on the Island to address opportunities in tourism, green energy, transport, food, beverages, environment, agriculture, innovation, housing, telecommunications and international trade.

There are over \$171m of projects approved or in the planning stages and a range of 'knock on opportunities' emerging that build on the expected growth that these developments will generate.

There is great economic potential for those already with business interests on the Island or for those looking to invest or start up a new venture. It is estimated that these developments will see a 30 per cent increase in tourism over the next two to three years and over 300 new jobs.

### Quotes attributable to Kangaroo Island Commissioner Wendy Campana

The document demonstrates through the engagement of State and Local governments and the chairs of the key Kangaroo Island industry bodies that business and governments stand ready to work together for the benefit of the Island.

I look forward to working with governments, the community and businesses to support the achievement of these economic outcomes.

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