

# Media Release



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## **Commissioner Goes on First Island Tour**

The Commissioner for Kangaroo Island, Wendy Campana, commenced on 11 May and has wasted no time in getting over to the Island to have her first round of meetings.

“I am looking forward to meeting people on the Island on their patch and hearing firsthand about their aspirations for my role.

This first round of meetings will be introductory and I will be doing lots of listening and no doubt asking lots of questions.

I have read up on the issues raised in various KIFA reports and papers and I am sure that these issues will be among those discussed with me”, Wendy Campana said.

The visit will commence on Wednesday 13 May in the morning and go through until late Friday afternoon.

Organisations and people to be part of the meetings include:

- Kangaroo Island Council to meet with the Mayor Peter Clements , CEO Andrew Boardman and the Councillors
- Food and Wine Chair and Secretary – Jeff Howard and Megan Harvie
- Tourism Information Centre to meet Tourism KI Chair – Pierre Gregor and Regional Manager Kylie Bamfield
- KI Community Education Chair of the School Governing Council, Steve Morgan along with the KICE Leadership team
- Chair of the Housing Strategy Committee, Bec Davis
- Chair of the KI Industry and Brand Alliance, Mark Ashenden and Cathy Williams, the Brand Manager

- Presiding Member of NRM, Richard Trethewey and Damien Miley, DEWNR Regional Manager
- Commercial Fisheries and KI Marine Action Group representatives
- Chair of Business KI Sharon Kappilla and Rodney Bell Deputy Chair
- CEO/DON, Nigel Jefford from KI Helath Services and Daren Keenan Chair of the Health Advisory Board at the Kingscote Hospital
- Chair of Agriculture KI, Carly Buttrose and Lyne Doyle of the PIRSA KI Offices
- Editor of the Islander Newspaper, Barbara Silbey

“I will also be travelling to the Dudley Peninsula via East West and Willoughby Road to view road works and the impact of the annual \$2m funding from the State Government and visiting all the major towns on the Island. . On Thursday evening I will be addressing the KI Industry and Brand Alliance AGM dinner.

“I am really pleased with the willingness of people to want to meet with me and highlight issues of concern and to brief me on the many wonderful things happening on the Island. Kangaroo Island is certainly a national treasure and I am pleased the State Government has placed an important focus on supporting the potential further growth of the Island through this role.

“It’s a privilege to have been appointed as the first Commissioner of Kangaroo Island and the first priority must be to meet and discuss issues with key folk on the Island and that’s my plan for the coming months”, she said.

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