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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **MOVING FORWARD ON TRANSPORT SURVEY**

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The findings of the [Kangaroo Island Transport Survey](#) conducted earlier this year have been reported by Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI).

The Survey was a partnership between the Kangaroo Island Council, DPTI and the Office of the Commissioner for Kangaroo Island, after transport was identified at several community meetings as being one of the major issues to be faced by residents and visitors alike.

The aim of the Survey was to identify the transport needs of the Island's population, including tourists, and to gain some insights from tourism operators. The results will assist in planning the future transport needs of the island.

Not surprisingly, residents reported that they mainly travelled by car, either as driver or passenger. Only three per cent of respondents said they make use of the transport services available on the island.

Responses on transport options indicated that while information about the SeaLink shuttle service was readily available, it is expensive to use and not sufficiently regular.

The Rockhopper service rated low for ease of information and it was thought it needed to have more pick up points to make it a preference over a car.

People reported that services provided by the disability support groups on the Island had strict eligibility criteria and they were not easy to align with medical appointments.

SeaLink supported the Survey by making it available on the ferry for tourists to complete.

Tourists reported they could move about the Island quite easily, no doubt due to the fact that the majority of respondents arrived via ferry with their own vehicle – and this in turn could be due to the well-publicised self-drive packages.

Many tourists would welcome a ride share service (like taxi/Uber) if it was available, and tourists reported they would like to see a more regular bus service, sealed roads and reduced cost of transport on the Island.

Six tourism operators responded to the Survey and their comments identified a need for transport closer to venues and a ring route to pick them up regularly and improved road conditions.

“This Survey has provided some valuable inputs into the travel issues and preferences of respondents but has also revealed important gaps in information from youth and workers across the Island, and I am keen to gain further data on these issues in the coming months,” Commissioner Wendy Campana said.

To access the [Survey Report](#) please go to the Commissioner's website at:

[www.kangarooislandcommissioner.sa.gov.au/resources/publications\\_and\\_reports](http://www.kangarooislandcommissioner.sa.gov.au/resources/publications_and_reports) .