



**Local Government Association**  
of South Australia

# Special Local Roads Program

March 2023

# Background

- Unique to South Australia and in operation since 1985.
- Built on the premise that the sector as a whole benefits from councils pooling a portion of their funding.
- Strategic and special local roads that otherwise exceed the capacity of an individual council.
- Funding provided from:
  - 15% of identified local roads component of Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants
  - 15% of South Australia's Supplementary Local Road Funding (in available years)
  - 15% of South Australia's allocation of Roads to Recovery

# Special Local Roads Program (SLRP) Objectives

Prioritise the construction and maintenance of strategic and significant local roads whose benefits exceed the boundary of the council and its community.

Support the delivery of local roads in an orderly and coordinated manner through evidence-based decisions that draw upon the best available State, Regional and Local plans.

Demonstrate accountability and transparency in the administration of the program.

# Guiding Principles

- Strategic and significant
- Sector approach
- Equitable across regions
- Equal access
- Transparent
- Evidence based

# SLRP Governance Overview

LGA established the Local Government Transport Advisory Panel (LGTAP) to oversee the governance and operation of the SLRP.

- LGTAP is governed by the LGTAP Terms of Reference
- SLRP is governed by the SLRP Policy Manual

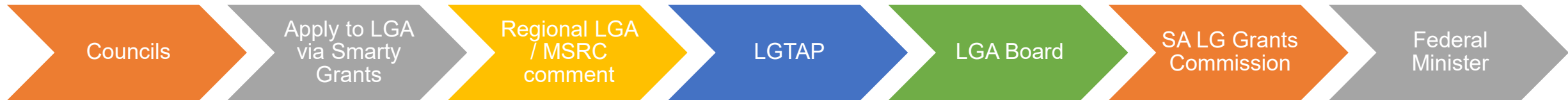
# Local Government Transport Advisory Panel

- Three Members from Local Government:
  - At least one Member will be a member of the LGA Board
  - At least one Member will be from a metropolitan Council with the required skills and experience
  - At least one Member will be from a regional Council with the required skills and experience
- A nominee of the Minister for Local Government
- A nominee of the Minister for Transport
- A Senior Officer of the Local Government Association

# LG TAP Current Membership

LG TAP Members		
Name	Role	Term
Mayor Leon Stephens	LGA Board Director / Chairperson	2-years (October 2024)
Mr Richard Dodson	Sector Member (Regional Council Representative)	4-years (July 2024)
Mr Peter Tsokas	Sector Member (Greater Adelaide Council Representative)	4-years (July 2024)
Mr Chris Dunn	Sector Member (Greater Adelaide Council Representative)	4-years (August 2026)
Mr Bridget Mather	Sector Member (Regional Council Representative)	4-years (August 2026)
Mr Lea Bacon	LGA Representative	Nil
Mr Peter Ilee	Minister for Local Government Representative	Nil
Mr Andrew Excell	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Representative	Nil
LG TAP Proxy Members		
Name	Role	Term
Mayor Michael Coxon	Proxy for LGA Board Director	2 years (October 2024)
Vacant	Proxy for LGA Representative	Nil
Mr Alex Sgro	Proxy for Minister for Local Government Representative	Nil
Mr Mike Wilde	Proxy for Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Representative	Nil

# SLRP Application and Approval Process





# Assessment Criteria

## SLRP Policy Manual

Category	Key question	Weighting
Road purpose	To what extent does the application demonstrate a strategic and significant purpose for the road?	30%
Scope of works	How well does the application outline an acceptable and achievable scope of works to support the road's desired purpose?	20%
Value for money	To what extent does the project represent value for money?	20%
Benefits of the project	To what extent does the application outline the economic, access, safety and environmental benefits of the project?	30%

# 2023-24 SLRP Grant round

6 March 2023 – Grant round opens, 9am

15 March 2023 – Online Information Session, 11am

1 May 2023 – Grant round closes, 4pm

4 May 2023 – referral to Regional LGA's / MSRC for comment (2 weeks)

June 2023 – LGTAP evaluation and recommendation

July 2023 – LGA Board of Directors

Application Form: <https://lgasa.smartygrants.com.au/SLRP-2023-24>

# For more information

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<https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/members/financial-sustainability/grants/special-local-roads-program>

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## Special Local Roads Program

The Special Local Roads Program (SLRP) was established under the joint approvals of the South Australian, Commonwealth and local governments. The Program commenced in 1985 and facilitates funding of significant and strategic local roads throughout the state.

Since its inception, it has supported South Australian councils to construct and maintain significant and strategic local roads that otherwise would exceed an individual council's capacity. Its existence is built on the premise that the local government sector as a whole benefits from councils pooling a portion of their road funding.

Funding for the annual SLRP grant round is sourced from:

- 15% of identified local roads component of Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants.
- 15% of South Australia's Supplementary Local Road Funding (in available years).
- 15% of South Australia's allocation of Roads to Recovery.

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**Local Government  
Transport Advisory  
Panel (LGTAP)**



**2022-23 SLRP  
successful projects**

A list of the successful projects for the most recent grant funding round of the Special Local Roads Program.



**Regional Road  
Priority Project -  
SAROC**

