

Granite Island Causeway

Timbers Update

Thousands of tourists and locals have enjoyed the \$43 million Granite Island Causeway Project since its opening in December 2021.

Following the decommissioning of the old Granite Island Causeway, sections were retained at each end and reconstructed as viewing platforms. These were opened to the public in late 2022.

The Department has also stored some of the timber from the decommissioned causeway for future use on jetties.

Two local councils have also been engaged to reuse some timber on local projects.

Timber has been provided to Alexandrina Council to be used in the reconstruction of the heritage-listed Currency Creek Bridge.

The City of Victor Harbor has received some timber to be used on local community projects such as fencing for the Horse Tram Authority.

The community has previously been notified that testing of the timber has identified elements, including bitumen and lead paint, which were historically used to treat timber to prolong its life.

While there are no safety concerns associated with public use of the former Causeway or the new viewing platforms, the remaining timber removed from the old Causeway is currently unsuitable for distribution to individuals.

The two councils were deemed suitable candidates for allocation as they are familiar with the safe use of timber and as required, depending on the intended use, would arrange and fund professional blast cleaning and resizing at a commercial facility and subsequent waste disposal.

The State Government has foregone a portion of its own allocation, which has been set aside while further remediation options are explored.

Kind Regards

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