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DENIAL BAY JETTY CLOSURE

The District Council of Ceduna has engaged Infrastructure Consulting who have completed structural surveys of all three jetties in the district that are leased to Council, in readiness for future negotiations with the South Australian Government.

The structural survey indicates that all the jetties need remedial work, but the Ceduna and Smoky Bay jetties are useable at present. However, the structural survey of the Denial Bay Jetty has identified a number of problems that require immediate attention concerning the integrity of the brackets that fix and brace the crossheads to the piles.

The District Council of Ceduna understands that our jetties are an important part of coastal living and a defining part of the region, however as a result of corrosion and the consequent risk of failure, the primary responsibility of Council is to ensure the safety of the community. This unfortunately leaves Council no choice but to close the Denial Bay Jetty to the public until further notice.

Council is currently scoping work for the manufacture and installation of temporary brackets noting this will be only a short term fix, and with an understanding from work elsewhere, that the supply and install of the temporary brackets for the Denial Bay Jetty would be in the vicinity of \$70 000.

Council have also been liaising with the South Australian Government Department for Infrastructure and Transport (**DIT**) to signal these defects. Whilst the report is noted, and apart from the SA Jetties Renewal Program which closed on 15 December 2023, DIT have no financial capacity to contribute to any significant repairs as requisite from this structural survey and report.

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