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Commercial and Rural Areas Development Plan Amendment

Council has moved a step closer to realising a significant employment opportunity with the Commercial and Rural Areas Development Plan Amendment being endorsed for public consultation at its Special Council Meeting on 19 September 2017.

The Commercial and Rural Areas Development Plan Amendment proposes zone and policy changes to the Gawler (CT) Development Plan, involving the rezoning of a small section of land in Council's Rural Zone, located at the corner of Main North Road and Gordon Road, Kudla, to accommodate a new car dealership and pre-delivery centre proposed by Peter Kittle Motor Company. Although the site has previously been used for commercial purposes, any new commercial activity would be non-compliant due to the site being in the Rural Zone.

It is expected that this impending development will provide significant economic benefits to Gawler, and the region, through the establishment of ongoing employment opportunities within the automotive industry. The initial stages of development, over approximately 36 months, are expected to deliver around 68 jobs, and potentially up to 100 jobs once full development is complete.

"Council is working closely with the Peter Kittle Motor Company and the State Government to realise a significant employment opportunity for the Town of Gawler." said Mayor Redman.



Mayor Redman went on to say, "With the impending closure of Holden's factory in October 2017, Council is keen to facilitate job creation within our local area as well as Northern Adelaide. These are positive steps for Gawler."

The Commercial and Rural Areas Development Plan Amendment will be released for public consultation from 26 September 2017 to 21 November 2017 pursuant to the *Development Act 1993*.

Copies of the Development Plan Amendment report will be available to view or purchase during normal office hours at the Town of Gawler Council offices, 43 High Street, Gawler East. Alternatively the report can be viewed on the internet at www.gawler.sa.gov.au.

Members of the community are encouraged to review the document and make written submissions prior to 5pm on 21 November 2017.

All submissions should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Town of Gawler, PO BOX 130, Gawler SA 5118 and should clearly indicate whether you wish to be heard in support of your submission at the Infrastructure and Environmental Services Committee Meeting being convened to consider the formal written submissions. If you wish to lodge your submission electronically, please email it to planningadmin@gawler.sa.gov.au.

The Infrastructure and Environmental Services Committee Meeting being held to consider the formal written submissions is on Thursday 30 November 2017 at 7pm in the Gawler Administration Centre, 43 High Street, Gawler East, at which time interested persons may be heard in relation to the Development Plan Amendment and their submissions. The Meeting may not be held if no submissions are received or if those making a submission do not make a request to be heard.

Copies of all submissions will be available for inspection at the Town of Gawler Council offices, 43 High Street, Gawler East, from 26 September 2017 until the conclusion of the public hearing.

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