

Roxby Downs Council

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To the SA Public & Environmental Health Council pursuant to Section 44 (1) of the
PUBLIC & ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ACT 1987

1 PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH WORKFORCE

1.1 Environmental Health Staff Numbers

Please provide a snapshot of council's environmental health workforce on **30 June 2009** by completing the tables below.

This information is requested to inform State and National environmental health workforce initiatives.

Permanent **full time** employed environmental health officers (approx 38 hours/week)
(30 June 2009)

Full name	Qualifications	EHO experience (years/months)	Commenced working for council (date)
NIL			

Permanent **part time** employed environmental health officers **(30 June 2009)**

NIL				

Temporary **contract employed** environmental health officers **(30 June 2009)**

Full name	Qualifications	Average contracted hours worked per week	EHO experience (years/months)	Contract start/finish dates
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James Story	Bachelor or Environmental Health		10 years	July 2005
Emily Smith	Bachelor or Environmental Health		1 yr 6 months	February 08
Cassia Milton	Bachelor or Environmental Health		2 years	February 2007
Catie McCarthy	Bachelor or Environmental Health		8 months	October 08
		Combined total of 8 days per year 0.03FTE		

Contracted non-employee environmental health officers (30 June 2009)				
Full name	Qualifications	Average contracted hours worked per week	EHO experience (years/months)	Contract start/finish dates
NIL				

Environmental health officer positions vacant (30 June 2009)				
Position type (fulltime/ part time/ contract)	Position hours/week	When the position was first advertised (date)?	Number of suitably qualified applicants (at 30/6/09)	Comments regarding this position.
NIL				

Number (FTE) of Ancillary Staff that assist council to fulfil its responsibilities under the <i>Public & Environmental Health Act, 1987</i> (30 June 2009)	
Immunisation Nurses	NIL
Administration	NIL
Other (please specify)	NIL

1.2 Staff Training

Detail training and development implemented during the financial year to maintain/develop EHO or ancillary staff skills and knowledge.

Refer to training provided by the City of Salisbury

PUBLIC & ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ACT & REGULATIONS

Complete details of measures taken under Part III of the P&EH Act (protection of public health relating to sanitation, drainage and protection of water supplies) & P&EH Regulations (waste control).

Section No.	Type	No. of complaints received	No. of notices served	No. of court / appeals / expiations
Public & Environmental Health Act, Part III				
15 & 16	Prevention / offences re insanitary conditions on premises	NIL		
17	Control of offensive activities	NIL		
18	Discharge of wastes in a public place	NIL		
19	Private thoroughfare	NIL		
20	Provision of adequate sanitation	NIL		
21	Pollution of water	NIL		
22	Closure of water supplies	NIL		
Regulations 1995 - Waste Control				
Reg. 19	Maintenance orders	NIL		
Reg. 24	Connect to STEDS	NIL		

2.1 Monitoring and management of Insanitary Conditions

2.1.1 Please briefly describe the chief causes of insanitary conditions reported (eg hoarded materials, pest infestation).

No insanitary conditions reported during this reporting period

2.1.2 Please briefly describe the properties most implicated in the insanitary conditions reported (eg rental properties, privately owned).

N/A

2.1.3 Please briefly describe the primary impediments to resolving the insanitary conditions reported.

N/A

2.2 Monitoring and management of Offensive Activities

2.2.1 Please briefly describe the offensive activities requiring the action described in the table above under the Public and Environmental Health Act 1987.

N/A

3 PRIORITY OF PUBLIC & ENVIROMENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

- 3.1 List the more significant environmental health issues currently facing the local community and what is being done to address them**

NIL

3.2 Prioritisation process

- 3.2.1 How was council made aware of these priority issues (eg investigation, research, complaint)?**

N/A

- 3.2.2 How were these issues prioritised (number of people affected, risk, politics) ?**

N/A

- 3.3 Detail any programs specifically aimed at dealing with public health issues related to vulnerable groups in your community (eg aboriginal, migrants, and the aged).**

No programs undertaken during this reporting period

4 DISEASE CONTROL

4.1 Monitoring of Pools & Spas (public aquatic facilities) to minimise the incidence of water-borne illness (please complete the table below and provide details of any special activities, eg, training etc.)

Type of Pool	Number in area	Number of routine inspections	Number of complaints	Number of Inspections related to complaints/investigations	Total number of inspections
Swimming	3	5	NIL	NIL	5
Spa					
Hydrotherapy					
Waterslide					
Other					
Total					

Any Additional Comments?

1 pool is a private resident who conducts swimming lessons from home. The pool was not inspected this year due to availability; however test result records were supplied and were satisfactory. Both other pools were considered satisfactory at the time of the inspection.

4.2 Monitoring & investigation to minimise the incidence of Legionnaires Disease (please complete the table below and provide details of any special activities, eg, training, investigations etc)

Type of System	Number registered in area	Number of routine inspections	Number of complaints	Number of Inspections related to complaints/investigations	Total number of inspections
Cooling Water System	unknown				
Warm Water System	unknown				
Other					
Total					

Any Additional Comments?

The number of HRMWS in Roxby Downs has not been finalised. These are to be registered in the coming months.

4.3 Monitoring and control of Waste Control Systems (eg. septic tanks, STEDS, CEDS)

Type of System	Number of applications	Number of routine inspections	Number of complaints
Septic Tank	NIL		
Aerobic System	NIL		
Other (name)	NIL		
Total	NIL		

Any Additional Comments ?

4.4 Immunisation programs

Please provide details on the number of clinics conducted during the reporting period

<i>Clinic Type</i>	<i>Number of Clinics</i>
Number of Council Operated Public Clinics	<i>NIL</i>
Number of School Clinics	<i>NIL</i>
Number of Internal (Council Staff) Influenza Clinics	<i>NIL</i>
Number of External Influenza Workplace Clinics	<i>NIL</i>
Number of Other Workplace Clinics	<i>NIL</i>
<i>Total</i>	

The Roxby Downs Health Services (hospital) performs immunisations for the community

4.5 Notifiable Disease Follow Up

Provide details of actions resulting from notifiable disease notifications received from CDCB (insert a table if preferred)

No follow ups conducted for notifiable disease notifications received in the reporting period

4.6 Monitoring of Hairdressing, Beauty & Skin Penetration businesses

Type of Facility	Number in area	Number of routine inspections	Number of complaints	Inspections related to complaints/investigations	Total number of inspections
Tattoo Parlours & Body Piercing	unknown	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Hairdressing & Beauty Salons (including those that undertake skin penetration)	unknown	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Other					
Total					

Any Additional Comments ?

Council are considering inspecting the above Health Premises in this financial year.

4.7 Monitoring and control of Vectors and Other Pests (include level of activity, control measures, number/regularity of complaints, education programs etc)

Vector or Pest	Number of Complaints	Control Program (Y/N) (Please provide further details below)
Mosquitoes	NIL	N
Rodents	1	N
Head Lice	NIL	N
Flies	NIL	N
Pigeons	NIL	N
Scabies	NIL	N
Cockroaches	NIL	N
Bees	NIL	N
European Wasps	NIL	N
Other (please describe)		

Description of control program (identifying vector/pest and activity undertaken)
 Standard vermin letters were provided to the resident and surrounding residents to where the rat complaint was made.

4.8 Monitoring & control of Animal Keeping Facilities (eg. domestic animals, petting zoos, kennels)

NIL

4.9 Outline any preparation work done for Pandemic Flu

NIL

4.10 Other

NIL

5 PUBLIC & ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT PLAN

5.1 Does Council have a current Public & Environmental Health Management Plan or Strategic/ Corporate Plan that forward plans the environmental health activities of Council?

Annual Public and Environmental Health Services Business Plan

YES

IF NO

Does Council expect to produce one within the next 2 years?

YES / NO

IF YES

Date commenced - prepared each financial year

Have details of the plan been provided in previous reports?

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(If Yes, go to next item)

Provide a summary of how the Plan responds to the needs of the local community, how it is progressing and how regularly it is reviewed.

The Business Plan outlines the services and core activities, efficiencies etc provided by EHOs projected for the coming financial year.

6. HEALTH EDUCATION / PROMOTION & COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Include Council initiatives, activities and programs designed to promote public health issues to the community including those delivered in partnership with others. (eg. training sessions, workshops, radio interviews, presentations / education sessions to schools/community groups, educational materials produced, newsletter articles, studies or trials). Provide details of consultation and community involvement, the variety of communication tools used (eg. local newspaper/radio, Council pamphlets, shopping centre displays) and how projects are evaluated.

Health promotion activities were not conducted in the reporting period

7. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT & SUSTAINABILITY

Provide details of activities designed to reduce and prevent exposure of individuals to health hazards. May include number/types of complaints received, issues dealt with, concerns, inventories held etc.

7.1 Monitoring to ensure Potable Water (eg. rainwater tanks, bores)

NIL

7.2 Monitoring to ensure Water Quality / Protection of Waterways and Catchments

NIL

7.3 Waste Management Practices (domestic waste, landfills, green waste, recycling, solid waste, hazardous waste) (eg. types and regularity of services)

NIL

7.4 Monitoring of Contaminated Land

NIL

7.5 Monitoring and Control of Hazardous Substances (eg. asbestos, medical waste)

NIL

7.6 Monitoring of Air Quality

NIL

7.7 Noise Complaint Investigations

NIL

7.8 Monitoring and Control of Recreation Facilities (eg. risk assessment of playgrounds, inspections of camping areas etc.)

NIL

7.9 Emergency Planning Activities (eg. disaster recovery / business continuity plans)

NIL

7.10 Rural and Urban Planning Activities (eg. number of development applications assessed by EHOs)

NIL

7.11 Other

8. OTHER

Please provide details of any other public & environmental health issues encountered by Council. (eg, complex investigations, participation in major events and festivals, strategic planning and implementation programs etc)

Date this report was / is to be presented to Council / /2009

This report is to be submitted by 30th September 2009 in soft copy emailed to:

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