

## MEDIA RELEASE

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# INDOOR AQUATIC FACILITY TO OPEN ITS DOORS FRIDAY 3 MARCH

The Port Lincoln Indoor Aquatic Facility has undergone major refurbishment works since being closed to the public from July last year with construction works now complete and the Indoor Aquatic Facility to open its doors on Friday 3 March 2017.

Council invested \$5 million into the refurbishment of the facility with the Port Lincoln Bendigo Community Bank providing \$250,000 in support for the hydrotherapy pool. The Leisure Centre facility will also be expanded over the next 12 months with the addition of two squash courts, two stadium courts and outdoor playground area.

The construction of the Indoor Aquatic Facility took slightly longer than anticipated with the increased scope of works. The extra time has ensured that all aspects of the facility have been completed to a high standard and that the facility meets the community's expectations and level of service from this project.

The Indoor Aquatic Facility has received:

- a new tiled concourse
- new sauna and retiled spa pool
- separation of the lap and learners pool
- improved hydrotherapy pool
- water play area for smaller children
- improved kiosk and party room
- new change rooms
- water slide maintained and cleaned
- re-introduction of the main entry

The Indoor Aquatic Facility will be officially opened on Sunday 26 March 2017 in conjunction with YMCA holding an 'open day' for the community to come and see the new look facility. Further details and for information on memberships, swimming lessons and other programs available can be found on YMCA's website [www.sa.ymca.org.au](http://www.sa.ymca.org.au).

Council held a small event on Wednesday 1 March for key project participants, contractors, the design team and the Port Lincoln Bendigo Community Bank, to celebrate the completion of the Port Lincoln Indoor Aquatic Facility. Mayor Bruce Green acknowledged the generous contribution of \$250,000 from the Port Lincoln Bendigo Community Bank and proudly showcased new signage on the wall inside the pool area.



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“Locals and visitors to the new look facility will be impressed with the works and improvements made over the last 12 months with the facility catering for all members of the family”, said Mayor Bruce Green.

“I would like to thank the community for its patience and understanding while the pool has been closed and I am confident that we have a high quality facility for the community to use in many years to come” said Mayor Bruce Green.

**Janet Grocke**

**Acting Chief Executive Officer**

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