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HERITAGE COUNCIL TO VISIT ESPERANCE

Representatives from the State Heritage Council will visit Esperance as soon as possible to meet with Shire Councillors and Staff to discuss future options for the Esperance Tanker Jetty.

In a recent letter to the Shire, the Heritage Council indicated that it was not satisfied with the Shire's proposal following a meeting of the Heritage Council on Friday 8 September.

The Shire will continue to collaborate with the State Heritage Office and the Replacement Jetty Working Group to work on a solution so that the Esperance community has a recreational jetty.

Shire President Victoria Brown said, "We want to deliver a jetty that locals and visitors can enjoy and we are keen to meet with the Heritage Council to reach this outcome. We have already gone without a jetty for almost two years.

"We will work with the State Heritage Office to come to the best possible solution for the replacement of the Tanker Jetty, however if we can't reach a sustainable solution we may have to look at building a new jetty in another location along the foreshore.

"The Esperance Council is committed to building a jetty within the next two years that will not have an adverse additional cost to ratepayers either now or in the future.

"It will be a community asset which everyone can be proud of and will be able to enjoy for generations to come. The jetty will become a great local attraction which will boost tourism in Esperance and encourage economic development.

"The Shire has \$2 million in funding ready for a replacement jetty, and with an additional \$4 million potentially from a combination of State and Federal Government and other agencies, the community can once again have access to a recreational jetty," Cr Brown said.

Concept designs were presented to the Heritage Council for consideration. Included is an artist's impression of a potential concept design.

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CC: Three Artist's Impressions of a Potential Concept Design

