

MEMBERS' UPDATE

August 2019

Dear AnglicareSA Members,

The Executive Team and Board spent two days together creating the Board's statement of Strategic Intent. The Strategic Intent will now guide the development of the Strategic Plan which will give us direction and focus for all that we do over the coming five years. It was a productive weekend which has taken much preparation from the Executive Team to ensure we have a clear Strategic Analysis prior to the weekend's planning sessions.

Following this, the Executive, along with an expanded group of senior leaders from across the organisation (30 people in total) have been working through the next steps to deliver the new Strategic Plan. The planning group worked in small teams to:

1. Develop the detail for the high level strategic areas of focus for 2020 to 2024,
2. Contemplate a revamped organisational wide purpose statement and
3. Describe what success will look like for the organisation in 2024 once the plan has been actioned.

Work has and will continue on the development of the new Strategic Plan with the aim to present it to the Annual General Meeting in October 2019.



Above: I was able to have some fun conducting a Q&A with Anglicare Chairs; **Lynette Glendinning** (Anglicare NSW South/West & ACT), **Greg Hammond** (Anglicare Sydney) and our own **Bruce Linn** (AnglicareSA).

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Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy Visit

I had the honour of meeting the Archbishop of Perth, Kay Goldsworthy at our Magdalene Centre. She is truly an inspiration on many fronts, with a particular focus of hers being as an advocate for the inclusion of all and restoring trust in the church.



As the first and currently only female Anglican Archbishop worldwide, she is a champion for women in and outside of the church. She faced significant opposition to her installation as an Archbishop, including a last minute legal challenge and a bomb threat, but didn't let any of that sway her. An inspiring leader!

Left: With **Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy** at the Magdalene Centre.

Thread Together Clothing Hub at North Adelaide

The new Thread Together Clothing Hub opened to clients and was inaugurated with a Smoking Ceremony held on Thursday 25th July at the North Adelaide site.

The Clothing Hub is filled with brand new clothing from our Fashion Partners which clients can access with their referral card. The Hub houses men and women's fashions, shoes, accessories and formal wear with an outfit for any occasion.

Clients who are in need of clothing are welcome to access the Vans or the Hub via referral. Contact **Shenay Wilson-Casey** (Program Co-ordinator) on 0481 033 151 or email: shenay.wilsoncasey@anglicaresa.com.au



Above: **Karl Telfer** pictured with volunteers **Cameron, Pam and Sandra**, leads the smoking ceremony.

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Tomas celebrates citizenship at Brompton

41 years after leaving Sudan, Brompton resident Tomas has received his Australian Citizenship. He brought his son to Australia for a better life. After arriving in Australia, Tomas experienced a run of depression and health issues, and lost touch with his son and local community. In 2015, he came to Brompton needing support after losing everything in a fire – including vital personal belongings, documentation and identification. To this day, Tomas hasn't had the opportunity to reunite with his family in Sudan. But now, with the citizenship comes documentation and a passport. Daniel Aimes, Lifestyle Coordinator at Brompton endured a tiring nine-month process to gain Tomas his citizenship and passport – he reached out to various government agencies around the country and located Tomas' son. To read the full story on Tomas [click here](#).



Socks & Jocks Galore!

On Sunday 4 August **Paula Bullock**, Anglicare Employee Support Chaplain, Central, was the guest preacher at the Anglican Church of St Richard's of Lockley. The church community of St Richard's has an annual Anglicare Sunday celebration, which they use as an opportunity to hear about the work of AnglicareSA and to donate socks and jocks to the Magdalene Centre. Paula had the pleasure of preaching from a sanctuary piled high with undies, as 107.9 Life radio station listeners had sent additional supplies on hearing about the *Socks and Jocks Appeal*.



Above: AnglicareSA Chaplain **Paula Bullock** with Reverend **Sue Burgess** at the Anglican Church of St Richard's of Lockley

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2019 Homelessness Conference

In August, the Don Dunstan Foundation held its annual Homelessness Conference with this year's focus being the prevention of homelessness. AnglicareSA is a proud sponsor of the conference and a partner of the Adelaide Zero Project, which was a major feature of the event.

The event brings together individuals with expertise on service provision and policy making in this space, to share their learnings and create discussion on how we can collaborate more effectively to end homelessness.



I had the privilege of acting as MC at the event with key note speakers including **Dr John Falzon**, Senior Fellow, Inequality and Social Justice, Per Capita (pictured with myself below), who spoke of how "It is not an act of charity to build a more equitable society in which housing is enjoyed by all – but an act of justice." If you're interested in hearing more from John I would recommend reading his opinion piece in the Indaily which can be found here <https://bit.ly/2KiLcLa>.

AnglicareSA's Housing Strategy and Project Manager, **Joe Capozza** led a discussion in the afternoon on Aligned Housing, which is the focus of aligning housing stock allocated to people experiencing homelessness to their specific housing needs: such as housing design, neighbourhood, and proximity to community services and supports.

In the News

I was interviewed on LifeFM by Lynn Arnold (former AnglicareSA CEO, Premier of South Australia and current Minister at St Peter's Cathedral) to discuss the work being done with those living rough in the City of Adelaide.

We began by delving into my life experience with foster care, adoption, and how I ended up as an advocate for those without a voice. I shared that in learning how to be competent in the commercial environment we now find ourselves in, we need to keep our social heart, our values and our relationships built on trust and love.

Our discussion was in the context of Australia's annual Homelessness Week, the Adelaide Zero Project and the week's events including Wednesday's 'Homelessness Conference' – of which we spoke on the role social services have to play in ending homelessness.

You can hear the full podcast here

<https://soundcloud.com/lifefmadelaide-1/sets/sunday-nights-with-lynn-arnold-aug-4>.



Above: In the studio with **Lynn Arnold**

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Blakeview's Aboriginal Focussed Playgroup Opens

Blakeview Primary School's Aboriginal Focussed Playgroup officially opened this week, a new program funded by AnglicareSA's Playford Communities for Children.

The program was created after a gap was identified by Blakeview Primary School in regards to school readiness of new students.

The funding will help Blakeview Primary School deliver an Aboriginal focussed, culturally inclusive playgroup engaging Aboriginal families with the focus on literacy and numeracy and school readiness.



The focus of the program is around creating a friendly and culturally safe learning and engaging environment, where families are supported and positive interactions are encouraged, building strong relationships with parent and child, parent and school and finally building a strong sense of community.

Some of the activities the kids will take part in include Jolly Phonics, numbers, cultural activities, storytelling, cooking, sandpit games, water play and painting - the aim being to build a love of literacy and numeracy for both the child and caregiver.

Above: AnglicareSA's **Anna Jerram** with Blakeview Primary School staff **Jayde, Kerri, Kylie** and **Principal Brenton**.

Daphne St Celebrates Pyjama Day

Daphne Street's Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centre recently celebrated Pyjama day. Pyjama Day raises awareness and funds for children in foster care.

Not only did the children and staff at the centre enjoy a nice comfy warm day in their pyjamas but they also raised awareness and a collection of goodies for the AnglicareSA's Northern Foster care.



Above left: The children enjoyed some relaxing time on cushions with blankets, watching a short movie with some snacks, with Daphne Street's **Aimee Froome** and **Susan Budai**.

Above right: The children (including **Noah** and **Robbie** – pictured) were excited to show **Kristina** from Northern Foster Care all the goodies the staff and families had collected to donate.

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St Mary's Picket Fence Art Group SALA art exhibition

As part of SALA the St Mary's with AnglicareSA Picket Fence Art Group held an art exhibition which showcased the talent and experiences of a community art group.



Many forms of art are explored including acrylic, water based, sketching, as well as mixed media. Members are amazingly supportive of

each other, particularly at times when the Group operates without a designated coordinator. New members are always welcome – and particularly beginning artists and people without any previous art experience.

Aged Care Employee Day

On the 7th of August AnglicareSA honoured and celebrated our Aged Care Services team members for their role in supporting and caring for older South Australians.

Our aged care workforce is approximately 1,000 staff makes up the largest cohort of employees within AnglicareSA working across Residential Aged Care, Home Care and Allied Health. Our teams are made up of a wide variety of roles including; Care Workers, Administration, Hospitality, Nursing and Coordinators.

It was a great opportunity to say “thank you” to our fantastic Aged Care Services team members. The positive difference they make to the lives of the older South Australians that we support is significant. Well done everyone and once again, thank you! Sites celebrate Aged Care Employee Day with delicious morning teas, bacon and egg rolls and pizza.



Clockwise from top left: Brompton; Dutton Court; Western Hub; Home Care North East; and Lyn at Trott Park.

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Star Bear wins \$5,000!

AnglicareSA's Star Bear program was the lucky winner of \$5,000 from a OTR Give and Mix 102.3 promotion.

As a charity partner of OTR Give we were invited up to the new OTR Super Sprint track at The Bend where Mix listener **Tim Turner** (pictured) proceeded to hold his arms in the air for almost two hours to win himself and his charity \$5000 each.

When we asked Tim why he chose AnglicareSA as his charity of choice, he told us he was grateful to have received assistance from our Christies Beach site in the past and this was his chance to give back!

We congratulate Tim on his winnings and wish him and his family all the best.



Above: **Tim Turner** Mix 102.3 competition winner, **Emma Stevenson**, Star Bear Mentor and **Nicole Hunnisett**, Fundraising Engagement Coordinator

Moments That Matter – Finalist in marketing awards



The Foster Care, Moments That Matter campaign has been shortlisted as a state finalist in this year's Australian Marketing Institute Awards in the Not for Profit category. The calibre of applicants that contacted us during the Moments That Matter marketing campaign saw a major increase in the number of initial phone calls that translated into qualified foster carers. The national Winners of the AMI Awards will be announced at a Gala Awards evening in Melbourne October 16.



Right: AnglicareSA's Marketing Business Partners **Nguyen Biszak** and **Sharon Manuel** with **Ian Byrne**, General Manager Customer, Innovation and Brand at the event announcing the state finalists.

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Anglicare Singers visit the Diocese of Willochra

On the weekend of Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 July, members of the Anglicare Singers travelled north into the Diocese of Willochra. On Saturday afternoon, ten singers did a sing a long in the Willochra Home at Crystal Brook including numbers such as Danny Boy, Cockles and Mussels, Morning Town Ride and Waltzing Matilda.

On Saturday Night and Sunday Morning they sang two church services at the Cathedral Church of St Peter and St Paul Port Pirie with 16 Anglicare Singers joined by three Willochran singers.

All together they sang more than 30 pieces of music. They were rewarded with dinner and lunch (singing for their supper) and a Willochran Tea Towel offered as gifts by the Diocese of Willochra. This was all part of the 'Willochra Weekend' to celebrate the 104th Anniversary of the Diocese of Willochra which was established in 1915.



Member Survey

On a final note, we would like to hear from our valued members. Please take the time to answer this quick survey.

1. How would you like to receive AnglicareSA member information, by email or print?
2. If you would like to receive it by email please send us your email details. Email admin@anglicaresa.com.au or mail to **AnglicareSA 159 Port Road, Hindmarsh SA 5007**
3. What type of information would you like from AnglicareSA?
4. How often would you like to receive this information?
5. Anything else you would like to tell us?

Until next month,

The Reverend Peter Sandeman
Chief Executive Officer
AnglicareSA