



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Reduced operations at the Port Augusta COVID-19 Accommodation Support Centre**

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Port Augusta City Council has been notified by SA Health outlining the reduced operations at the Port Augusta COVID-19 Accommodation Support Centre.

*"The South Australian quarantine program continues to evolve in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Now that we have reached more than 90% vaccination levels, the requirement for supported COVID-19 accommodation has reduced, with more than 99% of active cases being safely managed in the community.*

*SA Health has made the decision to scale back operations at the Port Augusta COVID-19 Accommodation Support Centre (the Centre) due to low occupancy, and an increased capacity to manage COVID-19 cases safely in the community.*

*This week, we have approved the decommissioning of a pod of the Centre's smaller individual huts. Moving forward, we will focus our efforts on strengthening South Australians' capacity to manage COVID-19 safely at home, with additional support to protect the most vulnerable South Australians.*

*The Centre will continue to operate at the reduced capacity for COVID-19 positive guests and provide a safe quarantine and isolation location for people with additional needs. We will continue to review our capacity as the situation in the APY Lands and in Port Augusta develops, and we will update you as these developments occur."*

You can find the latest COVID-19 information at [www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID-19](https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID-19). If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please get in touch with the SA Health team at [COVID.medihotel@sa.gov.au](mailto:COVID.medihotel@sa.gov.au).

The correspondence from SA Health was tabled at a Council Meeting on April 12th 2022.

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