



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre Community Update**

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Port Augusta City Council has an update on the Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre following a Council Report on July 11, 2023.

The Council Report highlighted the unsuccessful second round of recruitment efforts for all essential positions at the Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre, therefore Council has been proactively exploring alternative avenues to ensure the seamless operation and reopening of the facility.

Following the successful models of neighbouring councils, Council has tendered for a managed service provider to operate the Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre.

The tender responses have been received and are currently being reviewed by Council, and we anticipate the appointment of a managed service provider will occur soon. This decision is a significant step toward ensuring that the Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre reopens its doors to the community as soon as possible.

Based on the information provided in the tender responses, we are optimistic about the potential reopening date. It is currently estimated that the Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre will be ready to welcome the community back sometime in November. We understand the importance of this facility to our residents, and we are committed to expediting the process while maintaining the highest standards of safety and service.

Council will continue to keep the community informed of any further developments as we work to finalise the arrangements with the selected managed service provider.

Swimming lessons are currently being advertised, and we are positive that these will still occur during the summer season.

We appreciate your patience and understanding during this transitional period.

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