



THE SENATE

**ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

**Algal blooms in South Australia**

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Thursday 11 September 2025**

**Ardrossan Community Club**  
**Maitland Road, Ardrossan**

Time	Witness
10.30 am	<b>Fishing Industry Panel:</b> <b>South Australian Professional Fishers Association</b> Mr Ben Barnes  <b>Butson Fisheries</b> ( <i>Submission 80</i> ) Mr Bart Butson, Owner
11.15 am	<b>Local Government Panel:</b> <b>Yorke Peninsula Council</b> ( <i>Submission 35</i> ) Mr Richard Carruthers, Acting Mayor Mr Andrew Cameron, Chief Executive Officer Mr Nick Perry, Manager of Economic Development and Business Sustainability  <b>Regional Development Australia Yorke and Mid North</b> ( <i>Submission 34</i> ) Mr Daniel Wilson, Chief Executive Officer Ms Muriel Scholz, Economic Development Officer
<b>12.00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
12.45 pm	<b>Local operators :</b> <b>Neptune's Surf Coaching</b> Mr Max Tooze, Owner and Head Instructor
1.05 pm	<b>Faith Coleman, (Private Capacity)</b> ( <i>Submission 33</i> )  <b>Samantha Carter</b> ( <i>Submission 128</i> )  <b>David Hall, (Private Capacity)</b> ( <i>Submission 114</i> )
1.35 pm	<b>Narungga Nation Aboriginal Corporation</b> ( <i>Submission 47</i> ) Ms Ann Newchurch, Chairperson Mr Garry Goldsmith, Director

Committee Chair: Senator Sarah Hanson-Young

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2.05 pm	<p><b><i>Local community representatives :</i></b> <b>Mr Ashley Perkins, Fisherman</b></p> <p><b>Mr Michael Pennington, Fisherman</b></p> <p><b>Mr Paul Germein, Stansbury Fisherman</b></p> <p><b>Mr Jeff Wait, Port Parham Fisherman</b></p> <p><b>Paul Dee Oysters</b> Mr Paul Dee, Owner Operator</p>
2.50 pm	<p><b><i>Port Vincent Progress Association :</i></b> <b>Mrs Pam Hickman, President</b></p> <p><b>Mr Greg Mills, Vice President</b></p>
<b>3.20 pm</b>	<b><i>Adjournment</i></b>