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Liberals to secure hydrotherapy services

In a key commitment to health services in Murray Bridge, the State Liberals today announced that they will ensure the heated pool and spa at the Murray Bridge Soldiers' Memorial Hospital remain open and operational if elected in March 2018.

SA Health is currently responsible for the maintenance of the heated pool and spa which have both been closed to the public for extended periods of time as maintenance works continue to be delayed.

"The state of the Murray Bridge facilities highlight the impact of a decade of neglect of country health facilities under the Weatherill Labor Government," said Shadow Minister for Health and Wellbeing Stephen Wade.

"The hydrotherapy pool and rehabilitation facilities at the Murray Bridge Hospital are important for the residents of Murray Bridge and the Mallee region.

"For too long this city-centric Weatherill Government has neglected our regional communities and health services.

"That's why a Marshall Liberal Government will ensure the heated spa and pool are properly maintained and open to the public.

"This will deliver better health outcomes for the people of Murray Bridge and Mallee region."

Local Liberal Member for Hammond Adrian Pederick said today's announcement would be welcome news in the local community after years of continuing issues with the heated pool and spa.

"I have been inundated with concerns and complaints from residents who are understandably frustrated and angry that they can't access these facilities," said Mr Pederick.

"The Weatherill Government's disgraceful decision to close the pool for an extended period meant that patients, families and other residents in the community couldn't access the pool during an important part of the year.

"As a Liberal team, we are committed to ensuring these facilities are open to the public and accessible to patients, families and the wider community all year round."