

Regional Transport Moving People Pirie – a success story?

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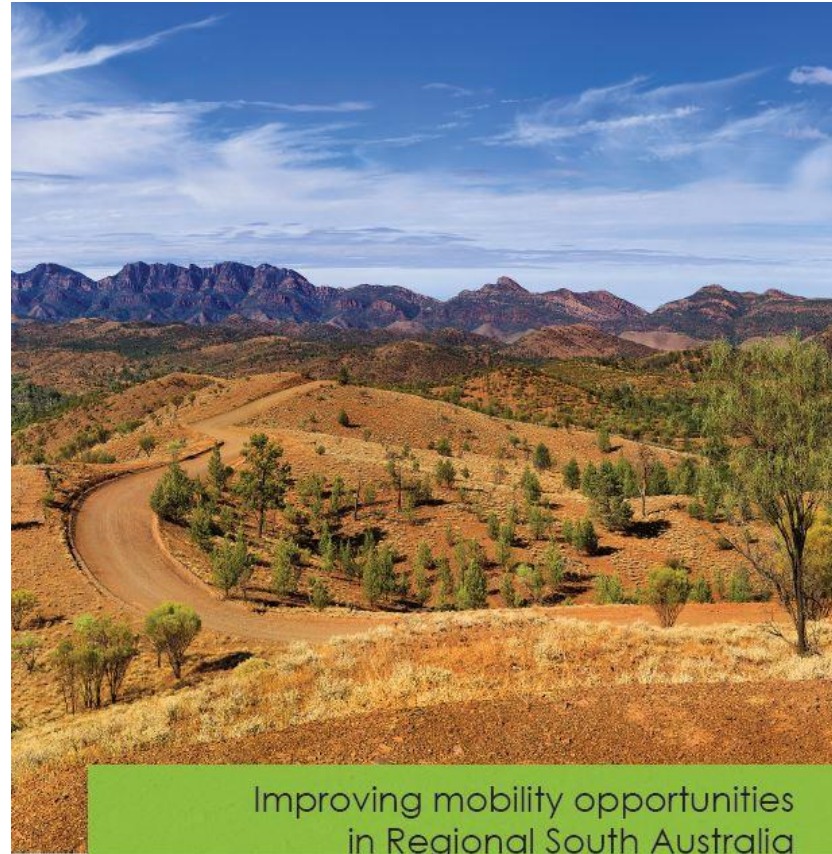
What happened in Port Pirie?

Is Moving People Pirie a mobility success story?

Background

- *In 2016 Bus SA and BIC, along with DPTI, engaged John Stanley and Janet Stanley to study 3 regions:*
 - *Mt Gambier*
 - *The Riverland*
 - *Port Pirie*





Improving mobility opportunities
in Regional South Australia

Case studies from the Riverland,
Mount Gambier and Port Pirie



Government of South Australia
Department of Planning,
Transport and Infrastructure



Background

The resulting report recommended:

- *SA Government establish Regional Accessibility Committees in the Riverland, Mount Gambier and Port Pirie.*
- *RACs be required to prioritise access opportunities for pre-school children to travel to early childhood services*



Background

Recommendations (cont):

- *SA Government take steps to use spare capacity on school buses to broaden regional access opportunities*
- *SA Government implement consistent safety standards for all passenger transport services*
- *RACS engage with NDIS for provision of transport within region*



Background

- *Minister Mullighan agreed to fund 1 year trial in Port Pirie, commencing 1 November 2017*
- *Strong support from local MP, Geoff Brock.*
- *Kent Group agreed to host the trial, and Bus SA employed Michele Pole to be the RAC Coordinator*
- *Focussed on using existing assets*

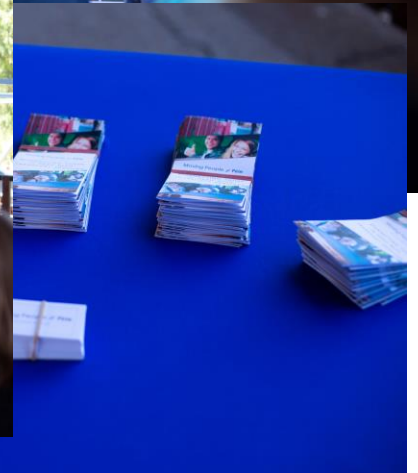


Background

- *Committee made up of regionally based mobility providers and stakeholders*

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For Locals, By Locals

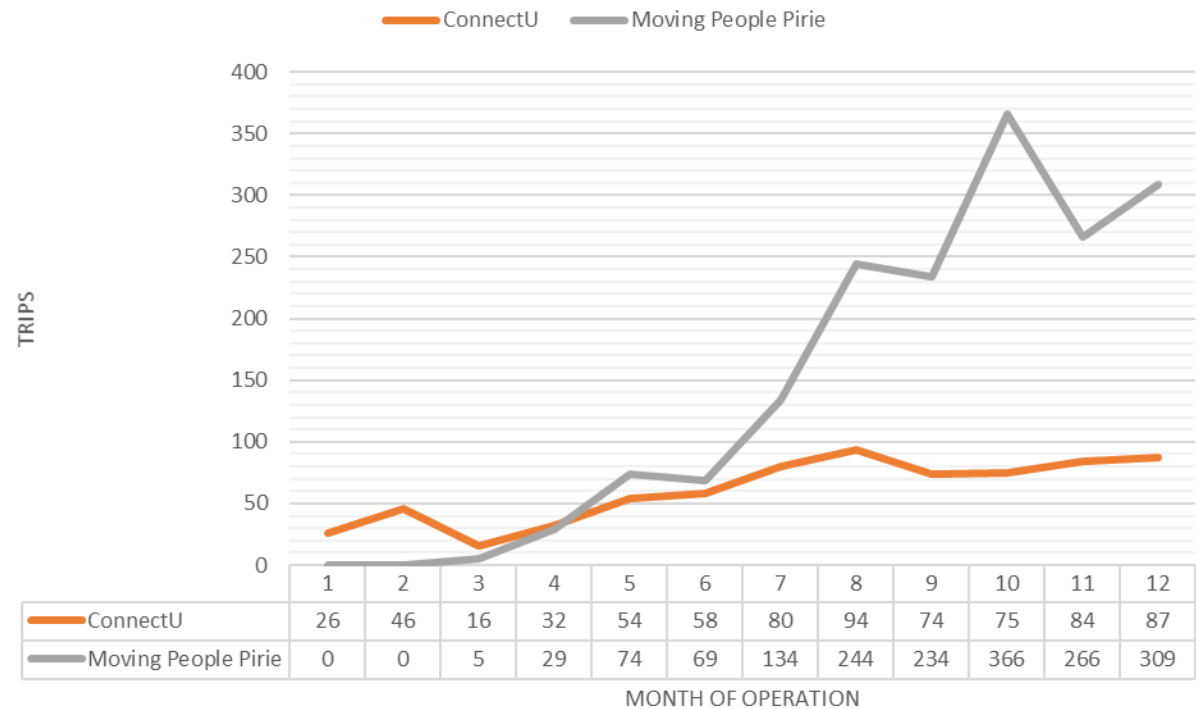




What happened?

- *Slow, slow, slow*
- *Then an explosion:*

Comparison of Trips by Month





What happened?

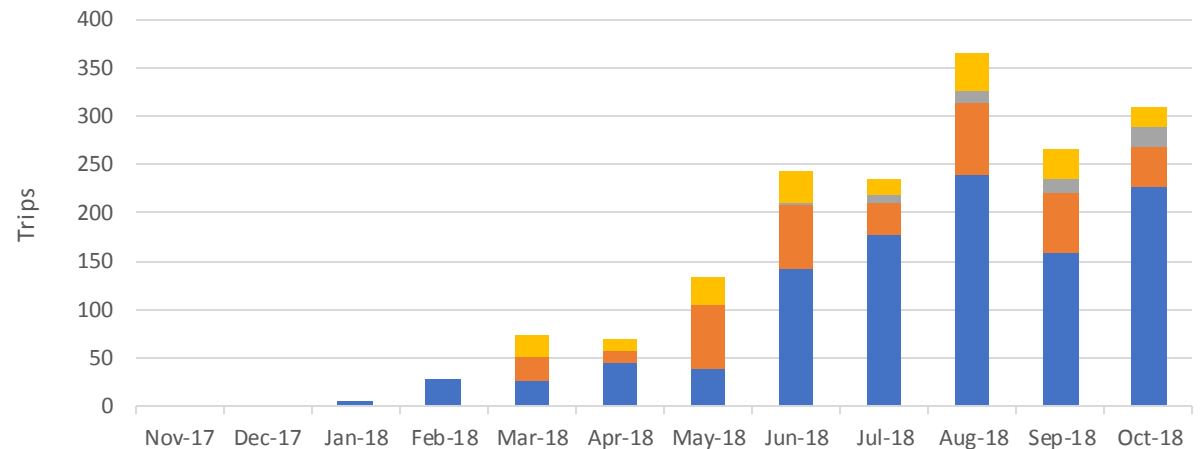
- *MPP Access Bus took off*
- *Excess capacity trips for disabled young people*



- *Solved some medical and health related transport needs*



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Trips by Provider Type



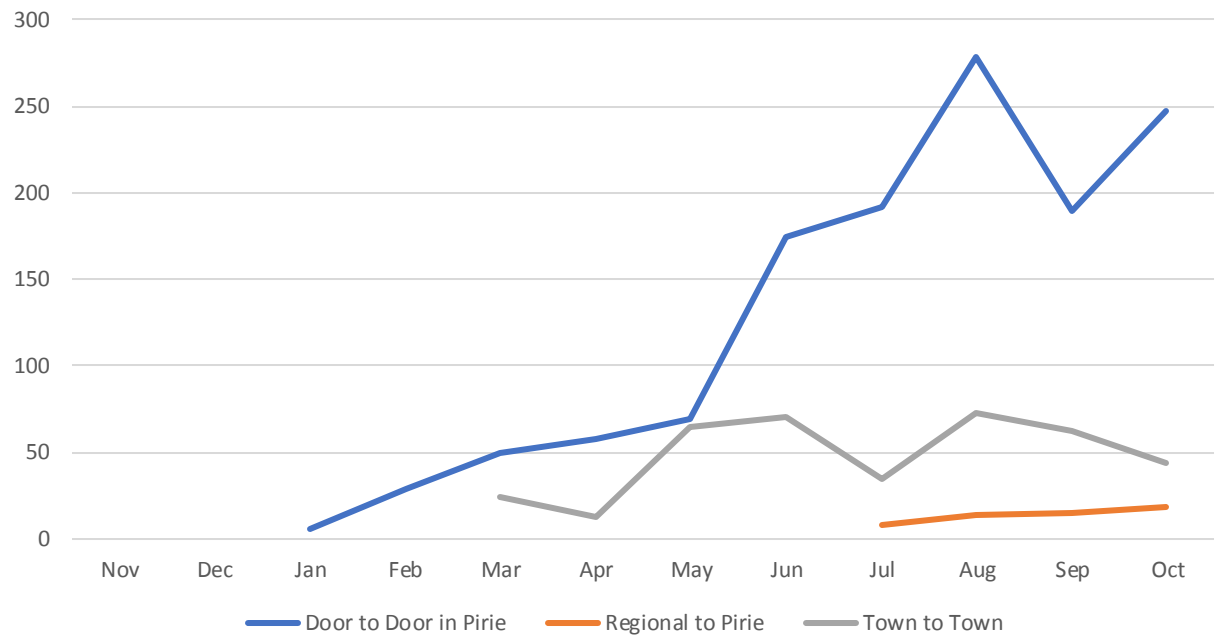
	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18
Other Car					23	12	29	33	15	39	30	20
MPP Car								2	8	14	15	20
Other Bus					24	12	66	68	34	73	63	42
MPP Bus			5	29	27	45	39	141	177	240	158	227

Month

■ MPP Bus ■ Other Bus ■ MPP Car ■ Other Car



Type of Trip





Recommendations

- *Reinvent CPNs as Regional Connectivity Networks (RACS!)*
- *Increase funding for regular regional transport to create a mobility backbone*
- *Create MPP Access Bus styles services to connect travellers to the backbone*
- *Aggregate funds: federal/state/local*
- *Require assets to be released for public use*



What we learned

- *Regional communities are resilient – solve their own mobility needs*
- *Time in market is crucial*
- *Organisations own their own assets*
- *Everyone loves the idea, few will assist*
- *Port Pirie is such a good place to visit that this guy has bought in:*

