

Abattoir re-opening mooted

A plan is under way to re-open Strathalbyn's abattoir.

The local Regional Development Australia (RDA) branch is funding a business case in the hope of attracting a lessee to re-open the facility.

RDA regional development manager Stephen Shotton said consultants were currently investigating the viability of the business.

"The purpose of the business case is to make sure that any potential investors have a clear picture of what the facility requires," he said.

"A range of upgrades need to be performed to bring the facility up to current hygiene standards, so the business case will detail all of those costings.

"While we recognise we're helping a single business, this business is very important because it has far-reaching impacts for the entire Fleurieu region and its many, many meat producers."

The abattoir closed on December 9 resulting in the loss of three full-time jobs and 11 casual positions.

The first draft of the business case is expected within days.