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Elevated view accessible for all

A new wheelchair-accessible viewing platform overlooking the Aireys Inlet Lighthouse and Eagle Rock Marine Sanctuary is now complete.

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC) constructed the new platform, which provides a stunning, 180 degree view of the impressive marine sanctuary and lighthouse.

GORCC CEO Richard Davies said the platform achieved safety and sustainability while providing an outstanding viewing experience for people of all mobility.

“The new steel framed and timber-decked walkway extends 30 metres from near the base of the lighthouse toward the ocean and leads to a circular viewing platform.

The viewing platform has been designed to gain elevation as the ground falls away from it.

“This innovative design results in minimal environmental impact, maximising revegetation capacity and minimising cliff erosion issues,” said Mr.Davies

The lookout was constructed by Torquay Homes and landscaping and grounds work was undertaken by GORCC’s outdoor works team.

New revegetation areas have been installed to blend the precinct with its coastal surrounds and to reduce rainfall runoff and erosion.

The platform is an additional attraction to the main Split Point Lookout, which does not cater for all coastal users.

“Consultation undertaken during the development of the 2008 Split Point Lighthouse Precinct Master Plan highlighted the importance of this vantage point, particularly to those with limited mobility who are unable to access the Split Point Lookout.

“I am thrilled that we have completed and opened a facility that allows everyone to enjoy the incredible scenery this beautiful precinct has to offer,” said Mr.Davies.

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