

CITY OF WEST TORRENS



Notice of Council & Committee Meetings

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Sections 83, 84, 87 and 88 of the *Local Government Act 1999*, that a meeting of the

Council

and

- **City Finance and Governance Standing Committee**

of the

CITY OF WEST TORRENS

will be held in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre
165 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Hilton

on

**TUESDAY, 20 APRIL 2021
at 7.00pm**

Public access to the meeting will be livestreamed audio only at the following internet address: <https://www.westtorrens.sa.gov.au/livestream>

**Terry Buss PSM
Chief Executive Officer**

City of West Torrens Disclaimer

Please note that the contents of these Council and Committee Agendas have yet to be considered by Council and officer recommendations may be altered or changed by the Council in the process of making the formal Council decision.

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1 MEETING OPENED

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

1.2 Evacuation Procedures

1.3 Electronic Platform Meeting

2 PRESENT

3 APOLOGIES

4 DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Elected Members are required to:

1. Consider Section 73 and 75 of the *Local Government Act 1999* and determine whether they have a conflict of interest in any matter to be considered in this Agenda; and
2. Disclose these interests in accordance with the requirements of Sections 74 and 75A of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 6 April 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

6 MAYORS REPORT

(Preliminary report for the agenda to be distributed Friday, 16 April)

In the two weeks since the last Council Meeting of 6 April functions and meetings involving the Mayor have included:

Thursday 8 April

- Met with representatives from the Bay to Birdwood event along with General Manager Business and Community Services, Pauline Koritsa to discuss plans for the 2021 event.

Friday 9 April

- Attended the Lockleys Football Club Junior Season Launch event.
- Attended the German Club Adelaide on Airport Road Brooklyn Park for the opening night of Schützenfest 2021.

Saturday 10 April

- Attended the Adelaide Omonia Cobras Football Club vs West Torrens Birkalla Soccer Club match at Weigall Oval and participated in the 'coin toss'.
- Attended the West Adelaide Football Club vs Adelaide Football Club match at Hisense Stadium.

Wednesday 14 April

- Attended the Western Business Leaders Breakfast 'Navigating Your People Through Challenging Times'.
- Participated in the LGA Mayors and CEOs briefing hosted by the Premier of South Australia, the Hon. Steven Marshall MP and the Deputy Premier, Attorney-General and Minister for Planning and Local Government, the Hon. Vickie Chapman MP, held via Zoom.
- Attended the Special City Finance and Governance Standing Committee meeting.

Thursday 15 April

- Attended the Australian Airports Association State Division meeting at Adelaide Airport.
- Met with representatives from Immanuel College along with General Manager Urban Services, Angelo Catinari.
- Attended the Lockleys Bowling Club Presentation Night where I also presented several trophies and awards.

Friday 16 April

- With the General Manager Urban Services, Angelo Catinari, met with representatives from the National Servicemen's Association to discuss the Kesmond Reserve Master Plan.
- Attended the 2021 Community Leaders Iftar Dinner. Special guests included the Assistant Minister to the Premier for Multicultural Affairs, the Hon. Jing Lee MLC.

Saturday 17 April

- Attending the Adelaide Tamil Association Sangamam 2021 event at Woodville Town Hall.

Tuesday 20 April

- Attending a memorial function for late West Adelaide Football Club player Doug Thomas.
- Participating in the Council and City Finance and Governance Committee meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Mayor's Report be noted.

7 ELECTED MEMBERS REPORTS**8 PETITIONS**

Nil

9 DEPUTATIONS

Nil

10 ADJOURN TO STANDING COMMITTEES**RECOMMENDATION**

That the meeting be adjourned, move into Standing Committees and reconvene at the conclusion of the City Finance and Governance Standing Committee.

11 ADOPTION OF STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**11.1 City Finance and Governance Committee Meeting****RECOMMENDATION**

That the recommendations of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 20 April 2021 be adopted.

11.2 Special City Finance and Governance Committee Meeting**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Special City Finance and Governance Committee held on 6 April 2021 and 14 April 2021 be noted and the recommendations adopted.

12 ADOPTION OF GENERAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**12.1 Audit General Committee Meeting****RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Audit General Committee held on 13 April 2021 be noted and the recommendations adopted.

13 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

14 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**15 MOTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

16 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

17 REPORTS OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

17.1 Grant Application - Villagehood Australia: Mother's Day Event

Brief

This report presents a sponsorship grant application from the Villagehood Australia for funding towards the cost of a Mother's Day Pampering event to be held at the Fulham Community Centre on 8 May 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended to Council that it approves a sponsorship of \$3,356 to Villagehood Australia towards the cost of a Mother's Day Pampering event to be held at the Fulham Community Centre on 8 May 2021.

Introduction

Council's Community Grants Program (Program) provides funding to eligible groups, organisations and individuals to support community projects and initiatives that are in line with Council's Community Plan. The Program comprises community grants, community equipment grants, sponsorship, women in sports grants and junior development grants.

\$100,000 was approved for community grants in the 2020/21 budget with applications being received all year round. So far in the 2020/21 financial year, nineteen (19) grant applications have been approved totalling \$68,612. There is, therefore, a total of \$31,388 remaining in the budget for allocation prior to 30 June 2021.

A sponsorship request for \$5,000, the maximum sponsorship grant, has been received from Villagehood Australia for funding towards the cost of a Mother's Day Pampering event to be held at the Fulham Community Centre on 8 May 2021. The request is being presented outside of the City Advancement and Prosperity Committee because it is time critical.

Discussion

Villagehood Australia is private not-for-profit company that supports mothers through low cost fitness classes and information sessions at the Fulham Community Centre.

The sponsorship grant request (**Attachment 1**) is for \$5,000 towards the cost of running a pampering event for Mother's Day on 8 May 2021 from 9.00am to 1.00pm. The event is being run in partnership with the Fulham Community Centre with Fulham Community Centre contributing to the event by providing the centre free of charge and assisting with promotion.

The total budget for the event (including in-kind) is \$9,456 (**Attachment 2**). After reviewing the budget breakdown and the quotes (**Attachment 3**) against Council's funding criteria, it is recommended that Council approves \$3,356 for the following items:

- Event hire: \$1,500
- Marketing and printing incidentals: \$406
- Signage: \$250
- Photo booth: \$1,200

Please note that the marketing and printing incidental quote is subjected to a commercial in confidence requirement and so is not included in **Attachment 3**.

These items, above, are considered essential and appropriate quotes have been received.

Other items in the budget are not recommended for funding for the following reasons:

- Event planning (\$1,000): the budget also includes an in-kind cost of \$1,200 for project management, professional event planning for a 4 hour community event is not essential
- Catering (\$1,000): no quote was provided
- Juice bar (\$500): quote was not appropriate format
- Photographer (\$800): no quote was provided
- Videographer (\$600): quote provided but this is not a cost essential for the event to occur
- Welcome to Country (\$300): no quote was provided
- Merchandise (\$1,500): no quote was provided
- Advertising (\$400): no quotes were provided

*Villagehood Australia was contacted several times with regard to the need to obtain and submit the required quotes.

The grants budget for 2020/21 is \$100,000. The grant approvals so far this year total \$68,612. If this \$3,356 is approved for this application, the budget remaining for future disbursement to 30 June 2021, will be \$28,032.

Climate Impact Considerations

(Assessment of likely positive or negative implications of this decision will assist Council and the West Torrens Community to build resilience and adapt to the challenges created by a changing climate.)

There is no direct climate impact in relation to this report.

Conclusion

This report presents a sponsorship grant application from Villagehood Australia for funding towards the cost of a Mother's Day Pampering event to be held on 8 May 2021 for Council's consideration and approval.

Attachments

- 1. Grant Application - Villagehood Australia Mother's Day Event 8 May 2021**
- 2. Villagehood Australia Grant Application - Budget**
- 3. Villagehood Australia Grant Application - Quotes**

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Sponsorship program application
Application SP000072021 From Villagehood Australia
Form Submitted 15 Mar 2021, 10:08am ACDT

Eligibility and Contact Details

* indicates a required field

Applicants: please note

An online application to our grants program is an acceptance that the applicant agrees to the City of West Torrens conditions for any grant approval.
Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the activity/event date will not be considered.

Privacy Notice

City of West Torrens pledges to respect and uphold your rights to privacy protection under the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs) as established under the Privacy Act 1988 and amended by the Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Act 2012. To view our privacy statement, go to [City of West Torrens - Privacy](#)

Applicant Organisation Details

Applicant organisation name *

Villagehood Australia

Please use your organisation's full name. Check your spelling and make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation such as with the ABR, ACNC or ATO.

Primary (physical) address *

14 William Ave
Henley Beach South SA 5022 Australia

Must be an Australian postcode.

If your organisation operates in multiple locations or from multiple offices, please pick one as your primary address.

Postal address (if different to above)

14 William Ave
Henley Beach South SA 5022 Australia

Applicant website

<http://www.villagehoodaustralia.com>

If available. Must be a URL

Primary contact person *

Mrs Dinah Thomasset

This is the person we will correspond with about this grant

Position held in organisation *

Director

e.g. Manager, Board Member, Fundraising Coordinator

Primary phone number *

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Back-up phone number**Fax number**

If applicable

Primary contact person's email address *

dinah@villagehoodaustralia.com

This is the address we will use to correspond with you about this grant.

Organisation Details*** indicates a required field****Describe why your organisation exists, what does it aim to achieve and how? ***

Villagehood Australia is a village for mothers, a not for profit organisation dedicated to support the woman in every mother and committed to transforming the experience of motherhood by contributing to changing broader society's mindset around motherhood and creating a better reality for mothers.

Villagehood Australia offers three avenues for engaging at the Fulham Community Centre:

1. Fitness Classes with a creche to allow the mothers to mentally recharge
 2. Masterclass with experts to help women navigate through the ups and downs of motherhood
 3. Events to connect with the wider community and help beat loneliness and isolation
- Must be no more than 100 words.

Does your organisation have an ABN? *

Yes No

ABN *

26 644 540 394

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	26 644 540 394
Entity name	Villagehood Australia Pty Ltd
ABN status	Active
Entity type	Australian Private Company
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	No
DGR Endorsed	No
ATO Charity Type	Not endorsed More information
ACNC Registration	No
Tax Concessions	No tax concessions

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Main business location 5022 SA

Information retrieved at 9:55am today

Must be an ABN

What type of not-for-profit organisation are you?

- Educational institution (includes pre-schools, schools, universities & higher education providers)
 Religious or faith-based institution
 Philanthropic organisation
 Peak body
 Social enterprise
 International NGO
 Professional association
 Healthcare not-for-profit
 Community group
 Political party / lobby group
 Research body
 General not-for-profit (i.e. none of the sub-types listed above)

Please choose the option that best applies to your organisation.

What is your organisation's annual revenue?

- Less than \$50,000
 \$50,000 or more, but less than \$250,000
 \$250,000 or more, but less than \$1 million
 \$1 million or more, but less than \$10 million
 \$10 million or more, but less than \$100 million
 \$100 million or more

Your revenue includes grants, donations, and other fundraising activities, fees for services, sale of goods, interest, royalties and in-kind donations that have been included in your accounts as 'revenue'. The Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) has more detailed information here: www.acnc.gov.au/ACNC/Manage/Reporting/SizeRevenue/ACNC/Report/SizeRevenue.aspx

What is your organisation's legal structure?

- Unincorporated association
 Incorporated association
 Cooperative
 Company limited by guarantee
 Indigenous corporation, association or cooperative
 Organisation established through specific legislation
 Trust
 Unknown
 Other: Company limited by shares

If your organisation is unincorporated it must have an auspice organisation

Event Details

* indicates a required field

Event title: *

Mother's Day Event: Pamper Yourself

Provide a name for your project/program/initiative. Your title should be short but descriptive

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Location of event *

Fulham Community Centre
 Please provide the address.

Event start date *

08/05/2021

Event end date *

08/05/2021

Type of event:

- | | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports | <input type="checkbox"/> Business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts / Culture | <input type="checkbox"/> Charity | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

You may select more than one option

Event attendees expected age range:

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under 18 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 31 to 40 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 51 to 60 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18 to 30 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 41 to 50 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 60+ |

You may select more than one option

Where will the attendees be travelling from?

- | | | |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City of West Torrens | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adelaide metropolitan area | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Western suburbs | <input type="checkbox"/> SA generally | |

What is the estimated total attendance?

100

Must be a number.

How does your event align to the strategic priorities of Council as outlined by the Community Plan? *

In the 'Towards 2025' Community Plan, the council has noted it is committed to being the best place to live, work and enjoy life; this includes a view for community life with aspirations including community engagement and one that promotes a healthy lifestyle.

Through the Mother's Day event, WTCC are celebrating the diverse community by providing an opportunity for local mothers to be pampered, respected as well as promoting healthy habits and lifestyles for themselves and their families.

This event provides a broader opportunity for Villagehood Australia the City of West Torrens to work together to support the mental health of the local community by providing a space to connect meaningfully and build friendships in a safe and welcoming environment.

Must be no more than 150 words.

Refer to the City of West Torrens Community Plan at <https://indd.adobe.com/view/cdf238c2-6408-493c-b378-4e81069d4783>

Does this application respond to one or more of the program priority areas? *

The application responds to many of the priorities of the West Torrens Council

This includes:

- recognising and celebrating our diverse community by facilitating opportunities for community connection

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- engaging our community to work together to create this event and encouraging volunteers to participate
 - collaborating with the Fulham Community Centre, WTCC, local businesses & partners to deliver the event and promote the range of services and resources available to the local community
 - instilling a sense of identity and pride within the West Torrens' Community by holding the event at the Fulham Community Centre
 - encouraging our community of mothers to pursue a healthy lifestyle through one of our strategic pillars for the event: health & wellbeing
- Must be no more than 150 words.
 For Program Priority areas, refer to Page 2 of the Guidelines for City of West Torrens Grants and Sponsorships.

How does your event demonstrate innovation? Is there evidence and/or a clear reason for why it has been developed? *

Being a mother usually means that you don't have time to look after yourself and connect with others. It also means that you are facing critical challenges such as loneliness, self worth & isolation.

Villagehood Australia is dedicated to helping mothers feel connected to society and the local community.

By creating a dedicated pampering event, not only are we bringing the community together to celebrate motherhood but we are creating innovative opportunities for mothers to connect and build their support network. By building their connections, they build their confidence and so too their contribution on a grander scale to the community.

This event is a great initiative for the WTCC to support as it showcases its dedication to protect the mental health of one of the most vulnerable groups post COVID - mothers.
 Must be no more than 150 words.

How do you plan to engage the groups you are targeting for this event? *

PRE EVENT

- Social media posts on Villagehood Australia, What's on West Torrens, FCC and various online mothers groups
- Posters and flyers in local businesses
- On the council webpage calendar of events
- Villagehood Australia and FCC e-newsletters
- Support networks (social media and in house advertising) by businesses who will support the event
- Community announcements on local radio

AT THE EVENT

This event will recognise and celebrate and allow the diverse community of mothers to connect meaningfully through a range of activities:

1. Pampering activities such as Hair, make up, massage, manicure, fashion styling
2. Focus on health & wellbeing with a nutritionist sharing healthy eating habits and lifestyle options
3. Connecting in the "cosy corners" with volunteers facilitating conversations
4. Celebrating motherhood with speakers and an Indigenous blessing ceremony for women

POST EVENT

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Feedback form and introduction to our upcoming activities /events at the centre
 Must be no more than 150 words.

Do you have a plan for how your event will be delivered? Does your plan consider risks involved, and how you will work with partner organisations (if applicable)? *

By holding the event at the Fulham Community Centre and working closely with an event agency, we aim to deliver the event professionally following standard and Covid specific regulations to provide a safe event to our community.

For instance,

- In case of lockdown we will postpone the event until lockdown is lifted.
 - The event will be ticketed to limit the number of attendees to 100 people and ensure we are in line with the Fulham Community Centre Covid-19 Safe Plan (capacity of 200 people).
 - To manage the crowd, we will only have one point of entry to be able to check everyone in, enough space to allow people to social distance
- Must be no more than 150 words.

Reporting your success

How will you evaluate the effectiveness of your event? *

Number of attendees

Positive Testimonials (testimonial form to be emailed after the event to all attendees)

Number of posts shared on social media with hashtag #womenwhomum

Must be no more than 150 words.

Will the project be carried out in partnership with other relevant organisations? *

Yes

No

Name of organisation	Contact person	Role/contribution
Fulham Community Centre	Kerstin Martins	Centre Manager

Partner organisation funding

What is the amount to be funded by your partner organisation (if applicable)?

\$0.00

Must be a dollar amount.

What will the grant funds be spent on?

Equipment (specify)	Materials (specify)	Other (specify)
Furniture & Props Hire	Marketing Collaterals	Photographer
Hall Hire	Thank You Gifts	Advertisement
Juice Bar	Food & beverages	Cleaner

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What is the total cost of the proposed purchases? *

\$8,500.00

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the amount sought from Council? *

\$5,000.00

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the amount to be funded by your organisation? *

\$3,500.00

Must be a dollar amount.

Publicity and Promotion

How will you promote your event? *

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertorials | <input type="checkbox"/> Television | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Web site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising - newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Signage | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social Media |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Letterbox Drop | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

Provide details of the level of coverage anticipated:

Documentation checklist and further information

Attached is:

Supporting documents that may be appropriate (maximum of two pages)

Filename: Villagehood Australia_MothersDay.docx
 File size: 1.8 MB
 Maximum 25mb, recommended size no bigger than 5mb

Three quotes for purchases of any items more than \$1000

Filename: Mase Event Hire.pdf
 File size: 191.0 kB

Filename: Olympic Party Hire.pdf
 File size: 97.6 kB

Filename: White Orchid Events.pdf
 File size: 78.7 kB
 Maximum 25mb, recommended size no bigger than 5mb

Previous Grants received from Council

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If applicable, please list all grants received from the City of West Torrens in the past three years.

Amount	Date received	Project, initiative or resource

Certification and Feedback

* indicates a required field

Certification

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct.
 I also confirm that I have read and understood the conditions for funding as outlined in the Guidelines for City of West Torrens Grants and Sponsorships and accept and agree to abide by the conditions therein.
 I also accept and agree to abide by any additional conditions outlined in any approval letter.

I agree * Yes No

Name of authorised person * Mrs Dinah Thomasset
 Must be a senior staff member, board member or appropriately authorised volunteer

Position * Director
 Position held in applicant organisation (e.g. CEO, Treasurer)

Contact phone number * Must be an Australian phone number.

Mobile number

Contact Email * dinah@villagehoodaustralia.com
 Must be an email address.

Date * 02/03/2021
 Must be a date

Applicant Feedback

You are nearing the end of the application process.
 Before you review your application and click the **SUBMIT** button please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

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This section is not mandatory

Please indicate how you found the online application process:

Very easy Easy Neutral Difficult Very difficult

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form that you think we need to consider.



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VILLAGEHOOD AUSTRALIA DESCRIPTION

I am Dinah and, amongst many other things, I am a Mother of two young children (aged 3 and 5 years). When I first became a Mother, I had no village around me, and as time passed, I felt the need to create my own village to help mothers like me and also have a broad social impact.

I established, and run, a village for mothers, Villagehood Australia. It is a not for profit organisation dedicated to support the woman in every mother and committed to transforming the experience of motherhood by contributing to changing broader society's mindset around motherhood and to creating a better reality for we, mothers.

1. THE VILLAGE FOCUSES ON THE NEEDS OF MOTHERS through the journey of motherhood. At Villagehood Australia we believe that creating a safe space for mothers to meaningfully connect and build friendships is paramount to protecting their mental health as it provides them with a support network and help them build the capacity to better cope with everyday challenges (beating loneliness & isolation)

We offer three avenues for engaging. Our Village activities take place at the Fulham Community Centre. The activities are a 'reason' to come so the magic of human connection can occur naturally.

- Me Time for mothers, in other words time for themselves at the Fulham community centre where their young children are taken care of by professionals in a creche setting on-site to give them peace of mind and the opportunity to mentally recharge by either attending fitness classes (Zumba, Pilates and Yoga), doing things they enjoy in the Me Time zone (e.g reading) or getting that extra time during the week to complete their "never ending to-do-list" in our co-working space. www.villagehoodaustralia.com/metime
 - As well, mothers can connect with the Village to receive Advice from Experts, including Mothers through our Podcast, our Mothers Masterclass or our Mothers' Circle (casual drop ins with an expert organised monthly). Our latest podcast was with Autism SA: we talked about Autism and how as a village we can best support families with children on the spectrum. <https://www.villagehoodaustralia.com/podcast>
 - And mothers can come to the Village to make Meaningful Connections. The village is a safe and caring place where mothers can just 'hang out' with each other and connect meaningfully. When was the last time you sat down for one uninterrupted hour and have a cuppa with a stranger with no other purpose than getting to know this person? And by organising Mothers only or family friendly events we allow mothers to stay connected with the wider community, feel they belong and have that extra support they need.
2. This is a VILLAGE OF THE HEART: we believe that through the power of giving we can spread kindness and we developed a GIFT IT FORWARD FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN to help make Me Time available to all mothers



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especially to those who - due to Covid-19 or for other reasons - can't afford Me Time. <https://www.villagehoodaustralia.com/giftitforward>

- 3. It is A VILLAGE that will have a social IMPACT: together this village of likeminded mothers will transform motherhood so every mother like you can choose ANOTHER WAY, a better way that works for YOU. YOUR voice is OUR voice and together OUR voice is STRONG. <https://www.villagehoodaustralia.com/about>
- 4. And it is a VILLAGE that is CULTURALLY INCLUSIVE: being Moroccan & French and a mother of Aboriginal children myself, I feel I have a vital responsibility and opportunity to contribute to the process of Reconciliation, Social Inclusion and embracing Diversity that will make our society strong for everyone.



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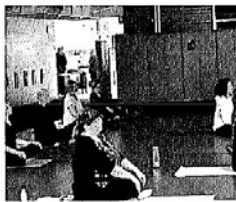
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FULHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
19 FITCH ROAD, FULHAM



PLAYHOOD CRECHE Friday 9-12.30pm



PILATES Friday 9.30am



YOGA Friday 10.30am



ZUMBA Friday 11.30am

VILLAGEHOODAUSTRALIA.COM/BOOKINGS

Cuppa with Emma
Let's chat baby sleep!



09:00-10:00
8th March
9.30-11.30am
Fulham
Community
Centre



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BOOK NOW
& receive a
FREE 15 minute
to share

Would you like to do
something fun & active
with your besties?



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ON FRIDAY
9-12pm
Fulham
Community
Centre

Are you looking for a
coworking space
with a creche?



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MOTHER'S DAY EVENT

The Mother's Day event is a great opportunity to support our community of mothers to help bridge the gap between generations, cultures and abilities and help them connect meaningfully.

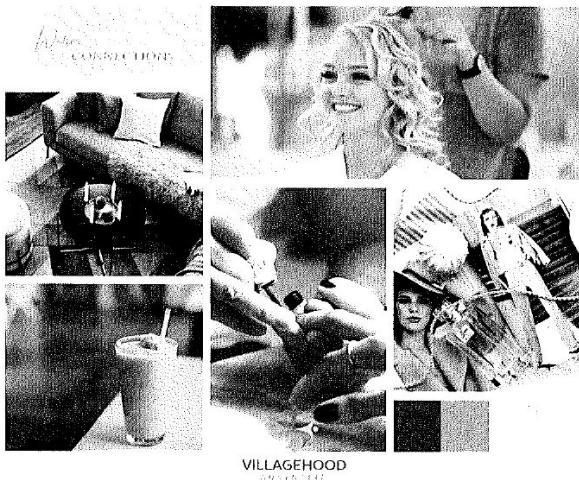
It is a genuine, community focussed event to show the wider community that mothers are visible, valued and loved.

Event Goals

- **Support** our community of mothers
- **Connect** the mothers to the wider community and City of West Torrens
- **Promote** a healthy lifestyle and raise awareness of Villagehood Australia's services
- **Impact** the community and their family by protecting the mental health of mothers

Event Theme

- Warm Connections
- Luxury Pamper Day
- Healthy Lifestyle & Healthy Habits
- Women Who Mum: Thriving not Surviving



Event Details

- Saturday 8th of May
- Time 9-1pm
- 80 pax
- Guests: Mothers & VIP (politicians, media, influencers, mothers owned /operated businesses)

Activities

- Pamper:
 - o Hair, make up, massage, manicure, fashion styling



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- Health:
 - o Healthy brunch,
 - o Nutritionist / Tea Degustation
 - o Organic juices
- Wellness, Connection & Fun
 - o Women's Circle / Blessing,
 - o Photobooth (Hashtag Instaprints)
 - o Event Photographer
- Market Stalls
 - o Mothers Operated Businesses
 - o Local Businesses
- Speakers
 - o Dinah Thomasset - Founder of Villagehood Australia & Women Who Mum Movement
 - o TBC

Thank you,

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Dinah Thomasset
Founder, Owner, Mother

dinah@villagehoodaustralia.com
[Website](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#)

Villagehood Australia acknowledges the Kurna people past present and future, the culture and that they are the traditional custodians of the land we live and work on. We would also like to acknowledge all First Nations people across Australia.

Dinah's Story: The WHY

Growing up in Morocco I always had a BIG village around me. When we moved to France at the age of 9, I strongly felt the loss of my village which I have been craving for ever since.

I never thought that becoming a mother 18 000km away from my village would be as hard as it proved to be. I was a strong and confident woman before giving birth and I thought I would be OK. But in reality, I wasn't OK, and



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that woman disappeared the moment my first was born. Although I had support from my husband and friends, like many mums before me, I felt isolated, lonely, and invisible. I was lost in a world of nappies and felt that I had lost my identity too. Who did I become?

Moving to Adelaide about 5 years ago with my family, I had zero community support and the isolation made motherhood here harder than I had expected. I always considered myself as a well-travelled woman who had studied and lived in multiple countries. So I expected that it would be easy to adapt to my new life after moving interstate. But even after meeting one mum, then another and another I still felt isolated, lonely, invisible and lost.

When my second child was born 18 months later, I thought things would be easier than with my first. It wasn't. Baby would NOT sleep. I was in a dark hole. My health deteriorated and I was rushed into hospital. Whilst waiting for my test results and imagining the worst, I remember telling my husband: "if anything happens to me, get over it and find our children a mother, ANY woman who would love them".

Then it hit me: "I am THAT woman. I AM ENOUGH". Those 3 words sank deeply in me and brought me back to LIFE. I was getting better, feeling myself again. I was OUT of the hole.

One morning few months later, whilst in Morocco with my village, everything just clicked and I knew. I decided that day that I will open a centre for mothers. A REAL village where mothers can feel safe and be reminded that they are enough. A village of likeminded mothers who will transform motherhood so our daughters can feel visible, valued and loved when they become mothers.

This is Villagehood Australia: a legacy to my children and all parents to be.

Link to my story here <https://youtu.be/xf-tYSRZwfs>

Thank you for reading,
Dinah

Service	Who	Quote Price	Comments
Event Planning	White Orchid Events	\$ 1,000.00	
Event Hire	White Orchid Events	\$ 1,500.00	
Design Fee	Villagehood Australia	In-kind	Value \$450.00
Marketing Incidentals (printing etc)	FP Edwardstown	\$ 406.00	
Catering	Esculent	\$ 1,000.00	Estimate
Juice Bar	Juice Institute	\$ 500.00	
Photographer	Davish Photography	\$ 800.00	4 hours
Videographer	T and G Studios	\$ 600.00	3 hours
Welcome to Country		\$ 300.00	
Merchandise	FP Edwardstown	\$ 1,500.00	Quote to be received
Custom Signage	BE Event Design	\$ 250.00	
Activity Suppliers	Multiple	In-kind	Value \$1,000.00
Photobooth	Hashtag Instaprints	\$ 1,200.00	
Advertising	Social media platforms	\$ 400.00	Estimate
Project Management	Villagehood Australia	In-kind	Value \$1200.00
Event Staff	Fullham Community Centre	In-kind	Value \$500

Certificate of Registration of a Company

This is to certify that

VILLAGEHOOD AUSTRALIA PTY LTD

Australian Company Number 644 540 394

is a registered company under the Corporations Act 2001 and
is taken to be registered in South Australia.

The company **is limited by shares.**

The company is a **proprietary** company.

The day of commencement of registration is
the twenty-second day of September 2020.



ASIC

Australian Securities & Investments Commission

CERTIFICATE

Issued by the
Australian Securities and Investments Commission
on this twenty-second day of September, 2020.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Shipton".

James Shipton
Chair



White Orchid Events

INVOICE

Date: 01/03/2021
INVOICE #270

To Villagehood Australia
Customer ID 251

Event Planner	Payment Terms	Due Date	Wedding Date
Briana	25% Deposit Payment, 25% Progress Payment, 50% Final Payment	Please see payment schedule below	22/01/2022

Qty	Description	Unit Price	Line Total
1	Event Styling Cozy Corner - Couches, rugs, cushions, chairs, tables, candles Signage - #hashtag sign, signage for areas & posters, sponsor signage Entrance - biodegradable balloons Cupboard / Styling Corner - wall coverings / drape set, rug, large mirror, styling wardrobes Fun Corner - photobooth backdrop Seating area - 4 x tables & essentials items, 24 x chairs, table décor & flowers	1500.00	1500.00
Total Invoice			1500.00

Make all payments payable to:

B Kemp
BSB: 063-097
Account: 2141 9026
Ref: [Invoice #]

White Orchid Events Adelaide | Adelaide SA 5000 | Phone: 0433 522 191
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EVENT DESIGN

To Dinah
Villagehood Australia
19 Fitch Road
Fulham SA
0411 270 169
Customer ID 201

BE Event Design
5 James Road,
Happy Valley SA 5159

INVOICE # 202
DATE: 06/04/2021

Invoices payable to BE
Event Design:

B Kemp
BSB: 063-097
Account: 2141 9026
Ref: [Invoice #]

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Briana	Signage	Due to commence works	Immediate
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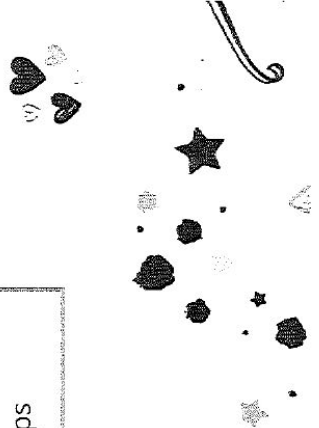
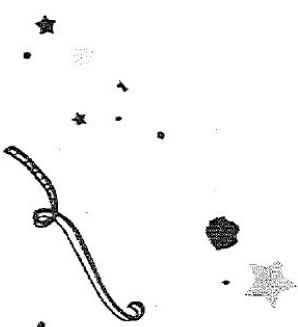
QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	LINE TOTAL
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2	Custom event signage (Villagehood Australia)	250.00	250.00
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SUBTOTAL 250.00

TOTAL 250.00

Hashtag Printer Pricing



<p>Three Hour Hire \$995</p>	<p>3 Hour Printer Hire 1 Roaming Photographer 1 Photobooth Attendant Unlimited Prints & reprints Custom Template Props</p>
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Hi Briana, Our 250ml at \$5.00 each and our 467ml are \$10 each. I would love to offer you 10% off as you are ordering over 100 and are a local business too. Sounds lovely a fresh juice and fruit table. Even sitting in some cute buckets of ice, as the juice does need to be kept cold. Let me know how this sounds and if there is anything we can do to support your display. Hear from you soon. Thank you. 🌸



17.2 Green Adelaide Draft Regional Landscape Plan

Brief

This report presents the proposed feedback on Green Adelaide's Draft Landscape Plan.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended to Council that:

1. The feedback contained in Attachment 2 of the Agenda report be approved for submission to Green Adelaide as Council's response to the consultation on the Draft Landscape Management Plan.
2. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to make amendments of a minor or formatting nature.

Introduction

Green Adelaide has released its Draft Regional Landscape Plan (Plan) for consultation until 20 April 2021 (**Attachment 1**). The Plan aims to create a cooler, greener, wilder and climate resilient metropolitan Adelaide.

Green Adelaide is one of 9 landscape boards and spans 17 metropolitan councils, including the City of West Torrens. Each of these 9 boards was created on 1 July 2020 under the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019* (Act) following a range of reforms to the natural resource management (NRM) system.

The Act requires Green Adelaide to prepare a 5-year Regional Landscape Plan to deliver practical outcomes across the following 7 key priorities:

- Coastal Management
- Water Resources and wetlands
- Biodiversity sensitive and water sensitive urban design
- Green Streets and Flourishing Parklands
- Fauna, flora and ecosystem health in the urban environment
- Controlling Pest Plants and Animals

Each priority includes a goal, 3 focus areas and 3 outcomes. The consultation material also provides 2 or 3 examples of outcome indicators for each priority. Specific details regarding implementation are to be included in annual business plans which Green Adelaide indicates will be developed 'in partnership with our community'. The Plan sets out Green Adelaide's role and investment principles and also identifies four ideas for potential iconic projects.

Feedback received through the current consultation on the draft Plan will not only inform the final Plan but also Green Adelaide's annual business plan for 2021-2022. It is the annual business plan which supports the delivery of the Regional Landscape Plan and outlines the budget, staffing and levy arrangements for each financial year. It also identifies which projects and programs will be funded to meet the strategic direction of the Regional Landscape Plan.

Discussion

Council has previously responded to the Minister for Environment and Water's Landscape Reform on 17 October 2018 (Council Report dated 16 October 2018).

Following this, Council has provided input and feedback to the State Planning Commissions' Natural Resources and Environment Discussion Paper (Council Report dated 15 January 2019) and various iterations of the Planning and Design Code, at least one of which included leading practice, evidence-based policy that supported trees and WSUD in private developments in the urban area.

The vision set out in the new draft Landscape Plan resonates closely with the aims and objectives of Council's corporate plans and programs in this area, however it is the way in which these overarching goals are delivered and measured that is of most interest to Council, and this will be the focus of our response.

Green Adelaide acknowledges that the draft Plan is an ambitious one. There may be a view that it is better to concentrate on doing a few things well, rather than spreading resources too thinly. Given that feedback provided will also inform the budget, staffing and Green Adelaide levy arrangements over the 2021-22 financial year, it may be considered that a less ambitious plan could reduce costs and therefore potentially reduce the levy amount imposed on ratepayers, collected by Council and passed on to Green Adelaide.

However, this may also have the consequence of reducing the amount of project grant funding available to councils, therefore a nuanced and balanced approach to feedback is required.

A detailed response to the draft Plan is included in **Attachment 2** for Council's consideration and submission to Green Adelaide as its response to the consultation. This response has been collated with input from Elected Members and staff covering more than 12 special interest areas.

However, some general comments are provided below.

- The Plan is a high level document much like Council's own Community Plan. The detailed implementation will be contained in annual business plans which Council could expect would be developed in conjunction with key stakeholders such as Local Government.
- Much of the Plan outcomes rely on partnerships between Green Adelaide, local government, state government, businesses and community groups. That said, the nature of these partnerships and the roles of each of the stakeholders is not clear in the Plan. This is evident in a number of key priorities and one of the areas where this has proven problematic in the past is in the management of the River Torrens. The Plan states:
 - *"The responsibility for managing Adelaide's water resources is shared by all landholders, including state government, local councils, businesses and individuals. This shared responsibility adds unique challenges and complexity to achieving an integrated 'hills-to-sea' approach to urban water management"*

Without clearly defined roles and responsibilities being established, the issues currently experienced by Council in relation to the River Torrens will continue to be an issue and other aspects of the Plan may be similarly affected. This includes additional cost shifting to Local Government regardless of the fact that Council contributes approximately \$1.5 - \$1.6m to Green Adelaide in levies each year.

- The Administration has engaged with the previous NRM Board and Green Adelaide with varying degrees of success in terms of levels of service, collaboration and partnership approaches. Given there appears to be a greater emphasis on whole of region coordination and governance, a more consistent approach is needed to ensure all parties benefit from the collaboration.

- A number of the key focus areas appear to duplicate work already being undertaken and funded by Local Government. For example, in the Green Streets and Flourishing Parklands priority area, one of the focus areas is to "drive coordinated, accelerated greening of streetscapes and public spaces". It is unclear what role Green Adelaide will take to enhance work already being completed or whether it will simply report on the outcomes.
- The Plan includes a number of key focus areas to improve outcomes on private land. These include Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD), Biodiversity Sensitive Urban Design (BSUD) and increasing tree canopy. Some of these outcomes are predicated in influencing planning reform. However, as the Planning and Design Code is already live, it is unclear how this will occur. In addition, encouraging, incentivising and motivating industry is a cornerstone of improving these outcomes. As has been evident during the planning reform process, industry has pushed back on any components which reduce the site area available for building (rainwater tanks, deep root zones etc.) on the basis that it increases the cost of building to the consumer. Unless there is a financial incentive to include these aspects, there is unlikely to be any uptake by the development industry.
- The nominal contribution amount that is set for Urban Tree Fund contributions allows developers to opt out of planting trees and provide a minimal financial contribution which does not cover the whole of life cost of planting and maintaining a tree. This highlights an opportunity for Green Adelaide to work with the development sector and other policy influencers to increase the prescribed contribution amount, or explore other incentives that may be more cost effective in encouraging the establishment and retention of trees in urban infill development contexts
- There must be a fair and equitable distribution of grant funding and that the costs, resources and work associated with delivering the Plan is shared equitably among the key groups including State Government, Local Government and industry sectors. Given that the planning reform process has resulted in an inequitable allocation of responsibility for issues such as open space and greening to Local Government and that it provides little requirement for the development industry to pull its weight, Council fears that without legislative triggers, the Plan will also result in most of the burden falling on Local Government.
- The Plan contains examples of five yearly outcome indicators which will form the basis of a Performance Framework. These examples include:
 - Tree canopy and green cover
 - Uptake of WSUD and BSUD in new development

These indicators need to have targets otherwise it will be difficult to determine the success of the Plan. They also need to identify what each sector has contributed to the investment and progress towards delivering the Plan outcomes.

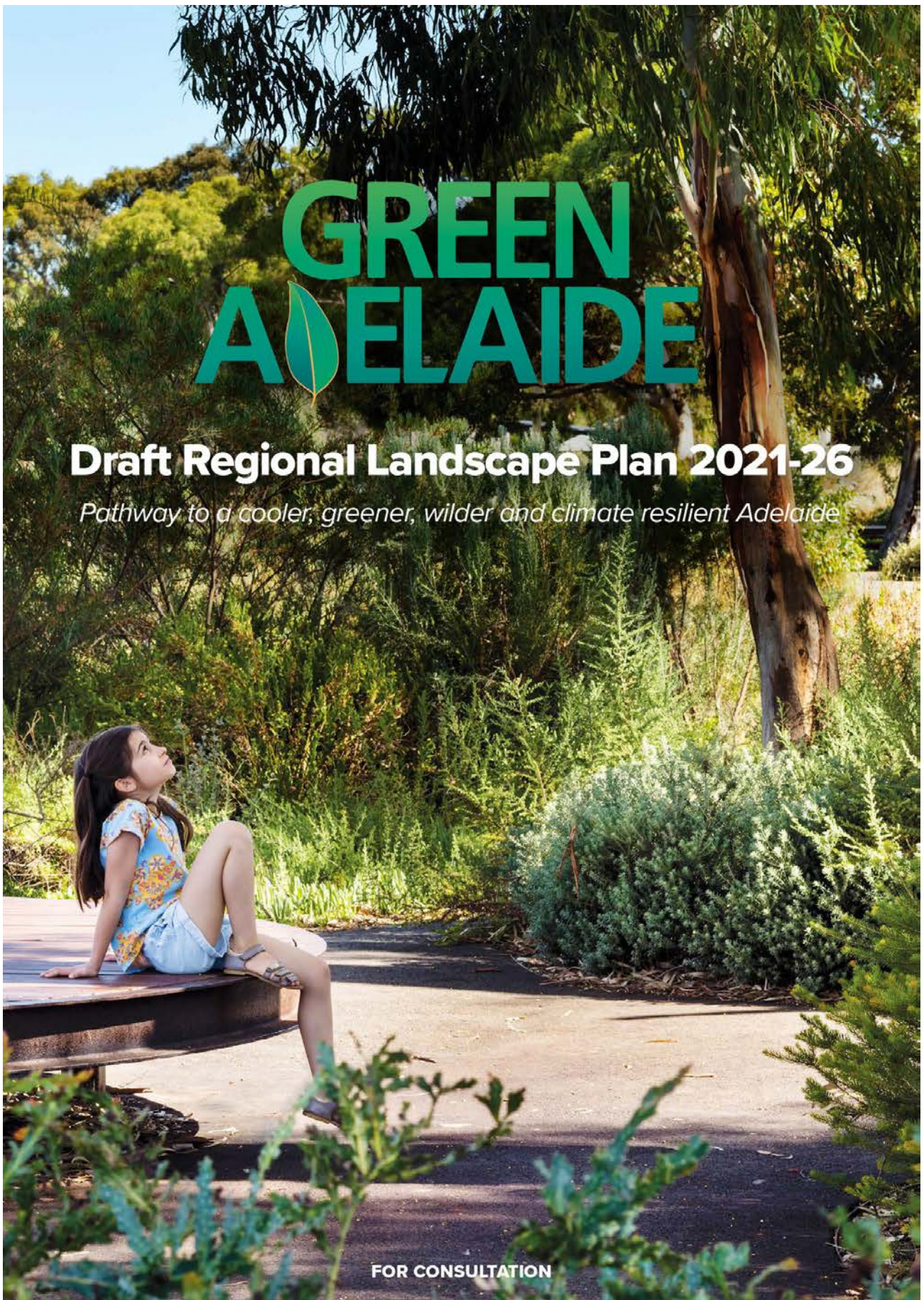
These general comments have been included in the feedback in **Attachment 2**.

Conclusion

This report presents the proposed feedback on Green Adelaide's Draft Landscape Plan.

Attachments

1. **Green Adelaide Draft Landscape Plan**
2. **Green Adelaide Landscape Plan - CWT Feedback**

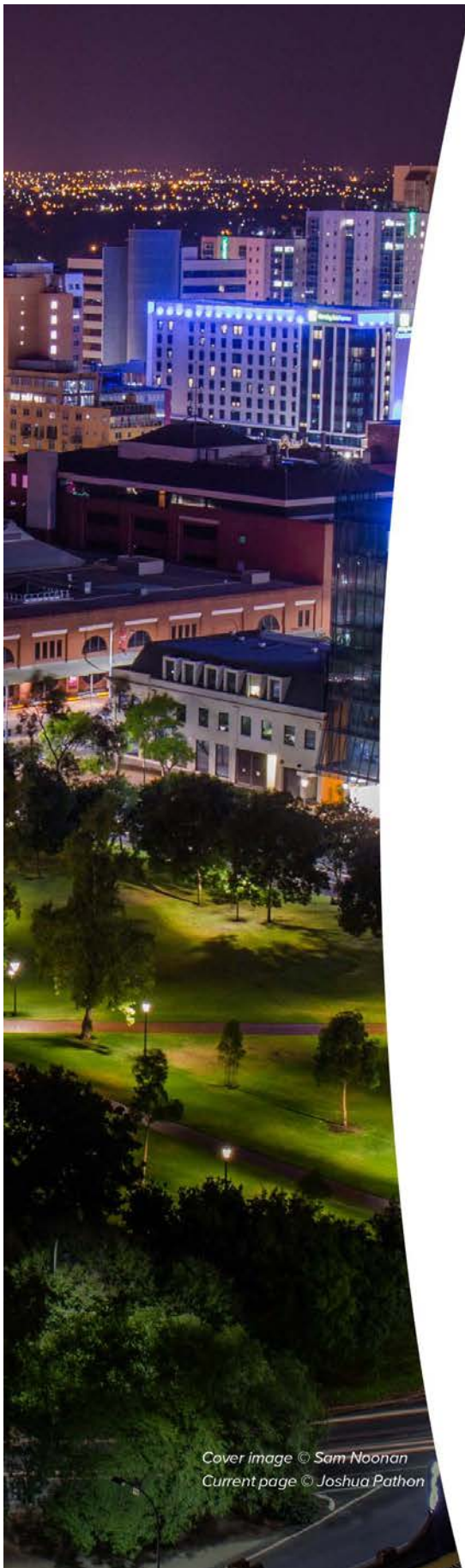


Minister's Foreword

The foreword will be included after consultation.

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Presiding Member's Foreword



For the first time metropolitan Adelaide has a government board sharply focused on progressing it towards a more climate-resilient and ecologically vibrant city stretching from the hills to the sea.

We acknowledge the many years of collective effort and achievements in managing and protecting Adelaide's landscapes and natural resources. Green Adelaide will continue to build on these strong foundations over the next five years and beyond. We also acknowledge the Kaurna Miyurna (people) as the traditional owners of the Adelaide Plains.

Recent world and local events, including the devastating bushfires and COVID-19 pandemic, have focused the attention of our community on the nature of our city like never before. This attention to, and interest in, our surroundings coincides beautifully with the founding of Green Adelaide under the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*.

As our environment continues to get warmer, we are losing vital green coverage that keeps our region cool. By better managing our natural environments, we can reduce this heating and improve the ways we live, work, learn and play through innovative and world-leading practices and assist the health and wellbeing of our people and nature.

This plan is not only for Green Adelaide but our partners too. We invite you to work with us on delivering iconic legacy projects that will transform the landscape. From rewilding our rivers to greening our suburbs on a grand scale and making Adelaide a National Park City¹. These will be projects that our whole community can get involved in and benefit from for generations to come.

We look forward to working with the Warpulai Kumangka Kaurna Advisory Group², local and state government organisations, industry, NGOs and the community to create a cooler, greener, wilder and climate-resilient Adelaide.

Professor Chris Daniels, BSc (Hons), PhD, DSC, FAICD
Presiding Member

¹ For further information visit: www.nationalparkcity.org

² Warpulai Kumangka means 'working together' in Kaurna – see page 25.

Green Adelaide Region



Local government areas

- | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Adelaide | 4 Charles Sturt | 7 Mitcham | 10 Playford | 13 Salisbury | 16 Walkerville |
| 2 Burnside | 5 Holdfast Bay | 8 Norwood Payneham and St Peters | 11 Port Adelaide Enfield | 14 Tea Tree Gully | 17 West Torrens |
| 3 Campbelltown | 6 Marion | 9 Onkaparinga | 12 Prospect | 15 Unley | |

- Population of **1.23 million**
- An area of **3,356 km²** (37% terrestrial and 63% marine)
- **74 km** as the rosella flies from Gawler River (north) to Sellicks Beach (South)
- **83 km²** of national parks
- **222 km²** of marine parks
- **23.37%** tree canopy cover across metropolitan Adelaide
- Approximately **1,700 kms** of watercourses
- **800 native plant** and **440 animal species**

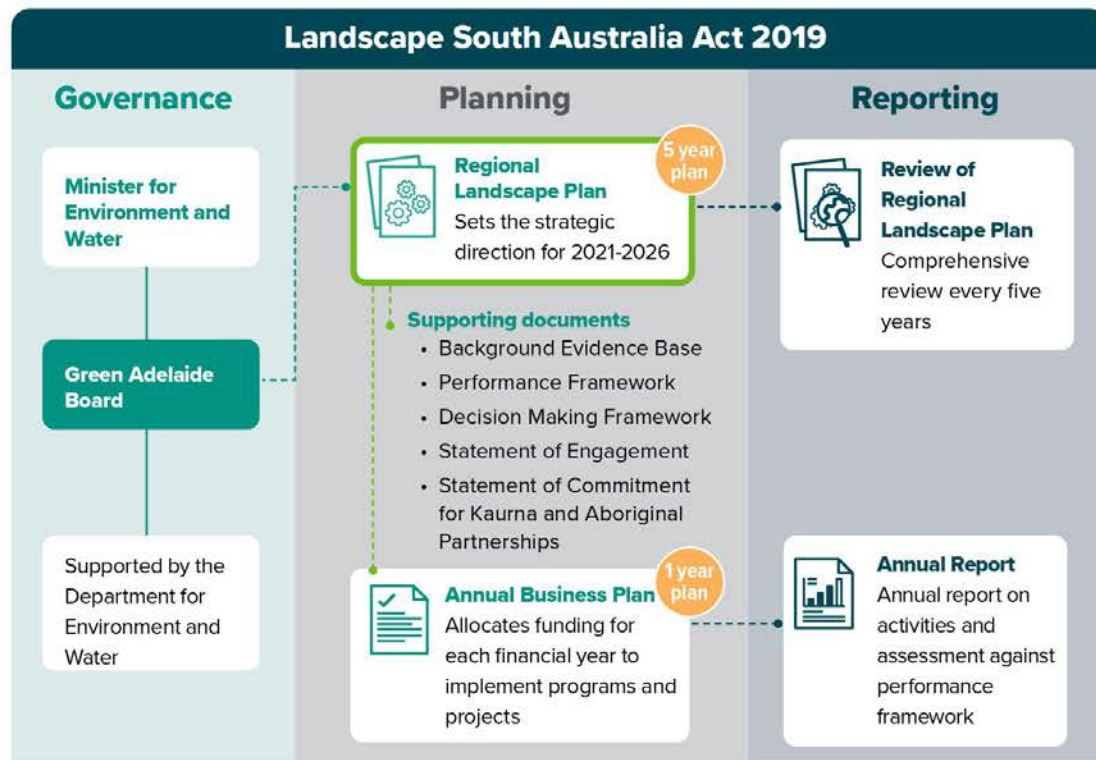
About Green Adelaide

Green Adelaide links an ambitious vision with tangible actions to educate, inspire, influence and enable a cooler, greener and wilder climate-resilient city by leveraging evidence-based insights and partnerships that enact sustainable change.

The Green Adelaide Region and Board are established under the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*. The Board is an expert, skills based board charged with leading innovation and achieving positive outcomes across the urban landscapes of the Green Adelaide Region.

Our aim is to green and cool our backyards, streets and neighbourhoods, enhance biodiversity and create healthy green spaces for everyone.

Green Adelaide will deliver practical outcomes across seven key priorities. This five year Regional Landscape Plan will provide strategic direction, supported by annual business plans developed in partnership with our community.



Landscape Levy - Everyone is both an investor and a beneficiary

Green Adelaide is primarily funded by the Landscape Levy (collected by 17 metropolitan councils). The levy is paid by all ratepayers across the state to fund their local landscape boards to protect and enhance the environment. The levy recognises that as residents and landowners we all have important roles and responsibilities around enjoying, managing and protecting our landscapes.

Our vision

This artwork, "**Kardalta Tarrtanya**", represents Green Adelaide's **vision of a cooler, greener, wilder and climate-resilient city** through the interconnected nature of our seven priorities.

It shows the importance of the relationships between the land, water, sea, and biodiversity, and people keeping each other healthy, thriving and connected.



Illustration by
Allan Sumner



This symbol represents Green Adelaide

Green Adelaide will deliver practical outcomes across seven key priorities



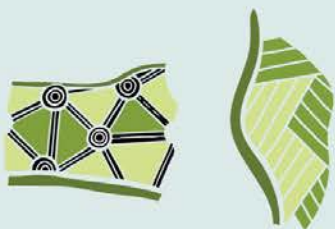
Coastal management

We will conserve and restore Adelaide's unique coastline to benefit our way of life, our economy and provide vital habitat for native plants and animals.



Water resources and wetlands

We will protect, enhance and restore Adelaide's water resources (our rivers, wetlands and lakes) to help preserve these essential ecosystems and the wildlife that call them home.



Green streets and flourishing parklands

We will increase tree canopy cover and green spaces to create cooler urban areas that encourage biodiversity and improve community health and wellbeing.

Biodiversity and water sensitive urban design

We will build industry and community capacity to design cooler, greener and nature-friendly developments and infrastructure.



Fauna, flora and ecosystem health in the urban environment

We will create more urban spaces for plants and animals to thrive in which in turn provides people a better quality of life.



Controlling pest plants and animals

We will help coordinate management of invasive pests to support an Adelaide that is rich with healthy biodiversity.



Nature education

We will grow nature and sustainability education in Adelaide to support children and adults to connect with the environment.

Partnerships to deliver iconic projects

Below are some examples of potential multi-year, large scale and multi-partner projects to achieve our vision. We are seeking to work with Kaurna, all levels of government, industry, private landholders and communities to deliver across our seven priorities.



1. Rewilding our rivers and coastline

The rivers of the Green Adelaide region connect the Mount Lofty Ranges to Gulf St Vincent. Over time, their condition has been degraded and some of their magic has been lost. We will lead their rewilding by transforming them into quality green spaces with thriving ecosystems and biodiverse places for people to enjoy and connect with nature.

Key opportunities include: Field River Valley, Dry Creek, Aldinga Washpool, Sturt River, Mutton Cove and along the coastline

Already underway - Breakout Creek Stage 3 (River Torrens) (\$12 million partnership project with the Federal Government, Planning and Development Fund, SA Water and the cities of West Torrens and Charles Sturt).



2. Greening our streets and backyards

Our streets and backyards are filled with opportunities to accelerate greening and grow our urban forest to combat the urban heat island effect, increase habitat for native wildlife and connect people with nature right on their doorsteps.

Key opportunities include bringing together the state government, councils, industry, Kaurna and the community to drive an ambitious and coordinated approach to greening our city. Starting with a clear understanding of our current tree canopy cover and urban heat information will be fundamental.



3. Making Adelaide a National Park City

In partnership with councils, NGOs and Kaurna Miyurna, we will lead the process of making Adelaide a National Park City.

Key opportunities include connecting history and culture, sustainable living, health and wellbeing and nature in a holistic way for community action.

For further information about what makes a National Park City visit: www.nationalparkcity.org.



4. Reigniting culture

Warpulai Kumangka's leadership will result in innovative landscape management by developing partnerships to reignite traditional practices. Focused on shared learning through cultural and environmental education, Warpulai Kumangka will advocate for transparent and inclusive decision making. Integration of traditional knowledge will result in economic opportunity for First Nations, promotion of traditional knowledge as integrated practices in environmental management and ensure all community members are aware of fire management for the benefit of sustainability.

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Case for action

Adelaide's growth and prosperity depends on sustaining, protecting and extending our natural environments, taking on the challenges of a drying and warming climate, and safeguarding and promoting the health and wellbeing of our people.

We are driven to take action for a number of reasons including:

- Creating wilder and more biodiverse places
- Designing buildings and neighbourhoods that incorporate nature
- Strengthening our response to climate change
- Unlocking potential through partnerships
- Moving from just acknowledging to deeply embracing the Aboriginal connection to country
- Deepening and celebrating our unique relationship with nature.

Creating wilder and more biodiverse places

Biodiversity loss is accelerating globally and it is becoming increasingly important for all parts of society to play their role in helping to preserve the diversity we have for future generations.

Urban and semi-urban environments can provide valuable habitats for many native species and have a role to play in conserving threatened species, enhancing biodiversity and facilitating connections between people and nature.

Nature remains embedded throughout the urban environment and can be found in the parks, streets, gardens and backyards of the suburbs. Urban parks, wetlands, street tree canopy and private gardens all have a role to play in creating a mosaic of wilder places across the city. Improving nature by increasing greening and biodiversity across the metropolitan landscape will enhance connectivity with the network of conservation and national parks fringing the city. This will also support the health of the river corridors that wind their way from the hills to the sea and the diverse metropolitan coast and marine habitats.

Improving Adelaide's position as one of the most liveable cities in the world will require strong leadership, influence, commitment and collaboration across all tiers of government and the community so we can prepare for and respond to current and future challenges.

Designing buildings and neighbourhoods that incorporate nature

Urban areas (particularly residential land use) make up the majority of the Green Adelaide region. Minor infill development is now the single largest provider of new housing in metropolitan Adelaide and has contributed to a significant reduction in green cover in many neighbourhoods. This is because this type of development generally increases site coverage and driveway crossovers, and reduces space for gardens and tree planting, creating up to 90 per cent impervious surfaces. Minor infill has also contributed to a significant reduction in mature trees in many neighbourhoods, leaving metropolitan Adelaide with an overall tree canopy cover below 24%².

This loss of tree canopy and urban green cover reduces habitat for native fauna and creates urban heat islands which impact the health of people and wildlife. An increase in roofs, roads and other hard surfaces in residential developments also puts neighbourhoods at greater risk of flooding as rain and stormwater are less easily absorbed. This in turn decreases the soil moisture recharge, reducing water for trees and shrubs at a time when, with rising temperatures, they need the moisture even more.

Incorporating water-sensitive and biodiversity-sensitive urban design into both the public and private realm is imperative to ensure the liveability of our city and support the conservation of our native flora and fauna.

² Aerometrex, 2020 – <https://aerometrex.com.au/resources/blog/urban-tree-canopy-management-and-lidar/>



Strengthening our response to climate change

As a result of climate change, the Green Adelaide region is expected to:

- be warmer and drier throughout the year with more days of extreme heat and longer, hotter heatwaves which will be exacerbated in some areas by urban heat island effects
- receive less reliable, although sometimes more intense, rainfall, and experience changing annual rainfall patterns which increase the risk of flooding
- see the loss of a wide range of climate-sensitive species
- experience sea level rise and greater storm surges impacting on coastal infrastructure and ecosystems.

We recognise that a climate emergency has been declared by several local government organisations within the region. Significant action must be taken to improve the resilience of our built and natural environments, our wildlife and our community in the face of the predicted changes to our climate in the coming decades.

Strategic urban greening, creating quality green space, adopting climate-smart design that incorporates water and biodiversity, and increasing the resilience of the coastline, marine environments and remnant vegetation will be at the core of our actions.



Adelaide climate change projections by 2030



Annual mean daily maximum temperatures are projected to increase by up to 1.1°C



Mean annual minimum temperatures are projected to increase by up to 0.8°C.



Number of days per year over 40°C is projected to increase from 2.4 days per year (in the 1981-2010 baseline period) to around 4.3 days per year.



Mean sea surface temperatures are projected increase by 0.5°C



Mean annual rainfall is projected to decline by 5.4% (from the baseline period of 1981 to 2010). Summer rainfall is projected to increase by up to 2.7%, with autumn, winter and spring rainfall projected to decline.



A sea level rise of around 13 cm is projected (compared with the average level during 1986–2005).

Source: Green G and Pannell A (2020). Guide to Climate Projections for Risk Assessment and Planning in South Australia, Government of South Australia, Department for Environment and Water, Adelaide.



Unlocking potential through partnerships

Partnering recognises the unique resources, knowledge and capabilities that different partners have and brings these together to deliver a much greater impact than could be achieved individually. Collaboration through partnerships is also important to achieving long-lasting and sustainable environmental outcomes.

Tackling issues like climate change requires collaboration and knowledge-sharing amongst partners from all sectors and we are committed to bringing our partners together to achieve our vision.

Partnering will also enable the coordination and leveraging of funding across multiple stakeholder groups to avoid duplication and maximise outcomes.

Partnering with a number of sectors such as First Nations peoples, local governments, researchers, NGOs, peak industry bodies and community groups will enable each sector to bring unique value, expertise, resources and perspective to solving the region's complex landscape problems. Local government in particular will be a key delivery partner and their involvement in greening initiatives will be vital to the success of this work.

Moving from just acknowledging to deeply embracing the Aboriginal connection to country

Kaurna Yarta (country) extends from Crystal Brook to Cape Jervis and incorporates the western part of the Adelaide Hills, covering the entirety of the land area of the Green Adelaide region.

The approach of the Kaurna Miyurna to sustainably manage natural resources remains of utmost relevance. The cultural knowledge, skills, and perspectives of the Kaurna Miyurna, and all Aboriginal

people, must be recognised and embedded to shape decision making and land management practices.

Through the Warpulai Kumangka Advisory Group, we will listen to, learn from, partner with, and empower the Kaurna Miyurna and Warpulai Kumangka to deliver on-ground outcomes, including projects to reignite traditional practices.

Deepening and celebrating our unique relationship with nature

The accessibility of natural environments in such close proximity to the city has helped drive a deep appreciation and love of nature. For example, 94% of South Australians have said that conserving nature is of critical importance³.

Signs of the strong value that the community places on nature have been present throughout 2020, with visitation to the state's parks and open spaces increasing by 43% during the COVID-19 pandemic and growing calls for the protection and increase of urban vegetation, especially large trees. Visits to our suburban beaches also continue to grow.

This provides an opportunity to build on and drive a deeper relationship of love, stewardship and pride in our landscapes as part of the community's collective identity. This could lead to immeasurable benefits to our community's health, wellbeing, connection and cohesion, and protection of our region's unique ecosystems, flora and fauna for future generations.

We recognise and celebrate the diversity across our communities and are committed to providing opportunities for everyone to be involved in learning about and caring for our landscapes. This will be integral to the success of Green Adelaide.

³ 2016 South Australians and the Environment Community Survey





Coastal management

Goal: Conserve and restore coastal and marine habitats and biodiversity

The coastline of the Green Adelaide region lies within the sheltered waters of eastern Gulf St Vincent and includes a wide range of environments from sandy beaches and dune systems, wetlands, cliffs, coastal vegetation, estuaries, mudflats, rocky reefs and seagrass meadows.

These coastal and marine ecosystems provide vital habitat for a diverse range of flora and fauna and support many species unique to southern Australia. They also have important socio-economic and public amenity value. Healthy seagrass, mangroves, saltmarsh and dunes protect the coastline from erosion and help to buffer against flooding of nearby developed areas during

storm surges. Our region is also well placed to take advantage of blue carbon due to the extent and quality of its coast and marine systems.

Our coast and marine environments are however impacted by a range of issues. For example, nutrients and sediments from stormwater and wastewater discharge affect marine habitats close to the shore, influencing their long-term health and resilience. Coasts are also vulnerable to sea level rise and the effects of increased storm intensity and frequency as a result of climate change. Sea temperatures are also rising and the effects of this may be heightened in the shallow gulf waters.

Key focus areas	Outcomes
C1 Facilitate a partnerships approach to adaptive coast and marine management	Coordinated conservation and restoration of natural coast and marine environments
C2 Partner and invest in the conservation and restoration of coastal and marine environments	Improved biodiversity outcomes, including habitats and species of key conservation concern.
C3 Conserve and restore Blue Carbon habitats	Enhanced climate resilience and adaptation and increased environmental and social benefits



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Water resources and wetlands

Goal: Water resources deliver environmental, economic, social and cultural benefits

Urban creeks, rivers, estuaries and wetlands provide essential habitat and refuges for native fauna. Several watercourses including the Little Para, Torrens-Karrawirra Parri, and Onkaparinga-Ngangkiparingga rivers flow out of the Mount Lofty Ranges and across the region, forming biodiversity corridors throughout the urban landscape and feeding the region's natural and artificially constructed wetlands, including important coastal wetlands like Barker Inlet. These systems are important sources of water for Adelaide's residents. Groundwater is also an important water resource used by commercial industry and for irrigation of quality public green space.

Stormwater management, including the application of water sensitive urban design principles, goes hand in hand with best practice land management to minimise watercourse erosion, protect and enhance biodiversity, and prevent polluted discharge going to the sea.

The responsibility for managing Adelaide's water resources is shared by all landholders, including state government, local councils, businesses and individuals. This shared responsibility adds unique challenges and complexity to achieving an integrated 'hills-to-sea' approach to urban water management, which considers the sustainable management of all water sources to ensure benefits are maximised.

Key focus areas

Outcomes

W1	Protect, enhance, and restore water resources and water-dependent ecosystems through partnerships and on-ground delivery	Biodiverse blue and green spaces that enhance the quality and sustainability of water resources
W2	Build water knowledge and management capacity of practitioners and community	Effective management of watercourses and resources by landholders (public and private)
W3	Simple and enabling water management policy frameworks	Best practice, sustainable water management





Biodiversity sensitive and water sensitive urban design

Goal: Build industry and community capacity to design cooler and greener urban infrastructure

Issues arising from urbanisation such as flooding, the provision of green space, urban heat island effects, impacts of stormwater on coastal environments and maintaining stream ecology can be addressed through a stronger adoption of water sensitive urban design (WSUD) and biodiversity sensitive urban design (BSUD).

WSUD focuses on integrating the urban water cycle (including potable water, wastewater and stormwater) with the built and natural urban landscape. WSUD measures can be applied to all development types and range from the storage, treatment and use of runoff to water-efficient landscaping.

The need to improve understanding and capacity in BSUD is being increasingly recognised. BSUD links urban planning and design to the basic needs and survival of native plants and animals by creating environmentally friendly urban habitats, promoting ecological processes and encouraging positive human-nature interactions.

Adopting these designs in development at every scale will help to ensure Adelaide is liveable, productive, biodiverse and resilient to the future challenges of a changing climate and increasing urban density.

Key focus areas	Outcomes
<p>BW1 Facilitate and incentivise best practice BSUD and WSUD in new developments, major transport corridors, public open spaces and local streetscapes</p>	<p>Best practice BSUD and WSUD outcomes in both the private and public realm</p>
<p>BW2 Coordinate and partner on research and other tools to address barriers to implementation and identify opportunities for innovation</p>	<p>Implementation barriers are solved and opportunities harnessed</p>
<p>BW3 Build community, council and industry knowledge, motivation and capacity to deliver best practice outcomes</p>	<p>Improved WSUD and BSUD implementation success by community, councils and industry</p>



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Green streets and flourishing parklands

Goal: Increase the extent and quality of urban green cover

Well vegetated streetscapes and other public areas provide much more than a pleasant place to live. They can also provide habitat for native fauna, enhance biodiversity and improve mental and physical health. With the increasing number of people living in apartments or houses with small or no backyards, greener streets and quality public green space will become even more important in offering places for recreation and connection to nature.

Urban heat mapping has identified 'heat islands' in the Adelaide metropolitan area. These areas generally have fewer green spaces, trees, shrubs and grass and can be up to 3 to 4°C hotter on sunny days. It is vital that tree cover and quality green space are increased

to help maintain community liveability and enable us to better adapt to climate change. Green space should be accessible and beneficial for all, reflect the local context, and be embedded with cultural knowledge.

Greening on private land will also be an important part of increasing our urban green cover. Central to this will be encouraging new and infill developments to retain existing mature trees and plant new ones. Government also has role to play in greening transport infrastructure projects and other government assets.

Key focus areas

- G1** Drive coordinated, accelerated greening of streetscapes and public spaces
- G2** Encourage the protection of trees and incentivise greater greening of private land through the new planning system and other levers
- G3** Identify priority locations for improved urban greening and define what success looks like in different contexts

Outcomes

- Improved regional coordination to achieve more resilient, water smart and sustainable urban greening outcomes
- More new infill housing keep mature trees and plant more than the minimum landscaping requirements
- Strategic, high quality greening reflective of local context and need





Fauna, flora and ecosystem health in the urban environment

Goal: Conserve, restore and expand habitats for native flora and fauna

The Green Adelaide region encompasses many different environments including remnant woodlands and grasslands; rivers, creeks and wetlands; and coastal and marine habitats. These provide a home to an abundance of unique flora and fauna species, many of which are threatened. These plants and animals are what make the Green Adelaide landscape unique. They are a source of inspiration and joy for the community and create a sense of place for us now, as they have for the Kaurna Miyurna for thousands of years.

Helping our flora and fauna to thrive is critical to ensuring a healthy, sustainable and resilient landscape which supports ecosystems that supply clean air and water, pollination of plants, pest control and many other

ecosystem services. Biodiversity conservation and restoration also improves the health and wellbeing of our communities by increasing opportunities for people to connect with nature which in turn develops the awareness, knowledge and skills to become stewards of the natural environment.

Realising these benefits to their fullest extent requires work to reduce the numerous threats to habitat and native species. This includes the introduction of pest species, clearance of habitat and the many challenges associated with our changing climate.

Key focus areas	Outcomes
F1 Facilitate and invest in improving knowledge about species and ecological systems and their management	Flora and fauna conservation management practices are improved
F2 Invest and partner in protecting, improving and/or creating terrestrial habitats	Terrestrial habitat condition improves at sites with significant investment
F3 Identify and support the implementation of recovery actions for threatened plants and animals	Quality (or extent) of habitat is enhanced and threatened species' population decline is halted (or reversed) at targeted sites



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Controlling pest plants and animals

Goal: Manage the impacts of pests and overabundant native species

The diversity of ecological habitats, soil types, climatic conditions and the intensity of human settlement make our region highly susceptible to invasion from a variety of pest plants and animals in both the terrestrial and aquatic environments. As people have modified the natural environment, the resilience of our native species and the ecosystems they inhabit has also changed. This has led to the decline of many species but also increases in a small number of species that have been able to capitalise on this changed environment.

Effectively managing pest and overabundant native species can help to preserve biodiversity, safeguard primary production and limit impacts on amenity and health for community benefit. Managing the impacts of pest and overabundant native species is a significant

challenge, particularly in urban environments where control options are often limited. It's always most cost-effective to manage pest or overabundant native species impacts before they become significant. This requires vigilance through undertaking surveillance to detect pest species quickly and identify when there is potential for a species to start causing impacts.

The responsibility for managing pests lies primarily with landholders, however partnerships between them, government, research institutes, commercial enterprises and the broader community, will increase the capacity for success.

Key focus areas

- P1** Facilitate research and contribute expert advice to support effective management of overabundant native species and pest plants and animals
- P2** Work with partners to conduct surveillance to detect incursions of new and emerging pest plants and animals
- P3** Establish partnerships to develop and implement innovative pest and overabundant species management strategies and educational programs

Outcomes

- Knowledge and delivery of effective management strategies improves
- Identification and control of new and emerging pest animals and plants before they are widely established
- Mitigated threat to native species and the community and protection of key biodiversity assets and primary production





Nature education

Goal: Inspire communities to value, connect with, and care for nature

Green Adelaide residents can contribute to improving the region’s sustainability by increasing their awareness of environmental issues and instilling a lifelong process of learning to build their individual and community connection with the natural environment. Opportunities to participate in nature education need to resonate with the cultural diversity of the whole population, and be accessible for everyone.

A love of nature is fundamental to it being valued by the community and preserved for generations to come. Connection to the natural world improves human health and wellbeing, delivering developmental, physical and mental health benefits. Hands-on experiences discovering the outdoors and nature, together with a

great school education, nurture future advocacy and increase our desire to do more to protect the natural environment and to live more sustainably. More broadly, a shared sense of place and ownership, established through nature education, can increase social cohesion and community resilience.

The constantly evolving social and technological landscapes present challenges to ensuring nature education captivates people to think and act locally. This will require consistent cooperative effort by organisations across government, business and the community to achieve their continuing engagement.

Key focus areas	Outcomes
N1 Raise awareness and build capacity about Aboriginal cultural knowledge, values and lore	Traditional practices are embedded in community-led projects and programs
N2 Facilitate cross-sector nature education community campaigns to reach diverse audiences	Increased community awareness, understanding and inspiration to connect with and care for nature
N3 Enable a movement of diverse nature ‘stewards’ through school/educational partnerships, community learning and development, nature play, citizen science and sustainability activities	Increased environmental values and broad participation in nature stewardship and sustainability activities across diverse communities



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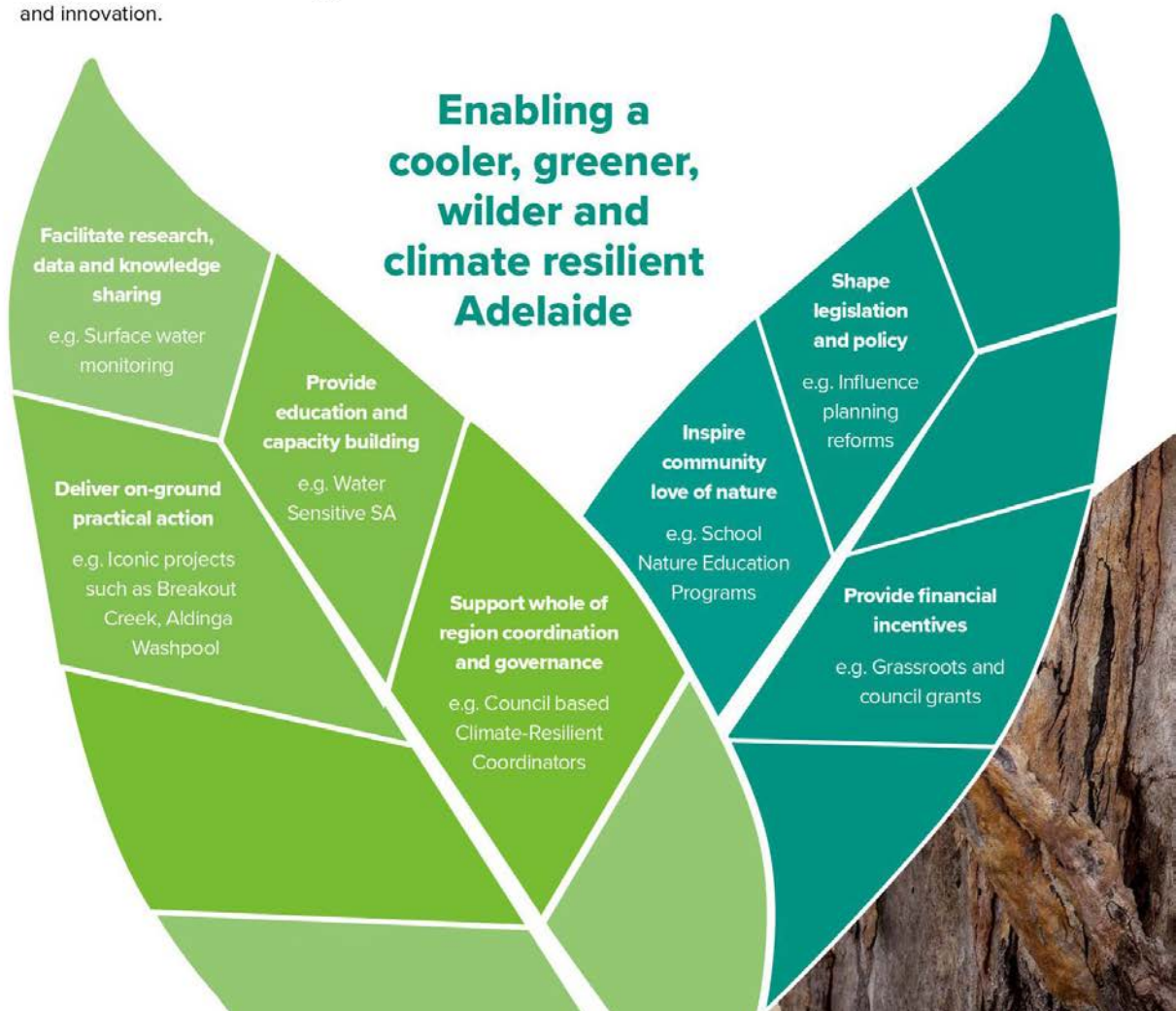
Implementation and performance approach

This section outlines how we will work with our partners, make decisions about investment and monitor our performance.

Our role

Many organisations are already actively involved in managing the landscapes of the Green Adelaide region. These include state and local governments, private enterprises, community groups and individual landholders. We will undertake roles which add value and increase the scope of the good work already being done while also facilitating greater collaboration and innovation.

We will play our part in progressing towards our vision of a cooler, greener, wilder and climate-resilient Adelaide through the following roles.



Partnering and Collaboration

At the heart of Green Adelaide will be its partnership approach in connecting people to programs and policies that further the health of our urban spaces. Green Adelaide will take an expansive approach to the co-design of new initiatives and projects with partners from a range of different sectors – all levels of government, private enterprises, industry organisations, community groups and individual residents. In particular, Kaurna Miyurna Partnerships will be important to Green Adelaide's partnership approach.

Green Adelaide is committed to genuine, inclusive and fit-for-purpose engagement with our partners and the broader community. As part of this, we will set up clear, transparent and regular communication and feedback channels with our key partners. Refer to www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/green-adelaide for a copy of our Engagement Statement.



Investment principles

Green Adelaide has an ambitious vision. To achieve it, we will make informed decisions about how the landscape levy is invested to amplify its effect.

Below are a number of investment principles which will inform our funding decisions in a robust and transparent way. Green Adelaide will assess potential projects against the principles to determine how our investment will be targeted in our annual business plans.

Investment Principles	
Strategic	Alignment with our vision and priorities to deliver a cooler, greener, wilder and climate-resilient region
Collaboration	Partnerships with other groups and organisations deliver the best possible results and broaden the reach of Green Adelaide
Value for money	Green Adelaide's investment leverages additional funding and resources (including in-kind) and maximises benefits to the region
Economic stimulus	Jobs and economic opportunities are created
Kaurna values	Kaurna Miyurnas' voice and values are embedded into Green Adelaide's business and employment opportunities considered
Climate ready	Our work and our investments are based on the most recent climate projections and contribute to building climate resilience
Innovation	Research, trials and innovation inspire and showcase new ways to improve our environmental stewardship of the region
Capacity and capability	Resources, evidence, data, knowledge and skills are enhanced and maintained
Inspiration	The community is inspired, educated and enabled to be stewards of nature
Sustainability	Environmental, social, and economic sustainability is enabled
Equity	Funding is targeted where it is most needed e.g. based on socio-economic factors, locations with a lack of green space

Evidence-based decision making

Improving how we collect, analyse and share qualitative and quantitative data will be important to enable adaptive management approaches to current and evolving pressures on our landscapes. We will leverage data from our monitoring activities to inform communications, capacity building activities, policy development, and implementation of projects. We will also play a leadership role in coordinating and sharing data with our partners to support region-wide adaptive management.








How will Green Adelaide measure its impact?

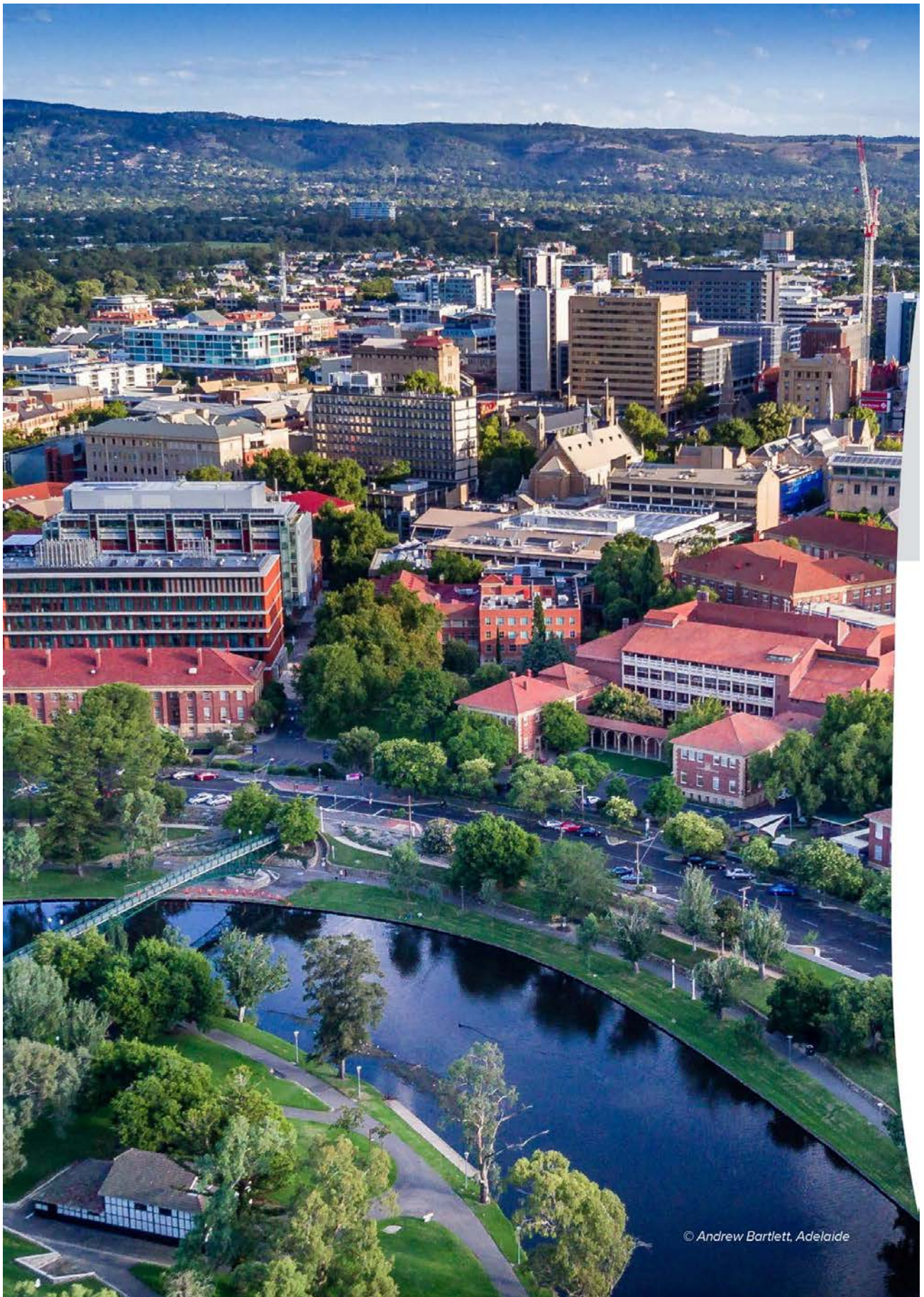
Our annual report will detail the expenditure of amounts raised by levies and demonstrate our progress in implementing our plan through a set of organisational indicators called annual output indicators, for example:

- Levy dollars invested
- Additional funding and resources leveraged
- Number of project partners
- Number of grants
- Spread of investment socially and spatially
- Media/social media reach
- Number of research trials funded
- Number of projects led by, or with input from, Kaurna
- Kaurna employment (Green Adelaide projects/ programs)
- Hectares of habitat maintained/restored
- Number of volunteers/citizen science events/hours
- Number of trees and other vegetation planted
- Hectares of pest plant and animal control
- Number of capacity-building events

Every five years we will assess progress using a set of environmental and social outcome indicators that provide a snapshot of how Adelaide’s urban landscapes are performing. The table shows examples of indicators we will likely measure to track progress.

We will also develop a Performance Framework which will identify the indicators we will measure, where we will source data from, whether we need to set up any new monitoring programs or data collection, and the timeframes for measurement. This will align with the State Landscape Strategy and national reporting frameworks. The Performance Framework will be made available on our website.

Priority	Examples of five-yearly outcome indicators
 <p>Coastal management</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reef condition • Seagrass extent and condition • Coastal habitat condition of significant sites • Populations of species of conservation concern
 <p>Water Resources and wetlands</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aquatic ecosystem condition • Native fish abundance and diversity • Surface water (flow and quality)
 <p>Biodiversity and water sensitive urban design</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uptake of WSUD and BSUD in new development • Uptake of WSUD and BSUD in council projects
 <p>Green streets and flourishing parklands</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree canopy and green cover • Reduction of localised heat islands
 <p>Fauna, flora and ecosystem health in the urban environment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terrestrial habitat condition for specific sites • Populations of species of conservation concern
 <p>Controlling pest plants and animals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of emerging weeds (populations/sites) • Number of pest incursions identified and eradicated
 <p>Nature education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community environmental values, knowledge and behaviours • Community knowledge, recognition and attitudes towards Kaurna culture



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How we developed the Plan

This plan was built through a range of engagements and work with key stakeholders:

<p>NRM consultation process July – Oct 2018</p>	<p>What we heard report Oct 2018</p>	<p>Outlined approach for 7 priorities Stakeholder engagement (Mid 2019) Revised Jan 2020</p>	<p>Stakeholder Consultation Report for Green Adelaide Oct 2018</p>	<p>Stakeholder Consultation activities Nov – Dec 2020</p>
				

Strategic links

Our work has important links with other sectors across local, state and federal governments, including planning, health, and sport and recreation. Wherever possible, our actions under this plan will align with and contribute to, current and forthcoming plans and strategies to ensure we are working with our partners towards shared outcomes.


Some of the strategies and plans to which our Regional Landscape Plan and Annual Business Plans will align include:

- State Landscape Strategy (*in development*)
- Warpulai Kumangka Strategic Plan (*in development*)
- South Australian Government Climate Change Action Plan 2021-2025
- Directions for a Climate Smart South Australia (2019)
- Coastal Management Strategy (*in development*)
- State Water Directions Statement (*in development*)

- Game On: Getting South Australia Moving framework (2020)
- Blue Carbon Strategy for South Australia (2019)
- Australia's Strategy for Nature (2019-2030)
- The 30-Year Plan for Greater Adelaide (2017 Update)
- Healthy Parks Healthy People action plans (over multiple years)
- Metropolitan Adelaide and Northern Coastal Action Plan (2009)
- Relevant council strategies and plans.

We will also ensure that we meet legislative obligations such as the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and be an active contributor to state and national environmental reporting such as the State of Environment Report.





Recognition of Kurna Miyurna and Yarta

We acknowledge and respect the native title holders and traditional owners of the Green Adelaide region - the Kurna Miyurna (Kurna people) - and pay homage to their ancestors who maintained the natural processes of the land we are on and whose spirits still dwell on Yarta (Country).

We also recognise the deep and irreversible damage and dislocation that Kurna Miyurna and all Aboriginal people have experienced, as a result of European colonisation. It is important to acknowledge South Australia's history, including the intent of the Letters Patent (that defined the boundaries of South Australia and recognition of rights of Aboriginal people). Mutual respect and trust enables us to walk and work side by side to restore Yarta.

Looking to the future

We commit to strengthening the relationship with the Kurna Miyurna through environmental partnerships such as - Warpulai Kumangka (meaning 'working together'). This is an advisory group established under the Native Title prescribed body, the Kurna Yarta Aboriginal Corporation.

The Kurna Miyurna's ongoing collaboration with Green Adelaide strengthens the future orientated visions of the respective bodies. Warpulai Kumangka will implement an innovative, world-leading model for cultural engagement in the environmental sector. Focusing on a mutually beneficial learning experience for all stakeholders, the timeless knowledge of the Kurna Miyurna will help to action sustainable growth of biodiversity in the Green Adelaide region.

Have your say

This draft plan will be out for public consultation until 20 April 2021.

We invite your ideas and insights to create a plan that captures the community's values and priority focus areas.

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Feedback on the Green Adelaide Draft Landscape Plan

Green Adelaide released survey questions to help guide feedback on its Draft Landscape Plan (Plan). This included a request for organisations to indicate whether or not they were supportive of the goals, focus areas and outcomes of each priority.

Below is the City of West Torrens response to the survey:

Survey Question 1 - The Vision

The Plan states the vision of, "...a cooler, greener, wilder and climate-resilient city." The vision generally aligns with the aims and objectives of council programs in this area, including the AdaptWest Plan for the Western Adelaide region, with the following comments:

- As a Public Health Authority, Council suggests that the overarching vision include 'healthier' – to recognise the link to health and wellbeing benefits (both physical and mental health) of improved landscape management within the Green Adelaide urban area.
- Furthermore, the term "wilder" requires further explanation, particularly in relation to goals that suggest encouraging fauna, especially if this is envisaged in urban streetscapes.

Survey Question 2 - The Plan lists 7 Priorities and associated goals, focus areas and outcomes, comments on these are included below under each of the Priority headings and goals.

Priority 1 - Coastal Management

Goal: Conserve and restore coastal and marine habitats and diversity.

West Torrens comprises a very small coast area at West Beach adjacent to the water treatment plant. Regardless of this, both an Elected Member and staff member represent the organisation on the Metropolitan Seaside Councils Committee.

Several years ago, Council assisted in progressing coastal management by hosting NRM Board funded project officers based at Council which ensured issues of coastal management were being addressed. Such an initiative may be of benefit in the future.

Focus area, Conserve and restore Blue Carbon habitats:

The map showing the Green Adelaide Region indicates that the majority of the Green Adelaide region is in fact in marine environments. "An area of 3356km² (37% terrestrial and 63% marine)." Furthermore, it notes that the plan covers 83 km² of national parks, and 222km² of marine parks.

Blue carbon ecosystems store more carbon per unit than terrestrial forests, and therefore the importance of their role in mitigating climate change cannot be underestimated. It is not clear if the Plan adequately addresses the importance of the Blue Economy and marine environments within the Green Adelaide boundary.

Outcome, Enhanced climate resilience and adaptation and increased environmental and social benefits.

Clarification is required around Green Adelaide's intended role in facilitating this outcome so that duplication is avoided in relation to the work that Council is doing in this same area.

Clarifying how this interacts with and complements the work that councils are doing in this space along with how will duplication efforts be avoided would be beneficial as would clarifying Green Adelaide's role in this. This would include clarifying issues such as competitive funding, sector agreements with Council as part of adaptation funding, or will Green Adelaide's role simply be collating the results of Council projects and reporting on the figures collectively?

If this is the latter, the benefit is questioned given the LGA could undertake the same task from a sector perspective i.e. as part of performance benchmarking resulting from the Productivity Review.

Priority 2 - Water Resources and Wetlands

Council is still seeking clarification of the roles and responsibilities for the management and maintenance of the River Torrens, particularly those parts that are in the wetline. A previous project focusing on the Governance of River Management (for River Torrens) was never completed. The Minister had invited councils to work with (what was then) the NRM Board to develop a Governance Strategy for the management of the river.

After a high flow event, which saw the clean-up fees double, State Government undertook a legislative review, which led to the stalling/discontinuation of the Governance Strategy project.

Council currently accepts responsibility for the banks, trails and playgrounds, however it is dissatisfied that the State Government is no longer prepared to pay to maintain their asset by paying for any water damage. It was considered that a successful resolution in the Governance Strategy project may have led to better outcomes that prevent further cost-shifting. As such, Council is keen to see the resurrection and finalisation of the Governance Strategy.

Focus area: Build water knowledge and management capacity of practitioners and community.

It is unclear how this focus area relates to the work being driven by Water Sensitive SA i.e. is it intended to reflect the work undertaken by Water Sensitive SA? Clarity around this would be beneficial.

Priority 3 - Biodiversity Sensitive urban design (BSUD) & water sensitive urban design (WSUD)

Goal: Community and industry capacity to design cooler biodiverse and greener urban landscapes is improved.

Focus Area: Facilitate and incentivise best practice BSUD and WSUD in new developments, major transport corridors, open spaces and local streetscapes.

Council plays a significant role in delivering Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) and BSUD in local streetscapes and open space in the public realm. The extent of Green Adelaide's intended role in this sphere is unclear.

Following the Planning Commission's revocation of draft policy that was proposed to promote WSUD in the Planning and Design Code, it is clear that there is a need for more work to influence industry, particularly the development industry to incorporate WSUD and BSUD principles and features in their developments. Clarity around this would be useful.

Example Outcome Indicators (presented in the summary document supporting the consultation)

Uptake of WSUD and BSUD in council projects.

Indicators should also include a measure of the uptake of WSUD and BSUD in State Government projects, and include the size of the area or cost dedicated to WSUD and BSUD as a percentage of the overall size and/or budget of the project.

Priority 4- Green Streets and Flourishing Parklands

Goal: The extent and quality of urban green cover is increased.

Focus Area: G1 Drive coordinated, accelerated greening of streetscapes and public spaces.

Greening and biodiversity outcomes in streetscapes and public spaces are driven by councils, predominantly with their own budgets, which are enhanced on occasion with funding support provided by Green Adelaide through initiatives such as the River Torrens Recovery Project. Green Adelaide should be clear about its own role in certain areas e.g. coordinating and funding is not the same as driving and delivering the work on the ground. Council seeks suitable acknowledgement with regard to its work in driving initiatives funded by Green Adelaide.

Focus Area: G2 Encourage protection of trees and incentivise greater greening of private land through the new planning system and other levers.

The State Government planning policies have historically included disincentives for the protection and retention of trees on private land. While Water Sensitive SA made some headway with preparing leading practice policy to be introduced into the first iteration of the Planning and Design Code for the Green Adelaide region, ultimately the full extent of the policies that would have promoted and facilitated WSUD and BSUD were not included. The opportunity to influence Code Amendments will rely on whether key opponents of these policies (namely the development industry) can be successfully swayed to support the policy.

Given the Planning and Design Code is now in place, it is unclear how Green Adelaide proposes to encourage the protection of trees and incentivise greening of private land through the planning system? Clarity around this would be beneficial.

The nominal contribution amount that is set for Urban Tree Fund contributions allows developers to opt out of planting trees and provide a minimal financial contribution which does not cover the whole of life cost of planting and maintaining a tree, nor does it reflect the overall benefit/value of trees for the community such as amenity and cooling. This highlights an opportunity for, and Council encourages, Green Adelaide to work with the development sector and other policy influencers to increase the prescribed contribution amount, or explore other incentives that may be more cost effective in encouraging the establishment and retention of trees in urban infill development contexts.

Focus Area: G3 Identify priority locations for improved urban greening and define what success looks like in different contexts.

The Administration has already prepared strategies to identify areas of greatest need of urban greening within City of West Torrens.

When it comes to developing the annual implementation plan for this Focus area, Council sees itself as a key stakeholder, or indeed a partner, and would expect to be consulted and/or provided with recognition of previous strategic work undertaken in this regard.

Example Outcome Indicators (presented in the summary document supporting the consultation)

*Tree canopy and green cover increases
Reduction of localised heat islands*

It should be made clear what Green Adelaide has actually contributed toward the achievement of any indicators (such as tree canopy and green cover increases and reduction of localised heat islands) over and above existing programs and investment by councils and other bodies, e.g. Green Adelaide contributed funding of \$x toward the planting of 'X' number of trees delivered by Council and Environmental NGOs, this has resulted in a X%, or Xm², reduction in identified localised heat islands.

Priority 5 - Fauna, flora and ecosystem health in the urban environment

The concept of 'wilding' may present some challenges if required to be implemented in streetscapes in medium to high density urban environments, particularly following the introduction of the Planning and Design Code.

The term 'wilding' is unclear. If 'wilding' refers to restoring native species and local native habitats, consideration needs to be given to the impact on urban cooling as it could prove counter-productive. The premise that all vegetation necessarily equals cooling is challenged in cases where native plants use less water and therefore also do not generate the same quantum of cooling benefits through the process of evapotranspiration. Therefore the cooling and wilding priorities may be somewhat in competition.

Furthermore, in urban areas there needs to be a balance between rewilding vs asset management due to potential for significant damage to local government assets such as footpaths, kerb and guttering due to tree roots causing lifting and cracking, etc. This has ramifications for maintenance costs, and usually leads to removal of trees at the time that they are beginning to provide the most benefit (due to reaching mature canopy size). As an example, Callistemon (Bottlebrush) trees are no longer planted within City of West Torrens following cost benefit analysis due to their potential to damage civil infrastructure.

To this end the project, "Street Trees for Challenging Places" developed by City of West Torrens with grant funding from Green Adelaide seeks to identify species that work well within the constraints of the limited space available for retrofitting trees in the urban realm, particularly where increased densities are allowed through new policy introduced by the State Government to encourage further infill development. The adoption of such an initiative by Green Adelaide would be a useful approach.

Priority 6- Controlling Pest Plants and Animals

When relevant provisions of the Natural Resource Management Act were replaced with provisions of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*, council staff authorisations to respond to Caltrop were removed and any queries in relation to this are now directed to Green Adelaide.

Priority 7 – Nature Education

Goal: Community members value, connect with and are stewards for nature.

Focus area: Raise awareness and build capacity about Aboriginal cultural knowledge, values and lore.

Council acknowledges the established relationships that Green Adelaide (and the Administrative delivery arm through DEW) has with the Kurna people and sees this as an area in which Green Adelaide's specialised knowledge, skills and collaboration can benefit councils to enhance awareness.

Survey Question 3a - Which of Green Adelaide's roles will add most value to Council? (The six roles from the plan are listed below)

1. *Facilitate research, data and knowledge sharing*
2. *Provide education and capacity building*
3. *Deliver on-ground practical action (e.g. iconic projects such as Breakout Creek)*
4. *Shape legislation and policy (e.g. influence planning reforms)*
5. *Inspire community love of nature e.g. School nature Education Programs*
6. *Provide Financial Incentives (e.g. Grassroots and council grants)*

Providing financial incentives through grant and funding programs greatly assists on-ground work and actions undertaken by Council. Ideally, Green Adelaide would have greater influence over the shaping of legislation and policy, e.g. to have secured policy to promote WSUD and BSUD through the Planning and Design Code would have been a positive result. Council also sees a role for Green Adelaide in facilitating data sharing- provided that original sources are duly acknowledged.

Survey Question 3b - Are there any other roles that Green Adelaide should be undertaking?

Green Adelaide is in a unique position to assist leveraging wider state funding to assist with delivery of outcomes included in the seven key priority areas, as well as influencing other state government agencies/departments on issues where there is overlap.

The experience of Water Sensitive SA, having developed leading practice planning policy to include WSUD considerations in the first iteration of the Phase 2 Planning and Design Code, only to have these revoked due to political pressure from competing development/property industry groups, suggests that there is a role for Green Adelaide in understanding the development industry sector and influencing this powerful lobby group to embrace the principles of the Regional Landscape Plan (such as a commitment to WSUD and BSUD), once it is finalised.

Survey Question 4. - What can Green Adelaide do to ensure their partnerships are as effective and meaningful as possible e.g. align budget cycles, liaise at different organisational levels, use a particular communication channel etc.?

- Consider the reporting and Council meeting agenda timelines for councils when seeking consultation feedback.
- Align budgeting and grant rounds with council budget and planning cycles.
- Initiate and coordinate regional projects that cross council boundaries.
- Identify a specific officer who is the contact point for a specific project (e.g. River Torrens Recovery Project) and clearly communicating roles and responsibilities.

Survey Question 5 - Green Adelaide has proposed some examples of potential multi-year, large scale and multi-partner iconic projects (see page 6):

- Rewilding our rivers and coastlines.
Note: Already underway - Breakout Creek Stage 3 (River Torrens) (\$12 million partnership project with the Federal Government, Planning and Development Fund, SA Water and the Cities of West Torrens and Charles Sturt).
- Greening our streets and backyards.
- Making Adelaide a National Park City.
- Reigniting culture.

Survey Question 5a - Would council be interested in partnering with Green Adelaide to plan and deliver any of these? Which ones? How?

Only with appropriate State funding and not if the partnering results in cost-shifting.

Survey Question 5b - Does your organisation/group have any other ideas for iconic projects?

Not at this point.

Survey Question 6 - Does council have any other feedback on the Plan?

- The Plan is a high level document much like Council's own Community Plan. It is understood that the detailed implementation will be contained in annual business plans. As such, Council expects to be involved as a partner in developing these plans.
- Much of the Plan outcomes rely on partnerships between Green Adelaide, local government, state government, businesses and community groups. However, the nature of these partnerships and the roles of each of the stakeholders is not clear in the Plan. This is evident in a number of key priorities and one of the areas where this has proven problematic in the past is in the management of the River Torrens. The Plan states:
 - *"The responsibility for managing Adelaide's water resources is shared by all landholders, including state government, local councils, businesses and individuals. This shared responsibility adds unique challenges and complexity to achieving an integrated 'hills-to-sea' approach to urban water management"*

Without clear roles and responsibilities being established, the issues currently experienced by Council in relation to governance of the River Torrens will continue to be an issue and other aspects of the Plan may be similarly affected. This includes concerns relating to potential cost shifting to Local Government regardless of the fact that this Council, i.e. its ratepayers, alone contributes approximately \$1.5 - \$1.6m to Green Adelaide in levies each year.

- Council has engaged with the previous NRM Board and Green Adelaide with varying degrees of success in terms of levels of service, collaboration and partnership approaches. Given there appears to be a greater emphasis on whole of region coordination and governance, a more consistent approach is needed to ensure all parties benefit from the collaboration.

- A number of the key focus areas appear to duplicate work already being undertaken and funded by Local Government. For example, in the Green Streets and Flourishing Parklands priority area, one of the focus areas is to "drive coordinated, accelerated greening of streetscapes and public spaces". It is unclear what role Green Adelaide will take to enhance work already being completed or whether it will simply report on the outcomes.
- There must be a fair and equitable distribution of grant funding and that the costs, resources and work associated with delivering the Plan is shared equitably among the key groups including State Government, Local Government and industry sectors. Given that the planning reform process has resulted in an inequitable allocation of responsibility for issues such as open space and greening to Local Government and that it provides little requirement for the development industry to pull its weight, Council fears that without legislative triggers, the Plan will also result in most of the burden falling on Local Government.
- The Plan contains examples of five yearly outcome indicators which will form the basis of a Performance Framework. Such examples include:
 - Tree canopy and green cover
 - Uptake of WSUD and BSUD in new development

These indicators need to have targets otherwise it will be difficult to determine the success of the Plan. These indicators also need to identify what each sector has contributed to the investment and progress towards delivering the Plan outcomes.

- In 2013 State Government released WSUD Policy and water management and quality targets to be met by councils. One of the key mechanisms identified for feeding this into planning policy was to have these targets included in councils Development Plans by 2014. While it was hoped that the Planning and Design Code would provide an opportunity to introduce a consistent and best practice approach to this, it appears that (in the first iteration at least) policy in regard to WSUD may have actually gone backwards, especially for those councils that were previously leading the way. Only time will tell whether any developers will invest in WSUD without any strong policy triggers that require it.
- Council notes that Green Adelaide is the key sponsor of Water Sensitive SA and recognises the importance of Water Sensitive SA's role in capacity building to influence uptake of WSUD in the urban realm.
- Council acknowledges the efforts of Green Adelaide, via Water Sensitive SA, to develop leading practice policy and attempts to influence provisions in the Planning and Design Code, with respect to tree plantings and green space requirements on private allotments at the development application stage. It is unfortunate that through the political process certain sectors have had more influence on the direction of policy and, so, the policy that had been suggested was largely removed. This suggests that Green Adelaide's efforts need to be focused at the political level and working closely with political influencers, such as peak industry groups, to establish what incentives are required to encourage uptake.

Although, ultimately overpowered by the interests of other industries, the efforts of Water Sensitive SA to develop evidence-based professionally prepared WSUD and BSUD policy to inform the Planning and Design Code are acknowledged.

- The Plan includes a number of key focus areas to improve outcomes on private land. These include WSUD, BSUD and increasing tree canopy. Some of these outcomes are predicated in influencing planning reform. However, as the Planning and Design Code is already live, it is unclear how this will occur. In addition, encouraging, incentivising and motivating industry is a cornerstone of improving these outcomes. As has been evident during the planning reform process, industry has pushed back on any components which reduce the site area available for building i.e. rainwater tanks, deep root zones etc. on the basis that it increases the cost of building to the consumer. Unless there is a financial incentive to include these aspects, it is unlikely that there will be any uptake by the development industry.

17.3 Local Government Nominations to the Environment Protection Authority Board

Brief

This Report seeks nomination to the Environment Protection Authority Board.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended to Council that:

1.be nominated to the Environment Protection Authority Board.

Or

2. The report be received.

Introduction

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) Board is responsible for the governance, strategic planning and pursuit of the EPA's objective, namely to protect human health and the environment by reducing the harmful effects of pollution and waste.

The Local Government Association (LGA) is seeking nomination for suitably qualified council members or employees of a council, or other local government entity, to fill a position with a term of 3 years commencing 8 August 2021 (**Attachment 1**).

Discussion

The EPA Board main functions are to:

- Help protect, restore and enhance the environment;
- Risk-based regulation of pollution, waste, noise and radiation;
- Work closely with industry, community and government;
- Develop guidelines and codes of practice; and
- Administer the *Environment Protection Act 1993*, *Radiation Protection and Control Act 1982* and *Plastic Shopping Bags (Waste Avoidance) Act 2008*.

Qualifications

This appointment is open to both employees and Elected Members provided that there is a resolution of Council in support. However, the selection criteria which must be addressed by any applicant are as follows:

- Local government knowledge and experience;
- Senior officer or well-connected elected member;
- A working knowledge of the *Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2016* and EPA operations relevant to local government; and
- Proposed approach to engaging with the LGA as a local government nominee to an outside Board.

These qualifications are outlined in the Call for Nominations (**Attachment 2**), noting that although the form references being "*page 1 of 2*" only one page was provided by the LGA.

Term and Appointment

Appointment to the EPA Board is for a term of 3 years commencing 8 August 2021. There are two LGA nominated positions on the EPA Board currently held by Dr Helen McDonald (Clare and Gilbert Valleys) and Mark Withers (Port Adelaide Enfield). Mr Withers's term expires on 7 August 2021, and he is eligible for re-appointment.

Remuneration and meeting frequency

The Board meets eleven (11) times per year, generally on the morning of the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at the EPA offices in Victoria Square, Adelaide (on-line attendance available). Sitting fees of \$24,000 pa are paid.

Nomination process

The *Environment Protection Regulations 2009* requires the LGA to provide a panel of three nominees from which the Minister will select the appointee. In accordance with section 36A of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1915* the panel of nominees must include at least one male and one female.

Only nominations submitted by a council, following a resolution of council, will be considered.

Nominations are required to be submitted by the LGA by close of business **Monday 24 May 2021** and must include:

- A completed nomination form (**Attachment 4**);
- A response to the selection criteria (no more than 2 pages); and
- An up-to-date Curriculum Vitae.

Climate Impact Considerations

(Assessment of likely positive or negative implications of this decision will assist Council and the West Torrens Community to build resilience and adapt to the challenges created by a changing climate.)

There is no direct climate impact in relation to this report, although the EPA Board does work directly with projects which have climate impact considerations.

Conclusion

This report seeks nominations to the Environment Protection Authority Board.

Attachments

1. **Environment Protection Authority Board - nominations sought**
2. **Call for Nominations (Part A)**
3. **Nomination Form (Part B)**



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Environment Protection Authority Board - nominations sought



30th March 2021

The LGA is seeking nominations for a local government member on the Environment Protection Authority Board for a term commencing on 8 August 2021.

Environment Protection Authority Board

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) Board is a statutory corporation/body corporate to which the provisions of the [Environment Protection Act 1993](#) apply.

The Board is responsible for the governance, strategic planning and pursuit of the Authority's objective, namely to protect human health and the environment by reducing the harmful effects of pollution and waste.

The LGA is seeking nominations from suitably qualified council members, or employees of a council or of a local government entity, to fill a position with a term of 3 years commencing 8 August 2021.

There are two LGA nominated positions on the EPA Board currently held by Dr Helen McDonald (Clare and Gilbert Valleys) and Mark Withers (Port Adelaide Enfield). Mr Withers' term expires on 7 August 2021, and he is eligible for re-appointment.

The Board meets eleven (11) times per year, generally on the morning of the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at the EPA offices in Victoria Square, Adelaide (on-line attendance available). Sitting fees of \$24,000 pa are paid.

The [Environment Protection Regulations 2009](#) requires the LGA to provide a panel of three nominees from which the Minister will select the appointee. In accordance with section 36A of the [Acts Interpretation Act 1915](#) the panel of nominees must include at least one male and one female.

In accordance with the [LGA Appointments and Nominations to Outside Bodies Policy](#) (Policy) establishes the Nominations Committee of the LGA Board of Directors which may undertake preliminary consideration of nominees and make recommendations to the LGA Board of Directors. In this case it may undertake interviews and request the details of referees of shortlisted candidates.

LGA nominations on Outside Bodies will, unless determined otherwise by the LGA Board of Directors, be currently serving council members or employees of a council or other local government entity. Only nominations submitted by a council, following a resolution of council, will be considered.

The Policy also enables the LGA Secretariat to maintain a Nominees Database, which will record the details of nominees who agree to be considered for other vacancies for a period of 12 months based on the nominee's preferences. The *Nomination Form* (Part B below) asks nominees whether they want to be listed on the database.

How to nominate

The [Call for Nominations Information Sheet \(Part A\)](#) provides further information regarding the role, as well as any selection criteria to be addressed by the nominee.

The nominee and council are required to complete the [Nomination Form \(Part B\)](#) and forward to nominationscoordinator@lga.sa.gov.au by **COB Monday 24 May 2021**.

An up-to-date Curriculum Vitae and a response to the selection criteria (no more than 2 pages) must be supplied by the nominee – these may be submitted with the Nomination Form or forwarded separately by **COB Monday 24 May 2021**.

For further information please contact the Nominations Coordinator at nominationscoordinator@lga.sa.gov.au or 8224 2031.



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PART A

LGA Appointments and Nominations to Outside Bodies — Call for Nominations

Environment Protection Authority Board	
Governing Statute (if applicable)	Section 14B <i>Environment Protection Act 1993</i>
Purpose/Objective	The Board, amongst other things, is responsible for the governance, strategic planning and pursuit of the Authority's objective, namely to protect human health and the environment by reducing the harmful effects of pollution and waste.
Administrative Details	<p>Eleven (11) meetings held per year generally on the morning of the 2nd Tuesday of the month.</p> <p>Meetings are held at the EPA offices in Victoria Square, Adelaide with on-line attendance available.</p> <p>Annual remuneration is \$24,000.</p>
Selection Criteria (to be addressed by applicant)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local government knowledge and experience • Senior officer or well-connected elected member • A working knowledge of the Litter and Nuisance Control Act and EPA operations relevant to local government • Proposed approach to engaging with the LGA as a local government nominee to an outside Board.
<p><i>In accordance with the LGA Appointments and Nominations to Outside Bodies Policy, selection for appointment or nomination to this Outside Body may include the conducting of interviews and checking of referees by the LGA. By applying, the applicant accepts that the LGA may request an interview and/or the details of referees.</i></p>	
<p>Liability and indemnity cover</p> <p><i>The LGA requires that persons appointed to Outside Bodies be appropriately insured throughout the period of their appointment and seeks to collect details of the insurances provided by the Outside Body on an annual basis.</i></p>	
<p>For more information contact: LGA Nominations Coordinator at nominationscoordinator@lga.sa.gov.au or 8224 2031</p>	



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PART B

LGA Appointments and Nominations to Outside Bodies — Nomination Form

Instructions

This form:

- *Must be submitted by a council*
- *Must be emailed in PDF format to nominationscoordinator@lga.sa.gov.au*
- *Receipt of nomination will be acknowledged by return email*
- *CV and response to selection criteria (if applicable) may be emailed separately by the nominee and will be treated confidentially*

This nomination form fulfils the requirements of the LGAs Appointments and Nominations to Outside Bodies Policy, [available here](#).

SECTION 1 to be completed by Council, SECTION 2 to be completed by Nominee.

Please refer to the *Call for Nominations* information sheet (Form: PART A) for details of the Outside Body and the selection criteria to be met by the nominee.

SECTION 1: COUNCIL to complete

Environment Protection Authority Board	
Council Details	
Name of Council submitting the nomination	
Contact details of council officer submitting this form	Name: Position: Email: Phone:
Council meeting minute reference and date	
Nominee Full Name	
elected member <input type="checkbox"/> OR employee of council <input type="checkbox"/> OR employee of local government entity <input type="checkbox"/>	
<i>Note: by submitting this nomination council is recommending the nominee is suitable for the role.</i>	



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PART B

SECTION 2: NOMINEE to complete

Environment Protection Authority Board			
Nominee Details			
Name in full		Gender	
Home / Postal Address			
Phone		Mobile	
Personal email			
Why are you interested in this role?			
CV	attached <input type="checkbox"/> OR forwarding separately <input type="checkbox"/>		
Response to selection criteria (if applicable) <i>Please refer to the Call for Nominations information sheet for the selection criteria to be addressed.</i>	<i>Nominee to provide response to selection criteria (of no more than 2 pages) for consideration by the LGA Board of Directors.</i> attached <input type="checkbox"/> OR forwarding separately <input type="checkbox"/>		
Do you agree for your details to be retained on the LGA Nominees Database for a period of 12 months in order to be considered for other vacancies on Outside Bodies? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> OR No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please list any fields of interest or Outside Bodies of interest: • _____			
Undertaking: <i>The LGA Board resolved in January 2015 to ensure that appointees to external Boards and Committees remain current local government members or officers. If you leave local government for any reason during the term of your appointment, are you prepared to resign your appointment if requested to do so by the LGA?</i> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
Signature of Nominee: _____			

17.4 2021 Local Government Association Ordinary General Meeting - Approval of Voting Delegate

Brief

This report seeks approval of the voting delegate for the Local Government Association Ordinary General Meeting to be held on 30 April 2021 at the National Wine Centre.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended to Council that:

1. West Torrens Council's voting delegate to the 2021 Local Government Association Ordinary General Meeting be Mayor Michael Coxon, with Deputy Mayor Jassmine Wood as proxy in the absence of Mayor Michael Coxon;
2. Council approves the attendance of Mayor Michael Coxon, or Cr Jassmine Wood as proxy in her capacity as Deputy Mayor, to the 2021 Local Government Association Ordinary General Meeting on 30 April 2021.

Introduction

The Local Government Association's (LGA) 2021 Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) will be held on Friday 30 April 2021 at the National Wine Centre.

Discussion

The LGA OGM will be held with reduced numbers to comply with relevant COVID-19 restrictions. As such, each council may only nominate one voting delegate and the Chief Executive Officer (or their proxies) to attend the meeting in person. It is proposed that the voting delegate be Mayor Michael Coxon with the Deputy Mayor (Cr Jassmine Wood) as proxy in the Mayor's absence.

The Agenda and Papers have been released for the meeting (**Attachment 1**).

Climate Impact Considerations

(Assessment of likely positive or negative implications of this decision will assist Council and the West Torrens Community to build resilience and adapt to the challenges created by a changing climate.)

There are no Climate Impact Considerations relevant to this report.

Conclusion

This report seeks approval of Council's voting delegate to the Local Government Association Ordinary General Meeting to be held on 30 April 2021 at the National Wine Centre.

Attachments

1. **LGA Ordinary General Meeting - Agenda and Papers**



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Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the LGA Ordinary General Meeting will be held on

Friday 30 April 2021 at 11.00am

**In Hickinbotham Hall, National Wine Centre of Australia
Corner of Botanic and Hackney Roads, Adelaide**

**Matt Pinnegar
Chief Executive Officer**

30 March 2021



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Nil.	
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The 2021 LGA Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday 29 October at a venue to be confirmed.	
11. Close	

5.1 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 29 October 2020

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Meeting	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021
ECM:	719815	Attachment: 698093

Recommendation

That the Ordinary General Meeting confirms the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 29 October 2020 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings held.

Discussion

An Annual General Meeting of the membership was held on 29 October 2020. The draft minutes are attached for confirmation as to their accuracy.

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Draft Minutes of the LGA Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 29 October 2020 at 11.00am at Woodville Town Hall, 76 Woodville Road, Woodville South

1. Open & Welcome

The President opened the meeting at 11:00am and welcomed members and staff.

Present:

President	Mayor Sam Telfer
Chief Executive Officer	Matt Pinnegar
Executive Director Public Affairs	Lisa Teburea
Records Management & Projects Coordinator (Minutes)	Astrid Crago
Executive Assistant to the CEO & President (E-voting)	Ashlea Lyall
Human Resources and Administration Coordinator (E-voting)	Sarah Ryan

Member Councils (voting delegates):

City of Adelaide	Coorong District Council
Adelaide Hills Council	Copper Coast Council
Adelaide Plains Council	District Council of Elliston
Alexandrina Council	The Flinders Ranges Council
The Barossa Council	District Council of Franklin Harbour
Barunga West Council	Town of Gawler
Berri Barmera Council	Regional Council of Goyder
City of Burnside	District Council of Grant
Campbelltown City Council	City of Holdfast Bay
City of Charles Sturt	District Council of Karoonda East Murray
Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council	District Council of Kimba
District Council of Cleve	Kingston District Council
District Council of Coober Pedy	Light Regional Council

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District Council of Loxton Waikerie	City of Prospect
City of Marion	Renmark Paringa Council
Mid Murray Council	District Council of Robe
City of Mitcham	City of Salisbury
Mount Barker District Council	Southern Mallee District Council
City of Mount Gambier	District Council of Streaky Bay
District Council of Mount Remarkable	Tatiara District Council
Rural City of Murray Bridge	City of Tea Tree Gully
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	District Council of Tumby Bay
Northern Areas Council	City of Unley
City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters	City of Victor Harbor
City of Onkaparinga	Wakefield Regional Council
District Council of Orroroo/Carrieton	Town of Walkerville
District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula	Wattle Range Council
City of Playford	City of West Torrens
City of Port Adelaide Enfield	City of Whyalla
Port Augusta City Council	Wudinna District Council
City of Port Lincoln	District Council of Yankalilla

2. Apologies

District Council of Ceduna	Port Pirie Regional Council
Kangaroo Island Council	Municipal Council of Roxby Downs
District Council of Peterborough	Yorke Peninsula Council

3. Notices & Arrangements

The Executive Director Public Affairs outlined the notices and arrangements for the meeting.

4. President's Address

The President provided a verbal report. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

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5. Minutes of Previous Meeting

5.1 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 31 October 2019

Moved Light Seconded Tatiara that the Annual General Meeting confirms the minutes of the Annual General meeting held on 31 October 2019 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings held.

Carried

5.2 Resolutions and Actions from Previous Meetings

Moved Victor Harbor Seconded Campbelltown that the Annual General Meeting notes progress with resolutions resulting from the Annual General Meeting of 31 October 2019 and outstanding resolutions from earlier general meetings.

Carried

6. LGA Business

6.1 LGA Annual Report 2019-2020

Moved Unley Seconded Kimba that the Annual General Meeting receives and adopts the Local Government Association of South Australia's Annual Report for the year 2019-2020.

Carried

6.2 Financial Statements 2019/20

Director Corporate Services Andrew Wroniak provided an overview of the Financial Statements.

Moved Northern Areas Seconded Gawler that the Annual General Meeting receives and adopts the LGA of SA and controlled entities Financial Statements for the year 2019/20.

Carried

6.3 Annual Reports of LGA Committees

Chair of the GAROC Committee, Mayor Karen Redman presented the GAROC Annual Report to members.

Chair of the SAROC Committee, Mayor Erika Vickery presented the SAROC Annual Report to members.

Moved Mid Murray Seconded Grant that the Annual General Meeting notes the Annual Reports for the year 2019-2020 of the following Committees established under the LGA Constitution:

- a) Greater Adelaide Regional Organisation of Councils (GAROC)
- b) South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils (SAROC)

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- c) CEO Advisory Group
- d) Audit and Risk Committee

Carried

6.4 LGASA Mutual Annual Report 2019/20

On behalf of the chair, Ms Dascia Bennett, Independent Member of LGASA Mutual, presented the Annual Report to members.

Moved Naracoorte Lucindale Seconded Campbelltown that the Annual General Meeting receives and notes the LGASA Mutual Annual Report for the year 2019-2020.

Carried

6.5 LGA Procurement Annual Report

The Chair of LGA Procurement, Mayor David O'Loughlin, presented the Annual Report to members.

Moved Light Seconded Whyalla that the Annual General Meeting receives and notes the LGA Procurement Annual Report for the year 2019-2020.

Carried

6.6 Local Government Research and Development Scheme

Moved Northern Areas Seconded Yankalilla that the Annual General Meeting notes the report.

Carried

6.7 LGA Advocacy Update

Moved Goyder Seconded Salisbury that the Annual General Meeting notes the report.

Carried

6.8 LGA Member Services Update

Moved Barunga West Seconded Wattle Range that the Annual General Meeting notes the report.

Carried

6.9 Local Government Functional Support Group (LGFSG)

The President thanked the Secretariat for their work in supporting the LGFSG over the last 12 months.

Moved Alexandrina Seconded Franklin Harbour that the Annual General Meeting notes the report on the Local Government Functional Support Group.

Carried

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6.10 Pricing Methodology and Pricing Schedule

Moved Mid Murray Seconded Wudinna that the Annual General Meeting notes the report.

Carried**6.11 Local Government Financial Indicators 2020**

Moved Northern Areas Seconded Wakefield Regional that the Annual General Meeting notes the report.

Carried**6.12 LGA Board and Committee Member Allowances and Expenses Policy**

Charles Sturt Mayor Angela Evans declared a perceived conflict of interest and left the meeting.

Moved Mid Murray Seconded Light that the Annual General Meeting adopts the attached revised Board and Committee Member Allowances and Expenses Policy.

Lost

12.19pm Mayor Evans returned to the meeting.

6.13 SAROC and GAROC Terms of Reference

Moved Gawler Seconded Naracoorte Lucindale that the Annual General Meeting ratifies the LGA SAROC Terms of Reference (effective 8 January 2020) and LGA GAROC Terms of Reference (effective 23 July 2020).

Carried**7. Recommendation Reports from the SAROC Committee****7.1 Attendance at Meetings by electronic means (Victor Harbor)**

Moved Victor Harbor Seconded Campbelltown that the Annual General Meeting requests the Local Government Association to lobby to the State Government or the Minister for Planning and Local Government to review the *Local Government Act 1999* and *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013* to include provisions for Council Members to attend Meetings and Informal Gatherings by electronic means.

Carried**7.2 Solid Waste Levy (Berri Barmera)**

Moved Berri Barmera Seconded Charles Sturt that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to:

1. continue to advocate for 50% of the monies accumulated in the Green Industry Fund (collected from council contributions to the Solid Waste Levy) be committed back to local government for worthwhile waste,

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- recycling and resource recovery endeavours that support the transition towards a more circular economy;
2. advocate that State Government commit to a guaranteed minimum level of reinvestment of the Solid Waste Levy in the waste, recycling and resource recovery sector;
 3. advocate for State Government to conduct ongoing research and development in collaboration with local government and other stakeholders into;
 - a. alternative waste technologies that support the upper end of the waste hierarchy and strategies such as organics composting for food waste;
 - b. kerbside collection technologies/strategies to incentivise households to maximise recycling rates and minimise the amount of general waste going to landfill; and
 - c. Green Industries SA to expand its Waste Education/Awareness campaign to provide clear messaging on recycling and organic waste strategies to help the South Australian community.

Carried

7.3 Recycling Services and better support for regional communities in the disposal and management of recycling (Wattle Range)

Moved Wattle Range Seconded Robe that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to:

1. advocate on behalf of all councils with State Government on the challenges of managing recycling and resource recovery in South Australia;
2. ask State Government to direct Green Industries SA to work more closely with local government and businesses in the development of sustainable long-term options and 'on the ground solutions' to support the transition towards a circular economy, including making a lot more funding available; and
3. advocate for a substantial increase in the level of State Government funding in the waste and resource recovery infrastructure program.

Carried

8. Recommendation Reports from the GAROC Committee

8.1 Family and Domestic Violence training, education and development (Adelaide)

Moved Adelaide Seconded Burnside that the Annual General Meeting requests that the LGA:

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1. consults with member councils to determine what resources and programs currently exist to support employees and/or members of their communities impacted by Family and Domestic Violence, and identify any further resources which should be developed;
2. liaises with the State and Federal Government to explore partnership opportunities to support the local government sector in providing consistent, best practice support and education to employees on matters relating to Family and Domestic Violence; and
3. based on the outcomes of those investigations, develops a training and education package:
 - that can be implemented by leaders in the sector, to assist them in identifying when an employee may be in a Family and Domestic Violence situation and how they can assist in connecting them to supporting mechanisms; and
 - that could be provided to employees (possibly delivered by leaders) on Family and Domestic Violence.

Carried

12.43pm leave of the meeting was granted to the President to adjourn the meeting to hear an address from the Deputy Premier, the Hon. Vickie Chapman MP.

1.12pm the meeting resumed.

8.2 Native Vegetation Act and Policy for SEB Guidelines (Playford)

Moved Playford Seconded Salisbury that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to:

1. investigate the Native Vegetation Act 1991 (SA), the Native Vegetation Regulations 2017 (SA) and relevant guidelines to consider, in particular, the effect that it has on:
 - a) road safety and function; and
 - b) cost implications to councils across the state; and
2. prepare a report for the LGA Board of Directors on the outcomes of the investigation (in part 1) to inform future advocacy to the State Government on matters relating to the management of Native Vegetation.

Carried

8.3 Collaborative development of a trial local government sector framework and approach fostering greater cross council collaboration and co-funding of shared social and other facilities and infrastructure (Adelaide)

Moved Adelaide Seconded Marion that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to work with interested councils to:

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1. develop a framework and approach fostering greater cross council collaboration and co-funding of social and other facilities and infrastructure which support communities across multiple council areas; and
2. provide materials and resources to support councils seeking partnership and cofunding arrangements with State and Federal Governments as well as private and non-government sector organisations to support such facilities and infrastructure.

Lost**8.4 Aluminium Composite Panel Cladding (Salisbury)**

Moved Salisbury Seconded Gawler that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA on behalf of the whole local government sector to make representations to the State Government in relation to the proposed measure to increase purchaser protection for Aluminium Composite Cladding, and to:

1. support the use of an advisory notice on the Property Interest Report for landowners and potential purchasers to take reasonable steps to determine if ACP has been identified on buildings;
2. support that an obligation is placed on the owner of land to make ACP cladding a formal disclosure on the Form 1 Statement; and
3. request that consideration be given for a campaign to increase the general awareness of purchasers on the appropriate use of materials in a building.

Carried**8.5 Regulation 119 of the Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017 (Salisbury)**

Moved Salisbury Seconded Gawler that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA on behalf of the whole local government sector:

1. make the strongest possible representations to state government opposing their variation to Regulation 119 of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017*; and
2. write to and meet with all parties in the state parliament to urge them to disallow the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Planning and Development Fund) Variation Regulations 2020*.

Carried

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9. Recommendation Reports from the LGA Board of Directors

9.1 State of Climate Emergency (Gawler)

Moved Gawler Seconded Salisbury that the Annual General Meeting requests:

1. that the LGA recognise the climate crisis and declare a Climate Emergency;
2. that the LGA develop an LGA Climate Emergency Action Plan (CEAP) in partnership with its member councils (in relation to its operations and its leadership role);
3. that the LGA CEAP primarily focuses on mitigation through reduction of GHG emissions but it also focuses on adaptation and climate safety for local communities;
4. the LGA develop a model CEAP in partnership with interested member councils for use by member councils throughout the state; and
5. any work to be undertaken by the LGA should complement, add value, build upon what is already happening, and not duplicate the work of the Climate Emergency Australia (Local Government) Network.

Amendment Moved Port Lincoln Seconded Franklin Harbour that the Annual General Meeting requests:

1. that the LGA recognise the climate crisis and declare a Climate Emergency for at risk communities;
2. that the LGA develop an LGA Climate Emergency Action Plan (CEAP) in partnership with its member councils (in relation to its operations and its leadership role);
3. that the LGA CEAP primarily focuses on mitigation through reduction of GHG emissions but it also focuses on adaptation and climate safety for local communities; and
4. the LGA develop a model CEAP in partnership with interested member councils for use by member councils throughout the state.

The Amendment was **lost**

The original Motion was put and **lost**

9.2 Voter Roll Process (MRLGA)

Moved Berri Barmera Seconded Alexandrina that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to continue to advocate for a simplified process for non-resident property owners to enrol on Council's voters roll either through an online and/or automatic process and removing the requirement to purge the voters roll in the year of the ordinary election.

Carried

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9.3 Catastrophic Fire Days Community Relief Centres (Cool Refuge Centre) (Port Lincoln)

Moved Port Lincoln Seconded Tumby Bay that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA continue to work with appropriate agencies in developing a Joint Operating Guideline to clarify local government roles and responsibilities in supporting a relief centre (cool refuge centre) for communities during times of extreme heat and catastrophic fire danger, particularly when mains power may not be available.

Carried

9.4 Installation of Sea-Level Gauge at O'Sullivan Beach (Adelaide Plains)

2.20pm Salisbury left the meeting.

Moved Adelaide Plains Seconded Port Lincoln that the Annual General Meeting requests that the LGA continue to lobby for and contribute to an improved national approach to sea level rise management and consider moving to a 'monitor and respond' model of adaptation that incorporates local sea level science.

Carried

9.5 'Buying it Back' Circular Procurement Pilot Project – recommendations for local government

Moved Alexandrina Seconded Holdfast Bay that the Annual General Meeting:

1. acknowledges the outcomes, learnings and support materials from the 'Buying it Back' Circular Procurement Pilot Project that has supported participating councils to increase and track their purchase of recycled content;
2. endorses the following recommendations of the 'Buying it Back' Circular Procurement Pilot Project, that LGA member councils:
 - 2.1 acknowledge that local government action is imperative for addressing the current challenges in waste and recycling (as detailed in the National Waste Policy Action Plan and including the implications of the impending national waste export ban);
 - 2.2 commit to increasing purchasing of recycled-content material as a high priority and as a necessary method of mitigating councils' rising waste management costs;
 - 2.3 amend their existing Procurement Policies to:
 - a) Temporarily (say, for 5 years) prioritise recycled-content through the procurement process and include a method of ensuring accountability;
 - b) Mandate consideration of recycled-content through design and planning processes (including where panel contracts are already in place);

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- c) Specifically permit consideration of the "opportunity cost" associated with a purchase (ie. instead of only asking "which product is most sustainable?", also ask "what will happen to the materials if I don't purchase the recycled-content option?");
 - d) Encourage councils to track the purchase of recycled-content by weight and report publicly on purchases;
- 2.4 in addition to amending existing Procurement Policies, consider implementing an administrative approach outside of the policy, for example, by limiting stationery items available for purchase by council staff to those with recycled-content (noting that this approach can make data collection easier as all purchases will have recycled-content and simply need to be collated);
- 2.5 continue working through communities of practice to share knowledge and experiences of buying recycled and to explore and/or support development of a certification scheme for recycled-content products and materials;
3. endorses the LGA writing to the Commissioner for Roads as provided for in sections 23 and 24 of the Highways Act 1926 to request that work be undertaken with engineering bodies and/or Austroads to develop a generic (ie non-industry owned) specification that allows for the use of recycled-content in road construction materials (in particular, materials sourced from yellow bins including plastic and glass fines).

Carried

2.28pm Unley left the meeting.

10. Late Reports

Nil.

11. Next Meeting

An Ordinary General meeting will be held on Friday 30 April 2021 at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre, 98 Port Road, Hindmarsh.

12. Close

The President gave a closing address and welcomed the incoming President Mayor Angela Evans.

Mayor Evans addressed members.

The meeting was declared closed at 2.36pm.

President's Address to the 2020 LGA Annual General Meeting

It is my pleasure to provide the LGA President's report to the 2020 Annual General Meeting.

This will be the final report of my Presidency, and looking back on the past two years, I believe we can be proud of what we have achieved as an Association and a sector.

By working together, and with our partners in government, we have continued to build on the value we provide to our communities, in good times and bad.

The past twelve months have been a challenging period, not just for our State but also for our country and beyond.

This included our worst bushfire season in recent memory, with Kangaroo Island and the Adelaide Hills regions the hardest hit, but other SA regions and councils also affected.

Right across the State, councils stepped up providing staff and equipment to support their neighbours, through the Local Government Functional Support Group.

In total, the Functional Support Group coordinated assistance from 220 crew members across 40 councils, who worked alongside state agencies and their fellow councils to respond to the fires.

These staff worked tirelessly to create fire breaks, cart water, assess trees for safety, and support road closures.

They were the quiet achievers, working collaboratively to support a coordinated and effective response.

Facing a very different threat just months later, councils again took a collaborative approach as they responded to COVID-19.

Supported again by the Local Government Functional Support Group, local government worked with SA Health and SAPOL to monitor social distancing requirements in their communities.

The Functional Support Group also provided support and assistance to councils through operational updates, the provision of resources, representation to State agencies, and coordinating the supply of equipment.

The Local Government Functional Support Group has been a shining example of what we can achieve when we work together, and I would like to thank and acknowledge the councils that have provided staff and resources that have supported its success.

I would also like to thank the Local Government Finance Authority, who generously committed a once-off \$350,000 grant to support the operations of the Functional Support Group, which will benefit all councils.

The LGFA have long been a valued member of our local government family in South Australia, and this support demonstrates their outstanding commitment to our sector.

The coronavirus pandemic had a big impact on council operations, and the LGA worked closely with the State Government to quickly develop amendments to the Local Government Act that gave councils the flexibility they needed.



It was vital that the LGA and its members were working closely with both State and Federal government, ensuring that the local on-the-ground perspectives of communities was understood.

To facilitate this, the LGA hosted a number of online forums with decision-makers at all levels, including with Premier Marshall, various State and Federal Ministers, representatives from SA Health, and legal experts to help councils work through the myriad of challenges they were facing.

LGA advocacy resulted in \$860,000 in State Government funding for eight SA councils that run childcare centres that were impacted, as well as direct involvement in the negotiations to help ensure regional airlines servicing our major centres continued to do so.

We also partnered with the Department of Human Services to provide councils with the opportunity to apply for a share of \$500,000 for projects, led by young people, that respond to COVID-19.

The LGA has continued to work with members to develop emergency management plans through the Council Ready Program, which now has agreed action plans in place with all 68 councils.

One hundred per cent participation is an excellent achievement and indicative of the growing awareness of the important role our sector plays in emergency management.

Now that the focus has shifted from response to recovery, councils have stepped up to support households, community groups and businesses impacted by COVID-19 restrictions.

Earlier this year the LGA commissioned a report from the South Australian Centre for Economic Studies which looked at how councils could best drive economic development post COVID-19.

This report told us that bringing forward strategic infrastructure projects was the best course of action, and that's what many councils have done.

However, we can't do it alone. Councils collect just 4% of taxation, and often rely on funding partnerships to deliver large projects.

Advocacy from ALGA as well as State LGAs resulted in the announcement of a \$500 million Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program back in May, which provided councils with funding support to bring forward these big projects that will create jobs and support businesses.

We welcomed this announcement back in May, and we were thrilled to see it expanded with an additional \$1 billion in funding announced in this month's Federal Budget.

We've made submissions to the State Government for next month's budget to provide additional funds to councils for local projects that will help us to leverage this federal funding and create even more South Australian jobs and opportunities.

Throughout the year the LGA has focused on delivering value for members, through providing targeted services that meet the needs of councils and deliver cost savings.



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Our new Legal Connect Partnership with Norman Waterhouse Lawyers provides us with access to legal advice and training, and the support and resources they provided during COVID helped ensure a coordinated response.

This year the LGA worked with more than 50 councils to transition more than one hundred websites to a new Squiz platform, delivering better accessibility and functionality.

We also worked with councils, the AER and SAPN on a Public Lighting Working Group to determine new public lighting tariffs, which will save councils \$14.8 million over the next five years.

This has been a busy period for many councils – especially smaller regional councils – as they transition to a new state-wide planning system.

As a sector we are supportive of planning reforms that will deliver a better system for councils, developers and our communities, and we have worked closely with the Government, Planning Commission and members on the roll-out.

The LGA has consistently said that the errors and inconsistencies identified by councils in the Planning and Design Code need to be addressed before the roll-out is finalised.

These are once in a generation changes, and they need to be done well to give South Australia the world class planning system it deserves.

Over the past twelve months the LGA has successfully advocated for more time for consultation, training and testing, and we welcome the announcement that an additional six-week consultation period will run from next month, before the Planning and Design Code is implemented for Phase Three councils early next year.

I would like to thank and acknowledge the Attorney-General and Minister for Planning and Local Government, the Hon Vickie Chapman MP, for listening to and responding our concerns.

Finally, local government reform has been a priority for the LGA and its members for years, and over the past twelve months we have worked closely with the Government and Opposition parties to develop a legislative framework that will support increased efficiencies across our sector.

The Local Government Review Bill that is currently before the Legislative Council is the result of this work.

Many of the proposals that are in this Bill were suggested by councils, while others have been improved based on the feedback we have provided to the Government.

In its current form, the Bill has been shaped by the ideas and contributions of all parties, and I would like to acknowledge these contributions today.

I would also like to specifically thank Labor, SA Best and the Greens for standing with local government, and repeatedly voting against unnecessary and unworkable rate capping legislation that would have hurt our communities.

While we don't support every clause in this Bill, we now believe it strikes a reasonable balance between the needs of the Parliament.



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We are continuing to advocate strongly to allow councils to have more than 12 elected members if that's what their community wants.

And subject to that being achieved, we are urging all parties to support the swift passage of the Bill through the Upper House so we can start to benefit from the new processes and structures it will create.

The past two years have been a challenging but ultimately productive time for our sector, and I would like to thank all of you for the support you have provided to me.

I would also like to thank and acknowledge my fellow LGA board directors, as well as LGA CEO Matt Pinnegar and his hardworking staff.

I strongly believe local government is in a better place today than it was two years ago, but we're not done yet.

I look forward to working with our incoming President Mayor Evans and the new LGA Board on opportunities for further improvement, so that we can deliver even better value and services for the communities we represent.

Thank you.

5.2 Resolutions and Actions from Previous Meetings

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Meeting	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021
ECM:	726109	

Recommendation

That the Ordinary General Meeting notes progress with resolutions resulting from the Annual General Meeting of 29 October 2020 and outstanding resolutions from earlier general meetings.

Discussion

The attached report outlines progress of resolutions from previous general meetings of the LGA.

Proposing items of business for an LGA Ordinary or Annual General Meeting is one of the important ways that LGA member councils participate in policy development and influence the advocacy agenda for local government. The LGA uses best endeavours to achieve the outcomes sought by member councils.

Following each General Meeting the LGA Secretariat will provide a report to the LGA Board of Directors outlining a proposed course of action to progress each resolution. The actions endorsed by the LGA Board of Directors will then be incorporated into the LGA's work plan and communicated to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer of the council that submitted the original item of business. In addition to any engagement with the submitting council administration in order to adequately progress the issue, the LGA will also write to this council to provide a regular progress update until the matter is closed.

All member councils will continue to receive updates at General Meetings via this *Resolutions and Actions from Previous Meetings* report.

Where actions from the resolution as carried by the General Meeting have been completed, this noted in the report below. Where advocacy efforts are ongoing, those issues are subsequently reflected and carried forward in the LGA Advocacy Plan.



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Resolutions from the Annual General Meeting – 29 October 2020	Action Taken / Progress
<p>6.1 LGA Annual Report 2019-2020 (LT 720182) that the Annual General Meeting receives and adopts the Local Government Association of South Australia's Annual Report for the year 2019-2020.</p>	<p>The LGA Annual Report 2019-2020 was adopted at the Annual General Meeting and is published on the LGA website.</p>
<p>6.2 Financial Statements 2019/20 (AW 720076) that the Annual General Meeting receives and adopts the LGA of SA and controlled entities Financial Statements for the year 2019/20.</p>	<p>The 2019/20 financial statements have been adopted and the final version is on the LGA website.</p>
<p>6.13 SAROC and GAROC Terms of Reference (AS 720181) that the Annual General Meeting ratifies the LGA SAROC Terms of Reference (effective 8 January 2020) and LGA GAROC Terms of Reference (effective 23 July 2020).</p>	<p>The SAROC and GAROC Terms of Reference were both ratified at the Annual General Meeting on 29 October 2020 under item 6.13 of the AGM Agenda. The SAROC Terms of Reference were effective from 8 January 2020 and the GAROC Terms of Reference were effective from 23 July 2020.</p>
<p>7.1 Attendance at Meetings by electronic means (Victor Harbor) (AS 719812) that the Annual General Meeting requests the Local Government Association to lobby to the State Government or the Minister for Planning and Local Government to review the <i>Local Government Act 1999</i> and <i>Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013</i> to include provisions for Council Members to attend Meetings and Informal Gatherings by electronic means.</p>	<p>LGA has commenced consultation with the sector on the desired scope of the provisions to allow electronic attendance at meetings and any additional issues that need to be considered before it commences its advocacy efforts. The LGA recognises that the lived experiences of councils during the COVID-19 pandemic have made council members and council administration best equipped to identify governance implications that accompany electronic meetings, and what measures are best appropriate to solve those issues.</p>



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<p>7.2 Solid Waste Levy (Berri Barmera) <small>(BM 719810)</small></p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. continue to advocate for 50% of the monies accumulated in the Green Industry Fund (collected from council contributions to the Solid Waste Levy) be committed back to local government for worthwhile waste, recycling and resource recovery endeavours that support the transition towards a more circular economy; 2. advocate that State Government commit to a guaranteed minimum level of reinvestment of the Solid Waste Levy in the waste, recycling and resource recovery sector; 3. advocate for State Government to conduct ongoing research and development in collaboration with local government and other stakeholders into; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. alternative waste technologies that support the upper end of the waste hierarchy and strategies such as organics composting for food waste; b. kerbside collection technologies/strategies to incentivise households to maximise recycling rates and minimise the amount of general waste going to landfill; and 	<p>After considering input from members, the LGA will write to the Attorney-General advocating for the appropriate amendments to the <i>Local Government Act 1999</i> and <i>Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013</i> to allow council members to attend meetings and informal gatherings by electronic means.</p>
<p>The LGA uses every opportunity to strongly pursue advocacy on this issue, in line with LGA policy positions and this item of business. This matter is raised in all meetings with the Minister for Environment and Resources as well as all waste, recycling and resource recovery submissions and where relevant in other submissions (eg. climate change, planning).</p> <p>This matter was included in feedback to ALGA to inform its brief in preparation for the first meeting of the Environment Ministers in 2021.</p> <p>Advocacy on the Solid Waste Levy will feature in the LGA submissions on the forthcoming state and federal elections.</p> <p>The LGA's pre-budget correspondence to the Treasurer sought commitments aligned to the above policy positions and items of business.</p> <p>The LGA President wrote to the Minister for Environment and Water highlighting the opportunities the Recycling Modernisation Fund, present for South Australia and local government as key investors in recycling infrastructure, in relation to the national waste export ban and for COVID-19 recovery. This advocacy encouraged the state government to enter into national partnership agreement with the</p>	<p>The LGA uses every opportunity to strongly pursue advocacy on this issue, in line with LGA policy positions and this item of business. This matter is raised in all meetings with the Minister for Environment and Resources as well as all waste, recycling and resource recovery submissions and where relevant in other submissions (eg. climate change, planning).</p> <p>This matter was included in feedback to ALGA to inform its brief in preparation for the first meeting of the Environment Ministers in 2021.</p> <p>Advocacy on the Solid Waste Levy will feature in the LGA submissions on the forthcoming state and federal elections.</p> <p>The LGA's pre-budget correspondence to the Treasurer sought commitments aligned to the above policy positions and items of business.</p> <p>The LGA President wrote to the Minister for Environment and Water highlighting the opportunities the Recycling Modernisation Fund, present for South Australia and local government as key investors in recycling infrastructure, in relation to the national waste export ban and for COVID-19 recovery. This advocacy encouraged the state government to enter into national partnership agreement with the</p>



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<p>c. Green Industries SA to expand its Waste Education/Awareness campaign to provide clear messaging on recycling and organic waste strategies to help the South Australian community.</p>	<p>federal government to access the funds made available through the Recycling Modernisation Fund.</p> <p>The LGA Secretariat as a member of the Single-use plastics taskforce, consulted with local government and advised the development of the <i>Single-use and Other Plastics Product (Waste Avoidance) Act 2020</i> (SA). Supporting the change in availability to certain single-use plastics products reduces the use and disposal of single-use plastics and promotes reusable items.</p> <p>The LGA Secretariat through its role in GISA working groups and taskforces advocates for GISA to expand its waste education/awareness campaign to provide clear messaging on recycling and organic waste strategies to help the SA community.</p> <p>The LGA has a public advocacy campaign on this issue. Details of the Bin Tax advocacy campaign are on the LGA website.</p> <p>The LGA through its SAROC and GAROC committees are exploring opportunities to maximise recycling rates and minimise the amount of general waste going to landfill through innovative projects and the development of useful resources for councils.</p>
<p>7.3 Recycling Services and better support for regional communities in the disposal and management of recycling (Wattle Range) <small>(BM 719808)</small></p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to:</p>	<p>The LGA highlights the challenges of managing recycling and resource recovery in SA and advocates for making 50% of the monies accumulated in the Green Industry Fund (collected from council contributions to the Solid Waste Levy) be committed back to local government for worthwhile waste, recycling and resource recovery endeavours that support the transition towards a more circular economy every opportunity it gets.</p>



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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. advocate on behalf of all councils with State Government on the challenges of managing recycling and resource recovery in South Australia; 2. ask State Government to direct Green Industries SA to work more closely with local government and businesses in the development of sustainable long-term options and 'on the ground solutions' to support the transition towards a circular economy, including making a lot more funding available; and 3. advocate for a substantial increase in the level of State Government funding in the waste and resource recovery infrastructure program. 	<p>The LGA's pre-budget correspondence to the Treasurer sought commitments aligned to the items of business. As mentioned above, the LGA President wrote to the Minister for Environment and Water highlighting the opportunities the Recycling Modernisation Fund, present for South Australia and local government as key investors in recycling infrastructure, in relation to the national waste export ban and for COVID-19 recovery.</p> <p>A project is progressing through SAROC to develop a regional waste strategy, which is investigating the challenges faced by regional councils in the delivery of recycling services and options for future change.</p>
<p>8.1 Family and Domestic Violence training, education and development (Adelaide) (BC 719558)</p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting requests that the LGA:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. consults with member councils to determine what resources and programs currently exist to support employees and/or members of their communities impacted by Family and Domestic Violence, and identify any further resources which should be developed; 2. liaises with the State and Federal Government to explore partnership opportunities to support the local government sector in providing consistent, best practice support and education to employees on matters relating to Family and Domestic Violence; and 3. based on the outcomes of those investigations, develops a training and education package: 	<p>In July 2020, the LGA consulted with member councils to determine existing programs and the need for further resources. This informed the LGA's submission to the House of Representative's Standing Committee Inquiry into Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence, which made a series of recommendations on the role of local government and its contribution to primary prevention strategies and actions.</p> <p>The LGA secretariat is regularly meeting with ALGA, interstate counterparts and Our Watch, a national leader in the primary prevention of violence against women and their children in Australia, to keep up to date with new initiatives and developments in this area and share information and knowledge.</p> <p>Based on these activities, the LGA Secretariat is currently exploring the scope and resourcing opportunities for an education and training</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> that can be implemented by leaders in the sector, to assist them in identifying when an employee may be in a Family and Domestic Violence situation and how they can assist in connecting them to supporting mechanisms; and that could be provided to employees (possibly delivered by leaders) on Family and Domestic Violence. 	<p>package (part 3 of the resolution) that will be implemented over the coming months.</p>
<p>8.2 Native Vegetation Act and Policy for SEB Guidelines (Playford) <i>(BM 71 8978)</i></p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> investigate the Native Vegetation Act 1991 (SA), the Native Vegetation Regulations 2017 (SA) and relevant guidelines to consider, in particular, the effect that it has on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> road safety and function; and cost implications to councils across the state; and prepare a report for the LGA Board of Directors on the outcomes of the investigation (in part 1) to inform future advocacy to the State Government on matters relating to the management of Native Vegetation. 	<p>Although this matter is scheduled on the LGA Secretariat workplan for the second half of 2021, key matters arising relating to the management of trees along roadsides (both council and DIT roads) were brought to the LGA's attention and initial investigations and actions have begun to inform an issues paper aligning with part (1) of the motion.</p> <p>Other LGA advocacy actions relevant to this item of business relating to trees that impact road safety and function have been undertaken. The LGA CEO wrote to Hon Mr Frank Pangallo MLC outlining the regulatory and policy framework councils operate within and key actions councils undertake in relation to the management of trees.</p> <p>The LGA in collaboration with Norman Waterhouse and the LGMLS held a sector briefing on tree management for LGA membership. Finally, the LGA held a roundtable with members of parliament, as well as representatives from SA councils and Green Adelaide. The roundtable;</p>



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<p>8.4 Aluminium Composite Panel Cladding (Salisbury) (SS 718980)</p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA on behalf of the whole local government sector to make representations to the State Government in relation to the proposed measure to increase purchaser protection for Aluminium Composite Cladding, and to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. support the use of an advisory notice on the Property Interest Report for landowners and potential purchasers to take reasonable steps to determine if ACP has been identified on buildings; 2. support that an obligation is placed on the owner of land to make ACP cladding a formal disclosure on the Form 1 Statement; and 3. request that consideration be given for a campaign to increase the general awareness of purchasers on the appropriate use of materials in a building. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● agreed that trees are highly valued by the community for their social, environmental and economic benefits, and recognised the need to increase community awareness of tree safety; ● acknowledged that SA councils have comprehensive policies and procedures in place to reduce tree safety risks on land within their care; and ● agreed that Green Adelaide will work in collaboration with local government and other stakeholders to develop and implement community education campaigns to build awareness of tree safety.
<p>The Land and Business (Sale and Conveyancing) (Planning, Development and Infrastructure) Variation Regulations 2021 were introduced on 18 March 2021.</p> <p>The regulations introduced an amendment to Schedule 1, Form 1 requiring the owner to provide particulars relating to aluminium composite panels.</p> <p>This outcome satisfies parts 1 and 2 of the resolution.</p> <p>The LGA does not have the resources available and is not best placed to initiate a public campaign on the use of appropriate building materials, but this has been recommended to the State Government and information is publicly available on the Plan SA portal.</p>	<p>The Land and Business (Sale and Conveyancing) (Planning, Development and Infrastructure) Variation Regulations 2021 were introduced on 18 March 2021.</p> <p>The regulations introduced an amendment to Schedule 1, Form 1 requiring the owner to provide particulars relating to aluminium composite panels.</p> <p>This outcome satisfies parts 1 and 2 of the resolution.</p> <p>The LGA does not have the resources available and is not best placed to initiate a public campaign on the use of appropriate building materials, but this has been recommended to the State Government and information is publicly available on the Plan SA portal.</p>



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<p>8.5 Regulation 119 of the Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017 (Salisbury) (SSW 718987)</p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA on behalf of the whole local government sector:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. make the strongest possible representations to state government opposing their variation to Regulation 119 of the <i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017</i>; and 2. write to and meet with all parties in the state parliament to urge them to disallow the <i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Planning and Development Fund) Variation Regulations 2020</i>. 	<p>On 18 June 2020, the State Government introduced various regulation amendments through the <i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Miscellaneous) Variation Regulations 2020</i> to make amendments to the <i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017</i>, in particular there were changes to the use of the Planning and Development Fund.</p> <p>The changes enabled the contributions that have been made to the fund be used for the new e-planning system.</p> <p>Multiple representations have been made to the Minister, Opposition and Cross Bench parties.</p> <p>As a result of these representations the Regulations were disallowed on multiple occasions by the Legislative Council and as a result of the disallowance motions put forward, the Government excised out of the omnibus regulation package the regulations relating to the Planning and Development Fund, and introduced the <i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Planning and Development Fund) Variation Regulations 2020</i> which includes a sunset clause for these regulations being 1 July 2021. These regulations have also been disallowed on multiple occasions and were last gazetted on 18 February 2021.</p>
<p>9.2 Voter Roll Process (MRLGA) (AL 719560)</p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to continue to advocate for a simplified process for non-resident property owners to enrol on Council's voters roll either through an online and/or automatic process and</p>	<p>LGA advocacy has called upon the State Government to review online voting in the local government sector. An online system for enrolment and voting could address the current database issues relating to non-resident property owners.</p>



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<p>removing the requirement to purge the voters roll in the year of the ordinary election</p>	<p>During Parliamentary debate on the Local Government Review Bill, Deputy Premier Vickie Chapman stated that she would seek advice on online voting from the Electoral Commission of SA (ECSA). The Deputy Premier also moved amendments to legislation to facilitate voting by visually impaired people. This could occur through an online system and, if so, could serve as a model for wider online voting in the sector. The LGA will continue to engage constructively about online voting with the Deputy Premier and ECSA. It should be noted however, that it is unlikely that these changes will be introduced prior to the 2022 council elections, and that resourcing priority will be given to implementing the changes to the elections act introduced in the <i>Statutes Amendment (Local Government Review) Bill 2020</i>.</p>
<p>9.3 Catastrophic Fire Days Community Relief Centres (Cool Refuge Centre) (Port Lincoln) <small>(KR 719563)</small> that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA continue to work with appropriate agencies in developing a Joint Operating Guideline to clarify local government roles and responsibilities in supporting a relief centre (cool refuge centre) for communities during times of extreme heat and catastrophic fire danger, particularly when mains power may not be available.</p>	<p>The LGA Secretariat has been working with the Emergency Relief Functional Support Group to develop a Joint Operating Guideline for relief centres which are run by State Government in an emergency. In addition, the LGA Secretariat is working on guidelines for community support centres which may be operated by council or community on days of extreme heat.</p>
<p>9.4 Installation of Sea-Level Gauge at O'Sullivan Beach (Adelaide Plains) <small>(BM 719807)</small></p>	<p>The LGA President has written to the Minister for the Department for Environment and Water advocating for an improved national approach to sea level rise management and to consider moving to a</p>



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<p>that the Annual General Meeting requests that the LGA continue to lobby for and contribute to an improved national approach to sea level rise management and consider moving to a 'monitor and respond' model of adaptation that incorporates local sea level science.</p>	<p>"monitor and respond" model of adaptation that incorporates local sea level science. This letter reinforced the local government sectors support of the installation of a sea-level gauge at O'Sullivan beach.</p> <p>The LGA submission to the Environment, Resources and Development Committee inquiry into the Coast Protection Board and legislation included recommendations supporting the development of transparent state-wide sea level rise estimations that are based on up-to-date localised scientific observations and models, for the Coast Protection Board to adopt a "monitor and respond" model of adaptation based on the aforementioned data sort.</p> <p>The LGA is represented on a Coast Protection Board Advisory Group and will continue to advocate for this outcome through this channel.</p>
<p>9.5 'Buying it Back' Circular Procurement Pilot Project – recommendations for local government (BM 719876)</p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. acknowledges the outcomes, learnings and support materials from the 'Buying it Back' Circular Procurement Pilot Project that has supported participating councils to increase and track their purchase of recycled content; 2. endorses the following recommendations of the 'Buying it Back' Circular Procurement Pilot Project, that LGA member councils: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1 acknowledge that local government action is imperative for addressing the current challenges in waste and recycling (as detailed in the 	<p>All resources and some advice on circular procurement is available to member councils on the LGA members website.</p> <p>The LGA has fulfilled responsibilities as per the grant agreement with GISA for the 'Buying it Back' Circular Procurement Pilot Project ("pilot project").</p> <p>However, the pilot project continues to progress with the steering committee committing to continue meeting quarterly, reporting on purchases as provided for under the MoU and is exploring options to expand this project to "phase 2" councils through a council buddy system to other councils wanting to participate. The LGA Secretariat continues to be part of the steering committee.</p>



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<p>National Waste Policy Action Plan and including the implications of the impending national waste export ban);</p> <p>2.2 commit to increasing purchasing of recycled-content material as a high priority and as a necessary method of mitigating councils' rising waste management costs;</p> <p>2.3 amend their existing Procurement Policies to:</p> <p>a) Temporarily (say, for 5 years) prioritise recycled-content through the procurement process and include a method of ensuring accountability;</p> <p>b) Mandate consideration of recycled-content through design and planning processes (including where panel contracts are already in place);</p> <p>c) Specifically permit consideration of the "opportunity cost" associated with a purchase (ie. instead of only asking "which product is most sustainable?", also ask "what will happen to the materials if I don't purchase the recycled-content option?");</p> <p>d) Encourage councils to track the purchase of recycled-content by weight and report publicly on purchases;</p> <p>2.4 in addition to amending existing Procurement Policies, consider implementing an administrative approach outside of the policy, for example, by limiting stationery items available for purchase by council staff to those with recycled-content (noting that this approach can make data collection easier as all purchases will have recycled-content and simply need to be collated);</p> <p>2.5 continue working through communities of practice to share knowledge and experiences of buying recycled and to explore and/or support</p>	<p>Advocacy and resources developed as part of this project assisted in the delivery and development of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WMRR and GISA Buy Recycled Expo SA ● The Office of Industry Advocate (OIA) incorporation or a "Recycled Products" category <p>A revised model procurement policy for councils in currently in development, which will pick up the recommended actions for councils.</p> <p>The LGA CEO wrote to the Commissioner of Highways (Roads) for the commissioner in his capacity, to facilitate state government action to develop a generic specification that allows for the use of recycled content in roads.</p>
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<p>development of a certification scheme for recycled-content products and materials;</p> <p>3. endorses the LGA writing to the Commissioner for Roads as provided for in sections 23 and 24 of the Highways Act 1926 to request that work be undertaken with engineering bodies and/or Austroads to develop a generic (ie non-industry owned) specification that allows for the use of recycled-content in road construction materials (in particular, materials sourced from yellow bins including plastic and glass fines).</p>	<p>development of a certification scheme for recycled-content products and materials;</p> <p>3. endorses the LGA writing to the Commissioner for Roads as provided for in sections 23 and 24 of the Highways Act 1926 to request that work be undertaken with engineering bodies and/or Austroads to develop a generic (ie non-industry owned) specification that allows for the use of recycled-content in road construction materials (in particular, materials sourced from yellow bins including plastic and glass fines).</p>
<p>Resolutions from the Annual General Meeting – 31 October 2019</p>	
<p>8.4 Fairer Allocation of Open Space Funding (Campbelltown) ^(SS 688279)</p> <p>that the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA advocate to the Minister for Planning requesting that the Minister, in conjunction with local government, undertake a review of the Planning and Development Fund to investigate a financial model that is more equitable and appropriate for councils that are experiencing higher volumes of infill development, including multi storey development especially in relation to the subdivision of land under 20 allotments.</p>	<p>In September 2020, the LGA Chief Executive Officer wrote to the Chair of the State Planning Commission requesting that the Commission conduct an inquiry into the operation and use of the Planning and Development Fund in two parts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An inquiry into the purpose and use of the Planning and Development Fund; and 2. An inquiry to investigate a financial model for payments to the Planning and Development Fund. <p>The Chair of the State Planning Commission provided a response on 16 March and advised that the management of the Fund is the 'remit of the Minister of Planning and Local Government'. The Commission has also advised that it intends to initiate an Open Space and Tree Project which will seek amongst other Objectives to identify and quantify the impact of infill development on urban greening.</p> <p>Input from local government to this review will be sought.</p>



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Resolutions from the Ordinary General Meeting – 12 April 2019	Action Taken / Progress
<p>7.3 Jetties (Tumby Bay) (KR 670924)</p> <p>that the Ordinary General Meeting requests that the LGA immediately begin negotiations with the current State Government to draft a lease or other agreement with local government collectively (for those councils that currently hold an existing lease agreement) to safeguard the future of jetties in South Australia without creating a financial burden on ratepayers, especially in rural and regional areas.</p>	<p>Negotiation with the State Government is ongoing, and this issue is included in the LGA's Advocacy Plan.</p> <p>Through its Jetties Steering Group, the LGA has met several times with the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport and their department regarding the governance, funding and consistency of lease agreements.</p> <p>The LGA also provided a comprehensive response to the government's draft Jetties Strategic Plan in May 2020. The State Government's Jetties Strategic Plan has not yet been released for public consultation and no agreement has been reached.</p> <p>Following a change of portfolios, the LGA CEO and President met with new Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Corey Wingard MP to stress the importance of funding for jetties.</p> <p>In February 2021, the LGA's Jetties Steering Group wrote again to the Minister requesting an urgent meeting.</p>
Resolutions from the Ordinary General Meeting – 13 April 2018	Action Taken / Progress
<p>8.5 Local Heritage Listing Policy and Procedure (Adelaide) (SS 659576)</p> <p>That the Ordinary General Meeting requests that the LGA calls upon and works with all South Australian councils to develop a consistent policy and procedure to identify and protect their historic building stock dating from the 19th and 20th century, to achieve more consistent local heritage and</p>	<p>To implement the ERDC 2018-19 Inquiry into Heritage Reform, the Minister for Planning and Minister for Environment advised that a panel would be established including representation from local government to prepare a 'roadmap' for a staged approach to heritage reform.</p>



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<p>comprehensive historic character protection across all council areas in the State, in order to better meet community expectations.</p>	<p>It was considered that this panel could also provide advice and recommendations in respect to local heritage listing policy and procedure.</p> <p>This panel has yet to be formed. The LGA Secretariat has raised with this matter with the Minister for Planning and Local Government and is waiting on a response.</p> <p>Given the planning reforms are at an advanced stage, and the Government has indicated a willingness to progress this work with local government involvement, the LGA is not taking further action on this item at this stage.</p>
<p>Action Taken / Progress</p>	
<p>Resolutions from the Annual General Meeting -- 16 November 2017</p> <p>8.1 Community Land Management Plans (Charles Sturt) <i>(KR 655308)</i></p> <p>That the Annual General Meeting requests the LGA to undertake a comprehensive review of their Community Land – Classification and Management Plans Guidelines to ensure that these guidelines take into consideration the decision handed down by Justice Malcolm Blue in the Supreme Court.</p>	<p>This issue relates closely to the State Government's Local Government Reform Bill and will be considered as part of the information made available to councils on both the preparation of Community Land Management Plans and the consultation policies associated with them.</p>

6.1 LGA Member Services Update

LGA Business

From:	Nathan Petrus, Executive Director Member Services	
Key Initiative:	K.I 1 Leadership and advocacy	
Strategy:	3D Develop, review and improve LGA commercial enterprises	
Meeting:	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021
ECM:	735561	

Recommendation

That the Ordinary General Meeting notes the report.

Discussion

LGA Training

Since the October AGM, LGA Training has delivered more than 55 courses with over 830 participants. This has included attendance from 65 Councils (46 regional and 19 greater Adelaide). In addition, LGA Training facilitated three '*Are you Shovel Ready*' courses at no cost to councils in December 2020. A total of 53 councils took up this free training opportunity (17 metropolitan and 36 regional councils).

LGA Training also worked with SA's Australian Apprenticeship Support Network in providing a webinar session on 2 December 2020 on the wage subsidy opportunities (up to 50%) for Councils through the Boosting Apprenticeship Traineeships program.

LGA Training is continuing to invest and develop on-line learning systems capability as part of the LGA Training Strategic Plan 2019-2024 and commenced program planning in the context of the Local Government Reform Program and the 2022 Election.

The team is also facilitating the development of disability inclusion training materials for the local government sector. This has been made possible through Information Linkages & Capacity Building program funding and aims to be extended if an additional funding application is successful.

LGA member survey rating for LGA Training achieved '8/10' for value and performance compared to a rating of '7/10' the previous year.

Local Government Reform Implementation

Having led the sector through the development of proposed local government reform legislation, the LGA is now preparing to assist councils to implement those reforms, through the provision of policies, guidelines and templates covering all aspects of the reforms, with supporting training and information sessions.

The LGA will continue to partner with Norman Waterhouse Lawyers (NWL) to develop the resources and training that all councils will need to meet the proposed legislative requirements. The package is aimed at delivering a collaborative, cohesive and coordinated approach to implementation across the sector, reducing the amount of long-term legal spend required by councils.

LGA Web Solutions

The Web Solutions team focused on consolidating the LGA Squiz platform for member councils, finalising key functionality of the platform including point of interest information and the integration of council burial records with the website.

Throughout 2020/21, many councils were provided with targeted training on the LGA Squiz platform and My Local Services App. In parallel, the help documentation (Content Management Guide) was enhanced to cover more aspects of the system.

In February 2021, the Web Solutions team, in collaboration with the LGA's Marketing and Communications team, held a major consultation workshop with over 20 council representatives in person and another 60 attendees on-line. The session sought to understand how the LGA Squiz platform and the My Local Services App could provide greater value to member councils. A strong message from the workshop was the need for the Web Solutions team to improve communication to councils on the many ways these platforms can be used to deliver information to the community. In response, the team has developed an e-News that will deliver more targeted information to councils on how to maximise the use of these LGA web services.

The team has also implemented state of the art technology within the LGA's new office fit-out at LG House, including new videoconferencing facilities that have enhanced LGA's member engagement and are available for use by member councils.

The team continues to focus on cyber security as a high priority, enhancing the LGA's backup infrastructure and improving the support for several internal applications that underpin the LGA's service to members. It is also collaborating with its partners, including Local Government Information Technology South Australia Incorporated (LGITSA) and Local Government Risk Services (LGRS), to assist councils in the development and application of their own cyber security strategies.

Public lighting

The LGA continues to facilitate the Public Lighting Working Group as a forum to discuss public lighting priorities with councils, SA Power Networks and the Department of Infrastructure and Transport.

The group has identified its priorities for 2021 - 2022 and has commenced work on them. It has established a working group to review main road lighting, including ownership and technology choice issues. Other key areas of focus for the working group include further improving communications, decision making and asset management of public lights.

In November 2020, the group farewelled and thanked Howard Lacy from the City of Holdfast Bay and Sebastian Carr from the City of Port Lincoln for their contributions to the working group. It welcomed Karina Ewer from the District Council of Streaky Bay and Michael Pavlovich from the City of Salisbury as new members of the working group.

LGA partnership with Norman Waterhouse

The LGA partnership with Norman Waterhouse has delivered significant benefits to councils, through the provision of affordable and high-quality legal advice and legal training. During the period 1 July 2020 to 28 February 2021, nearly 1,900 people participated in legal training through the partnership, with over 1,000 participants coming from regional councils. This included COVID-19 public health forums, workshops on the Shovel Ready program, planning and other legal training.

All SA councils have benefited from the LGA/Norman Waterhouse Legal Connect Service partnership since it commenced in March 2020, including through attending briefing sessions and using the COVID-19 advice line and online resources.

Human Resources Library and Advisory Service

The LGA/Norman Waterhouse partnership will be delivering further support to councils through a Human Resources library and supporting advisory service, commencing from 1 July 2021. Councils will be able to subscribe to a comprehensive library of HR policies and procedures, developed by Norman Waterhouse, complemented by access to an HR hotline and email service for quick HR advice and guidance. More detailed HR advice and support will be available to councils, outside the subscription service, to address matters such as investigations of employee grievances or guidance on underperformance.

The LGA is currently seeking expressions of interest for these services.

Other services

LGASA Member Services continue to provide a wide range of other services to councils, including energy audits, travel bookings and social media archiving. Further information is available on the LGA website here.

6.2 LGA Advocacy Update

LGA Business

From:	Lea Bacon, Director Policy	
Key Initiative:	K.I 1 Leadership and advocacy	
Strategy:	1A Listen to, and represent members	
Meeting:	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021
ECM:	735066	

Recommendation

That the Annual General Meeting notes the report.

Discussion

This report provides an update on some of the key activities being undertaken by the LGA to advocate on behalf of our members and strengthen the local government sector.

LGA Advocacy Plan 2019-2023

The LGA Advocacy Plan 2019-2023¹ outlines the agenda the LGA is pursuing on behalf of member councils. It seeks to increase certainty and transparency for members about the outcomes being sought, as well as ensuring that sufficient resources are available to progress and monitor these important issues.

Along with the LGA Policy Manual², the Advocacy Plan guides and informs LGA advocacy activities, such as campaigns, submissions, meetings and correspondence with State and Federal ministers, and media engagement.

As noted by member councils at the LGA Annual General Meeting (October 2020), the Advocacy Plan is monitored quarterly and updated annually to allow for reprioritisation of the LGA's work plan as new issues emerge, issues evolve, or as member priorities change. In 2020, the Advocacy Plan was updated to reflect the status of the local government reform program, planning and waste reforms, as well as emerging advocacy to address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the sector and member councils' actions to support economic and community recovery.

The 2021 edition of the Advocacy Plan will be presented to members at the LGA Annual General Meeting in October 2021 and will take into consideration updates to the LGA Strategic Plan, GAROC and SAROC Annual Business Plans, and more recent items of business carried by members at the general meetings.

Policy Manual revision

The LGA's Policy Manual is available on the [LGA website](#). It was comprehensively reviewed and updated in 2018 to reflect the policy positions that have been endorsed by member councils through LGA General Meetings, and is used to inform the LGA's advocacy, submissions, media responses and engagement with stakeholders.

¹ ECM_713038_v11_LGA-Advocacy-Plan-2019-23-revised-July-2020.pdf

² <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/about-lga/overview-of-the-lga/corporate-documents/lga-policy-manual>

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Since 2018, further updates to the Policy Manual have occurred to reflect individual policy decisions carried at General Meetings, including 'Managing the Risks of Climate Change', 'Electric Vehicles' and 'Family and Domestic Violence'.

A more comprehensive review and update of the Policy Manual will be undertaken in 2021 to ensure it reflects further items of business carried at the LGA General Meetings, emerging issues for the sector and the release of several Federal and State Government strategies and action plans. The LGA Secretariat will prepare an updated series of policy statements and consult with member councils before providing an update to the LGA Annual General Meeting in October 2021.

Update on advocacy priorities

1. *Working with the South Australian Parliament on sensible, evidence-based local government reform.*
 - LGA consultation and advocacy continues as the *2020 Local Government Review Bill* proceeds through the Legislative Council and on consequential matters such as Regulations, commencement dates, a range of statutory instruments and implementation.
 - Extensive consultation with the sector on the 2019 Local Government Reform proposals and the 2020 Local Government Review Bill resulted in a comprehensive, evidence-based advocacy position.
 - The Government introduced approximately 120 amendments to the Bill in the House of Assembly, the majority of which responded to LGA submissions and resolved significant issues raised by members.
 - The LGA Secretariat continues to meet with Members of Parliament to discuss and build support for the sector's positions. In particular, the LGA has continued strong advocacy to address the proposed cap on elected member numbers.
 - A funding request to successfully implement meaningful local government reform was put to the Minister for Planning and Local Government and will be repeated in the State Budget submission.
2. *Influencing a stronger role for councils and communities as planning reforms are implemented.*
 - Following the LGA providing a submission to the Legislative Review Committee on the planning reforms in September 2020, the LGA appeared before the Committee in March and provided a presentation and responded to questions.
 - In December, the LGA provided a submission on the revised Planning and Design Code and the Minister subsequently advised that the Code would be implemented in Phase 3 Council areas on 19 March. The President raised with the Minister the ability for council administrations to be provided with the Code prior to 19 March.
 - The LGA has maintained regular weekly briefing with council staff and the department and organised a briefing session for Assessment Managers and Assessment Panel members and a briefing for Mayors with the State Planning Commission.
 - The Minister for Planning in December announced that the majority of Contributory Items would be translated across to the new Code as Representative Buildings. This is an outcome which was sought by the LGA. The Minister also recognised the concerns of local government regarding demolition of Local and State Heritage Places and has advised that the Code will be amended to make demolition a form of development requiring notification. This inclusion is supported.

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- The LGA wrote to the Commission to highlight inadequacies with current open space funding. The Commission has announced that a review will be undertaken of the Planning and Development Fund, and the LGA will be a strong contributor to this review once it is commenced.
 - The LGA has continued to lobby the Parliament to disallow Regulations that enable open space funding to be used to pay for planning system reforms. The Regulations have been disallowed in the Legislative Council a total of seven times but continue to be re-made by the Government.
 - Other key issues that the LGA continues to influence include the tree-offset scheme, design standards within the Code, the Code amendment process, and operational matters such as updates to the Form 1.
3. *Seeking state and federal funding, policy and legislation that supports economic and community recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.*
- The LGA advocated for the State Government to partner with local government on stimulus in many forums, committees and meetings set up in response to COVID, and confirmed our request for this program through our 2020/21 State Budget Submission.
 - LGA advocacy resulted in a new \$100 million Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program, which was included in the 2020-21 State Budget. The LGIPP provides councils with dollar-for-dollar funding for a wide range of infrastructure projects that will support businesses and create local jobs.
 - The LGA initiated the *Shovel Ready* program to provide direct assistance to councils to prepare, plan and deliver stimulus projects and to provide representation to the Government on how to maximise the effectiveness of the program.
 - The LGA also supported ALGA and state-wide advocacy for federal support packages, resulting in the bringing forward of \$1.3 billion of 2020-21 Financial Assistance Grants and the new \$500 million Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Fund (LRCI). Through the 2020–21 Budget, the Australian Government announced a \$1 billion extension of the LRCI Program, following strong community and local government support. SA councils share is approximately around \$76 million in funding through the LRCI program in 2020-21, and a further \$44.6 million next financial year.
 - Childcare – SA supplementary funding. The LGA successfully advocated for \$860,163 in State Government funding for eight SA councils that run childcare centres that were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and were ineligible for the Commonwealth funding provided to non-council owned childcare centres.
4. *Securing the future funding of South Australian libraries.*
- The LGA is actively seeking a renewal of the State/Local Government libraries funding agreement with no reduction in the level of State Government funding provided.
 - The LGA Libraries Negotiation Team continues to meet with the Libraries Board team to progress a review of the Memorandum of Agreement. The terms of the new agreement are near finalisation. The LGA continues to engage with the Premier and the SA councils libraries network to keep them informed.

5. *Responding to waste and recycling issues including maximising the value that can be returned to communities from the escalating State Government funds collected through the Solid Waste Levy.*
- The LGA's "Bin Tax" webpage remains active and the community is directed to this page via social media. The LGA regular provides public statements through the media to highlight the impact that the State Government's Solid Waste Levy has on council rates.
 - The LGA's submission to Green Industries SA advocated for the waste strategy to articulate the solid waste levy through each year of its five-year term by freezing it and that the strategy commits to making at least half of the levy available to councils for worthwhile waste and recycling initiatives.
 - LGA budget submissions have highlighted the economic and sustainability benefits of unlocking Green Industry funds to support innovative waste management practices locally.
 - The LGA President wrote to Minister Speirs highlighting the opportunities the Commonwealth's waste and recycling infrastructure grants, through the Recycling Modernisation Fund present to South Australia. At that time, the state government had yet to enter into a National Partnership Agreement with the Commonwealth so South Australia could access this opportunity. Funding for this endeavour is 1:1:1 national, state and industry. State government funding is from the monies raised through the levy. The state government has entered into an agreement and South Australia has access to this commonwealth funding.
 - The LGA continues to advocate for this through state and industry working groups for which it is a member.
6. *Supporting advocacy via the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) to increase federal Financial Assistance Grants and secure long-term certainty of supplementary road funding for South Australia.*
- The LGA provided input to inform the Australian Local Government Association's pre-budget submission to the 2021-22 Federal Budget, which is scheduled to be handed down on 11 May 2021. ALGA's submission highlights this issue as the top priority for local jobs and community wellbeing, which would create 16,242 jobs annually and add \$2,370m to GDP.
 - The LGASA also made a pre-budget submission, reinforcing South Australian councils' support for ALGA's budget priorities, in particular:
 - restoring the quantum of Financial Assistance Grants to at least 1% of Commonwealth Taxation Revenue; and
 - addressing the South Australian road funding anomaly by making the additional \$20m per annum funding to South Australia permanent.
 - SA Supplementary Road Funding was included as a priority issue in both the LGA's and ALGA's submissions to the Federal Budget 2021-22.
 - Ahead of the 2021-22 Federal Budget, the LGA supported all South Australian councils to highlight in Canberra how they are using supplementary road funding, as well as promoting this Commonwealth assistance within their community. The LGA prepared a campaign tool kit to provide tools and information to enable councils to speak with a strong and united voice, while personalising and making it relevant to your own council and community.

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- As a delegation to Canberra is not currently feasible due to COVID-19, the LGA worked with members to prepare a 'virtual delegation' video³ explaining how much supplementary funding their council receives, what it is used for, and why it is important that this funding program is extended. This has been provided to members and the Federal Government.

Climate change

Recognising its important role to advocate for urgent and sustained action to reduce emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change, the LGA has continued to advocate to the Federal and State Government for greater resources for councils to manage climate risks. Recent examples of LGA submissions that advocate for greater action on climate change include:

- LGA's State Budget Submission
- ALGA's Federal Budget Submission
- Response to the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements
- Inquiry into the Stormwater Management Authority
- Inquiry into the Coast Protection Board and Legislation
- State Government Electric Vehicle Strategy
- SA draft Waste Strategy 2020-2025 and draft Food Waste Strategy
- Natural Resources Committee Inquiry into Urban Green Spaces
- South Australia's Planning and Design Code

The 'LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan 2021-2023', presented to member councils at this Ordinary General Meeting, sets out direction for the LGA to reinforce climate change as a priority in the LGA Advocacy Plan and continue to advocate to the State Government for:

- Implementation of their Climate Change Action Plan 2021-2025
- State-Local Government Climate Change Partnership Proposal
- Renewal of the Regional Climate Partnerships – Sector Agreements
- Greater funding for councils for climate risk management, waste management, coastal management and stormwater management
- Better recognition of and response to climate change in the Planning and Design Code –
- Greater support for the Electric Vehicle Strategy.
- Continue to advocate via the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) for greater Commonwealth Government funding and action on climate change, including funded schemes and incentives to support the uptake of electric vehicles.

³ [2021 Supplementary Road Funding - YouTube](#)

Submissions

Making written submissions provides a key opportunity for the LGA to influence policy, funding and legislative arrangements being considered by State and Federal government and their agencies.

Over the past 6 months, the LGA has listened to and represented member interests through submissions on topics such as local government reform, Local Government (Elections) Act, Federal and State Government Budgets, heavy vehicle national law reform, National and South Australian road safety strategies, Natural Disaster Royal Commission, the Federal Government's 'Future Fuels Strategy', and SA Parliamentary Inquiries into the Coast Protection Board and the Stormwater Management Authority.

The LGA Secretariat has also continued to provide advice to support advocacy undertaken by the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) to the Federal Government, most recently in responding to the Senate inquiries into the Aviation Sector and into Bushfires, the House of Representatives Inquiry into Domestic Violence, and ALGA's Pre-Budget Submission for 2021-22 Federal Budget.

LGA submissions are available at www.lga.sa.gov.au/submissions

Partnerships

The LGA continues to work collaboratively with the State Government.

In partnership with the Department for Infrastructure and Transport and the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator, the LGA Heavy Vehicle Access Liaison Officer position is assisting SA councils to perform their 'road manager' function under the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL)⁴.

In partnership with the Department of Human Services (DHS), the LGA has successfully implemented grant funding to councils to:

- address gaps in the national disability Information, Linkages and Capacity Building (ILC) sector in South Australia⁵; and
- enable councils to undertake activities and initiatives, led by young people aged 12-24 years, that respond to the impact of the Covid-19 public health emergency⁶.

The LGA has recently partnered with Green Adelaide and the Department for Environment and Water to provide central coordination for the Regional Climate Partnerships program. Regional Climate Partnerships are a network of eleven regional, cross-sectoral groups delivering practical and proactive action to strengthen the climate resilience of their communities. The LGA has appointed two coordinators, and they will work with these Regional Climate Partnerships to support the delivery of effective on-ground climate adaptation and mitigation actions.

In the waste and recycling space, the LGA has a service agreement with Green Industries SA (GISA) and sits on several State Government committees and working groups. We also have an agreement with the EPA that guides how they work with councils and the LGA.

The LGA is a partner in the Volunteering Strategy for South Australia, along with the State Government, Volunteering SA/NT and Business SA. This partner-driven strategy provides an opportunity for all sectors to focus on a coordinated approach to address the diverse and ongoing needs of the volunteer sector.

⁴ <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/member-services/infrastructure-and-assets/heavy-vehicles>

⁵ LGILC How to apply | LGA South Australia

⁶ <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/member-services/financial-sustainability/grants/youth-led-local-government-covid-recovery-grants>

Member Forums and Workshops

Forums and workshops with members have been held a wide range of topics including local government reform, Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act, economic development (COVID-19 recovery), waste and recycling reform, disability access, reconciliation and tree safety and dog and cat management.

Media Summary

A summary of LGA's media activities between November 2020 and March 2021 is attached for members' information.

Key issues the LGA has commented on publicly include planning reform, local government's role supporting COVID-19 recovery, tree management, stormwater management, extending supplementary road funding for South Australia, council amalgamations, Australia Day, and performance measurement and reporting for local government.

Financial and Resource Implications

Developing the evidence base and third-party support needed to successfully pursue legislative, policy or funding changes requires a significant investment of time and resources in data collection and analysis, policy research, consultation with members, stakeholder engagement, policy development and positioning through an advocacy strategy.

The LGA Advocacy Plan allows the LGA to be more strategic by defining the parameters of the LGA's advocacy activities and ensuring that adequate resources are available to give important issues the time and attention required to achieve the outcomes desired by members. The Plan provides a useful guide to the Board of Directors, SAROC and GAROC when assessing the importance and urgency of any new issues raised.

There are many policy issues that the LGA is working on that are not included within this update or the Advocacy Plan. These may be issues where the LGA is providing support to members through training, forums, guideline material, model policies, advice or information exchange. These services fall under the LGA's 'Assist' objectives, as reflected in the LGA's Strategic Plan and Annual Business Plan.

LGA Advocacy Initiatives

The LGA advocates for councils on a wide range of issues, and in the past six months this has included planning reform, local government's role supporting COVID-19 recovery, tree management, stormwater management, extending supplementary road funding for South Australia, council amalgamations, Australia Day, and performance measurement and reporting for local government.

Press/online coverage

Below are links to online press articles the LGA has initiated or contributed to on behalf of the sector.

https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/south-australia/charles-sturt-council-mayor-angela-evans-becomes-new-local-government-association-president/news-story/e651462de7915aa65b1d5c449a717d36
https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/south-australia/sa-government-to-allocate-100m-in-state-budget-for-community-infrastructure-projects-with-councils-to-match-spending-dollar-for-dollar/news-story/b2efa100a3996b4b7ff8d76556d5e9fa
https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/messenger/east-hills/state-budget-2020-new-website-will-compare-performance-of-sa-councils/news-story/5e833282abc336ff3c1410c24ca2578e
https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/south-australia/mp-calls-for-all-south-australian-councils-to-audit-potentially-dangerous-trees-following-death-of-judy-ditter/news-story/ed0f4fe3d42574747fa4babc14cae270
https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/south-australia/councils-to-discuss-dangerous-trees-at-meeting-called-by-the-lga/news-story/825aed4d44c8bafa9d8c6b8a0ad73d9a
https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/news-and-events/news/latest-news/2021/february/merging-councils-may-cost-ratepayers-lga-president-angela-evans
https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/south-australia/statewide-super-conducts-review-of-salarylink-superannuation-fund-for-local-government-employees/news-story/779ea853c59d3fbc28ebdf8a17298d3
https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/south-australia/calls-for-little-corella-cull-after-drone-laser-fail-to-stop-damage/news-story/aa083904c2e365949dedfb017c0f29c9

Radio/TV coverage

Since November 2020 LGA representatives have participated in 18 radio and television interviews.

The breakdown of these appearances is outlined below.

Media outlet	Number of appearances
ABC Radio Adelaide	7
ABC Regional Radio	6
5AA	4
Channel 10	1

6.3 LGA Strategic Plan 2021-2025

LGA Business

From:	Michael Arman, Director Strategy		
Key Initiative:	K.I 3 Best practice and continuous improvement		
Strategy:	3C Improve LGA governance and operations with a focus on people, finances and our members		
Meeting:	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021	
ECM:	734832	Attachment: 733096	

Recommendation

That the Ordinary General Meeting notes the LGA Strategic Plan 2021-2025 adopted by the LGA Board of Directors on 18 March 2021 following consultation with member councils.

Discussion

In March 2021, the LGA Board of Directors adopted a new four-year Strategic Plan for the Association. This report provides a background to the LGA Strategic Plan 2021-2025, including an overview of its scope and how it was developed.

The new plan is attached and [available on the LGA website](#).

Scope of the LGA Strategic Plan 2021-2025

The Strategic Plan outlines how the LGA will prioritise its resources in meeting the needs of its member councils. The plan does not detail everything that the LGA is involved in, rather it identifies the strategic outcomes that the LGA will focus on over the next four years.

The Strategic Plan will inform the LGA's work plans and budgets, as well as the Strategic and Annual Business Plans of subsidiaries and Board committees.

The new Strategic Plan is not radically different to the current Strategic Plan, but rather, refines, clarifies and improves the LGA's strategy through:

- A new vision that more meaningfully outlines how the LGA can serve and support its members, while retaining the existing mission as is;
- Retaining the 'VOICE' values and behaviours which have strong resonance with staff, board and members;
- Retaining the three A's of Advocate, Assist and Advance, which are enshrined as the objects of the LGA in the LGA Constitution, as the LGA's key strategies to provide member value;
- Introducing a new strategy of 'Achieve' to capture corporate governance priorities and embed best practice across all LGA operations;
- Establishing definitions that clearly distinguish the strategies of 'Assist' from 'Advance';
- Introducing a series of strategic measures that complement existing quarterly and annual reporting mechanisms; and
- Introducing a planning and reporting framework to communicate the linkages between the LGA's strategic and operational plans, and reporting systems.

How the Strategic Plan was developed

The Strategic Plan was developed with engagement of the LGA Board and Committees, LGA staff and member councils at key points. The following table summarises this work:

Stage	Key activities
Research and early consultation September-October 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of successes and learning from 2016-2020 Strategic Plan • 1-on-1 conversations with Board Directors • Input from CEO Advisory Group • Environmental scan • All-staff strategy day • Preparation of Strategic Planning Discussion Paper
Development of draft Strategic Plan November-December 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback from GAROC and SAROC Committee members on Strategic Planning Discussion Paper • 1-on-1 conversations with new Board Directors • 2020 Member Survey results received • Development of draft Strategic Plan
Feedback on draft Strategic Plan January-February 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Release of draft to local government sector via LGA Latest News and CEO's Update • Feedback received from councils • Feedback sessions with LGA staff • Feedback from GAROC, SAROC and the Audit and Risk Committee at their regular meetings
Finalise Strategic Plan March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend Strategic Plan based on feedback • Final draft adopted by the LGA Board

Next Steps

The LGA Board adopted the new Strategic Plan at its meeting on 18 March 2021. The new Strategic Plan is being used to inform the LGA's annual business planning for 2021/22.

A copy of the LGA Strategic Plan 2021-2025 is available here: <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/about-lga/overview-of-the-lga/corporate-documents>.

Financial and Resource Implications

This activity has been anticipated in the LGA's work program and resources are available to progress this work.



LGA25 Strategic Plan 2021- 2025

Adopted by the LGA Board of
Directors on 18 March 2021

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Message from the President

It is often said that councils are the level of government closest to the community, and work best when they genuinely engage with the communities they serve.

The same can be said of the LGA. The LGA exists for its member councils - and works best when it is close to its members, and listens to and represents their interests.

As the voice of local government, the LGA provides leadership, support, representation and advocacy on behalf of South Australian councils, for the benefit of the community.

Just as councils are about more than roads, rates and rubbish, so too the LGA is about more than just advocacy. In addition to achieving greater influence for local government, the LGA plays a critical role in strengthening the capacity of councils and driving innovation that prepares our sector for the future.

With the implementation of once-in-a-generation local government reforms just around the corner, the role of the LGA in practically assisting its members, avoiding unnecessary duplication and finding smarter ways to operate is more important than ever.

As we do this, the LGA needs to continually ensure its own house is in order, lead by example in its operations and governance, and demonstrate social and environmental responsibility.

This Strategic Plan has been developed with strong input from our members – from those who sit on our Board and committees, to council members, CEOs and frontline staff from around South Australia.

Thank you to those who continue to take the time to let us know how we can work together to do great things for our communities.

Mayor Angela Evans

LGA President

March 2021

Introduction

About the LGA

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The Association also provides competitive procurement and indemnity (insurance) services to councils through two separate commercial entities, LGA Procurement and LGASA Mutual.

The LGA is governed by a Board of Directors and supported by a secretariat based in Local Government House in Adelaide. The LGA is federated with interstate bodies through the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA), which represents local government's national interests.

More information about the LGA is available on our website at www.lga.sa.gov.au.

About the Strategic Plan

The LGA's Strategic Plan outlines how the LGA will prioritise its resources in meeting the needs of its member councils. The plan does not detail everything that the LGA is involved in, rather it identifies the strategic outcomes that the LGA will focus on over the next four years.

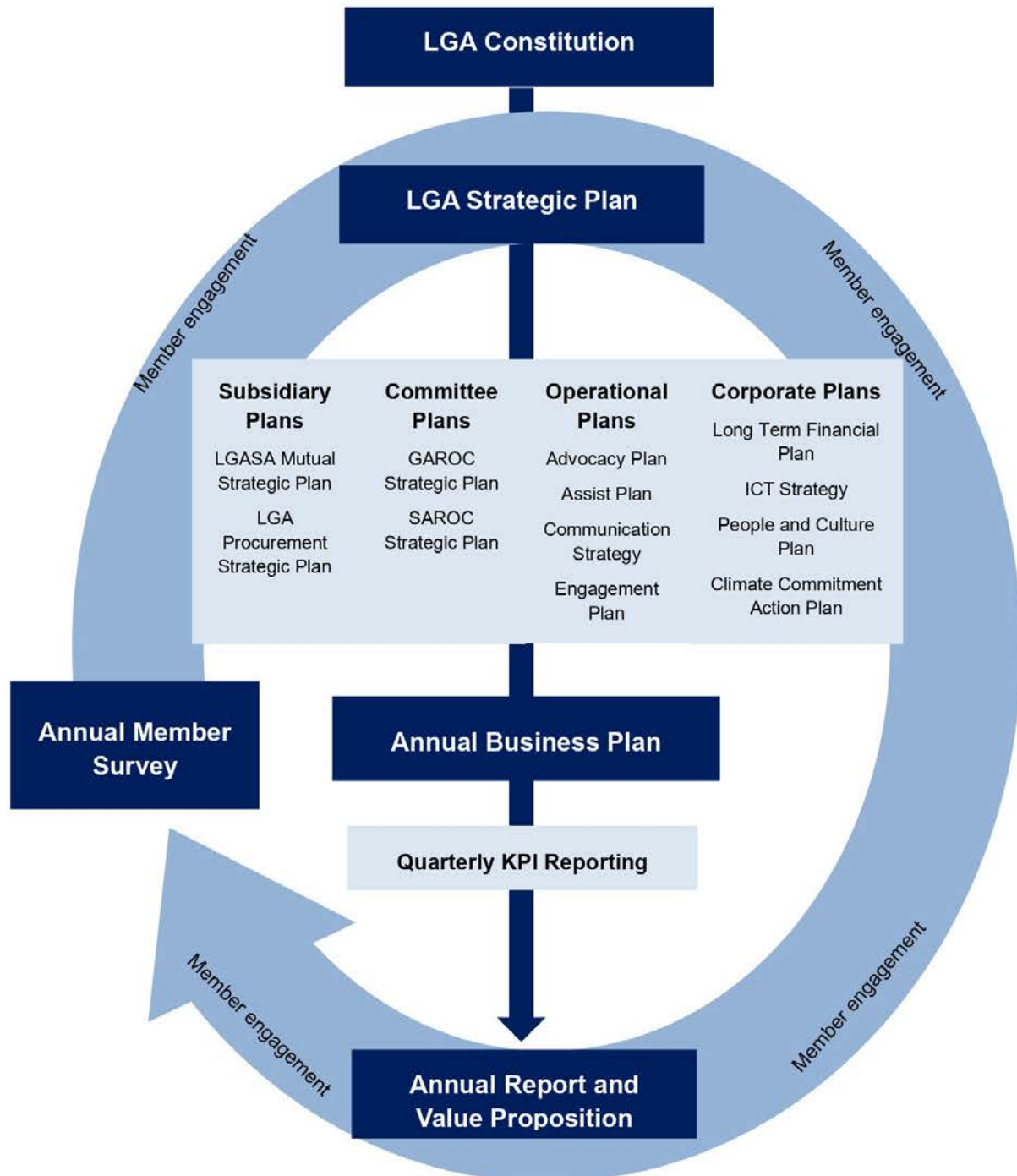
The Strategic Plan is a plan for the Association and not a plan for councils. It contains strategies that will advance the interests of local government in South Australia and progress the objects outlined in the LGA Constitution.

The Strategic Plan informs the LGA's work plans and budgets, as well as the Strategic and Annual Business Plans of subsidiaries and Board committees. The LGA's progress in achieving the outcomes sought by this plan is monitored through quarterly and annual reporting (see Figure 1).

The Strategic Plan was developed with input from member councils, the LGA Board, GAROC and SAROC Committees¹, the LGA's Audit and Risk Committee and LGA staff. This happened through workshops and formal consultation processes, as well as through the regular feedback the LGA receives from members through its annual member's survey.

¹ The Greater Adelaide Region of Councils (GAROC) and South Australian Region of Councils (SAROC) are committees of the LGA Board that provide regional advocacy, policy initiation and review, leadership, engagement and capacity building in the regions.

Figure 1: LGA's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework



LGA's Governance Framework

The LGA is governed by a Board of Directors, which receives input on policy issues from the Greater Adelaide Region of Councils (GAROC) and South Australian Region of Councils (SAROC). GAROC and SAROC are committees of the LGA Board that provide regional advocacy, policy initiation and review, leadership, engagement and capacity building in the regions. The LGA Board also receives advice from its Audit and Risk Committee, CEO Advisory Group and the LGA secretariat.

Each year, the LGA holds an Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) and an Annual General Meeting (AGM). The purpose of those meetings is for member councils to determine the policy direction of the LGA via items of business that are of strategic importance to local government.

The LGA secretariat, led by the CEO, has responsibility for implementing the direction established by the LGA Board and by members through General Meetings.

The LGA's commercial entities – LGA Procurement and LGASA Mutual – are both governed by their own Board of Directors that report to the LGA Board.

Those roles and responsibilities are summarised below.

Role	Leading body
Strategy and Governance <i>Where we are going</i> <i>Decisions and rules</i>	LGA Board LGASA Mutual Board LGA Procurement Board
Policy <i>What we stand for</i>	Member councils via: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GAROC and SAROC Committees • AGM and OGM
Advice <i>Informing how we operate</i>	CEO Advisory Group Audit and Risk Committee LGA secretariat
Operations <i>Delivery of advocacy and services</i>	LGA secretariat
Measurement <i>Determining success</i>	Member councils

Context

The key considerations that form the context for this Strategic Plan include:

- Social and economic impacts of COVID-19, heightening the role of councils in driving local economic development and community wellbeing.
- Implementation of the Local Government Review Bill, and changes that will enhance council governance and operations.
- Financial sustainability for councils, including their critical roles in providing and maintaining infrastructure and community assets.
- Federal, State and Local Government elections scheduled for 2022, including proactively influencing national and state policy agendas and partnering with government in the implementation of new directions.
- Technological change, presenting new opportunities and increasing risks.
- The ongoing impacts of climate change and evolving responsibilities for local government in emergency management.
- Implementation of planning reforms and achieving positive planning and design outcomes in communities.

Vision, Mission and Values

Vision

For South Australian councils to work together as willing and trusted partners in government, for the benefit of our communities.

Mission

To provide leadership, support, representation and advocacy on behalf of South Australian councils.

Values and Behaviours





Our Strategic Plan



Strategy 1 - Advocate

S1. Achieve greater influence for local government.

The LGA will achieve greater influence for local government through a strategic and evidence-based approach to advocacy, partnering with state and federal government wherever possible, and by raising the profile of local government.

The LGA's advocacy will help councils to provide high quality services, facilities and operations that meet the needs of communities, while driving downward pressure on rates. As the voice of local government, the LGA's advocacy will inform awareness campaigns that shine light on the role and value of local government to communities.

The LGA's success in advocacy is built upon being close to members and understanding what is important to them.

Outcomes

- 1.1 We are close to our members, seek their feedback and represent them with evidence-based advocacy on issues that matter.
- 1.2 Governments rely on our proactive contribution to policy and legislation that impacts councils, leading to better outcomes for communities.
- 1.3 Communities understand and value the services provided by local government, and are encouraged to participate in council processes.

Prioritise and measure

Key priorities, along with targets and measures to monitor and report on the LGA's performance against these outcomes will be set each year in our suite of operational and committee plans, including:

- Annual Business Plan
- Advocacy Plan
- SAROC and GAROC Annual Business Plans
- Communications Strategy
- Engagement Plan.

Strategy 2 - Assist

S2. Build the capacity of member councils.

The LGA will continue to provide resources, services and advice that assist councils. Through these services and by working together as a united local government sector, councils will be able to achieve more with less, leading to better outcomes for their communities.

The LGA will continue to assist council staff and elected members in core areas including policy and governance, training, web services, emergency management, communications, procurement, and mutual indemnity (insurance). Recent changes within our sector, including the implementation of local government reforms and strengthening financial sustainability in the context of growing cost pressures present opportunities for the LGA to further assist its members.

The LGA's Assist services, which enable the sharing of knowledge and experience between councils, will help drive an effective and efficient local government sector.

Outcomes

- 2.1 We are close to our members and understand their capacity and capability needs.
- 2.2 Councils draw upon our resources, services and advice in order to save time and money, and reduce risk.
- 2.3 Councils are engaged in addressing sector-wide priorities, including local government reforms and achieving greater financial sustainability.
- 2.4 We leverage grant funding for the benefit of councils, and their communities.

Prioritise and measure

Key priorities, along with targets and measures to monitor and report on the LGA's performance against these outcomes will be set each year in our suite of operational, committee and subsidiary plans, including:

- Annual Business Plan
- Assist Plan
- SAROC and GAROC Annual Business Plans
- LGASA Mutual Strategic Plan
- LGA Procurement Strategic Plan

Strategy 3 - Advance

S3. Facilitate continuous improvement in local government.

The local government sector is continually innovating to prepare for the future and place downward pressure on rates.

The LGA will facilitate continuous improvement for the sector through thought leadership and research about the future of local government, and by developing new partnerships and services that respond to emerging needs, and help drive innovation.

The LGA will assist councils understand their relative strengths through performance measurement and reporting. Technology presents an opportunity for the sector to innovate and better connect with communities, and take action to manage evolving cyber risks.

Outcomes

- 3.1 We research and communicate on emerging issues for councils and their communities.
- 3.2 New partnerships and services help councils innovate and prepare for the future.
- 3.3 We provide access to systems that provide councils with the evidence base for continuous improvement.
- 3.4 The local government sector maximises the use of emerging technology, while effectively managing cyber risks.

Prioritise and measure

Key priorities, along with targets and measures to monitor and report on the LGA's performance against these outcomes will be set each year in our suite of operational, subsidiary and corporate plans, including:

- Annual Business Plan
- Advocacy Plan
- Communications Strategy
- Engagement Plan
- LGASA Mutual Strategic Plan
- LGA Procurement Strategic Plan

Strategy 4 – Achieve

S4. Embed best practice governance and operations to enable the LGA to provide value to members.

The LGA's ability to serve its members relies upon strong organisational foundations in areas such as financial management and people and culture, and the agility that comes from our size and structure as a member based association.

Improvements in corporate systems will be important to better monitor and communicate how the LGA provides value to members.

As a leader in the local government sector, it is important for LGA to lead by example and demonstrate social and environmental responsibility in its operations.

Outcomes

- 4.1 We lead by example in the governance and operations of the LGA.
- 4.2 The LGA's financial sustainability is supported by a growth in revenue from value-adding member services and LGA Procurement.
- 4.3 We provide a safe, healthy and rewarding work environment.
- 4.4 Systems and technology improve LGA operations and allow us to better serve our members.

Prioritise and measure

Key priorities, along with targets and measures to monitor and report on the LGA's performance will be set each year in our suite of operational and corporate plans:

- Annual Business Plan
- People and Culture Plan
- ICT Strategy
- Long-Term Financial Plan

Monitoring and Review

Implementation of this Strategic Plan will occur through the LGA's Annual Business Plan and other operational and corporate plans, as well as via the Strategic and Annual Business Plans of subsidiaries and Board committees.

The LGA's Annual Business Plan is monitored through Key Performance Indicators, which are reported upon quarterly to the LGA Board, and annually via the Annual Report. In addition to the annual Key Performance Indicators, the following strategic measures will be used to determine the LGA's success in achieving the strategies and outcomes of this plan:

Strategic Measures	Target
Membership	All South Australian councils remain members of the LGA. All South Australian councils remain members of the Mutual Liability and Worker's Compensation Schemes.
Members perception of value	Retain member perception of LGA value for money for services to the sector of at least 7/10 over a rolling three year average. Retain an overall value of LGA membership of an average of at least \$2Million per council over a rolling three years. Advocate – achieve an average value for money for advocacy services of at least 7/10 on an annual basis. Assist – achieve an average value for money for assist services of at least 7/10 on an annual basis. Advance – achieve an average value for money for advance services of at least 7/10 on an annual basis.
Utilisation of LGA services	All South Australian councils draw upon the resources provided on the LGA members only website. All South Australian councils use one or more of the LGA's value-adding member services. All South Australian councils use one or more services provided by LGA Procurement.
Community awareness	Maintain or increase the reach of the LGA's community awareness campaigns. Maintain or increase the community's understanding of the role of local government, as measured through the LGA's annual community survey.
Financial management	Income from member subscriptions to not exceed 25% of overall revenue. Retain operating surplus, liquidity and net financial liability ratios within the targets established by the Long Term Financial Plan.

This Strategic Plan will be reviewed in 2025.

6.4 LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan

LGA Business

From:	Michael Arman, Director Strategy
Key Initiative:	K.I 3 Best practice and continuous improvement
Strategy:	3A Lead by example
Meeting:	Ordinary General Meeting 30 April 2021
ECM:	734833 Attachment: 729016

Recommendation

That the Ordinary General Meeting:

- 1. notes the LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan adopted by the Board of Directors on 18 March 2021, which outlines 24 actions for the LGA to implement in its own operations; and**
- 2. notes that the LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan will be reviewed annually and that members will receive an annual progress report at an LGA General Meeting.**

Discussion

The LGA Board of Directors adopted the LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan at its meeting on 18 March 2021. This report provides background about this plan for members.

A copy of the Climate Commitment Action Plan is attached and [available on the LGA website](#).

Background

There has been a sustained focus within the local government sector for greater leadership and action on climate change.

In October 2019, the LGA AGM passed a motion to note the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report, strengthen the LGA's 'Managing the Risks of Climate Change' Policy Statement and continue to lobby the State and Federal Government to prioritise climate change action.

In October 2020, the AGM considered a motion to declare a climate emergency, develop an LGA Climate Emergency Action Plan focussed on mitigation, adaptation, and community safety, and develop a model Climate Emergency Action Plan for member councils. Following significant debate relating to the climate emergency declaration aspect, the motion was narrowly defeated.

Throughout the debate, members highlighted their continuing commitment to taking action on climate change, and this was reinforced in the 2020 LGA Member Survey with climate change being identified as a priority issue for the LGA to focus on.

An Action Plan for the LGA

There is a clear desire from councils for the LGA to take meaningful action on climate change that will deliver tangible outcomes. At its meeting in December 2020, the LGA Board resolved to develop a Climate Commitment Action Plan for the LGA, which aims to:

- Demonstrate leadership and communicate the LGA's commitment to tangible action on climate change.
- Outline the actions that the LGA has taken in climate change mitigation and adaptation in its leadership role to the sector and in its operations.
- Identify priority actions for 2021-2023.

It is important to highlight that the Action Plan is a plan for the LGA to guide its own actions and priorities as a peak body organisation, as distinct from a plan for the local government sector. This recognises the important role of councils to work with their communities to set their own local priorities and actions through the regional climate partnerships¹.

The LGA developed the Action Plan based upon feedback from members through annual LGA member surveys, Council Ready program, previous GAROC and SAROC workshops and LGA General Meetings. In addition, GAROC and SAROC provided feedback on an early draft of the plan.

The plan describes LGA's climate commitment as:

The LGA acknowledges that climate change poses a serious risk to councils, and the communities and ecosystems that they support. The LGA stands ready to:

1. *Advocate for urgent action on climate change.*
2. *Assist member councils in their efforts to reduce carbon emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change.*
3. *Advance the local government sector's leadership on climate change.*
4. *Achieve emissions reduction and adaptation through the operations of the LGA.*

The plan contains 24 actions for the LGA to implement over the next three years in support of this commitment. These actions are aligned with the four key strategies within the LGA's Strategic Plan 2021-2025 of Advocate, Assist, Advance and Achieve.

Next Steps

The LGA Board of Directors adopted the LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan on 18 March 2021. The LGA will report to members on progress in implementing this plan once a year at an LGA General Meeting.

Financial and Resource Implications

In developing this plan, the LGA has carefully identified actions that are achievable, maximise existing services and programs, and will make a tangible difference within the LGA's scope of influence.

¹ The Regional Climate Partnerships are a network of eleven regional, cross-sectoral groups delivering practical action to strengthen the climate resilience of their communities, economies and natural and built environments. Partners vary from region to region, but include councils, regional organisations of councils, Regional Development Australia organisations, landscape boards (formerly Natural Resource Management Boards), and the South Australian government. For more information see <https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/climate-change/programs-and-initiatives/adapting-to-climate-change/regional-climate-partnerships>



LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan 2021-2023

Adopted by the LGA Board of
Directors on 18 March 2021

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Message from the President

Climate change is one of the greatest challenges facing Australian communities. It requires a collective response, and action needs to be taken across all spheres of society. Addressing the impacts of climate change requires a sustained response over time, and the ability to adjust the course as the climate risks change.

Local government has been on the front foot for many years, leading the charge with the procurement of green energy, preparing for sea level rise, retrofitting community facilities, transitioning to a circular economy, driving the regional climate partnerships, building emergency management capabilities and more.

Climate risks vary across the state, and local government's success to date is closely tied with how councils have responded to the local risks faced by local communities in partnership with other levels of government.

As the peak body for local government in South Australia, the LGA recognises its important role to support councils with their own efforts, while also walking the talk by taking action in its own operations.

This plan formalises the LGA's commitment to tangible action on climate change. It contains a suite of actions that continue and extend LGA efforts to work with and on behalf of our member councils through our core roles to advocate, assist and advance. The plan also contains actions that address how the LGA can achieve tangible outcomes through its own operations.

By working together as a united local government sector, we can do more to prepare our communities for the unfolding impacts of climate change.

Mayor Angela Evans

LGA President

March 2021

Introduction

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About the Climate Commitment Action Plan

The LGA acknowledges that climate change poses a serious risk to councils, and the communities and ecosystems they support. Climate change has the potential to damage council assets, cause disruption to the delivery of council services, generate unbudgeted financial impacts and affect the health and wellbeing of communities.

These risks require us to take immediate and ongoing action.

Over many years, South Australian councils have provided strong leadership, advocacy and action to reduce carbon emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change. Councils continue to plan and implement actions at local and regional levels to address changing climate risks.

The LGA has a dual role to both support councils with their own climate change efforts as the peak body for local government, and to lead by example by taking action in its own operations.

The LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan outlines the LGA's commitment to climate change mitigation and adaptation, and contains:

- An overview of recent action on climate change
- The LGA's Climate Commitment
- An Action Plan for 2021-2023.

The Action Plan will be updated every three years, with an annual review of outcomes achieved presented to a General Meeting of the LGA membership.

Action taken so far

This Action Plan builds upon many years of effort supporting councils to help mitigate climate change and adapt to its impacts. Many of these actions will be continued or built upon as part of the Action Plan for the next three years. A snapshot of the actions already undertaken by the LGA includes:

- **Advocacy**
Advocated for greater resources for councils to manage climate risks including coastal protection, stormwater management and emergency management.
- **Coordination**
Secured State Government funding for the LGA to host the central coordinator roles that underpin the Regional Climate Partnerships¹.
- **Resources**
Developed guides and templates for councils on topics including climate risk management, adaptation planning, energy efficiency, coastal adaptation, and heatwaves.
- **Procurement**
Supported councils to procure recycled road materials, solar panels, batteries, electric vehicles and charging stations, and electricity sourced from a local renewable source through LGA Procurement.
- **Circular economy**
Supported councils to transition to a circular economy in their procurement activities, including the *Buying it Back* pilot program which the LGA coordinates and participates in.
- **Energy efficiency**
Provided advice and services to councils to drive improved energy efficiency, including through LED street lighting.
- **Research and Development**
Funded important climate change research, development and actions through the Local Government Research and Development Scheme and the Local Government Mutual Liability Scheme.
- **Emergency management**
Assisted councils with emergency management planning through the Council Ready program, and significantly strengthened our sector's emergency response capability through the Local Government Functional Support Group.

¹ The Regional Climate Partnerships are a network of eleven regional, cross-sectoral groups delivering practical action to strengthen the climate resilience of their communities, economies and natural and built environments. Partners vary from region to region, but include councils, regional organisations of councils, Regional Development Australia organisations, landscape boards (formerly Natural Resource Management Boards), and the South Australian government. For more information see <https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/climate-change/programs-and-initiatives/adapting-to-climate-change/regional-climate-partnerships>

- **Local Government House**

Reduced emissions associated with the operations of Local Government House through the installation of sensor activated energy LED lighting, waste management and recycled office supplies².

- **Corporate policies**

Adopted a Procurement Policy that seeks to conserve natural resources and integrate principles of circular economy, waste minimisation and energy minimisation.

LGA's Climate Commitment

The LGA's commitment to climate change is contained in our policy statements on "*Managing the Risks of Climate Change*". These policy statements have been developed with input from the local government sector, and adopted by our members at LGA general meetings³.

Our overarching policy statement is that:

Local government acknowledges that climate change poses a serious risk to local communities and ecosystems. All levels of government are urged to take action that will help address the effects of climate change in local communities⁴.

This is supported by additional statements addressing Partnerships; Funding and Strategic Investment; Embedding Climate Change Considerations; Decision Making; Consultation and Engagement; Energy Reduction and Storage; Greenhouse Gas Reduction Mechanisms; Integrity; and Electric Vehicles.

Many other statements in the LGA Policy Manual, such as those relating to waste management, circular economy, emergency management and planning and development also address climate change. This reflects the way in which climate change is a central consideration across the wide range of local government functions and services.

This LGA Climate Commitment Action Plan seeks to bring our climate change policies to life by outlining the LGA's commitment to taking action to support its members and through its own operations.

The LGA's Climate Commitment to our members and to the community is:

The LGA acknowledges that climate change poses a serious risk to councils, and the communities and ecosystems that they support. The LGA stands ready to:

1. **Advocate for urgent action on climate change;**
2. **Assist member councils in their efforts to reduce carbon emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change;**
3. **Advance the local government sector's leadership on climate change;**
4. **Achieve emissions reduction and adaptation through the operations of the LGA.**

It should be noted that this a commitment made by the LGA Board to lead action within its scope of influence across the LGA's four core strategy areas.

² As of 30 June 2020, 95% of the total office supplies and stationary purchased by the LGA contained recycled content.

³ The LGA Policy Manual is available at <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/about-lga/overview-of-the-lga/corporate-documents/lga-policy-manual>.

⁴ LGA Policy Manual, Section 4.4, Managing the Risks of Climate Change, <https://www.lga.sa.gov.au/about-lga/overview-of-the-lga/corporate-documents/lga-policy-manual/environment-and-natural-resources/4.4-managing-the-risks-of-climate-change>.

Action Plan for 2021-2023

1. Advocate for urgent action on climate change

Responding to climate change is a shared responsibility across all levels of government and society.

As the peak representative body for South Australia's councils, the LGA has an important role to advocate for urgent and sustained action to reduce emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change. This will occur through direct advocacy to governments, partnerships, representation on influential decision making bodies, and by raising awareness of the role and value of councils in managing climate risks.

Action	Responsibility
1.1 Policy Statement Review and update the "Managing the Risks of Climate Change" statements in the LGA Policy Manual based on recent science, evidence and practice.	Director Policy
1.2 Advocacy Reinforce climate change as a priority in the LGA Advocacy Plan and continue to advocate to the State Government for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementation of their Climate Change Action Plan 2021 -25 - State-Local Government Climate Change Partnership Proposal - Renewal of the Regional Climate Partnerships – Sector Agreements - Greater funding for councils for climate risk management, waste management, coastal management and stormwater management - Better recognition of and response to climate change in the Planning and Design Code - Greater support for the Electric Vehicle Strategy. Continue to advocate via the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) for greater Commonwealth Government funding and action on climate change, including funded schemes and incentives to support the uptake of electric vehicles.	Director Policy
1.3 Raise awareness of Local Government efforts Increase awareness of the role and value of councils in managing climate risks through the LGA's ongoing awareness campaigns and stakeholder engagement actions.	Director Media and Communications
1.4 Representation Advocate for greater support for councils to address climate change via the local government members on the Premier's Climate Change Council.	Executive Director Public Affairs
1.5 Integration Ensure all relevant LGA Advocacy submissions address climate change impact.	Director Policy
1.6 Partnerships Pursue opportunities to work collaboratively with government agencies and other organisations with aligned goals and values on projects, programs and campaigns that will assist local government action on climate change. Maintain a high level of engagement with and participation in the Adaptation Practitioners Network.	Executive Director Public Affairs Director Policy

2. Assist member councils in their efforts to reduce carbon emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change

Councils have and are taking important action to respond to climate change.

The LGA can assist by ensuring that these efforts are well coordinated to avoid unnecessary duplication, informed by a contemporary evidence base, and by showcasing best practice and the support resources that already exist. LGA services in areas such as procurement and energy efficiency present opportunities to drive tangible and substantive emissions reduction across the entire local government sector.

Action	Responsibility
2.1 Coordination Host the central climate change coordinator roles that underpin the Regional Climate Partnerships and the state/local government Adaptation Practitioners Network.	Director Policy
2.2 Showcase best practice In collaboration with the Regional Climate Partnerships, facilitate the sharing of climate change initiatives amongst local government elected members, staff and stakeholders through events and forums. Deliver an annual 'Climate Month' to showcase local government climate change projects, resources and tools via LGA's communication with members.	Director Policy Director Media and Communications Director Sector Development
2.3 Knowledge hub and resource sharing Facilitate information, research and resource sharing between councils through a Climate Change Knowledge Hub on the LGA website, and in partnership with the Regional Climate Partnerships and the Adaptation Practitioners Network.	Director Policy
2.4 Circular economy and waste management Support councils with the transition to a circular economy, including implementation of <i>Buying it Back</i> pilot program, and key actions from the State Government's Waste and Food Waste strategies	Director Policy
2.5 Procurement Proactively assist councils with low-carbon procurement, including the procurement of green power, through panel contracts, training and support resources.	CEO LGA Procurement
2.6 Energy efficiency Promote and expand the LGA's support services that assist councils to improve energy efficiency.	Executive Director Member Services
2.7 Climate risk management Provide advice that assists councils to manage climate risks and potential liabilities via the Mutual Liability Scheme.	CEO LGASA Mutual

3. Advance the local government sector's leadership on climate change

The local government sector has demonstrated leadership on climate change for many years.

The LGA can strengthen this leadership and support the sector to prepare for new and evolving climate risks through thought leadership, research and development, training and embedding the climate commitment across the LGA's strategic and business planning.

Action	Responsibility
3.1 Thought Leadership Showcase the local government sector's leadership on climate change in state and national forums, and through the Premier's Climate Change Council.	Executive Director Public Affairs
3.2 Training Integrate climate awareness and education as part of the LGA's Elected Member leadership development program.	Director Sector Development
3.3 Research and Development Ensure climate change is retained as a research priority of the Local Government Research and Development Scheme.	Director Strategy
3.4 Strategic Planning Embed our climate commitment within the LGA's Strategic and Annual Business Plans.	Director Strategy

4. Achieve emissions reduction and adaptation through the operations of the LGA.

The LGA can lead by example by taking action with its own operations.

Understanding emissions associated with LGA operations is a necessary first step. There are also opportunities to take action through the management of Local Government House, corporate travel and events.

Action	Responsibility
4.1 Local Government House Install solar panels to ensure 100% of electricity consumed by the base building of Local Government House is generated on-site. Install display screens that communicate live electricity generation data at Local Government House. Prepare a NABERS (National Australian Built Environment Rating System) rating for Local Government House. Install end of journey facilities to encourage active travel (cycling and walking) to and from Local Government House.	Director Corporate Services
4.2 LGA emissions Measure, monitor and report carbon emissions associated with LGA operations in year one to establish a baseline from which the LGA can set a zero emissions target in year two.	Director Strategy
4.3 Travel Modify the LGA's Travel Policy to encourage video conferencing, active travel and car pooling wherever practicable.	Director Corporate Services
4.4 Vehicles Modify LGA Vehicle Purchase and Changeover Policy to require low emissions technology as a minimum for all future pool vehicle acquisitions or changeovers, with a transition to zero emissions vehicles being the LGA's long term aspiration.	Director Corporate Services
4.5 Events Develop and implement a Sustainable Events Procedure for all LGA events.	Director Sector Development
4.6 Corporate climate risk Ensure climate risks are appropriately considered in the LGA's strategic risk register and Long Term Financial Plan.	Director Corporate Services
4.7 Monitor and report Monitor the implementation of the Climate Commitment Action Plan and report on progress every six months to the LGA Board, and annually to the LGA membership.	Director Strategy

8.1 COVID-19 Response (Salisbury)

Recommendation Reports from the GAROC Committee

Submitted by:	City of Salisbury	
Approved by:	GAROC Committee	
Meeting	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021
ECM:	732712	Attachment: 732683

Recommendation

That the Ordinary General Meeting requests the LGA to seek direct local government input to any review that is undertaken into the State's response to the COVID-19 emergency with a view to playing a stronger partnership role in any future state-wide emergency.

GAROC Committee's Comments

The GAROC Committee considered this issue at its meeting on 15 March 2021 and acknowledged the importance of a coordinated local government response to the COVID-19 emergency. As such, the GAROC Committee has recommended the Item of Business to the Ordinary General Meeting.

LGA Officer's Comments

(Officer: Katherine Russell, Senior Policy Officer)

Background

The *State Emergency Management Act 2004* establishes the State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC), on which the LGA CEO, Mr Matt Pinnegar, represents the sector. SEMC is responsible for the State Emergency Management Plan (SEMP), which manages all emergencies.

The SEMP articulates the roles and responsibilities that local government plays in emergency management planning, preparedness, response and recovery. The SEMP establishes the LGFSG which is responsible for "coordinating the Response from Local Government during an emergency".

The '[Local Government Emergency Management Framework 2019](#)' reflects the roles of the LGFSG and local government in emergency management around the three key areas of disaster risk reduction, incident operations and recovery.

Lessons Management

The SEMP includes a process for review of response to an emergency in the South Australian Lessons Management Framework¹. The Framework provides a process that encourages agencies to support continuous improvement following emergencies. The process requires SEMC to provide advice to the Minister on management of emergencies and includes roles and responsibilities for each agency, which includes local government.

¹ https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0018/45702/Emergency-Management-Lessons-Management-Framework.pdf

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A review of the State Government response to COVID-19 has not yet been initiated. Through the LGA's role on the SEMC, the LGA is well-placed to ensure that local government is involved in such a review, when it occurs, and that it can advocate for local government to be seen as a partner, rather than just a support agency to the State Government.

Role of the Local Government Functional Support Group (LGFSG)

The recommended Item of Business as proposed by the City of Salisbury refers to confusion caused by rules being designed for local government but without having the benefit of input from local government about how they should be applied.

The LGA leads the LGFSG which provided well-recognised and significant value to the sector during the COVID-19 crisis through its ability to mobilise and coordinate local government resources.

Importantly through the COVID-19 crisis, the LGFSG provided a single point of contact for all State Government emergency management agencies interacting with local government, and assurance that local government activities in emergencies were well-coordinated through a clear command and communication structure.

The LGFSG played an important role through the challenging times at the height of the COVID-19 crisis in:

- Activation of the LGFSG State Coordination Centre to coordinate the response from local government, which included 96 days of operation;
- LGFSG representation at the SA Health State Coordination Centre 7 days a week during the height of the crisis;
- Providing input into changing restrictions per the Emergency Declarations as they were issued through the LGFSG;
- Undertook more than 100,00 compliance checks in partnership with SAPOL and SA Health;
- Delivering regular Operational Briefings for councils about the implications of Emergency Declarations, frequently attended by over 200 local government staff at a time, including over 52 briefings which were attended by 4,100 staff in total;
- Providing regular Operational Updates informing councils about changes to Emergency Declarations and their implications, including over 100 updates and other resources which have been downloaded 6,471 times; and
- Activating several Incident Project Teams including local government experts to support councils on important topics during the COVID-19 crisis, including Environmental Health, Libraries and Waste, with each of these teams preparing guidance notes and direct support to councils.

Cost of the LGFSG

The direct cost to the LGA for this coordination service has been \$150,000 to date, in addition to operational expenditure of more than \$75,000. Councils have absorbed more than \$90,000 in staffing the LGFSG State Coordination Centre during COVID-19 activations.

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The LGFSG is the only Functional Support Group under the SEMP that does not receive a single dollar of State Government funding. The operations of the LGFSG are entirely funded through the LGA's own revenue sources, with no State or Commonwealth contributions.

LGA funding for the LGFSG now approximates 20% of the subscriptions collected from its member councils. This is financially unsustainable for the LGA and its members. The need for the LGFSG to be adequately resourced to meet its emergency management responsibilities has been raised by the LGA in successive State Budget submissions and is also in the LGA Advocacy Plan.

The LGFSG and the COVID-19 Response

Despite this expenditure and the enormous energy spent by the LGFSG to keep the local government sector well-informed and engaged through the COVID-19 crisis, there were still occasions when SA Health did not engage with the LGFSG or events were moving at such a fast pace that SA Health was unable to involve the LGFSG. Emergency Declarations were often made on a Friday with no advance notice to the LGFSG which made implementation over a weekend challenging for councils, causing confusion and angst. Some examples include directions for environmental health officers, use of playgrounds and access to libraries.

As a Functional Support Group under the SEMP, the LGFSG should be engaged as a partner for these changing directions, reflecting its role as well as the ability and willingness of councils to implement the Emergency Declarations.

Opportunities for stronger partnerships with the State Government

While the LGFSG has taken the lead in advocating for and representing the sector, there is still an opportunity to develop a stronger partnership between local government and the State Government and improve the understanding within the State Government of the role of local government in emergencies.

While the State Government may not fully appreciate the local government sector's strengths and capabilities, at times it may also overestimate local government's abilities to respond. A stronger partnership approach would improve this understanding.

SA Health remains immersed in response to the ongoing issues around the COVID-19 crisis. However, outside the incident itself, the LGA can continue to use its existing contacts and representations to advocate for a broader role for local government in all emergencies.

Existing opportunities to provide greater advocacy include:

- SEMC and its subcommittees;
- the State Bushfire Coordination Committee;
- the State Recovery Operations Group; and
- the Fire Prevention Strategic Alliance.

These relationships are also supplemented by several responses to reviews and inquiries which the LGA has undertaken, including its submissions in June 2020 and February 2021 to the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements and responses in May and August 2020 to the Independent Review of the South Australian 2019-2020 Bushfire Season. While these responses are about bushfires, they all demonstrate the important role of local government in emergency management.

Summary

The LGA will continue to build on the reputation it has established through its response to the COVID-19 crisis to advocate for a greater role for local government as partners, not just operational support. Having cemented its representation on numerous emergency management

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committees, the LGA can continue to use its existing opportunities to advocate for the role of the LGFSG and local government in any review that is undertaken into the State Government's response to COVID-19 with a view to playing a stronger partnership role in any future statewide emergency. The LGA could also consider preparing a report to SEMC to highlight these issues to the State Government.

Financial and Resource Implications

This activity has been anticipated in the LGA's work program and resources are available to progress this work.

LGA General Meeting – Proposed Item of Business

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Council Name	City of Salisbury
The body the item is being referred to <i>Proposals may only be submitted to the ROC of which council is a member, or to the LGA Board of Directors.</i>	GAROC
Subject of the proposed item of business	COVID-19 Response
Proposed motion for the General Meeting	That the Ordinary General Meeting requests the LGA to seek direct local government input to any review that is undertaken into the State's response with a view to playing a stronger partnership role in any future state-wide emergency.
Supporting information <i>Provide a summary of the issue(s), relevant background information, description of the impact on the sector and evidence that this is an item of strategic importance to local government.</i>	<p>During the height of the COVID-19 outbreak (early to mid 2020) the State Government made critical decisions in leading the response to how South Australia could manage and minimise the risk to the community of the worldwide pandemic.</p> <p>Many of those decisions related directly to the Local Government (LG) sector and, while Councils were very supportive of playing our role to the best of our capability, there were many discussions among Councils (Mayors / CEOs) and within Councils about what each new directive or legislative change meant so as to ensure a consistent interpretation and deployment of resources.</p> <p>The LG sector's input to any review of the State's response to the pandemic should at least address the delay and potential confusion caused by "rules" designed for local government, but without the sector's input to make them immediately understood and practical for quick implementation.</p> <p>Further, the State Government does not fully appreciate the LG sector's strengths and abilities to deploy resources and implement practical programs at the community level often, in much quicker timeframes than State Departments.</p> <p>A wide ranging review of how South Australia managed (and continues to manage) the impending risks presented by COVID-19 must have significant input from Local Government so as to ensure that the sector is part of the "conversation" as events occur and appropriate responses are being developed.</p>



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LGA Policy Manual <i>Does this item require a change to the LGA Policy Manual (new policy or amendment to existing policy)?</i>	(please click here to view the LGA Policy Manual) No
LGA Strategic Plan reference	(please click here to view the plan and identify the Key Initiative and Strategy reference) <i>Key Initiative 1 – Leadership and Advocacy</i> <i>Strategy E – Build and maintain effective partnerships and stakeholder relations</i>
Council Contact Officer submitting form	Mick Petrovski Manager Governance mpetrovski@salisbury.sa.gov.au 8406 8331
Council Meeting minute reference and date of meeting	Resolution 0765/2020; 23 November 2020
Date submitted to LGA	24 February 2021

Please return Word version of completed form to lgasa@lga.sa.gov.au.
Refer to LGA Circulars in respect to deadlines for upcoming General Meetings.

8.2 Damage to Infrastructure caused by Developers and Builders (Tea Tree Gully)

Recommendation Reports from the GAROC Committee

Submitted by:	City of Tea Tree Gully		
Approved by:	GAROC Committee		
Meeting	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021	
ECM:	732711	Attachments: 732682, 593669	

Recommendation

That the Ordinary General Meeting:

- a. calls on the Attorney General, Hon Vickie Chapman MP to work with the local government sector to investigate and implement an effective solution to the long-standing problem of councils and their ratepayers being left out of pocket when public infrastructure is damaged during private construction projects; and
- b. calls on the Local Government Association to seek to undertake further collaborative discussions with the various public utilities and/or their agents to improve the quality and timeliness of reinstatement works to any damaged local government infrastructure in the course of carrying out their works.

GAROC Committee's Comments

In recommending this item of business, the GAROC committee noted the importance of ensuring that public infrastructure is reinstated to a high standard following works by developers and utilities so as not to leave councils burdened with additional works. The committee noted that when reinstatements are done well, it is beneficial for both the community and the developer or utility.

LGA Officer's Comments

This report provides discussion on each part of the proposed item of business, in turn.

Damage caused by private construction projects

(Officer: Stephen Smith, Planning Reform Partner)

- a) ***That the Ordinary General Meeting calls on the Attorney General, Hon Vickie Chapman MP to work with the local government sector to investigate and implement an effective solution to the long-standing problem of councils and their ratepayers being left out of pocket when public infrastructure is damaged during private construction projects.***

This item aligns with the LGA Policy Manual

6.1.8 Developer Contributions: Local government recognises developer contributions as a fair and viable means of raising revenue to improve local infrastructure and assets. Councils, through the LGA, shall continue to lobby state government to look further into mechanisms by which developer contributions can be regulated.

It also aligns with the current Theme 2 in the GAROC Annual Business Plan:

Theme 2: Design, Planning and Placemaking

GAROC recognises the importance of good decision making that enhances the built environment and supports well-considered planning processes that achieve quality design outcomes and the preservation of character and local heritage.

Objective: Advocate to the State Government and Parliament to ensure that South Australia's planning system reflects leading practice, facilitates better design outcomes and supports local decision making.

Objective: Provide assistance and resources to metropolitan councils that support their important role as local place makers and custodians of public spaces.

and Theme 3 in the SAROC Annual Business Plan:

Theme 3: Natural and Built Environment

The SAROC recognises the importance of local government's role in the future planning and maintenance of South Australia's natural and built environment.

Objective: Influence, inform and advocate for the State Government to address policy and legislative barriers that hinder councils from undertaking their roles in maintaining and enhancing the natural and built environment in regional South Australia.

Damage to public infrastructure as a result of private construction projects has been a long-standing issue within local government as a result of both the financial cost to councils where they are required to repair the damaged infrastructure and also address the public risk. A Discussion Paper 'Section 245A Development Bonds - Further Directions Paper' prepared in 2014 is provided for information.

There have been numerous approaches made to the State Government over time requesting that Regulations to be made to give effect to Section 245A of the Local Government Act:

245A—Council may require bond or other security in certain circumstances

(1) Subject to this section, if—

- a) a person has approval to carry out development under the Development Act 1993; and*
- b) the council has reason to believe that the performance of work in connection with the development could cause damage to any local government land (including a road) within the vicinity of the site of the development, the council may, by notice in writing served on the person who has the benefit of the approval, require the person to enter into an agreement that complies with any requirements prescribed by the regulations so as to ensure that money is available to address the cost of any damage that may be caused.*

This has included the presentation of detailed submissions outlining the significant costs to councils to repair the damage to local infrastructure caused during construction of developments. Efforts have also been made to reach agreement on a way forward with the development sector through a series of roundtables. Unfortunately, these efforts have not achieved a satisfactory outcome, with strong resistance from the State Government and the development sector on the basis that requiring a bond or other form of security will impact on the purchase price, and affordability, of new homes.

Most recently the LGA has included this issue in our submissions on the Local Government Review Bill currently before the Parliament. Our position is that the costs of repairing the damage

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to public infrastructure during private construction, which are very significant in many councils, creates an unreasonable and unfair cost burden for all ratepayers.

At present it would appear that the Government does not intend to introduce Regulations that would give effect to Section 254A.

The wording of the motion, however, does allow for other avenues besides Section 245A to be investigated and the LGA would write to the Minister for Planning and Local Government to highlight the impact of this issue on councils and ratepayers, and seek a commitment to finding an appropriate solution.

Quality and timeliness of reinstatement by public utilities

(Officer: Lea Bacon, Director Policy)

- b) *That the Ordinary General Meeting calls on the Local Government Association to seek to undertake further collaborative discussions with the various public utilities and/or their agents to improve the quality and timeliness of reinstatement works to any damaged local government infrastructure in the course of carrying out their works.***

At the 2017 LGA Annual General Meeting, member councils passed a Notice of Motion introduced by the City of Prospect asking the LGA to “*liaise with essential service providers to establish an agreed policy on reinstating public infrastructure to the satisfaction of councils after completion of works and remediation improvements.*”

In May 2018, the former Metropolitan Local Government Group (MLGG) allocated a budget of \$28,000 to investigate and develop options for legislative or practical solutions to this issue.

The LGA Secretariat subsequently:

- undertook a desktop review of existing council reinstatement specifications;
- reviewed relevant legislation and State Government processes;
- undertook consultation with councils and essential service providers via surveys;
- hosted a working group meeting with member councils¹ to discuss responses to earlier members’ survey and feedback from SA Water / NBN co;
- met with SA Water to discuss their perspective as an ‘essential service provider’; and
- met with the Small Business Commissioner to discuss feedback received from businesses to their office regarding inconsistency in road reinstatement by essential service providers across South Australia.

Section 217 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (‘the Act’) gives councils the power to order the owner of infrastructure on roads to carry out specified maintenance or repair work. This includes pipes, wires, cables and fittings installed in, on, under or over a road. Several South Australian councils have adopted their own reinstatement specifications to provide companies that are undertaking reinstatement work with clear expectations.

However, the Act also states that councils do not have the power to order the owners of electricity, public lighting or gas infrastructure to carry out maintenance or repair work if the Commission has determined, on application by the owner of the infrastructure, that there are reasonable grounds for

¹ This meeting was attended by officers from the cities of Adelaide, Salisbury, Tea Tree Gully, Charles Sturt, Mitcham, and West Torrens, the Barossa Council, Campbelltown City Council and Whyalla City Council.

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not requiring the owner to take the action specified in the order. Consequently, any policy in relation to the reinstatement of electricity, public lighting and gas infrastructure would need the support of essential service providers to ensure its principles are upheld.

Despite the best endeavours of the LGA Secretariat during 2017 to 2019, there was a lack of engagement on this issue from essential services providers (except for SA Water).

In setting its current, 2020-21 Annual Business Plan, GAROC noted the advice and efforts of the LGA Secretariat to complete the intention of the LGA Annual General Meeting motion. At that time, given the difficulty engaging both South Australian councils and essential service providers on a sector-wide project, GAROC concluded that further work on this issue would not be an efficient use of its resources in 2020-21.

Subsequently, the LGA Board of Directors approved removing actions to engage with councils and providers to establish consistent/model specifications and to establish a framework for engaging with essential service providers from the LGA Advocacy Plan 2019-23 in its annual revision in July 2020.

The request from the City of Tea Tree Gully is for the LGA to undertake collaborative discussions with public utilities. Notwithstanding that previous attempts to engage with essential service providers have not resulted in solutions, the LGA could use this opportunity to highlight that this remains an outstanding issue for local government. However, if this re-engagement with essential service providers indicates that their position has not changed since 2019, it is not recommended that the LGA expend further resources attempting to develop consistent policies or specifications.

Financial and Resource Implications

Advocacy on these issues is not currently anticipated in the LGA Advocacy Plan or the LGA's current work plan.

The LGA will have the capacity within existing resources to seek support from the Minister and essential service providers to work collaboratively towards solutions but undertaking detailed investigations or extensive engagement will require a decision of the LGA Board to reprioritise the LGA's work program.

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Subject of the proposed item of business	Damage to Infrastructure cause by Developers and Builders
Proposed motion for the General Meeting	<p>a) That the Ordinary General Meeting calls on the Attorney General, Hon Vickie Chapman MP to work with the local government sector to investigate and implement an effective solution to the long-standing problem of councils and their ratepayers being left out of pocket when public infrastructure is damaged during private construction projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <p>b) That the Ordinary General Meeting calls on the Local Government Association to seek to undertake further collaborative discussions with the various public utilities and/or their agents to improve the quality and timeliness of reinstatement works to any damaged local government infrastructure in the course of carrying out their works.</p>
Supporting information <i>Provide a summary of the issue(s), relevant background information, description of the impact on the sector and evidence that this is an item of strategic importance to local government.</i>	<p>Significant costs are incurred by councils associated with third party damage to council owned infrastructure. This damage often arises from the actions of property owners, developers, builders, contractors, delivery service providers and utilities' services works. They have the potential to cause damage to footpaths, kerb & water tables, stormwater drains, side entry pits, trees, verges, roads, etc.</p> <p>Councils across South Australia struggle with addressing and following up such damage for a variety of reasons and this issue is arguably worsening due to the amount of residential infill development occurring across the suburbs of Adelaide.</p> <p>Various sections of the <i>Local Government Act 1999</i> are available to Council for the enforcement of rectification works, however these have been used with minimal success resulting in councils repairing the damage and incurring the costs themselves.</p>

A key outcome of discussions to note is that while the relevant legislation provides a framework intended to allow councils to pursue responsible persons for damage to council infrastructure and/or administer a bonding or 'retention of funds' arrangement for certain types of development, that the requisite supporting Regulations and processes have never been progressed.

This is a very limiting factor for councils across South Australia and further development of these intended arrangements are well overdue and should be pursued.

The Local Government Association is well placed to pursue the required changes on behalf of councils.

There are various sections of the *Local Government Act 1999* which allow council officers the ability to manage damage to council infrastructure.

These sections require specific evidence to enable follow up and potential enforcement of these matters with the 'person(s)' who caused the damage.

Section 245(A) of the *Local Government Act 1999* provides the framework for retention of funds (by council from the applicant) to repair damages, however does not have any prescribed Regulations and therefore is unable to be utilised at this time. Currently there are no other available opportunities for councils to seek a bond / retention funds from property owners, developers, builders, etc.

The ability to manage infrastructure damage, is mainly restricted to council's ability to provide proof beyond reasonable doubt for the cause of damage and to identify those responsible. This is by way of evidence gathering, having a resource to undertake pre & post construction site assessments as well as continual monitoring of approved development and permit sites.

It is to be noted that for all instances where the 'person' who caused the damage cannot be proven, the processes above are undertaken via communications and requests for rectification that if challenged legally, may not be enforceable without sufficient proof of who caused the alleged damage to infrastructure.

Based on feedback from some council's, the effectiveness of this approach ranges between 50% - 90% for those matters that councils pursue.

Implementing a framework to enforce repair would educate and possibly deter developers and builders from causing damage to Council infrastructure. This change would also

	<p>support the perception that Council are proactively trying to hold the right people accountable.</p> <p>Consideration needs to be given to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Costs to the community in councils rate shaving to cover the cost of these repairs caused by others
<p>LGA Policy Manual</p> <p><i>Does this item require a change to the LGA Policy Manual (new policy or amendment to existing policy)?</i></p>	<p>(please click here to view the LGA Policy Manual)</p> <p>No</p>
<p>LGA Strategic Plan reference</p>	<p>(please click here to view the plan and identify the Key Initiative and Strategy reference)</p> <p><i>Key Initiative: Leadership and Advocacy</i></p> <p><i>Strategy: Listen to, and represent members.</i></p>
<p>Council Contact Officer submitting form</p>	<p>Deana Taglierini</p> <p>Governance Advisor</p> <p>8397 7263</p>
<p>Council Meeting minute reference and date of meeting</p>	<p>Council Meeting – Resolution Number 732</p> <p>9 February 2021</p>
<p>Date submitted to LGA</p>	<p>24 February 2021</p>

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Section 245A Development Bonds - Further Directions Paper

20 October 2014

Background

Section 245A of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the Act) came into operation on 5 April 2009. This section enables a Council to require a developer to enter into an agreement to cover the cost of potential damage to Council infrastructure. This agreement may take the form of a bond or an indemnity (which would be called upon only if damage occurred during development works).

The stated intention of the amendment was to:

"...enable Councils to recover costs for damages but ensure that the form of security used and the nature of the cover is such that it does not result in unreasonable costs to the building industry and home purchasers" (Hansard 23 November 2006 p.1168)

In December 2009, the Local Government Association (LGA) circulated guidelines to its members on how to utilise s245A which included how to determine the amount of a bond. It was suggested that the value of the bond be based on the length of the private property adjoining or fronting the Council land (e.g. the length times estimated cost per metre to repair road or kerbing plus any infrastructure). Additionally, this bond should only be applied where the Council has reason to believe building works will cause damage to the community infrastructure and the building works are valued at more than \$15,000.

On release of these guidelines there was immediate opposition from the Urban Development Institute of Australia, the Housing Industry Association and the Master Builder Association. Shortly afterwards it became apparent that without the development of regulations to determine the prescribed period by which to comply, s245A could not be enforced.

Since this time the LGA has been seeking to have relevant regulations made but this has been met with opposition by both industry and the State Government. The LGA has clearly indicated to the State Government that Councils would not be favourable toward any mechanism that diluted the strength of the existing statutory authority within this section.

In an attempt to get a resolution to this issue, the LGA began the development of guidelines to assist Councils and industry in reaching an agreed outcome. However, industry remains opposed to the development of guidelines as well. Largely concern from industry surrounds proving who is responsible for damage caused to Council property during development.

Main areas of infrastructure damage include:

- footpaths;
- kerbing;
- street surfaces;
- catch pit repairs or relocation;
- drains repairs or relocation;
- driveway access;
- irrigation;

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- service pit – adjustment;
- signs;
- Stormwater Infrastructure;
- traffic control devices;
- trees – replacement; and
- Water Table (kerbing).

In 2011 the LGA surveyed Councils to get an understanding of the cost to Councils for repairing damaged infrastructure. Eleven metropolitan Councils responded to the Survey and in 2009-10 the repair costs varied from \$3,683 to \$594,612 and in 2010-11 repair costs varied from \$1,457 to \$776,777. These costs only reflect the infrastructure repairs and do not include other costs such as staff administration or recoveries (equating to 1361 staff hours at Adelaide City Council and one full time staff member at Mitcham).

Recovering cost repairs related to development damage is costly and time consuming. However, Adelaide City Council indicated that they recover between 60-100% of damage costs while Charles Sturt recovered approximately 85% and West Torrens recovered 90%.

In 2012, the LGA worked with the Minister for State/Local Government Relations to identify suitable policy options to make Section 245A workable for Local Government, the public and the development industry. The Minister also requested advice as to the most appropriate type of security for Councils to seek:

- cash bond;
- indemnity;
- guarantee; or
- other type of agreement.

Having noted that requirement for a cash bond would not be favourable to the housing and development industries, the LGA sought advice on alternative mechanisms to use Section 245A.

Legal advice provided to the LGA indicates that an Indemnity or Guarantee would be appropriate:

- Indemnity - formal promise by one party to keep another party harmless against loss; and
- Guarantee - formal promise by one person to take responsibility for the debts or obligations of another person if they fail to meet them.

Councils were surveyed on the preference between an indemnity versus a guarantee. The LGA received five responses of which only one supported the use of an indemnity; however, none of the responding Councils indicated their support for a guarantee. Four of the five Councils sought the introduction of a cash bond while one indicated that they sought to maintain status quo.

Despite this work, industry, State Government and Local Government have been unable to determine an agreed resolution to this matter.

Options

The following options are proposed to seek resolution to this issue:

1) *Status Quo*

This is an option that would leave Section 245A intact but with no functioning regulations. Councils would continue to seek cost recovery through other mechanisms.

2) *Develop 'Good Practice' Guidelines with Industry*

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This non-legislative option would look at the development of guidelines to help reduce damage to public infrastructure in the first place. However, should damage occur, these guidelines would provide no security to Councils to oblige developers to pay for damage caused to infrastructure unless proven beyond a reasonable doubt in court. It is important to note that Industry has already indicated that they are not supportive of this option.

3) *Develop 'Good Practice' Guidelines for Council*

As above, this non-legislative option would look at the development of guidelines to help reduce damage. This may include the option of using photographs before and after work and invoicing the developer for any damage. Currently used by the City of West Torrens this approach has proved reasonably effective. Prior to the commencement of any development it is made clear to developers that they will be held responsible for any infrastructure damage.

4) *Amend the Local Government Act 1999*

It is understood that the Act will be reviewed in 2015. At this time it may be appropriate to seek:

- a) The development of suitable regulations for Section 245A; or
- b) Seek the repeal of Section 245A and propose instead an amendment to section 213(2) to create a statutory presumption that a person with the benefit of a development approval is the person from whom the costs of repairing road and footpath damage may be obtained. The practical difference between the above option and this one is that this option would not cap the land owner's liability.

Recommendation

The development of regulations and guidelines with industry remains unlikely.

It is recommended that option 3 be pursued in the first instance with option 4 to be undertaken in conjunction with the review of the Act in 2015.

8.3 Electric Vehicles Fleet Incentives (Campbelltown)

Recommendation Reports from the GAROC Committee

Submitted by:	Campbelltown City Council		
Approved by:	GAROC Committee		
Meeting	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021	
ECM:	734284	Attachments: 732691a, 732691b	

Recommendations:

1. That the Ordinary General Meeting requests the LGA to lobby the Federal Government to remove the luxury vehicle tax on electric vehicles and to introduce incentives for local vehicle manufacturing to create local industries to change the Internal combustion fleet to an electric fleet based on renewable, locally produced power; and
2. That the Ordinary General Meeting requests the LGA to lobby the State Government to assist councils convert to an electric vehicle fleet by providing incentives.

GAROC Committee's Comments

The GAROC Committee considered this issue at its meeting on 15 March 2021 and acknowledged the importance of local government's role in the transition to electric vehicles, particularly the opportunities to support local manufacturing and fleet purchasing. As such, the GAROC Committee has recommended the Item of Business to the Ordinary General Meeting.

LGA Officer's Comments

(Officer: Katherine Russell, Senior Policy Officer)

Recent advocacy

In May 2020, LGA Board of Directors approved an Item of Business proposed by the Campbelltown City Council requesting that the LGA enter into discussions to develop a trial of a Federally and/or State funded subsidy scheme and/or incentives in South Australia, for cars, light commercial vehicles, trucks and buses fuelled by alternative energy sources including electric, hybrid and hydrogen vehicles.

The LGA subsequently wrote to the Minister for Energy and Mining, Mr Minister Dan van Holst Pellekaan suggesting that a trial of a subsidy scheme or incentives for alternative energy sourced vehicles could be incorporated into the (then) forthcoming Action Plan.

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The LGA highlighted the importance of providing subsidies and/or incentives to encourage fleet purchasers to further uptake emerging technology. It also noted that as fleet purchasers, both State and local government can influence the purchasing choices of private vehicle buyers, thereby setting an example of the use of emerging technology for the community, as well as encouraging the uptake of EVs in the community as many fleet vehicles are sold on to the community.

The LGA also took the opportunity in that letter to welcome the State Government's commitment to cut greenhouse gas emissions to 50 per cent of 2005 levels by 2030 and for South Australia to be a net-zero carbon emitter by 2050 and noted that innovations to reduce emissions from transport will play a critical role in achieving these targets in a financially and economically sustainable way.

The LGA noted that the State Government's 'Directions for a Climate Smart South Australia', stated that the State Government will support the development of low emissions and climate smart industries and services in South Australia, and will recognise that the South Australian economy and workforce benefits from investment in renewable energy and attraction of EV and battery production businesses to Adelaide.

While the Minister replied favourably to say that his department was working closely with the Department for Environment and Water to ensure strong alignment with the (then) forthcoming across-government climate change strategy for South Australia, the Action Plan released in late 2020 does not include either subsidies or incentives.

The LGA has continued to work with the Department for Energy and Mining (DEM) supporting its work around EVs. In January 2021, the LGA released a [Latest News](#) item making councils aware of the Action Plan and promoting the opportunities on offer from DEM to support councils in either hosting a charging site or participating in smart charging trials.

The LGA has also promoted the [Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia \(IPWEA\) Seminar on EVs](#) to be hosted at the City of Campbelltown in April 2021 and LGA staff will attend.

In addition, LGA Procurement has continued to support councils through establishing panels to assist councils in the purchase of EVs.

Federal Government's Discussion Paper

The Senate Select Committee on Electric Vehicles released its [Report](#) in January 2019 ('the Senate Report') with key recommendations that the Australian Government:

- develop a national strategy to facilitate EV uptake and establish targets for their uptake;
- coordinate a national public charging network, including enabling new dwellings;
- develop an EV manufacturing roadmap; and
- coordinate federal, state and local government EV fleet, truck and electric bus procurement.

While the Federal Government has not responded to the Senate Report, in February 2021 it released its [Future Fuels Strategy: Discussion Paper](#) ('the Discussion Paper') with the following key initiatives:

1. Electric vehicle charging and hydrogen refuelling infrastructure;
2. An early focus on commercial fleets;
3. Improving information for motorists and fleet purchasers;
4. Integrating battery electric vehicles into the electricity grid; and
5. Supporting Australian innovation and manufacture.

While the Discussion Paper does not support EV subsidies and does not mention removing the luxury car tax on EVs, its focus on a 'fleets first' approach, recognising the value of fleet purchases,

and its support for the manufacturing sector, both align with the direction of the recommended Items of Business as proposed by the Campbelltown City Council.

Consultation on the Discussion Paper closed on Friday 2 April 2021 and the LGA made a submission based on existing LGA policy and the issues raised by Campbelltown City Council.

State Government's Action Plan

The State Government's Action Plan released in January 2021 is based around four main actions:

- Statewide public charging network (developing a charging network across the State);
- Leading by example (mandating State Government vehicles be plug-in electric models and investigating electric buses);
- Catalyse fleet and private uptake (supporting EV fleets); and
- Framework to speed up transition (establishing a framework to support EV uptake).

The Action Plan does not include subsidies or incentives and the State Government announced through the 2020-21 Budget that it intends to introduce a new tax on EVs.

The proposed tax is contrary to the objectives of the Action Plan. EVs are already more expensive than regular vehicles and South Australia already has extremely low uptake of EVs at around 0.1% of all vehicles on the road. Evidence shows that EVs contribute a \$8,763 net benefit to the economy over ten years. The Treasurer Rob Lucas's argument that EVs do not contribute to road infrastructure costs has been dispelled by a report from Ernst and Young which found that each EV has a greater net benefit (due to environmental factors), than petrol or diesel-based vehicles. EVs are a significant contribution to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, as transport makes up 18% of emissions and light vehicles 10%.

This proposal has been subject to criticism and it has been reported that the State Government intends to delay the introduction of the tax for one year in order to monitor similar measures interstate.

Recommended Items of Business:

1. Lobby the Federal Government to remove the luxury vehicle tax on electric vehicles and to introduce incentives for local vehicle manufacturing to create local industries to change the Internal combustion fleet to an electric fleet based on renewable, locally produced power;

The Australian Government currently imposes a luxury car tax amounting to 33% of the vehicle purchase price in excess of \$68,740, which captures many EVs. The Discussion Paper does not propose removal of that tax on EVs.

Campbelltown City Council argues that the greatest barrier to uptake of EVs is the cost, and that there are numerous environmental advantages. It argues that widespread EV uptake would also reduce Australia's reliance on imported fuels, reduce transport costs and create greater efficiencies in the economy. Other advantages include benefits to the community in having a cleaner environment, as well as road safety benefits as newer cars are brought into the market which incorporate new safety technology.

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The Recommended Item of Business also addresses the issue of incentives for local vehicle manufacturing. The Electric Vehicles Council of Australia argues that significant advantages are on offer for local manufacturers to use existing but disused plant from the South Australian automotive industry, such as the former General Motors factory in Elizabeth. It argues that use of existing plant and machinery would ensure that Australia was a competitive market for EV manufacture and that it was at the forefront of a transition to EV uptake.

There are already examples of local manufacturers producing EVs, with the BusTech Group preparing to produce around 60 electric buses for the NSW Government over the next 18 months, employing 110 South Australians. Examples such as this will support the LGA's advocacy that revival of the local manufacturing industry to produce EVs is viable and worthy of investment, as well as supporting the strategic direction of both the Federal Government and the State Government.

Removing the luxury car tax on EVs and support for local manufacturing will be raised in the LGA submission to the Discussion Paper. The LGA will also liaise with the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) to progress these issues in the forthcoming Federal Election.

2. Lobby the State Government to assist councils convert to an electric vehicle fleet by providing incentives.

Both the Australian Government's Discussion Paper and the State Government's Action Plan support a 'fleets first' approach. Neither proposes incentives for local government to achieve EV fleet conversion.

Transition to EVs is one of the main ways in which local government can support the transition to EVs and this is recognised in the LGA's policy position. Research indicates that only by offering incentives can Australia reach a 100% EV total road fleet by 2050 and that the proposed tax on EVs could lead to at least 25% fewer sales. This will severely jeopardise achievement of that EV target.

If Australia is to meet its net-zero emissions target by 2050, given the important role in the net-zero emissions target played by transport, incentives to increase the uptake of EVs are essential.

Internationally, incentives play a significant role in the uptake of EVs. For example, in the UK, subsidies of around £6000 per EV are offered, with similar incentives in the US, Germany and Italy. Where sales of EVs in Europe rose from 3.3% of all new cars in 2019 to 10.2% last year, in Australia sales increased only from 0.6% to 0.75% over the same period.

At a State Government level, the LGA has already written to the Minister about supporting incentives, which was rejected in the Action Plan and the State Budget. While the State Government is offering other incentives, such as \$18M to build around 200 new vehicle charging stations, and will be converting the State Government fleet to electric, it is not clear how it will be supporting councils to convert their vehicle fleets to EVs, despite this being a key action in the Action Plan.

Given the importance of fleet purchasing in encouraging widespread uptake in EVs, the LGA proposes ongoing advocacy with the State Government in offering incentives for council fleets, as well as for the general purchase of EVs. The LGA also supported the 'fleets first' approach in its submission to the Federal Government's Discussion Paper.

Summary

While the 'fleets first' approach of both the Federal Government and the State Government is important, the State Government's zero-net emissions targets, nor the fleet targets, are likely to be achieved without incentives. Removal of the luxury vehicle tax on EVs and support for the local manufacturing industry would serve to support achievement of the emissions targets and position South Australia at the forefront of EV manufacture and uptake.

Further to its recent advocacy, if the recommended items of business are carried by the membership at the LGA Ordinary General Meeting, the LGA will continue to:

- liaise with ALGA to align advocacy at the forthcoming Federal Election; and
- advocate the State Government on the need for incentives to support an EV 'fleets first' approach.

Financial and Resource Implications

This activity has been anticipated in the LGA's work program and resources are available to progress this work.

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Council Name	
The body the item is being referred to	GAROC
Subject of the proposed item of business	Removal of Federal Government luxury vehicle tax on electric vehicles
Proposed motion for the General Meeting	That the Ordinary General Meeting requests the LGA to lobby the Federal Government to remove the luxury vehicle tax on electric vehicles and to introduce incentives for local vehicle manufacturing to create local industries to change the Internal combustion fleet to an electric fleet based on renewable, locally produced power.
Supporting information	The biggest block to the uptake of EVs (electric vehicles) with their reduction of air pollution, noise pollution and reduction of carbon emissions is cost. The change to EVs would reduce the need for imported fuels which in a crisis would cripple the nation. A move to EV travel would also reduce transport costs and create greater efficiencies in the economy including the cost to supply goods. The sooner the changeover to an EV fleet occurs the better it will be for the economy, carbon emissions and the nation's self sufficiency in fuel. City life would be better for citizens as well with cleaner air and reduced traffic noise.
LGA Policy Manual	No
LGA Strategic Plan reference	Key Initiative: 3 Best Practice & continuous improvement Strategy B: Benchmark, innovate and research
Council Contact Officer submitting form	Ms Lyn Barton lbarton@campbelltown.sa.gov.au 8366 9234
Council Meeting minute reference and date of meeting	2 March 2021, Item 9.4
Date submitted to LGA	24 February 2021

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Council Name	
The body the item is being referred to	GAROC
Subject of the proposed item of business	Electric Vehicles Fleet Incentives
Proposed motion for the General Meeting	That the Ordinary General Meeting requests the LGA to lobby the State Government to assist councils convert to an electric vehicle fleet by providing incentives.
Supporting information	<p>Overseas car manufacturers are increasingly producing EV (electric vehicles) and phasing out production of internal combustion engines.</p> <p>Jaguar will only produce electric cars by 2025. Ford and GM are looking at 2030 as a changeover date. Other car manufacturers will also transition to EVs and have stopped their research and development for internal combustion engines. A lack of action now will severely restrict the types of vehicles available as other countries move rapidly to EVs and Australia is left behind. Furthermore, the recent release of the State Government EV Action Plan stated that by 2035, EV will be the default choice for all new passenger vehicles.</p> <p>Councils can assist with the transition as envisioned by the Federal Government, by electrifying their fleets and helping develop the second hand market as upgrades occur, trialling technologies and showing leadership to the community. This action needs to be cost neutral for Councils and incentives are necessary.</p> <p>For information, SA Power Networks has forward plans to provide sufficient electricity to power EVs by 2025.</p>
LGA Policy Manual	No
LGA Strategic Plan reference	Key Initiative: 3 Best Practice & continuous improvement Strategy B: Benchmark, innovate and research
Council Contact Officer submitting form	Ms Lyn Barton lbarton@campbelltown.sa.gov.au 8366 9234
Council Meeting minute reference and date of meeting	2 March 2021, Item 9.2
Date submitted to LGA	24 February 2021

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8.4 Seeking a comprehensive State Government review of mandatory statutory rebates and exemptions from payment of local government rates (Adelaide)

Recommendation Reports from the GAROC Committee

Submitted by:	City of Adelaide		
Approved by:	GAROC Committee		
Meeting	Ordinary General Meeting	30 April 2021	
ECM:	734189	Attachment: 732007	

Recommendation

That the Ordinary General Meeting:

1. calls for the State Government to undertake a comprehensive review of statutory rate rebates and exemptions;
2. requests that the LGA urgently progresses the key action in the LGA Advocacy Plan for 2019-2023 (Financial Sustainability theme) that the LGA work with interested councils to undertake analysis and prepare an issues paper to inform and advocate for a review of the mandatory rate rebates that councils are compelled to provide; and
3. requests that following preparation of the issues paper and consultation with interested councils, the LGA seeks to engage an appropriate economic advisory consultant to prepare a report for government advocating for changes to statutory rate rebates and exemptions in SA.

GAROC Committee's Comments

In recommending this item of business, the GAROC committee acknowledged that a review of council mandatory rate rebates is of strategic importance to the local government sector and that there is strong alignment with endorsed LGA Policy and advocacy positions.

GAROC noted that advocacy on this issue would support the objective outlined in the LGA Advocacy Plan 2019-23, to: "Maximise contributions, investment and the appropriate policy settings from other spheres of government to contribute toward local government financial sustainability."

GAROC's Strategic Plan includes a "Reform and Innovation" strategic theme that recognises the opportunity for GAROC to "lead reform and innovations that enhance decision making, build community trust and drive downward pressure on council rates."

LGA Officer's Comments

(Officer: Rebecca Muller, Senior Policy Officer)

Recent advocacy

The LGA uses every opportunity to strongly pursue advocacy on this issue, in line with the endorsed policy position and LGA Advocacy Plan 2019-2023.

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The LGA's public campaign during the 2018 State Election highlighted the inequitable burden that mandatory rebates place on all other ratepayers, and it is anticipated that this issue will feature in its campaign for the South Australian state election in March 2022.

The LGA's submissions to the SA Productivity Commission's Inquiry into Local Government Costs and Efficiency during 2019 included information on cost shifting with a particular focus on community housing mandatory rebates and noted that:

"Where a State Government role or function is to be undertaken by Local Government on the State's behalf (mandated or by agreement) then those roles and functions must come with an appropriate level of funding and/or fees structures which actually recover the cost of service arrangements."

The LGA submission to the State Government's Reforming Local Government in South Australia Discussion Paper in November 2019 recommended the *Local Government Act* be amended to:

"Remove or recompense councils for state-government mandated discounts on rates for:
Community housing / Electricity providers / Religious services / Public cemeteries / Educational purposes."

The August 2020 LGA Submission on the Local Government Review Bill (the Bill) reiterated this recommendation and noted:

"State legislation requires councils to give discounts on council rates to electricity generators, community housing providers and other organisations. Legislation should clarify that councils set council rates. If the State Government wishes to offer a discount to particular bodies, it should fully fund this discount."

While these recommendations were unfortunately not incorporated into the Bill, the LGA will continue to advocate and explore further opportunities to progress these issues with the State Government. In doing so the LGA Secretariat will continue to consult extensively with member councils and undertake research to prepare LGA submissions and position papers, as foreshadowed in the LGA Advocacy Plan 2019-2023 and the item of business proposed by the City of Adelaide.

Previous consultation and research

The LGA takes a strategic and evidence-based approach to advocacy, that is informed by consultation with its member councils and contemporary research.

The LGA undertook significant consultation with member councils, including via issues/discussion papers, to inform the submissions to the SA Productivity Commission Inquiry, the State Government's Reforming Local Government in South Australia Discussion Paper and on the Local Government Review Bill.

Recent submissions that included advocacy on statutory rate rebates and exemptions have been informed by the following Local Government Research and Development Scheme (LGR&DS) projects:

- 'Quantifying the Impact of Rating Exemptions and Rebates (2013.20)' completed in 2016 and informed the evidence base to LGA advocacy;
- 'Local Government Led Community Housing (2014.35)' completed in 2016 and detailed the involvement of local government in social housing in Australia and internationally and the depth of the financial imposition of the transfer by the State Government of public housing stock;
- 'Rating equity for commercial and or industrial land uses outside towns (2017.53)' commissioned by the Legatus Group to consider how commercial or industrial land uses

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within predominantly rural areas should be treated in a council's rating policy, and whether any legislative reform is required, to balance the principles of taxation, including equity between ratepayers; and

- 'Rating Equity Councils ability for Growth (2019.55)' commissioned by the Legatus Group to further consider the impacts associated with the inability to effectively rate electricity generation and storage developments.

Further, Norman Waterhouse Lawyers recently released advice aimed at assisting councils to ensure that 'mandatory' rebates are only applied with respect to land which actually meets the relevant legal conditions for the rebate (in particular with respect to land used by community service providers)¹.

Financial and Resource Implications

The LGA Advocacy Plan 2019-2023 identifies an action to "undertake analysis and prepare an issues paper to inform and advocate for a review of the mandatory rate rebates that councils are compelled to provide."

The recommended item of business additionally requests that the LGA commission advice from an appropriate economic advisory consultancy to prepare a report for government advocating for changes to statutory rate rebates and exemptions in SA.

Good public policy positions and convincing advocacy need to be supported by contemporary evidence and data. There would be value in engaging an economic advisory consultancy to produce additional evidence in support of the sector's endorsed policy position. Based on previous external research reports, it is estimated that this would require a budget allocation of \$35,000.

Subject to this item being carried by the LGA membership, GAROC has agreed to include 'statutory rate rebates and exemptions' as an action in the forthcoming GAROC 2021-2022 Annual Business Plan, and to provide an appropriate budget allocation.

¹ [Rate Rebates for Community Housing Providers • Norman Waterhouse \(normans.com.au\)](https://www.normans.com.au)

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Date submitted to LGA	16 February 2021
Council Name	City of Adelaide
The body the item is being referred to	GAROC
Subject of the proposed item of business	<i>Seeking a comprehensive State Government review of mandatory statutory rebates and exemptions from payment of local government rates</i>
Proposed motion for the General Meeting	<p>That the Annual General Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calls for the State Government to undertake a comprehensive review of statutory rate rebates and exemptions. • Requests that the LGA urgently progresses the key action in the LGA Advocacy Plan for 2019-2023¹ (Financial Sustainability theme) that the LGA work with interested councils to undertake analysis and prepare an issues paper to inform and advocate for a review of the mandatory rate rebates that councils are compelled to provide. • Requests that following preparation of the issues paper and consultation with interested councils, the LGA seeks to engage an appropriate economic advisory consultancy to prepare a report for government advocating for changes to statutory rate rebates and exemptions in SA.
Supporting information Provide a summary of the issue(s), relevant background information, description of the impact on the sector and evidence that this is an item of strategic importance to local government.	<p>Councils provide services and facilities that are vital for our communities, including roads, local parks, libraries, community centres, and sports facilities as well as emergency and waste management. Funding for such services and facilities is increasingly compromised while councils provide additional community support during recovery from the impacts of recent bushfires and the Covid-19 health emergency, at the same time as policy changes shift costs from other spheres of Government to local councils.</p> <p>As a result, today's rate base is not always sufficient to provide vital services and facilities for ratepayers. Poor financial sustainability for councils could result in either cuts to our services and facilities, or creation of an inequitable rate burden whereby current as well as future non-exempt ratepayers</p>

¹ LGA-Annual-General-Meeting-Agenda-and-Papers-29-October-2020-V3.pdf (p. 7, Advocacy Plan endorsed September 2019, revised July 2020 and approved by October 2020 LGA AGM)



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	<p>subsidise exempt uses of land some of which afford private organisations benefit from the use of public rates.</p> <p>The Local Government Association (LGA), City of Adelaide (CoA), and other councils have during recent years called for a number of measures to drive downward pressure on council rates, including through our responses to the State Government's proposed local government reforms. However such measures have not to date been included in the State Government's Statutes Amendment (Local Government Review) Bill 2020, before the Parliament in early 2021.</p> <p>The City of Adelaide therefore requests the support of other Councils and the LGA to escalate the sector's ongoing advocacy for a comprehensive review of statutory rate rebates and exemptions to ensure that the communities councils support are able to benefit from a fair, equitable and sustainable commitment of resources towards the services and facilities provided by local government. Securing the ongoing capacity of local government to deliver for communities is in everyone's best interests and is the responsibility of all spheres of Government.</p> <p>This proposal supports the LGA Strategic Plan Key Initiative 2: Capacity Building and Sustainability (<i>Working with member councils to build capacity and increase sustainability. An integrated and coordinated local government.</i>)</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Victorian Government has recently held an inquiry into the local government rating system in that State, to identify changes that could improve its fairness and equity. A Ministerial Panel was established, and consulted widely on its report which was released by the Minister on 21 December 2020 along with the Victorian Government's response.</p> <p>The Local Government Rating System Review: Report of the Ministerial Panel (March 2020)² provides an in-depth analysis of Victoria's rates system, assessing the fairness and equity of the current system, and recommends 56 improvements. The recommendations cover a range of reforms for which the Victorian Government response indicates support including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • providing flexibility and autonomy for councils to continue to make rating decisions that reflect community needs • ensuring ratepayers facing financial hardship are treated fairly, consistently and compassionately and provided with appropriate support • reforming payment and billing arrangements to improve convenience for ratepayers and efficiency for councils, and • expanding means for councils to offer rate rebates and concessions where there is a public benefit.
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² https://s3-ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/hdp.au.prod.app.vic-engage.files/3916/0850/1374/Local_Government_Rating_System_Review_Final_Report_March_2020.pdf



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	<p>The Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'reaffirmed the importance of the local government rating system to fund essential infrastructure and local services'³, and • found the rating system is not broken and is in line with many of the principles underpinning a good taxation system.' <p>Notwithstanding this, the Panel also 'recommended 'repeal of long-standing rate exemptions' e.g. for not-for-profit enterprises, and introduction of a 'new 'public benefit use' test for future rate exemptions'. Disappointingly, the Victorian Government response does not engage with the Review's comprehensive rationale and findings in relation to rate exemptions and alternative rating arrangements. Rather it indicates that the Government does not support the majority of the related recommendations due to the potential negative impact and perceived risks to business and investment certainty during Covid-19 recovery. This is a missed opportunity to correct some of the inequities the Review has identified in the Victorian rating system and bring rating back in line with broader community expectations that a cross-subsidy paid by non-exempt ratepayers should only be paid to bodies and organisations that provide public benefit of some sort.</p> <p>Further, a 2013 Local Government New South Wales commissioned Deloitte Access Economics Review into local government rating exemption provisions⁴ found that '[T]here would appear scope for improvement in relation to partial relief instruments, clearer qualification criteria, linking funds to specific purposes and council discretionary powers.' It also recognised that policy makers must weigh the following principles criteria, and that there will be trade-offs, in building local government rating systems:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efficiency • Simplicity • Equity (capacity to pay and benefit principle) • Sustainability • Cross-border competitiveness • Competitive neutrality. <p>A 2008 Productivity Commission research report into the revenue raising capacity of local governments found that rate exemptions differentially reduce local government's rates bases in varying proportions across individual councils comprised of different proportions of exempt land.</p>
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³ https://s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/hdp.au.prod.app.vic-engage/files/5116/0869/4544/Information_Sheet_-_What_It_Means_for_Ratepayers.pdf (p. 1)

⁴ <https://www.lgmsw.org.au/common/Uploaded%20files/Submissions/deloitte-access-economics-review-of-local-government-rating-exemption-provisions-2013.pdf>, p. 29, Deloitte Access Economics *Review of local government rating exemption provisions*, Local Government NSW, May 2013, accessed 27 November 2020



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	<p>The need to revise the current system was also reinforced by Comrie in a working paper published for the Australian Centre of Excellence for Local Government, in which he argued that:</p> <p>“Given that council rates are a tax, it is appropriate that some concessions be available for disadvantaged ratepayers. However, it needs to be borne in mind that local government rates represent only 3.5% of total tax revenue by all Australian governments. Other spheres of government are far better placed to achieve effective income redistribution because they have both more income and a broader base of taxpayers across which to equalise than do individual councils” (2013, p. 37).</p> <p><i>Discussion</i></p> <p>Arguably the raising of rates revenue for community services, facilities and infrastructure from only those ratepayers on non-exempt land can result in inequity, by reallocating to those non-exempt ratepayers the burden of revenue-raising to cover services and infrastructure which benefit those who are exempt as well. The application of exemptions and rebates notwithstanding the increasing creep of activities of exempt institutions into the commercial realm further contributes to this inequity. The granting of an exemption should rather be justified on balance against the considerations of the local communities affected, and some form of council discretion should be allowed to determine whether grounds for exemption are met, in order to prevent or reduce inequitable outcomes.</p> <p>Solutions may include reduction, removal or repeal of rate rebates or exemptions, or pursuit of alternative funding arrangements for local councils where this would result in greater public benefit. For example, State Government could provide compensation to impacted councils for the cost shifting associated with the transfer of public housing properties from the State Government to Community Housing Providers (CHPs). The transfer has resulted in a revenue loss across those impacted councils of \$4.4 million per year for every 5,000 properties due to the mandatory 75% rebate on council rates for the CHPs. While CoA supports provision of rebates to CHPs, this represents significant unfunded cost shifting from the State to ratepayers.</p> <p>The City of Adelaide has also recently considered the impact of rebates and exemptions for land occupied by schools and universities for educational purposes upon the rate base.</p> <p>Without a sustainable and equitable revenue base councils will face increasing challenges in providing services and facilities to support ratepayers and users of exempt organisations alike.</p>
<p>LGA Policy Manual</p>	<p>Key actions in the LGA Advocacy Plan for 2019-2023⁵ (Financial Sustainability theme) that the LGA:</p>

⁵ LGA-Annual-General-Meeting-Agenda-and-Papers-29-October-2020-V3.pdf (p. 7)



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Does this item require a change to the LGA Policy Manual (new policy or amendment to existing policy)?	work with interested councils to undertake analysis and prepare an issues paper to inform and advocate for a review of the mandatory rate rebates that councils are compelled to provide
LGA Strategic Plan reference	Key Initiative 2: Capacity Building and Sustainability Strategy B: Lead, initiate and promote working together Strategy C: Equip councils for the future
Council Contact Officer submitting form	Anita Inglis a.inglis@cityofadelaide.com.au 8203 7215
Council Meeting minute reference and date of meeting	9 February 2021
Date submitted to LGA	16 February 2021

Please return Word version of completed form to lgasa@lga.sa.gov.au.

18 LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Nil

19 MEMBER'S BOOKSHELF

Nil

20 CORRESPONDENCE

20.1 Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy badge awards

Correspondence has been received from the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy, regarding Council's progress towards achieving its climate change adaptation efforts and recognising the City of West Torrens' status as a leader in local government climate change adaptation by awarding it the Climate Adaptation 'Goal' and 'Plan' badges (**Attachment 1**).

20.2 North South Corridor development and compulsory land acquisition

Correspondence has been received from the Premier of South Australia, the Hon. Steven Marshall MP, acknowledging an enquiry posed by Cr John Woodward at the Council meeting on 6 April 2021 in regard to compulsory land acquisition around the North South Corridor with relation to Richmond Primary School (**Attachment 2**).

20.3 Letter of thanks from the Premier of South Australia

Correspondence has been received from the Premier of South Australia, the Hon. Steven Marshall MP, thanking Council for inviting him to address Elected Members at the Council meeting on Tuesday 6 April 2021 (**Attachment 3**).

20.4 Letter of thanks from the Governor of South Australia

Correspondence has been received from the Governor of South Australia, the Hon. Hieu Van Le AC, thanking Council for inviting him to tour the Civic Centre and Morphett Road Depot, as well as the new facilities at Weigall Oval on Tuesday 30 March 2021 (**Attachment 4**).

20.5 Local Government Information Framework

Correspondence has been received from the Deputy Premier, Attorney-General and Minister for Planning and Local Government, the Hon. Vickie Chapman MP, regarding the creation and development of the Local Government Information Framework (**Attachment 5**).

20.6 Extension of E-Scooter Trial until 31 October 2022

Correspondence has been received from the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, the Hon. Corey Wingard MP, regarding the extension of the Coastal Park E-Scooter trial until 31 October 2022 (**Attachment 6**).

RECOMMENDATION

That the correspondence be received.

Attachments

- 20.1 Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy badge awards**
- 20.2 North South Corridor development and compulsory land acquisition**
- 20.3 Letter of thanks from the Premier of South Australia**
- 20.4 Letter of thanks from the Governor of South Australia**
- 20.5 Local Government Information Framework**
- 20.6 Extension of E-Scooter Trial until 31 October 2022**



On behalf of
Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy Oceania (GCoM Oceania),



Dear Amy Bruckman,

Congratulations on your progress with the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy.

Thanks to your active commitment to ambitious climate action, the City of West Torrens is part of a historic and powerful response by the world's local governments to address the climate crisis. The City of West Torrens' commitment to the Global Covenant of Mayors connects your council with the broadest global alliance committed to local government climate leadership, building on the pledges of over 10,500 cities and local governments from six continents representing more than 900 million citizens worldwide.

As you know, councils committing to GCoM agree to advance climate action in three key areas: **reducing greenhouse gas emissions, identifying – and adapting to – the risks associated with climate change, and increasing access to clean and affordable energy.** As the City of West Torrens implements its climate commitments, your progress is recognised by a system of badges shared with the global community.

Badges awarded

In 2020, the City of West Torrens reported its climate change adaptation and mitigation efforts to the CDP-ICLEI unified reporting system. Having assessed your reported climate actions, we are happy to share that you have achieved the following badges (colored in = awarded, grayscale = not awarded):

<p>Mitigation Badge</p> <p><i>Awarded as soon as one of the steps (i.e. Inventory, Target, or Plan) is accomplished</i></p>		<p>Inventory</p> <p><i>GHG baseline emissions inventory submitted and validated (including all mandatory criteria)</i></p>	<p>Target</p> <p><i>GHG emissions reduction/low emissions development target set and validated</i></p>	<p>Plan</p> <p><i>Separate or integrated climate action plan for climate change mitigation submitted and validated</i></p>
		<p>Assessment</p> <p><i>Climate risk & vulnerability assessment (RVA) submitted and validated</i></p>	<p>Goal</p> <p><i>Goal(s) for climate change adaptation goal(s) submitted and validated</i></p>	<p>Plan</p> <p><i>Separate or integrated climate action plan for climate change adaptation submitted and validated</i></p>
<p>Adaptation Badge</p> <p><i>Awarded as soon as one of the steps (i.e. Assessment, Goal, or Plan) is accomplished</i></p>				

Your council's progress towards achieving your climate goals in 2020 is key to accomplishing the ambitious targets you have set, and we encourage you to continue implementing and monitoring local climate actions with the support of the GCoM Oceania Helpdesk led by ICLEI Oceania.

You will find attached the image files of the badges you have been awarded. We encourage you to display them on your council's relevant communication channels, including your website. We have also created a tweet that will be sent in the coming week, and have created social media and press release templates for you to promote your achievement, we encourage you to use and modify them as you see fit.

Your council profile on the [GCoM Oceania website](#) has been updated to reflect the badges your council has earned.

2021 Reporting

Councils will have an opportunity to report using the CDP-ICLEI unified reporting system in 2021. The 2021 reporting period starts in April. We look forward to continuing our work together to make our cities healthier, more sustainable, and more resilient for all. Please reach out to us with any queries you may have.

Yours sincerely,

Bernie Cotter
GCoM Oceania Helpdesk
ICLEI Oceania





THE HON STEVEN MARSHALL MP
PREMIER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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Councillor John Woodward
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Dear Councillor Woodward,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'John'.

I write to thank you for your warm welcome at the West Torrens Council meeting on 6 April.

Further to your enquiry about compulsory land acquisition around the North South Corridor development, I can advise that my Government has undertaken significant consultation in order to understand and consider any impact on the local community.

The Department of Infrastructure and Transport is working with the Department for Education and each individual school on the alignment, to build our understanding of their strategic plans and how they use their school grounds.

As to be expected in any significant, inner-urban infrastructure project, additional land will be required to accommodate construction of the motorway. One of the key reasons for choosing the hybrid+ option was its capacity to minimise the number of houses, businesses and community facilities, such as schools, that may be impacted.

Potential impacts to properties, including schools, will be established as detailed planning continues and the Reference Design is finalised in the second half of 2021.

Meetings have been held with all State, Catholic and Independent schools along the corridor. Additionally, the North-South Corridor engagement team met with the Richmond Primary School Governing Council on Tuesday 16 March 2021 to provide a high-level project update.

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Key Issues for Richmond Primary School included:

- Potential property acquisition requirements and impacts to the school footprint
- Access to the school, ongoing and during construction, and
- Safety for students and family.

Each of these issues will be considered in planning for and delivering this critical piece of infrastructure for the benefit of all South Australians.

Once again, thank you for welcoming me to the Council Chambers and for posing your important question.

Yours sincerely,



Hon Steven Marshall MP
PREMIER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

8 / 4 / 2021

cc: Mayor Michael Coxon, City of West Torrens



THE HON STEVEN MARSHALL MP
PREMIER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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Mayor Michael Coxon
City of West Torrens
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Dear Mayor,

Michael

I write to thank you for inviting me to address Council at your magnificent chambers this week.

I was pleased to have the opportunity to speak with your Councillors about the state's health and economic recovery as we transition from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The West Torrens Council is important to our state on several levels, housing vital infrastructure such as our airport that is critical to the state's visitor economy and global access.

I look forward to continuing our positive and constructive working relationship in the future. Accordingly, if I can be of any further assistance to you or your office, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Steven Marshall'.

Hon Steven Marshall MP
PREMIER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE
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Monday, 12 April 2021

Your Worship / Deon Michael,

I would like to thank you and Mr Terry Buss PSM for hosting my visit to the City of West Torrens on Tuesday, 30 March 2021.

I appreciated the opportunity to tour the Civic Centre and I was particularly impressed by the Council Chamber and aerial photograph of the City of West Torrens.

I congratulate the Council on the exciting redevelopment at Weigall Oval - the updated facilities and impressive soccer and baseball ovals will certainly benefit the local community.

Lastly, I enjoyed the opportunity to visit the City of West Torrens Depot, seeing the expansive building, meeting with staff and having the chance to learn about the work of 3RT Technology.

Please extend my thanks to Council staff for their time and effort in coordinating my visit.

Yours sincerely

The Honourable Hieu Van Le AC
GOVERNOR OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Mr Michael Coxon
His Worship the Mayor of the City of West Torrens
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The Hon Vickie Chapman MP

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12 April 2021

Mayor Michael Coxon
City of West Torrens

By email: mayorcoxon@wtcc.sa.gov.au

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and Local Government**GPO Exchange
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Dear Mayor Coxon

As you are aware, the South Australian Productivity Commission (SAPC) final report of its *Inquiry into Local Government Costs and Efficiency* (the Final Report) made a number of recommendations to the State Government and advice to councils regarding information for improved decision making; and efficiency and continuous improvement.

The creation of an 'information framework' was a key recommendation of the SAPC to enable high-level comparisons of councils, including with themselves over time, for the purposes of providing —

- councils with information to support decision making and continuous improvement;
- communities and ratepayers with consistent information about their council performance and productivity, including comparisons with appropriate councils; and
- State and Australian governments with information to allow better informed engagement with local government and decisions which affect local government.

In its response to the Final Report, the Government supported the establishment of an information framework for the local government sector with a suite of key financial and other performance indicators to provide accurate, comparative performance information to councils and their communities.

Accordingly, the Government has commenced the development of the Local Government Information Framework (LGIF), with a view to having a system operating in mid-2021.

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To deliver the objectives identified by the SAPC, it is intended that the LGIF will consist of three parts—

1. The establishment of a publicly available website that will collate and present easily accessible and readily understood core performance information about all councils to their communities. This will enable community members to access information about their council over time, compare it to other councils, and importantly, to engage with the decisions and activities of their council.
2. The provision of detailed data and reports to councils to support councils' own activities such as benchmarking and service reviews to improve operations and deliver cost savings.
3. A mechanism that will enable councils to undertake their own internal reporting and analysis of their functions and performance using available data.

I can confirm that the LGIF will be based on the extensive data collected by the Local Government Grants Commission, supplemented by additional existing data where necessary, to both utilise established and credible data sources, and to ensure that the LGIF does not create an ongoing reporting or administrative burden for councils.

Of course, I am aware that this work is critical to the local government sector, and all councils will have a keen interest in both the public website, and the more detailed information that will be provided to all councils.

The Government is working very closely with the Local Government Association (LGA), which is represented on the project's Steering Committee, to ensure that the local government sector's views and expectations are incorporated into the development of the LGIF. The LGIF project team will also work with a small "Reference Group" of council staff to continuously test and improve the LGIF as it is developed.

I also expect that broader council and community consultation will be undertaken in mid to late May. This will provide your Council with an opportunity to provide feedback on the public website and on the reports that will be provided to all councils from the system.

For any further details, please contact Mr David Whiterod, Team Leader of the Attorney-General's Department on 7109 7145 or at david.whiterod@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



VICKIE CHAPMAN MP
DEPUTY PREMIER
MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Cc Mr Terry Buss, Chief Executive Officer

Hon Corey Wingard MP



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Ms Claire Boan
Mayor
City of Port Adelaide Enfield

By email:

Dear Mayor *Claire*

Thank you for your letter on behalf of the Western Adelaide Alliance seeking an extension of the Coastal Park e-scooter trial.

I note that the approved e-scooter trial is set to end on 4 April 2021 and you are seeking my approval to extend the trial for a further 12 months until 4 April 2022.

Given the positive public response to the trial and support from SA Health, SA Police and the e-scooters operators for the trial to continue, I am supportive of the trial continuing beyond the current end date to enable councils to gather more data and allow for continued monitoring and assessment of the trial and how e-scooters influence the mode of travel along the Coastal Park path.

I am therefore pleased to advise that I have approved an extension of the e-scooter trial along the Coastal Park path until 31 October 2022. Enclosed with this letter is a copy of the required notice published in the South Australia Government Gazette on 1 April 2021.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Corey Wingard'.

Hon Corey Wingard MP
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

10 / 4 / 2021

Encl: Gazette notice published 1 April 2021

cc: Mayor, City of West Torrens
Mayor, City of Charles Sturt

21 CONFIDENTIAL

21.1 Waste Recycling Options Assessment

Reason for Confidentiality

The Council is satisfied that, pursuant to Section 90(3)(d)(i) and (d)(ii) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this agenda item is:

- (d)(i) commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which - could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party.
- (d)(ii) commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which - would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended to Council that:

1. Pursuant to Section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, Council orders, that the public, with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, members of the Executive and Management Teams in attendance at the meeting, and meeting secretariat staff, be excluded from attendance at so much of the meeting as is necessary to receive, discuss and consider in confidence, information contained within the confidential report Item 21.1 Waste Recycling Options Assessment, attachments and any associated documentation submitted by the Chief Executive Officer, specifically on the basis of the provisions of Section 90(3)(d)(i) and (d)(ii) because the CAWRA offer has been provided in confidence and is not for public disclosure.
2. At the completion of the confidential session the meeting be re-opened to the public.

22 MEETING CLOSE

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1 MEETING OPENED**2 PRESENT****3 APOLOGIES****4 DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS**

Committee Members are required to:

1. Consider Section 73 and 75 of the *Local Government Act 1999* and determine whether they have a conflict of interest in any matter to be considered in this Agenda; and
2. Disclose these interests in accordance with the requirements of Sections 74 and 75A of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 6 April 2021 and 14 April 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

6 COMMUNICATIONS BY THE CHAIRPERSON**7 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

8 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**9 MOTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

10 MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

11 CITY FINANCE & GOVERNANCE REPORT

11.1 Creditor Payments

Brief

This report tables a schedule of creditor payments for March 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommends to Council that the schedule of creditor payments for March 2021 be received.

Discussion

A schedule of creditor payments totalling \$6,366,744.57 (\$3,882,129.17 in February 2021) is attached for the information of Elected Members. Notable items include:

- A payment to Brown Hill and Keswick Creeks Stormwater Board of \$1,588,389.00 for capital and operating contributions for the period January to June 2021 (refer ref. no. 76);
- A payment to Solo Resource Recovery of \$538,871.62 for both waste collection and disposal for February 2021 (refer ref. no. 436);
- A payment to the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources of \$391,642.50 for the quarterly Green Adelaide Landscape Levy (refer ref. no. 141);
- A payment to Camco SA Pty Ltd of \$359,826.76 for Holland Street Streetscape, road reconstruction and drainage works (refer ref. no. 86);
- Payments to M & B Civic Engineering Pty Ltd totalling \$312,993.28 for various kerbing works (refer ref. nos. 309 to 311);
- A payment to Knox Constructions Pty Ltd of \$284,142.11 for various road treatments (refer ref. no. 280);
- A payment to the Australian Taxation Office of \$265,872.66 to refund an overpayment (refer ref. no. 49);
- A payment to JCB Construction Equipment Australia of \$161,150.00 for the purchase of a backhoe (refer ref. no. 256).

Climate Impact Considerations

(Assessment of likely positive or negative implications of this decision will assist Council and the West Torrens Community to build resilience and adapt to the challenges created by a changing climate.)

The report includes creditor payments on projects and initiatives that aim to mitigate Council's impact on the climate.

Conclusion

A schedule of creditor payments for March 2021 is provided for Elected Members' information and review.

Attachments

1. Creditor payments for the month of March 2021

**ACCOUNTS DUE AND SUBMITTED TO THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
20 APRIL 2021**

Ref No.	Cheque/ EFT No.	Payee	Invoice Description	Payment Total
1	EFT66323	A Chau Commerce Pty Ltd - Cheap Pots	Depot Supplies	450.00
2	EFT66308	AAM Pty Ltd	Software Support	16,896.00
3	EFT66309	Ace Rent a Car	Vehicle Hire	1,155.00
4	EFT66690	Adami's Sand & Metal	Depot Supplies	792.00
5	EFT66689	Adbri Masonry Pty Ltd	Pavers	817.34
6	EFT66793	Adelaide Airport Limited	Depot Rent	48,684.67
7	EFT66313	Adelaide Chainwire & Fencing	Fencing	649.00
8	EFT66603	Adelaide Chainwire & Fencing	Fencing	9,782.30
9	EFT66797	Adelaide Chainwire & Fencing	Fencing	2,530.00
10	EFT66488	Adelaide EWP Inc SA Diesel & Hydraulics	Depot Supplies	1,652.42
11	EFT66692	Adelaide Safety Supplies Pty Ltd	First Aid Supplies	167.84
12	EFT66599	Adelaide Sailing Club Inc	Sponsorship	3,500.00
13	EFT66795	Adelaide Waste & Recycling Centre	Rubbish Disposal	9,202.24
14	EFT66312	AdMerch	Depot Supplies	49.81
15	EFT66494	Adtrade - Industrial Supplies	Depot Supplies	514.00
16	EFT66490	Advam Pty Ltd	Transaction Fees	683.30
17	EFT66600	AGL South Australia Pty Ltd	Power	2,032.36
18	EFT66684	Air Filter Cleaners	Vehicle Maintenance	878.05
19	EFT66677	Akash J Araujo	Refund Parking Permit Fee	32.00
20	EFT66595	ALH Group Pty Ltd	Refund Overpaid Rates	25,771.05
21	EFT66310	Ali Rinaldi	Professional Fees	200.00
22	EFT66685	Allen Press Pty Ltd	Business Cards	847.00
23	EFT66785	Alliance Development & Construction	Refund Overpayment	904.00
24	EFT66597	Allin Towbars Pty Ltd	Vehicle Maintenance	180.00
25	EFT66598	Alsco Pty Ltd	Dry Cleaning	26.07
26	061561	Amanda Kudra	Refund Parking Permit Fee	52.00
27	EFT66311	AMC Commercial Cleaning	Cleaning	3,095.60
28	EFT66796	AMC Commercial Cleaning	Cleaning	3,232.83
29	061564	Amelia Downie	Junior Development Grant	200.00
30	EFT66358	Anh Nguyen	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	59.70
31	EFT66491	Animal Management Services Pty Ltd	Doggy Bags	1,201.20
32	EFT66683	Animal Welfare League SA	Impound Dogs	1,258.00
33	EFT66817	Ann Catford	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	27.42
34	EFT66493	Anstat Pty Ltd	Subscription	474.25
35	EFT66330	Anthony Dalagiorgos	Reimburse Expenses	270.00
36	EFT66489	Aqua Techniques	Pump Repairs	1,115.83
37	EFT66496	Aquarium Aid	Library Aquarium Maintenance	109.00
38	EFT66688	Ashdown Ingram Thebarton	Depot Supplies	158.29
39	EFT66680	ASME SA Chapter	Thebarton Community Centre Bond Return	455.00
40	EFT66492	ATF Services Pty Ltd	Camera Hire	2,277.00
41	EFT66687	Attorney-General's Department	Expiation Lodgement Fees	1,233.10
42	EFT66601	Auscontact Association	Membership	450.00
43	EFT66306	Australia Post	Postage	3,620.53
44	EFT66792	Australia Post	Postage	4,563.00
45	EFT66497	Australia Post	Agency Collection Fees	7,070.73
46	EFT66794	Australian Civil and Mining Training	Staff Training	900.00
47	EFT66691	Australian Green Clean	Cleaning	9,714.74
48	EFT66686	Australian Motors	Vehicle Maintenance	659.75
49	EFT66798	Australian Taxation Office	Refund Overpayment	265,872.66
50	EFT66572	BA & KA Paterson	Building Maintenance	3,015.10
51	EFT66753	BA & KA Paterson	Building Maintenance	914.10
52	EFT66870	BA & KA Paterson	Building Maintenance	2,378.75
53	EFT66502	Bakjac Consulting	Professional Fees	1,188.00
54	EFT66317	Banh Mi Cafe	Catering	105.40
55	EFT66676	Barrie Hinton	Heritage Grant	2,000.00
56	EFT66802	Battery World Hilton	Batteries	1,325.00
57	EFT66804	BCE & CJ Electrical	Electrical	23,282.99
58	EFT66498	Belair Turf Management Pty Ltd	Reserve Maintenance	2,527.95
59	EFT66800	Belair Turf Management Pty Ltd	Reserve Maintenance	8,415.00
60	EFT66314	Best Signs	Signage	1,342.00

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61	EFT66605	Bianco Hiring Service Pty Ltd	Hire Site Hut	788.48
62	EFT66608	BioBag World Australia Pty Ltd	BioBags	1,757.80
63	EFT66666	BJ Thompson	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	34.56
64	EFT66765	BL Shipway & Co Pty Ltd	Depot Supplies	450.79
65	EFT66505	Blackwood Locksmiths	Locks	1,617.00
66	EFT66318	Blue Velvet Adelaide	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	200.00
67	EFT66504	Blue Velvet Adelaide	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	50.00
68	EFT66807	Blue Velvet Adelaide	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	125.00
69	EFT66806	Bob Jane T Mart - Brooklyn Park	Tyres	2,491.50
70	EFT66554	Bob May Workplace Emergency Training	Staff Training	1,127.50
71	EFT66693	BOC Limited	Depot Supplies	505.47
72	EFT66503	Brendan Fewster Planning and Development	Professional Fees	7,128.00
73	EFT66697	Brendan Fewster Planning and Development	Professional Fees	7,128.00
74	EFT66337	Brenton Gill	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	43.92
75	EFT66836	Brenton Gill	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	43.92
76	EFT66805	Brown Hill & Keswick Creeks Stormwater Board	Contribution	1,588,389.00
77	EFT66739	Bucher Municipal Pty Ltd	Vehicle Maintenance	7,804.92
78	EFT66315	Bundaleer Apiaries	Wasp Removal	764.00
79	EFT66500	Bundaleer Apiaries	Wasp Removal	819.00
80	EFT66604	Bundaleer Apiaries	Wasp Removal	186.00
81	EFT66695	Bundaleer Apiaries	Wasp Removal	372.00
82	EFT66801	Bundaleer Apiaries	Wasp Removal	1,062.00
83	EFT66799	Bunnings Building Supplies Pty Ltd	Maintenance Supplies	415.95
84	EFT66694	Buss & Grigg Electrical Services Pty Ltd	Electrical	49,500.00
85	EFT66509	Calypso Tree Co Pty Ltd	Tree Maintenance	3,289.00
86	EFT66808	Camco SA Pty Ltd	Roadworks	359,826.76
87	EFT66320	Cameron Irrigation Consulting Pty Ltd	Irrigation	3,465.00
88	EFT66612	Cameron Irrigation Consulting Pty Ltd	Irrigation	6,600.00
89	EFT66511	Canon Australia Pty Ltd	Copier Charges	81.97
90	EFT66514	Care Distributors Pty Ltd	Depot Supplies	7,462.35
91	EFT66319	Carvosso Constructions & Building Services	Building Maintenance	20,135.50
92	EFT66812	Carvosso Constructions & Building Services	Building Maintenance	3,472.26
93	EFT66507	Cash Security Services Pty Ltd	Banking	580.80
94	EFT66611	Central Audio Visual	Audio Equipment	5,500.00
95	EFT66702	Centre for Pavement Engineering Education Inc	Staff Training	1,305.00
96	EFT66322	Chubb Fire & Security Ltd	Security	2,537.32
97	EFT66613	Chubb Fire & Security Ltd	Security	6,103.04
98	EFT66508	City Circle Newsagents	Library Magazines	58.97
99	EFT66810	City Circle Newsagents	Library Magazines	48.72
100	061556	City of Port Adelaide Enfield	Report	720.50
101	EFT66615	Civil Contractors Federation South Aust Ltd	Staff Training	840.00
102	EFT66815	Cleanaway Pty Ltd	Rubbish Disposal	807.29
103	EFT66813	Cleanaway Pty Ltd	Rubbish Disposal	713.31
104	EFT66814	Cleanaway Pty Ltd	Rubbish Disposal	892.43
105	EFT66818	Click Promos	Promotional Products	1,298.00
106	EFT66515	CME Group Pty Ltd	Lighting	20,207.00
107	EFT66616	CMG Adelaide	Vehicle Maintenance	602.00
108	EFT66610	Combo Industries	Vehicle Maintenance	6,317.30
109	061559	Community Emergency Services Fund	Emergency Service Levy	60,237.30
110	EFT66510	Computers Now Pty Ltd	Computer Equipment	3,669.60
111	EFT66325	Comwide Radio Services	Vehicle Maintenance	412.50
112	EFT66701	Comwide Radio Services	Vehicle Maintenance	218.35
113	EFT66704	Connex Solutions Pty Ltd	Electrical	973.50
114	EFT66609	Consolidated Bearing Co	Depot Supplies	1,108.14
115	EFT66747	Consolidated Landscape Services Pty Ltd	Roadworks	24,985.68
116	EFT66809	Construction Industry Training Board	Levy Fee	2,219.00
117	EFT66321	Continuum Care Australia Pty Ltd	Home Support Services	4,053.50
118	EFT66699	Continuum Care Australia Pty Ltd	Home Support Services	1,331.00
119	EFT66698	Comes Toyota	Vehicle Maintenance	1,144.25
120	EFT66326	Corporate Clean Property Services	Cleaning	3,354.81

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121	EFT66705	Corporate Clean Property Services	Cleaning	2,800.41
122	EFT66324	Corporate Health Group Pty Ltd	Medical	302.60
123	EFT66614	Corporate Health Group Pty Ltd	Medical	181.60
124	EFT66816	Corporate Health Group Pty Ltd	Medical	181.60
125	EFT66513	Corporate Platters	Catering	375.00
126	EFT66703	Corporate Platters	Catering	492.50
127	EFT66865	Cr Cindy O'Rielley	Reimburse Expenses	60.00
128	EFT66328	Crown Industries	Electrical Appliance	624.80
129	EFT66327	Croydon Upholsterers	Upholster Chairs	4,950.00
130	EFT66516	Croydon Upholsterers	Upholster Chairs	990.00
131	EFT66706	Daimler Trucks Adelaide	Vehicle Maintenance	294.03
132	EFT66331	Dallas Equipment	Contractor	4,851.00
133	EFT66522	Dallas Equipment	Contractor	9,702.00
134	EFT66619	Dallas Equipment	Contractor	4,851.00
135	EFT66823	Dallas Equipment	Contractor	3,234.00
136	EFT66617	Datacom Systems (AU) Pty Ltd - SA Division	Computer Equipment	66,055.38
137	EFT66625	David Giersch	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	17.28
138	EFT66867	Dean Ottanelli	Reimburse Expenses	240.00
139	EFT66700	Deb Cann	Reimburse Expenses	180.00
140	EFT66710	Dents Away	Vehicle Maintenance	330.00
141	EFT66708	Department of Environ, Water & Natural Resources	Green Adelaide Landscape Levy	391,642.50
142	EFT66665	Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure	Vehicle Searches / Act Amendments	2,183.47
143	EFT66777	Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure	Schedule 7 Fees	8,088.35
144	EFT66891	Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure	Street Lighting / Gazette Notice	18,265.10
145	EFT66518	Design Flow Consulting Pty Ltd	Professional Fees	11,000.00
146	EFT66709	Dial Before You Dig SA/NT Inc	Monthly Referral Fee	448.91
147	EFT66780	Diane Wolter	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	24.48
148	EFT66822	Direct Comms Pty Limited	TXT2U Messages	396.59
149	EFT66819	Direct Mix Concrete Sales	Concrete	13,164.24
150	EFT66520	Diverseco Pty Ltd	Vehicle Modifications	6,710.00
151	EFT66521	Dolphin Fish Shop	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	25.00
152	EFT66618	Dolphin Fish Shop	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	25.00
153	EFT66820	Dolphin Fish Shop	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	75.00
154	EFT66329	dormakaba Australia Pty Ltd	Building Maintenance	2,546.50
155	EFT66898	Downer EDI Works Pty Ltd	Roadworks	29,360.51
156	EFT66859	Dr Joseph Magliaro	Professional Fees	200.00
157	EFT66519	Drakes Supermarket	Active Ageing Program Supplies	64.30
158	EFT66307	E & S Athanasiadis	Depot Supplies	2,065.98
159	EFT66525	E10 Espresso	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	25.00
160	EFT66713	E10 Espresso	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	5,500.00
161	EFT66334	EatFirst	Milk	51.04
162	EFT66524	EatFirst	Milk	51.04
163	EFT66621	EatFirst	Milk	51.04
164	EFT66712	EatFirst	Milk	51.04
165	EFT66827	EatFirst	Milk	51.04
166	EFT66526	EGM Recruitment Pty Ltd	Temp Staff	5,791.50
167	EFT66622	EGM Recruitment Pty Ltd	Temp Staff	2,745.60
168	EFT66714	EGM Recruitment Pty Ltd	Temp Staff	2,016.30
169	EFT66828	EGM Recruitment Pty Ltd	Temp Staff	2,981.55
170	EFT66824	Electel Resources Pty Ltd	Lighting Design	558.36
171	EFT66791	Eleni Valias	Refund Overpaid Rates	314.10
172	061569	Eliza Moroney-Plouffe	Junior Development Grant	200.00
173	EFT66332	EMA Legal (Lawyers)	Legal Fees	2,224.59
174	EFT66333	Esar Home Care	Home Support Services	378.60
175	EFT66711	Esar Home Care	Home Support Services	398.39
176	EFT66826	Esar Home Care	Home Support Services	455.52
177	EFT66523	Exact Cleaning & Maintenance Services Pty Ltd	Cleaning	3,813.34
178	EFT66620	Exact Cleaning & Maintenance Services Pty Ltd	Cleaning	1,276.00
179	EFT66825	Exact Cleaning & Maintenance Services Pty Ltd	Cleaning	3,901.34
180	EFT66832	Fine Choice Distribution Pty Ltd	Coffee Supplies	276.00

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181	061563	Finn Downie	Junior Development Grant	200.00
182	EFT66529	Fleet Complete Australia Pty Ltd	Support	1,091.86
183	EFT66715	Flightpath Architects Pty Ltd	Heritage Advisory Services	3,852.75
184	EFT66717	Flightpath Heritage Pty Ltd	Heritage Advisory Services	2,169.76
185	EFT66718	Flowers Everywhere	Floral Arrangements	90.00
186	EFT66829	Forpark Australia (SA)	Playground Equipment	8,140.00
187	EFT66830	Foundation for the Advancement of Municipal Engineering SA	Staff Training	555.00
188	EFT66335	Fraggerocc Pty Ltd	Roadworks	8,657.00
189	EFT66530	Fraggerocc Pty Ltd	Roadworks	17,239.38
190	EFT66716	Fraggerocc Pty Ltd	Roadworks	7,621.68
191	EFT66833	Fraggerocc Pty Ltd	Roadworks	5,148.57
192	EFT66527	Frank Slow Management Pty Ltd	Professional Fees	10,205.25
193	EFT66528	Franzon's Hilton Hotel	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	125.00
194	EFT66624	Franzon's Hilton Hotel	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	25.00
195	EFT66831	Franzon's Hilton Hotel	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	25.00
196	EFT66623	Fry Library & School Supplies	Library Supplies	32.73
197	EFT66721	Garden City Plastics	Depot Supplies	41.58
198	EFT66342	Garden Pallets Pty Ltd	Depot Supplies	550.00
199	EFT66339	General Tools Adelaide Pty Ltd	Depot Supplies	220.00
200	EFT66627	Genpower Australia Pty Ltd	Generator Service	3,479.58
201	EFT66336	G-Force Building & Consulting	Building Maintenance	42,177.58
202	EFT66835	G-Force Building & Consulting	Building Maintenance	35,314.40
203	EFT66341	Gleam Team Domestic Services	Home Support Services	1,094.04
204	EFT66630	Gleam Team Domestic Services	Home Support Services	1,210.68
205	EFT66839	Gleam Team Domestic Services	Home Support Services	604.59
206	EFT66340	Glow Heating Cooling Electrical	Electrical	638.00
207	EFT66628	Glow Heating Cooling Electrical	Electrical	877.00
208	061558	Godfreys	Vacuum Bags	46.98
209	EFT66662	Gordon J Tregoning Pty Ltd	Purchase Trailers	39,188.20
210	EFT66629	Grace Records Management (Aust) Pty Ltd	Records Storage	4,529.29
211	EFT66338	Greek Orthodox Comm & Parish Of St George Theb & Western Suburbs Inc	Community Grant	5,000.00
212	EFT66838	Green Options	Oval Maintenance	5,445.00
213	EFT66722	Greenfingers Indoor Plant Hire	Indoor Plant Hire	325.80
214	EFT66534	Greening Australia Limited	Landscaping	9,086.00
215	EFT66533	Greenway Turf Solutions	Depot Supplies	665.50
216	EFT66837	GRH Supplies	Depot Supplies	3,161.56
217	EFT66532	GS Civil	Footpath Works	54,929.05
218	EFT66626	GS Civil	Footpath Works	3,836.47
219	EFT66720	GS Civil	Footpath Works	33,813.52
220	EFT66536	Hendry Group Pty Ltd	Professional Fees	165.00
221	EFT66535	Hi-Line Hardware Distributors Pty Ltd	Home Support Services	623.90
222	EFT66841	Hi-Line Hardware Distributors Pty Ltd	Home Support Services	3,420.50
223	EFT66343	Hilton RSL Sub Branch	Reimburse Utilities	2,558.35
224	EFT66344	HOBAN Recruitment Pty Ltd	Temp Staff	145.79
225	EFT66538	HOBAN Recruitment Pty Ltd	Temp Staff	291.58
226	EFT66632	HOBAN Recruitment Pty Ltd	Temp Staff	145.79
227	EFT66843	HOBAN Recruitment Pty Ltd	Temp Staff	145.79
228	EFT66345	Hypernet Computer Distribution	Computer Equipment	2,505.00
229	EFT66844	Hypernet Computer Distribution	Computer Equipment	845.00
230	EFT66346	Ikonik Kitchen	Catering	350.00
231	EFT66541	Ikonik Kitchen	Catering	360.00
232	EFT66633	Ikonik Kitchen	Catering	370.00
233	EFT66727	Ikonik Kitchen	Catering	370.00
234	EFT66846	Ikonik Kitchen	Catering	400.00
235	EFT66540	Independent Fuels Australia Pty Ltd	Fuel	13,105.45
236	EFT66724	Independent Fuels Australia Pty Ltd	Fuel	8,625.76
237	EFT66845	Indigeflora Nursery	Plants	550.00
238	EFT66847	Industrial Brushware	Sweeper Brooms	1,320.00
239	EFT66347	Infigen Energy Markets Pty Ltd	Power	62,890.21
240	EFT66848	Infigen Energy Markets Pty Ltd	Power	56,989.99

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241	EFT66719	Infor Global Solutions (ANZ) Pty Ltd	Software	16,831.62
242	EFT66543	Infrastructure Solutions Australasia	Professional Fees	5,593.50
243	EFT66728	Inspirations Paints Seaton	Paint	4,644.00
244	EFT66542	Institute of Public Works Engineering Aust (NSW)	Staff Training	715.00
245	EFT66725	Institute of Public Works Engineering Aust SA Div Inc	Staff Training	55.00
246	EFT66634	Internode Pty Ltd	Internet Connection	503.81
247	EFT66726	iSentia Pty Ltd	Media Monitoring	951.50
248	EFT66729	Islamic Information Centre	Community Grant	5,000.00
249	EFT66349	JALM Weed Control & Maintenance	Weed Control	7,244.60
250	EFT66545	JALM Weed Control & Maintenance	Weed Control	6,261.75
251	EFT66637	JALM Weed Control & Maintenance	Weed Control	7,928.25
252	EFT66849	JALM Weed Control & Maintenance	Weed Control	10,591.35
253	EFT66840	James Hay	Reimburse Expenses	60.00
254	EFT66658	Jane Strange	CAP Member Allowance	1,621.50
255	EFT66499	Jason Bury	Reimburse Expenses	60.00
256	EFT66730	JCB Construction Equipment Australia	Purchase Backhoe	161,150.00
257	EFT66635	Jeffries Garden Soils	Mulch	3,988.00
258	EFT66788	Jerin James	Thebarton Community Centre Bond Return	1,000.00
259	EFT66348	Jet Couriers (Adelaide) Pty Ltd	Couriers	169.01
260	EFT66731	Jet Couriers (Adelaide) Pty Ltd	Couriers	95.38
261	EFT66636	JJ Richards & Sons Pty Ltd	Waste Oil Removal	170.88
262	EFT66539	Joe Ielasi	Reimburse Expenses	60.00
263	EFT66537	John Hastings	Contractor	820.00
264	EFT66631	John Hastings	Contractor	580.00
265	EFT66723	John Hastings	Contractor	840.00
266	EFT66842	John Hastings	Contractor	1,000.00
267	EFT66546	Jordan Memorials	Memorial	720.00
268	EFT66544	JPE Design Studio Pty Ltd	Professional Fees	3,933.05
269	061562	Juliet Wood	Refund Parking Permit Fee	52.00
270	EFT66735	Kanopy	Library Services	314.00
271	EFT66852	Karma and Crow Pty Ltd	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	50.00
272	EFT66790	Kaylee Fietz	Refund Thebarton Community Centre Hire Fees	245.00
273	EFT66350	Kelley Jones Lawyers	Legal Fees	1,541.10
274	EFT66850	Kelley Jones Lawyers	Legal Fees	4,177.80
275	EFT66733	Kellogg Brown & Root Pty Ltd	Professional Fees	2,200.00
276	EFT66734	Kennards Hire Hendon	Plant Hire	359.99
277	EFT66594	Kenneth Nykiel	Refund Overpaid Rates	3,000.00
278	EFT66784	Kerri-Anne Chen	Kitchen Caddy Rebate	20.00
279	EFT66732	KESAB Environmental Solutions	Organic Bin Trial Audit	8,360.00
280	EFT66638	Knox Constructions Pty Ltd	Roadworks	284,142.11
281	EFT66549	Koan Solutions Pty Ltd	Vehicle Maintenance	1,441.00
282	EFT66547	Kompan Playscape Pty Ltd	Playground Equipment	121,914.65
283	EFT66548	Kone Elevators	Lift Maintenance	2,593.10
284	EFT66316	Kym Strelan	Home Advantage Program	506.00
285	EFT66501	Kym Strelan	Home Advantage Program	264.00
286	EFT66606	Kym Strelan	Home Advantage Program	616.00
287	EFT66696	Kym Strelan	Home Advantage Program	264.00
288	EFT66803	Kym Strelan	Home Advantage Program	726.00
289	EFT66552	Lakeside Building Solutions	Footpath Works	9,930.80
290	EFT66642	Lakeside Building Solutions	Footpath Works	11,291.50
291	EFT66856	Lakeside Building Solutions	Footpath Works	11,045.10
292	EFT66738	Land Services Group	Searches	1,681.75
293	EFT66553	Lane Communications	Printing	6,099.50
294	EFT66352	Laserworks	Depot Supplies	55.00
295	EFT66854	Laserworks	Depot Supplies	110.00
296	061568	Lauren Young	Junior Development Grant	200.00
297	EFT66551	LCS Landscapes	Landscaping	153,205.77
298	EFT66641	LCS Landscapes	Landscaping	4,477.87
299	EFT66737	Leef Independent Living Solutions Pty Ltd	Ramp	368.75
300	EFT66736	LGA Asset Mutual Fund	Insurance Excess	500.00

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301	EFT66857	LGA Procurement	Transfer Long Service Leave	31,094.93
302	061570	Little Heroes Foundation	Staff Casual Day Donations	133.10
303	EFT66855	Living Turf	Depot Supplies	10,391.70
304	EFT66550	Local Government Association of SA	Staff Training	1,375.00
305	EFT66639	Local Government Association of SA	Staff Training	770.00
306	EFT66853	Local Government Association of SA	Staff Training	385.00
307	EFT66640	Local Government Professionals SA Inc	Staff Training	370.00
308	EFT66351	Lockleys Bowling Club	Reimburse Utilities	3,326.90
309	EFT66355	M & B Civil Engineering Pty Ltd	Roadworks	108,874.30
310	EFT66557	M & B Civil Engineering Pty Ltd	Roadworks	18,695.36
311	EFT66858	M & B Civil Engineering Pty Ltd	Roadworks	185,423.62
312	EFT66903	M Justice	Refund Overpaid Rates	2,821.85
313	EFT66555	M2 Technology Pty Ltd	Message on Hold	402.60
314	061565	Maggie Fahey	Junior Development Grant	200.00
315	EFT66787	Mahbub Rahman	Thebarton Community Centre Bond Return	500.00
316	EFT66741	Major Carpet & Tile	Carpet Cleaning	1,518.00
317	EFT66556	Maps Consulting Services Pty Ltd	Transportation Consulting	12,955.80
318	EFT66567	Marco Pietrobon	Reimburse Expenses	150.00
319	EFT66821	Maria Adele De Vita	Reimburse Expenses	80.00
320	EFT66506	Mario Ciardiello	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	19.44
321	EFT66901	Mary Cresp	Compost Bin Rebate	47.20
322	061567	Max Gray	Junior Development Grant	200.00
323	EFT66354	Maxima Group Training	Temp Staff	3,729.16
324	EFT66740	Maxima Group Training	Temp Staff	3,729.16
325	EFT66588	Maxima Tempskill	Temp Staff	38,037.60
326	EFT66774	Maxima Tempskill	Temp Staff	35,116.14
327	EFT66512	Mayor Michael Coxon	Mayoral Allowance	5,405.00
328	EFT66904	McGees (SA) Pty Ltd	Refund Overpaid Rates	2,147.85
329	EFT66643	McMahon Services Aust Pty Ltd	Soil Screening Works	25,300.00
330	EFT66559	Message4U Pty Ltd	Software	324.29
331	EFT66602	Michael Arman	CAP Member Allowance	1,621.50
332	EFT66558	Mister Sunshine's	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	25.00
333	EFT66860	Mister Sunshine's	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	25.00
334	EFT66560	Molloy Consulting	Professional Fees	1,925.00
335	EFT66571	Monica Alenka Prichard	Library Workshop	450.00
336	EFT66356	Moore Air	Vehicle Maintenance	405.03
337	EFT66644	Murray Street Metro Pty Ltd	Street Sweeping Dumping	2,569.56
338	EFT66563	National Safety Products	Street Signs	3,421.00
339	EFT66378	Nazzareno Difelice	Rainwater Tank Rebate	300.00
340	EFT66861	Nelson Locksmiths Pty Ltd	Locks	468.50
341	EFT66561	Neverfail Springwater Ltd	Spring Water	246.05
342	EFT66744	News Limited	Advertising	3,768.00
343	EFT66583	Nicola Smith	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	57.60
344	EFT66884	Nicola Smith	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	28.80
345	EFT66745	NoiseNet Operations Pty Ltd	Report	495.00
346	EFT66562	Norman Waterhouse Lawyers	Legal Fees	3,261.50
347	EFT66746	Norman Waterhouse Lawyers	Legal Fees	6,569.20
348	EFT66862	Norman Waterhouse Lawyers	Legal Fees	2,722.85
349	EFT66743	North East Isuzu	Vehicle Maintenance	420.96
350	EFT66357	Nova Group Services Pty Ltd	Roadworks	41,661.57
351	EFT66359	Officeworks Superstores Pty Ltd	Stationery	133.63
352	EFT66883	Officeworks Superstores Pty Ltd	Stationery	725.15
353	EFT66748	Orana Australia Ltd	Home Advantage Program	837.16
354	EFT66864	Orana Australia Ltd	Home Advantage Program	2,840.15
355	EFT66866	Origin Energy Electricity Limited	Power	14,845.11
356	EFT66564	Origin Energy Services Ltd	Gas Supply	1,001.09
357	EFT66565	Ovato Limited	Distribution	1,335.16
358	EFT66882	Parwiz Hafiz	Thebarton Community Centre Bond Return	1,000.00
359	EFT66742	PayTec Technology That Counts	Support	617.85
360	EFT66569	Pelicancorp (AU) Pty Ltd	PermitAccess Licence	10,035.36

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361	EFT66648	Permanent Pothole Solutions	Depot Supplies	2,145.00
362	EFT66754	Pest Aid	Pest Control	1,005.00
363	EFT66755	Peter I Roche Pty Ltd	Depot Supplies	497.20
364	EFT66362	Peter Richardson	Reimburse Expenses	180.00
365	EFT66596	Phillip Rillotta	Refund Thebarton Community Centre Hire Fees	450.00
366	EFT66570	PhysioWest SA Pty Ltd	Small Business Resilience Grant	2,200.00
367	EFT66360	PJ & Sons Building Maintenance	Home Support Services	906.94
368	EFT66647	PJ & Sons Building Maintenance	Home Support Services	890.88
369	EFT66869	PJ & Sons Building Maintenance	Home Support Services	1,738.43
370	EFT66650	Planning Aspects Pty Ltd	CAP Member Allowance	3,270.30
371	EFT66568	Plumbing & Pipeline Solutions SA Pty Ltd	Plumbing	2,376.00
372	EFT66646	Plumbing & Pipeline Solutions SA Pty Ltd	Plumbing	9,675.27
373	EFT66651	Powerdirect Pty Ltd	Power	922.68
374	EFT66751	Pridal Services Pty Ltd	Painting	1,705.00
375	EFT66649	Pro Bitumen Pty Ltd	Roadworks	60,016.00
376	EFT66752	Proactive Lifestyle & Fitness	Workshop	1,200.00
377	EFT66872	Pro-Clean Cleaning Supplies	Cleaning Products	2,025.54
378	EFT66566	Professional Linemarking Pty Ltd	Linemarking	39,702.85
379	EFT66645	Professional Linemarking Pty Ltd	Linemarking	3,142.70
380	EFT66868	Professional Linemarking Pty Ltd	Linemarking	9,935.20
381	EFT66750	Pump Technology Services (SA) Pty Ltd	Pump Maintenance	1,267.75
382	EFT66756	Quantified Tree Risk Assessment	Staff Training	181.50
383	EFT66652	Quins Marine Pty Ltd	Back Net	4,235.00
384	EFT66593	Rajeev Kumar	Thebarton Community Centre Bond Return	445.00
385	EFT66902	Ranjeet Kaur	Refund Thebarton Community Centre Hire Fees	370.00
386	EFT66874	RDO Equipment Pty Ltd	Plant Maintenance	1,962.42
387	EFT66363	ReadSpeaker Pty Ltd	Software	2,820.26
388	EFT66757	Reece Pty Ltd	Irrigation	1,113.56
389	061566	Rei Tanaka	Junior Development Grant	200.00
390	EFT66653	Rentokil Initial Pty Ltd	Pest Control	1,098.49
391	EFT66654	Rentokil Initial Pty Ltd	Pest Control	656.37
392	EFT66762	Rentokil Tropical Plants	Indoor Plant Hire	94.37
393	EFT66761	Rentokil Tropical Plants	Indoor Plant Hire	227.70
394	061560	Repco	Depot Supplies	45.50
395	EFT66759	Resource Furniture	Office Furniture	2,777.50
396	EFT66573	Ricca Coffee Company	Small Business Resilience Grant	5,277.50
397	EFT66873	Richmond Primary School	Community Grant	5,000.00
398	EFT66760	Ricoh Australia Ltd	Copy Charges	2,823.43
399	EFT66361	RMB Service Group	Vehicle Maintenance	331.70
400	EFT66379	Robert Macdonald	Rainwater Tank Rebate	300.00
401	EFT66607	Robyn Butterfield	Reimburse Expenses	205.75
402	EFT66758	Royal Wolf Trading Australia Pty Ltd	Hire Storage Containers	700.13
403	EFT66364	Rundle Mall Plaza Newsagency	Library Magazines	208.06
404	EFT66574	Rundle Mall Plaza Newsagency	Library Magazines	235.31
405	EFT66655	Rundle Mall Plaza Newsagency	Library Magazines	249.40
406	EFT66763	Rundle Mall Plaza Newsagency	Library Magazines	252.55
407	EFT66875	Rundle Mall Plaza Newsagency	Library Magazines	194.28
408	EFT66577	SA Health (Central Office)	Staff Training	1,123.15
409	EFT66578	SA Power Networks	Power	25,558.50
410	EFT66877	SA Power Networks	Power	33,529.00
411	EFT66370	SA Water	Water	337.33
412	EFT66371	SA Window Cleaning Pty Ltd	Window Cleaning	1,182.50
413	EFT66575	Sabre Electrical & Security Services	Security Cards	3,441.63
414	EFT66365	Saggese Transport & Crane Services Pty Ltd	Plant Hire	3,854.13
415	EFT66657	Saggese Transport & Crane Services Pty Ltd	Plant Hire	5,198.88
416	EFT66659	SAI Global Australia Pty Ltd	Standards	280.83
417	EFT66881	SAI Global Australia Pty Ltd	Standards	2,731.30
418	EFT66353	Sally Li	Library Performance	500.00
419	EFT66851	Sam Ktisti	Reimburse Expenses	150.00
420	EFT66372	Samia Tawadros	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	69.12

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Ref No.	Cheque/ EFT No.	Payee	Invoice Description	Payment Total
421	EFT66889	Samia Tawadros	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	69.12
422	EFT66376	Samir Wasif	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	138.24
423	EFT66782	Samir Wasif	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	69.12
424	EFT66897	Samir Wasif	Reimburse Volunteer Expenses	69.12
425	EFT66766	Sassafras Agencies Pty Ltd	Depot Supplies	105.76
426	EFT66679	Scott Mather	Refund Overpaid Rates	250.85
427	EFT66576	Seaton Mower Service	Mower Repairs / Purchases	3,077.50
428	EFT66886	Seek Limited	Advertising	1,336.50
429	EFT66681	Seine Leleisiua	Refund Thebarton Community Centre Hire Fees	3,005.00
430	EFT66581	Shred-X Pty Ltd	Paper Recycling	467.50
431	EFT66367	Signature Engraving	Engraving	88.00
432	EFT66368	Solaris Clean	Cleaning	1,405.25
433	EFT66660	Solaris Clean	Cleaning	1,579.00
434	EFT66882	Solaris Clean	Cleaning	1,318.63
435	EFT66656	Solo Resource Recovery	Rubbish Removal	905.89
436	EFT66764	Solo Resource Recovery	Garbage Collection & Waste Disposal	538,871.62
437	EFT66580	Southern Cross Protection	Patrol Service	7,579.82
438	EFT66876	Southfront	Professional Fees	6,864.00
439	EFT66885	Space Down Under	Depot Supplies	3,366.00
440	EFT66770	Stihl Shop Fulham	Depot Supplies	183.60
441	EFT66879	Streamline Plumbing SA Pty Ltd	Plumbing	33,088.16
442	EFT66369	Stumpy Stumps	Grind Stumps	450.00
443	EFT66582	Stumpy Stumps	Grind Stumps	400.00
444	EFT66661	Stumpy Stumps	Grind Stumps	500.00
445	EFT66883	Stumpy Stumps	Grind Stumps	400.00
446	EFT66579	Suburban Transport Services	Taxi Fares	35.70
447	EFT66878	Suburban Transport Services	Taxi Fares	1,964.45
448	EFT66811	Sue Curran	Reimburse Expenses	150.00
449	EFT66768	SUEZ Recycling & Recovery Pty Ltd	Rubbish Removal	12.14
450	EFT66880	Supawash Mile End	Linen	77.00
451	EFT66366	SuperChoice Services Pty Ltd	Software Maintenance	949.20
452	EFT66767	Surfacing Contractors Australia Pty Ltd	Roadworks	2,315.39
453	EFT66769	Sync Cabling Solutions Pty Ltd	Lighting Design	43,000.10
454	EFT66589	T Thai Cuisine	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	75.00
455	EFT66668	T Thai Cuisine	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	75.00
456	EFT66892	T Thai Cuisine	Think Buy Be Local Voucher Reimbursement	75.00
457	EFT66586	Telelink Business Systems Pty Ltd	Communications	416.74
458	EFT66778	Telstra	Telephone	5,034.91
459	EFT66893	Telstra	Telephone	12,225.54
460	EFT66667	Teluga Association of SA Inc	Community Grant	3,000.00
461	EFT66663	Terrain Group Pty Ltd	Drinking Fountains	15,119.50
462	EFT66775	Thai-Australian Assoc of SA Inc	Partnership Agreement	10,000.00
463	EFT66495	The Adelaide Tree Surgery	Tree Maintenance	19,822.00
464	EFT66517	The Department for Correctional Services	Litter Collection	867.14
465	EFT66707	The Department for Correctional Services	Litter Collection	1,496.00
466	061557	The Epilepsy Centre	Staff Casual Day Donations	102.30
467	EFT66531	The Fruit Box Group Pty Ltd	Milk	320.39
468	EFT66834	The Fruit Box Group Pty Ltd	Milk	387.48
469	EFT66871	The Paper Bahn	Stationery	5,348.00
470	EFT66749	The Personnel Risk Management Group	Security Checks	48.40
471	EFT66786	Timothy Fishpool	Rainwater Tank Rebate	300.00
472	EFT66890	TNT Express	Courier	100.12
473	EFT66584	Tom's Car Wash	Vehicle Maintenance	636.90
474	EFT66772	Tonkin Consulting	Professional Fees	8,133.95
475	EFT66888	Torrens Safety	Depot Supplies	2,629.51
476	EFT66771	Total Construction Surveys Pty Ltd	Surveys	8,398.52
477	EFT66773	Total Tools Thebarton	Depot Supplies	130.35
478	EFT66776	TPG Telecom	Internet Connection	2,606.85
479	EFT66587	Tracey Ryan	Reimburse Expenses	150.00
480	EFT66887	Tree Care Machinery	Depot Supplies	150.35

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Ref No.	Cheque/ EFT No.	Payee	Invoice Description	Payment Total
481	EFT66664	Trent Kelly Turf Services Pty Ltd	Plant Maintenance	594.00
482	EFT66585	Triple Cherry Coffee	Coffee Supplies	150.00
483	EFT66789	United Workers Union	Refund Overpayment	270.00
484	EFT66779	UrbanVirons Group Pty Ltd	Tree Maintenance	7,063.10
485	EFT66670	Valspar Paint (Australia) Pty Ltd	Paint	233.28
486	EFT66373	Veolia Environmental Services	Rubbish Removal	2,393.16
487	EFT66669	Veri Fire	Fire Safety	5,467.00
488	EFT66894	Veri Fire	Fire Safety	6,345.79
489	EFT66678	Vincent Pichel	Compost Bin Rebate	50.00
490	EFT66377	Waste Management & Resource Recovery Assoc of Aust	Staff Training	150.00
491	EFT66783	Waterpro	Irrigation	761.07
492	EFT66674	WC Convenience Management Pty Ltd	Cleaning	2,162.99
493	EFT66900	WC Convenience Management Pty Ltd	Cleaning	22,689.75
494	EFT66895	Web Safety Pty Ltd	Safety Clothing	1,301.10
495	EFT66592	Well Done International	After Hours Contact Centre	1,226.61
496	EFT66590	Western Youth Centre	Partnership Agreement	14,355.00
497	EFT66896	Westside Services (SA) Pty Ltd	Airconditioner Maintenance	8,821.95
498	EFT66375	Wholesale Plants and Products Pty Ltd	Plants	1,877.20
499	EFT66781	Winc Australia Pty Limited	Stationery	818.75
500	EFT66374	Worcomp Pty Ltd	Medical	159.50
501	EFT66672	Workforce Safety Products	Depot Supplies	82.50
502	EFT66673	Workzone Traffic Control Pty Ltd	Traffic Control	2,084.50
503	EFT66899	Workzone Traffic Control Pty Ltd	Traffic Control	887.70
504	EFT66591	Worlds Best Specialised Cleaning	Graffiti Removal	7,711.00
505	EFT66671	Worm Affair	Worm Farms	192.99
506	EFT66675	X-Treme Towing Service Pty Ltd	Vehicle Tow	220.00
				<u>\$ 6,366,744.57</u>

11.2 Property Leases

Brief

This report provides information on overdue property lease payments that are greater than \$2,000.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommends to Council that the report be received.

Introduction

This report provides information on the property lease payments that are overdue, pursuant to the requirements of a Council resolution of 21 June 2016.

Discussion

The following lease amounts have been invoiced and were overdue as at 31 March 2021. A comparison is provided with the situation as at 31 December 2020 and 30 September 2020.

Debtor	As at 30 Sep 2020	As at 31 Dec 2020	As at 31 Mar 2021	Variance
Adelaide Waste and Recycling Centre	0.00	0.00	9,142.07	9,142.07
3RT Technology	0.00	134,467.16	0.00	-134,467.16
Weslo Holdings	13,145.47	34,538.23	0.00	-34,538.23
Total	\$13,145.47	\$169,005.39	\$9,142.07	-\$159,863.32

Adelaide Waste and Recycling Centre

The outstanding balance represents the waste royalty payment for the December 2020 quarter.

3RT Technologies

3RT was granted a deferral of rent at the Council meeting dated 16 March 2021. As a result there is no overdue balance at 31 March 2021.

Weslo Holdings

Weslo's outstanding balance was deferred by way of Council resolution dated 20 October 2020. This becomes due in the June 2021 quarter and as such no overdue balance is recorded at 31 March 2021.

Climate Impact Considerations

(Assessment of likely positive or negative implications of this decision will assist Council and the West Torrens Community to build resilience and adapt to the challenges created by a changing climate.)

There is no direct climate impact in relation to this report.

Conclusion

The report provides information on the property lease payments that are overdue, in response to a Council resolution on 21 June 2016.

Attachments

Nil

11.3 Mendelson Financial Report March 2021

Brief

This report provides information on the financial performance of the Mendelson Foundations as at 31 March 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommends to Council that the report be received.

Discussion

The following financial reports as at 31 March 2021 are attached for Elected Member information:

- Financial Position (**Attachment 1**);
- FMD Financial Pty Ltd Investment Portfolio Report (**Attachment 2**);
- Cash Management Report (**Attachment 3**).

For the nine month period ended 31 March 2021, FMD Financial Pty Ltd is reporting a net return of investments of 8.8 per cent, as follows:

	Jun 2020	Mar 2021
	12 Months To 30 Jun 2020	9 Months To 31 Mar 2021
Market Movement on Equities	-\$ 44,463.29	\$ 100,754.59
Add Dividends	\$ 77,305.30	\$ 49,642.48
Add Interest	\$ 1,209.23	\$ 17.50
	<hr/> \$ 34,051.24	<hr/> \$ 150,414.57
Less Trustee Charges	\$ 14,551.90	\$ 13,270.53
	<hr/> \$ 19,499.34	<hr/> \$ 137,144.04
Fund Balance @ 1 July	\$ 1,587,308.02	\$ 1,557,755.93
Net Return on Investments	1.2%	8.8%

Attachment 2 shows defensive (or income) assets and growth assets separately, to highlight the weighting between the two as a way of monitoring compliance with investment policy targets.

The weighting at 31 March 2021 is 27.1 per cent for income assets and 72.9 per cent for growth assets, which contrasts with our policy targets as shown below:

	Target Weightings	Actual Weightings
Income Assets	No Less Than 25%	27.1%
Growth Assets	No Greater Than 75%	72.9%

Climate Impact Considerations

(Assessment of likely positive or negative implications of this decision will assist Council and the West Torrens Community to build resilience and adapt to the challenges created by a changing climate.)

There is no direct climate impact in relation to this report.

Conclusion

Information is provided in this report on the financial performance of the Mendelson Foundation as at 31 March 2021.

Attachments

1. **Mendelson Foundation Financial Position as at 31 March 2021**
2. **Mendelson Foundation Financial Portfolio Report as at 31 March 2021**
3. **Mendelson Foundation Cash Reconciliation as at 31 March 2021**

**CITY OF WEST TORRENS
MAX AND BETTE MENDELSON FOUNDATION
FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MAR 2021**

	\$ Final at 30/06/20	\$ Final at 31/03/21	\$ Variance
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash held at Council	(13,841)	(62,282)	(48,441)
Equities Investment	1,500,012	1,578,096	78,085
Cash & Term Deposit	29,305	89,505	60,200
GST Refunds/Imputation Credits Due	739	426	(313)
Dividend Income due not yet received	41,542	41,542	0
Total Current Assets	1,557,756	1,647,287	89,531
Non-Current Assets	0	0	0
TOTAL ASSETS	1,557,756	1,647,287	89,531
Less Liabilities	0	0	0
NET ASSETS	1,557,756	1,647,287	89,531
FOUNDATION WEALTH			
Accumulated Funds **	1,557,756	1,647,287	89,531
TOTAL FOUNDATION WEALTH	1,557,756	1,647,287	89,531
** Accumulated Funds - Opening		1,557,756	
Plus Revenue		172,818	
Less YTD Expenditure		83,287	
Accumulated Funds - Closing		1,647,287	

**CITY OF WEST TORRENS
MAX AND BETTE MENDELSON FOUNDATION
BT PANORAMA INVESTMENTS PORTFOLIO REPORT AS AT 31/03/2021**

	Balance at 30/06/2020 \$	Weight at 30/06/2020 %	Balance at 31/03/2021 \$	Weight at 31/03/2021 %	Variance \$	Variance %
ANZ Convertible Pref Cap Note2	34,337	2.2%	34,401	2.0%	65	0.2%
ANZ Banking Grp Ltd (ANZPG)	30,710	2.0%	31,406	1.8%	696	2.3%
CBAPD PERSP VII	29,793	1.9%	30,198	1.8%	405	1.4%
NAB Income Securities	44,915	2.9%	0	0.0%	(44,915)	-100.0%
Westpac Non-Cum Converting Perp Cap Note II	58,248	3.7%	59,029	3.5%	781	1.3%
BetaShares Aus High Interest Cash ETF	44,940	2.9%	44,922	2.6%	(18)	0.0%
BetaShares Legg Mason Aus Bond Fund	76,750	4.9%	74,429	4.4%	(2,321)	-3.0%
PIMCO Diversified Fixed Interest Fund	58,565	3.7%	57,833	3.4%	(733)	-1.3%
Cash - BT & MQG Cash Mgt Account	29,305	1.9%	89,505	5.2%	60,200	205.4%
Dividends due not yet received	41,542	2.6%	41,542	2.4%	0	0.0%
Total for Defensive Assets:	449,104	28.6%	463,264	27.1%	14,161	3.2%
Antipodes Partners - Antipodes Global Fund	59,277	3.8%	67,452	3.9%	8,176	13.8%
Argo	25,021	1.6%	0	0.0%	(25,021)	-100.0%
Bennelong ex-20 Australian Equities Fund	59,537	3.8%	77,737	4.5%	18,200	30.6%
BHP Billiton	51,760	3.3%	65,459	3.8%	13,699	26.5%
Commonwealth Bank	32,489	2.1%	40,295	2.4%	7,806	24.0%
CSL Limited	71,750	4.6%	66,163	3.9%	(5,588)	-7.8%
INVESCO Wholesale Global Targeted Returns Fund	70,527	4.5%	0	0.0%	(70,527)	-100.0%
Hyperion Australian Growth Companies Fund	0	0.0%	51,144	3.0%	51,144	0.0%
Lazard Global Listed Infrastructure Fund	68,677	4.4%	67,434	3.9%	(1,243)	-1.8%
Magellan Financial Group	37,823	2.4%	29,451	1.7%	(8,372)	-22.1%
Magellan Global Fund	69,959	4.5%	67,952	4.0%	(2,008)	-2.9%
Mcp Master Income	70,195	4.5%	79,334	4.6%	9,139	13.0%
National Australia Bank	14,029	0.9%	20,020	1.2%	5,991	42.7%
Orbis Global Equity Fund	69,195	4.4%	79,142	4.6%	9,947	14.4%
Origin Energy Limited	18,600	1.2%	14,938	0.9%	(3,663)	-19.7%
Qube Holdings Ltd	33,066	2.1%	33,975	2.0%	909	2.7%
Ramsay Health Care	39,313	2.5%	39,597	2.3%	284	0.7%
ResMed Inc	50,233	3.2%	46,056	2.7%	(4,177)	-8.3%
Rio Tinto	49,568	3.2%	56,040	3.3%	6,472	13.1%
Robeco Emerging Conservative Equity Fund	40,681	2.6%	43,171	2.5%	2,490	6.1%
Sydney Airport	22,051	1.4%	28,746	1.7%	6,696	30.4%
T. Rowe Price Global Equity Fund	59,100	3.8%	70,592	4.1%	11,492	19.4%
Vanguard MSCI Index International Shares	44,113	2.8%	53,958	3.2%	9,845	22.3%
Betashares Gold ETF	0	0.0%	17,565	1.0%	17,565	0.0%
Westpac Corporation Deferred Ex St George	23,281	1.5%	31,660	1.9%	8,379	36.0%
Woodside Petroleum Ltd Ord	23,317	1.5%	25,848	1.5%	2,531	10.9%
Woolworths	18,193	1.2%	19,945	1.2%	1,752	9.6%
UBS Property Securities Fund	0	0.0%	52,207	3.1%	52,207	0.0%
Total for Growth Assets:	1,121,755	71.4%	1,245,880	72.9%	124,124	11.1%
Total Investments	1,570,859	100.0%	1,709,144	100.0%	138,285	8.8%

**MENDELSON RECONCILIATION
CASH HELD BY BT PANORAMA INVESTMENTS
AS AT 31/03/2021**

	\$	\$
<u>Balance at 30/06/2020</u>		29,304.81
Macquarie Cash Management Account - closing balance		22,652.02
BT Cash Management Account - closing balance		6,652.79
Add		
<u>Sales Equities</u>		
Argo Investments Limited	26,349.38	
Invesco Wholesale Global Targeted Returns Fun	69,657.63	
Redemption 501 National Aust. Bank (NABHA)	50,100.00	
		146,107.01
Less		
<u>Equities - Purchases</u>		
SYDR - Sydney Airport Stapled Renounceable Rights	3,442.80	
Hyperion Australian Growth Companies Fund	39,000.00	
Betashares Gold ETF	19,993.33	
Hyperion Australian Growth Companies Fund	11,000.00	
UBS Property Securities Fund	50,000.00	
		123,436.13
Add		
<u>Dividends/Interest/Income</u>		
Interest Received in July 2020	1.09	
Dividend Income Received in July 2020	29,732.79	
Interest Received in August 2020	1.18	
Dividend Income Received in August 2020	1,391.65	
Interest Received in September 2020	1.24	
Dividend Income Received in September 2020	5,264.64	
Interest Received in October 2020	0.29	
Dividend Income Received in October 2020	2,518.48	
Interest Received in November 2020	0.10	
Dividend Income Received in November 2020	1,888.77	
Interest Received in December 2020	0.09	
Dividend Income Due Received in December 2020	1,845.85	
Interest Received in January 2021	8.05	
Dividend Income Due Received in January 2021	3,233.07	
Interest Received in February 2021	2.48	
Dividend Income Received in February 2021	1,234.81	
Interest Received in March 2021	2.98	
Dividend Income Received in March 2021	4,935.76	
		52,063.32

**MENDELSON RECONCILIATION
CASH HELD BY BT PANORAMA INVESTMENTS
AS AT 31/03/2021**

	\$	\$
<u>Less</u> <u>Fees</u>		
BT Ongoing advice fee (June)	1,361.86	
BT Administration fee (June)	167.21	
BT Ongoing advice fee (July)	1,424.35	
BT Administration fee (July)	172.79	
BT Ongoing advice fee (August)	1,437.59	
BT Administration fee (August)	172.79	
MQG Bank Audit Letter Fee	60.00	
BT Expense recovery - legislatvie	28.58	
BT Ongoing advice fee (September)	1,378.49	
BT Administration fee (September)	167.21	
BT Ongoing advice fee (October)	1,445.95	
BT Administration fee (October)	172.79	
BT Ongoing advice fee (November)	1,441.46	
BT Administration fee (November)	167.21	
BT Ongoing advice fee (December)	1,516.70	
BT Administration fee (December)	172.79	
BT Ongoing advice fee (January)	1,526.53	
BT Administration fee (January)	173.26	
BT Ongoing advice fee (Feburary)	1,389.87	
BT Administration fee (Feburary)	156.49	
		14,533.92
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Macquarie Cash Management Account - closing balance		22,501.64
BT Cash Management Account - closing balance		67,003.45
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Less Macquarie and BT Cash Mgt Acct		89,505.09
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Imbalance		-
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11.4 Council Budget Report - NINE Months to 31 March 2021

Brief

This report provides information to Council on budget results for the nine months ended 31 March 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommends to Council that the report be received.

Introduction

The report provides year to date (YTD) budget results for March 2021.

Discussion

Budget variances are summarised in the financial report which is included as **Attachment 1**, with key variances explained below in terms of:

- Operational Income
- Operational Expenditure
- Capital Expenditure
- Capital Income
- Capital Works Expenditure

Operational Income

Key variances include:

- Statutory charges are above budget YTD by \$83,448, largely due an increase in property search fees (\$19,368), development act fees (\$112,678) and sundry statutory charges (\$15,006). This is offset by an unfavourable variance in parking fines (\$71,511).
- User charges are above budget by \$67,137, mostly because of the timing of leased property income payments associated with the new depot.
- Grant income is below budget YTD by \$63,145, most of which is due to the timing of the Roads to Recovery grant (\$44,357) and library related grants (\$108,712). This is offset by the unfavourable timing variance for property related grants (\$200,630).

The end of year (EOY) forecast for operational income is not expected to show a significant change, however this is being reviewed in the March budget review process.

Operational Expenditure

Key variances include:

- Staff and related costs are \$584,876 below budget YTD, largely due to the provision for vacancies and restrictions resulting from COVID. In addition staff training (\$29,822), workers compensation (\$32,680) and work health & safety (\$22,282) are below budget.
- Buildings, furniture, plant and equipment expenditure is below YTD budget by \$158,773, largely due to the timing of facility maintenance (\$28,576), plant, equipment and vehicle maintenance (\$39,743) and computer related expenditure (\$40,329).

- General expenses are below YTD budgets by \$685,979, largely due to the timing of expenditure associated with professional fees (\$431,665), advertising, promotion, publication and stationery (\$116,256) and sundry items (\$112,575). A summary of variances for selected key general expenses is attached.
- Bank and finance charges are \$32,861 over budget mostly due to the timing of loan repayments.
- Council related expenditure is \$211,271 below budget YTD, for timing reasons associated with grant funding and donations (\$215,931) and street lighting (\$16,911). This is offset by an unfavourable variance in levies paid (\$32,297).
- Contract and material expenditure is \$546,060 below budget, largely for timing reasons associated with depot and property maintenance programs (\$454,066), waste management (\$76,120) and Community Development programs (\$15,874).
- Occupancy and property costs are \$246,594 below budget YTD, largely for timing reasons associated with cleaning charges (\$27,986 unfavourable) and AAL rental costs (\$35,550 unfavourable). This is offset by a favourable variance in sundry property costs (\$208,988).

The EOY forecast for operational expenditure is expecting a reduction to occur, the magnitude of which is being assessed in the March budget review process which is currently underway.

Capital Expenditure

Key variances include:

- Motor vehicle expenditure is \$108,102 below budget YTD, largely for timing reasons.
- Computer expenditure is \$190,661 below budget for timing reasons, with significant commitments made.
- Other plant and equipment expenditure is below YTD budget by \$653,349, mostly for timing reasons. This will largely self-adjust in the near future as budgets align with payments, given significant commitments have already been made.
- Land and buildings are \$793,099 below budget YTD. This is a result of a \$4,293,099 underspend largely for timing reasons associated with community facility developments. It is offset by \$3,500,000 in proceeds from the sale of the Marion Road depot which is yet to occur.

The EOY forecast for capital expenditure is for an unchanged budget position, however this is being reviewed in the March budget review.

Capital Income

Key variances include:

- Capital income is \$204,157 under budget due to income not yet received associated with community capital projects.

The EOY forecast for capital income is currently being reviewed in the March budget review.

Capital Works Expenditure

Expenditure on capital works YTD is \$15,505,609.

A capital works expenditure summary for YTD March 2021 is attached with appropriate comments provided on the status of individual budget lines. 65.3 per cent of the capital works budget has been spent or committed by way of purchase orders as at 31 March 2021.

It is estimated that 100 per cent of the forecast budget of \$36,081,698 is required to complete the program of works and that 89 per cent will be completed by 30 June 2021.

The EOY forecast for capital works expenditure is being reviewed in the March budget review process.

Climate Impact Considerations

(Assessment of likely positive or negative implications of this decision will assist Council and the West Torrens Community to build resilience and adapt to the challenges created by a changing climate.)

There is no direct climate impact in relation to this report.

Conclusion

Information is provided in this report on budget results for the eight months ended 31 March 2021.

Attachments

1. **March Budget vs Actual**
2. **Capital Works - Budget vs Actual**
3. **General Expenses**

City of West Torrens						
Finance Budget Report for the 9 Months Ended 31 March 2021						
Operational Income and Expenditure (\$'000's)						
Adopted Budget Original	Adopted Budget Revised	Income & Expenditure	YTD Budgets	YTD Actuals	YTD Variance	Budget Remaining
					%	
61,110	61,138	Income	60,801	60,791	(10)	347
2,072	2,094	Rates	1,584	1,667	83	426
1,604	1,439	Statutory Charges	976	1,043	67	397
4,287	3,827	User Charges	2,936	2,873	(63)	954
706	695	Grants & Subsidies	495	515	20	180
		Reimbursements & Other Income				
69,779	69,195	Total Income	66,793	66,891	97	2,304
		Expenditure				
23,865	23,925	Staff & Related Costs	16,571	15,986	585	7,939
5,749	6,523	Buildings, Furniture, Plant & Equipment	4,825	4,666	159	1,857
9,858	10,875	Community Asset Costs	8,036	8,036	0	2,839
4,132	4,584	General Expenses	3,455	2,769	686	1,815
1,128	1,028	Bank & Finance Charges	542	575	(33)	453
4,000	4,286	Council Related Expenditure	3,244	3,032	211	1,253
11,064	11,152	Contract & Material Expenditure	7,875	7,329	546	3,823
2,651	2,658	Occupancy & Property Costs	1,995	1,748	247	909
(175)	(159)	Expenditure Recovered	(116)	(75)	(41)	(85)
62,272	64,871	Total Expenditure	46,426	44,066	2,360	20,805
7,507	4,324	Operating Surplus/Deficit	20,367	22,824		

City of West Torrens									
Finance Budget Report for the 9 Months Ended 31 March 2021									
Capital Income and Expenditure (\$'000's)									
Adopted Budget Original	Adopted Budget Revised	Capital Expenditure and Sales	YTD Budgets	YTD Actuals	YTD Variance	YTD Variance %	Budget Remaining		
175	172	Motor Vehicles	158	50	108	68%	122		
137	387	Computer Equipment	387	196	191	49%	191		
871	1,382	Other Plant & Equipment	1,171	518	653	56%	864		
6,383	5,861	Land & Buildings	4,010	3,217	793	20%	2,643		
7,565	7,800	Total Expenditure	5,727	3,981	1,745	30%	3,819		
Adopted Budget Original	Adopted Budget Revised	Capital Income	YTD Budgets	YTD Actuals	YTD Variance	YTD Variance %	Budget Remaining		
0	4,544	Grants & Subsidies - Capital Income	1,366	1,162	204	15%	3,382		
0	4,544	Total Income	1,366	1,162	204	15%	3,382		
Adopted Budget Original	Adopted Budget Revised	Capital Works Expenditure	YTD Budgets	YTD Actuals	YTD Variance	YTD Variance %	Budget Remaining		
2,746	6,281	Environment Program	4,711	4,263	448	10%	2,018		
3,125	8,047	Recreation Program	6,035	2,143	3,892	64%	5,904		
13,846	21,754	Transport Program	16,315	9,099	7,216	44%	12,654		
19,716	36,082	Total Expenditure	27,060	15,506	11,556	43%	20,576		

**CITY OF WEST TORRENS
BUDGET 2020/21 - AS AT 31 MARCH 2021
CAPITAL WORKS EXPENDITURE**

ADOPTED BUDGET ORIGINAL	ADOPTED BUDGET REVISED	FUNCTION	YTD ACTUALS	COMMITTED OR CONTRACTED	ACTUALS AND COMMITTED	% SPENT OR COMMITTED	FORECAST EXPENDITURE TO COMPLETE	EOY FORECAST PERCENTAGE COMPLETE	COMMENT / EXPLANATION
ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM									
<i>Stormwater & Drainage</i>									
350,000	545,020	Minor Drainage Upgrades and Replacement Work	371,920	182,406	554,326	101.7%	545,020	100%	Minor Works Upgrade / Program Upgrade - continuing/program commitment for 2020 / 2021.
0	96,502	Ashley St (West St to Hayward Ave)	6,468	0	6,468	6.7%	96,502	100%	Works scheduled to commence in April 2021
0	1,483,898	Stormwater Upgrade - Stirling St, Thebarton	656,960	710,006	1,366,966	92.1%	1,483,898	100%	Contract awarded, works in progress.
0	296,350	Stormwater Upgrade - Sherrif St, Underdale	302,124	0	302,124	101.9%	296,350	100%	Works completed.
250,000	250,000	Stirling Street Outfall Interface	0	0	0	0.0%	250,000	100%	Currently scoping project subsequent to main underground stormwater drain being completed.
150,000	150,000	Keswick Creek- Everard	0	0	0	0.0%	150,000	100%	Works scheduled to be undertaken during April 2021.
650,000	650,000	Packard St Cut-off Drain	63,575	19,998	83,573	12.9%	650,000	100%	Detailed design and documentation is being developed.
<i>Other Environment</i>									
1,345,711	2,809,474	Brown Hill and Keswick Creeks	2,862,080	0	2,862,080	101.9%	2,809,474	100%	Approval for 1st stage of Greater Management Plan has been confirmed by all necessary stake holders. Project for design concept upgrade of Brown Hill Creek through West Torrens area is nearing draft report stage.
2,745,711	6,281,244	Program Total	4,263,127	912,410	5,175,537	82.4%	6,281,244	100%	
RECREATION PROGRAM									
<i>Parks & Gardens</i>									
485,000	1,003,288	Playground Upgrade	326,479	348,101	674,580	67.2%	1,003,288	80%	Project in progress; refer Urban Services Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
530,000	781,723	Reserve Developments - Various	313,795	279,411	593,206	75.9%	781,723	100%	Project in progress; refer Urban Services Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
260,000	344,966	River Torrens Upgrade	91,211	130,551	221,762	64.3%	344,966	90%	Project in progress; refer Urban Services Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
25,000	28,684	River Torrens Path Upgrades	23,606	5,922	29,528	102.9%	28,684	100%	Works are underway.
0	562,201	Kings Reserve Playspace	154,734	323	155,057	27.6%	562,201	30%	Project in progress / refer to City Facilities & Waste Recovery General Committee 23 March 2021
775,000	1,249,585	Reserve Irrigation Upgrades	774,461	180,038	954,499	76.4%	1,249,585	90%	Project in progress; refer Urban Services Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
0	2,000,000	Breakout Creek Stage 3 Redevelopment	0	0	0	0.0%	2,000,000	100%	Project is in planning and design detailing stage.
50,000	50,000	Bikeway Path Upgrade and Reseal	38,169	3,710	41,879	83.8%	50,000	100%	Works underway
<i>Sports Facilities</i>									
325,000	428,559	Tennis Court Upgrades	184,789	224,736	409,525	95.6%	428,559	100%	Works Underway, Arrangements for Glenlea Tennis Club confirmed.
550,000	1,472,846	Thebarton Oval Kings Reserve	121,915	25,374	147,289	10.0%	1,472,846	20%	Update / Project Status provided at the City Facilities and Waste General Committee - 23 March 2021
125,000	125,000	Car Parking Upgrade	113,934	12,000	125,934	100.7%	125,000	100%	Project in progress / refer to City Facilities & Waste Recovery General Committee - 23 March 2021
3,125,000	8,046,852	Program Total	2,143,093	1,210,166	3,353,259	41.7%	8,046,852	76%	

CITY OF WEST TORRENS BUDGET 2020/21 - AS AT 31 MARCH 2021 CAPITAL WORKS EXPENDITURE
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ADOPTED BUDGET ORIGINAL	ADOPTED BUDGET REVISED	FUNCTION	YTD ACTUALS	COMMITTED OR CONTRACTED	ACTUALS AND COMMITTED	% SPENT OR COMMITTED	FORECAST EXPENDITURE TO COMPLETE	EOY FORECAST PERCENTAGE COMPLETE	COMMENT / EXPLANATION
TRANSPORT PROGRAM									
<i>Roads Sealed</i>									
9,679,491	14,505,509	City Funds/ULRG Funds/Carryovers	7,527,793	3,043,556	10,571,349	72.9%	14,505,509	85%	Project in progress; refer Urban Services Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
617,418	617,418	Roads to Recovery Grant Funds	0	0	0	0.0%	617,418	100%	
<i>Other Transport</i>									
250,000	326,793	Roundabouts / Minor Road Rehabilitation	279,111	8,738	287,849	88.1%	326,793	100%	Works Underway + Scheduling works for 2020/2021.
300,000	357,643	Bus Shelters	212,719	53,473	266,192	74.4%	357,643	100%	Upgrade works to hard stand area are in progress.
430,000	766,966	Traffic Management	228,971	128,437	357,408	46.6%	766,966	100%	Detailed designs for Novar Gardens LATM are progressing. Hayward Avenue Driveway link design completed and seeking quotes to undertake works. Scheduled to commence in March 2021.
560,000	740,130	Bicycle Management Schemes	97,871	89,010	186,881	25.2%	740,130	100%	Detail design is currently being undertaken.
1,445,000	1,583,334	Public Lighting	169,407	1,333,093	1,502,500	94.9%	1,583,334	100%	LED street light transition to commence in April 2021 (SAPN were delayed in securing materials/ For further information; refer Urban Services Activity Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
<i>Bridges</i>									
0	2,192,650	Bridge Ancillary Works (as per Bridge Audit)	39,980	1,117,751	1,157,731	52.8%	2,192,650	100%	Currently undertaking a re-condition audit.
<i>Footways & Cycle Tracks</i>									
215,992	215,992	Footpath Renewal Program	210,236	18,997	229,233	106.1%	215,992	100%	Project in progress; refer Urban Services Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
49,952	85,234	Footpath Construction Program	82,706	0	82,706	97.0%	85,234	100%	Project in progress; refer Urban Services Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
297,832	361,933	Footpath Remediation Program	250,595	139,271	389,866	107.7%	361,933	100%	Project in progress; refer Urban Services Report, 2 March 2021 for an update.
13,845,685	21,753,602	Program Total	9,099,389	5,932,326	15,031,715	69.1%	21,753,602	90%	
SUMMARY:									
2,745,711	6,281,244	Environment Program	4,263,127	912,410	5,175,537	82.4%	6,281,244	100%	
3,125,000	8,046,852	Recreation Program	2,143,093	1,210,166	3,353,259	41.7%	8,046,852	76%	
13,845,685	21,753,602	Transport Program	9,099,389	5,932,326	15,031,715	69.1%	21,753,602	90%	
19,716,396	36,081,698	TOTAL - ALL CAPITAL WORKS	15,505,609	8,054,903	23,560,512	65.3%	36,081,698	89%	

**City of West Torrens
Budget 2020/21 - YTD 31 March 2021
(Interim Results - Selected Accounts)**

2019/20 Actuals	Account	Annual		2020/21 Budget				YTD % Variance
		Original Budget	Revised Budget	Revised Budget	YTD Actuals	YTD \$ Variance	YTD % Variance	
184,194	131 Training & Conference Costs	136,878	129,288	92,838	63,016	29,822	32.1	
30,855	213 Catering & Entertainment	24,023	19,723	14,281	1,039	13,242	92.7	
35,595	215 Catering/Entertain-Elected Members/others	31,500	25,000	13,642	2,146	11,496	84.3	
245,903	225 Subscriptions & Associations	297,979	327,994	265,551	250,618	14,933	5.6	
22,114	229 Elected Member Travel & Training	20,000	10,000	5,000	2,180	2,820	56.4	
282,965	241 Professional Fees - Legal	327,500	277,500	183,003	116,227	66,776	36.5	
7,753	243 Professional Fees - Medical	12,000	12,000	9,000	4,550	4,450	49.4	
670,087	245 Professional Fees - Consultants	572,000	888,257	697,507	460,025	237,482	34.0	
3,358	247 Professional Fees - Recruitment	0	10,000	4,000	0	4,000	100.0	
366,613	249 Professional Fees - General	280,500	369,784	301,570	182,613	118,957	39.4	
1,849,437	Total	1,702,380	2,069,546	1,586,392	1,082,414	503,978	31.8	

11.5 Legislative Progress Report - April 2021

Brief

This report provides an update on the status of proposed legislative changes affecting local government either dealt with in Parliament, by the Local Government Association, or contained in the Government Gazette during the preceding month.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommends to Council that the report be received.

Introduction

This report provides a monthly update on the progress of Bills through Parliament, using Parliament's defined stages, as well as items contained within the Government Gazette that relate to the City of West Torrens. It also contains information provided by the Local Government Association (LGA) relating to proposed amendments to legislation or other relevant matters.

Information on the status of all Bills and Acts is available on the South Australian Legislative Tracking and the Federal Register of Legislation websites at:

<https://www.parliament.sa.gov.au/Legislation/SALT> and/or <https://www.legislation.gov.au/>

Discussion

Recent Amendments to Legislation

Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016 - Regulations - Planning and Development Fund (No. 4) - Motion for disallowance of

Private Members Motion

A further motion was introduced by the by the Hon. M C Parnell on 3 March 2021, that the General Regulations under the *Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* concerning Planning and Development Fund (No. 4), made on 18 February 2021 and laid on the Table of the Council on 2 March 2021, be disallowed.

The Regulations were disallowed on 17 March 2021.

Please note that a new set of Regulations, the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Planning and Development Fund) (No 2) Variation Regulations 2021*, were Gazetted on 18 March 2021. Those Regulations replace the now disallowed Regulations.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Summary of Proposed Amendments to Legislation

Landscape South Australia (Miscellaneous) Amendment Bill 2020

Government Bill

The Bill was introduced to the Legislative Council on 16 March 2021 and amends the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*.

The Bill proposes to amend provisions in the Act relating to declaration of penalties in relation to unauthorised or unlawful taking of water.

The Bill has been adjourned at first reading.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Statutes Amendment (COVID-19 Permanent Measures) Bill 2021

Government Bill

The Bill was introduced to the House of Assembly by the Hon. V A Chapman on 17 March 2021, and proposes to make permanent amendments to the following Acts in respect of COVID-19 measures:

- *Aboriginal Lands Parliamentary Standing Committee Act 2003;*
- *Acts Interpretation Act 1915;*
- ***Emergency Management Act 2004;***
- ***Environment Protection Act 1993;***
- *Parliamentary Committees Act 1991;*
- ***Real Property Act 1886;***
- ***South Australian Public Health Act 2011.***

The Bill also makes related amendments to the *COVID-19 Emergency Response Act 2020*.

The Bill has been adjourned at first reading.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Electoral (Ban on Corflutes) Amendment Bill 2020

Private Members Bill

The Bill was introduced to the House of Assembly by Mr S Duluk on 31 March 2021, and proposes to amend the *Electoral Act 1985* and the *Local Government Act 1999*.

The Bill proposes to ban corflutes, limit displays of electoral advertisements and prohibit canvassing near polling booths for State elections. If passed, section 226 of the *Local Government Act 1999*, which relates to moveable signs, will also be amended to reflect this change.

The Bill has been adjourned at second reading.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016 - Regulations - General - Planning and Development Fund (No. 2) Variation - disallowance of**Private Members Motion**

A further motion was introduced by the by the Hon. M C Parnell to the Legislative Council on 31 March 2021, that the General Regulations under the *Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* concerning Planning and Development Fund (No. 2) Variation, made on 18 March 2021 and laid on the Table of Legislative Council on 30 March 2021, be disallowed.

The motion has been adjourned.

If the motion passes, this will be the fifth set of Regulations relating to the Planning and Development Fund to be disallowed.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Bills previously reported on where the status has changed***Statutes Amendment (Local Government Review) Bill 2020*****Government Bill**

Introduced and read for the first time on 17 June 2020, this is a Bill to amend the *Local Government Act 1999*, the *Local Government (Elections) Act 1999*, the *City of Adelaide Act 1998* and other related Acts.

The Bill addresses four (4) overarching reform areas being:

- Stronger Council Member Capacity and Better Conduct
- Lower Costs and Enhanced Financial Accountability
- Efficient and Transparent Local Government Representation
- Simpler Regulation

The Bill has now passed the House of Assembly with over 140 government amendments to the original Bill, which were all agreed to by the opposition in Committee.

The Bill was recently debated in the Legislative Council on 18 and 30 March 2021, in relation to a number of ALP amendments.

The Bill is now in the Committee Stage.

Further information on the reforms can be found at on the Department Infrastructure and Transport Website

Bills previously reported on where the status remains unchanged***COVID-19 Emergency Response (Information Security) Amendment Bill 2021*****Government Bill**

The Bill amends the *COVID-19 Emergency Response Act 2020* by inserting provisions relating to information security relating to COVID-19 contract tracing data.

The motion was adjourned on 3 February 2021.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Fire and Emergency Services (Governance) Amendment Bill 2020**Government Bill**

The *Fire and Emergency Services (Governance) Amendment Bill 2020*, was introduced to the Legislative Council on 3 March 2021.

The Bill amends the Governance provisions in the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 2005*, including, the Constitution of the Board, Board proceedings and Annual reports.

The Bill has been adjourned at second reading.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Statutes Amendment (Light Pollution and Nuisance) Bill 2021**Private Members Bill**

The *Statutes Amendment (Light Pollution and Nuisance) Bill 2021*, was introduced to the Legislative Council on 3 March 2021 by the Hon. M C Parnell (MLC).

The Bill proposes amendments to the *Environment Protection Act 1993* and the *Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2016*. The Bill proposes to include artificial light as a form of nuisance into the *Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2016*, allowing councils to expiate.

The Bill has been adjourned at second reading.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Automated External Defibrillators (Public Access) Bill 2019**Private Members Bill**

The *Automated External Defibrillators (Public Access) Bill 2019* was introduced to the Legislative Council on 16 October 2019 by the Hon. F Pangallo (MLC).

An Automated External Defibrillator is a portable device able to treat cardiac arrest by applying an electric shock to restore normal heart rhythm.

If passed by State Parliament, Automated External Defibrillators will be mandatory in all public buildings (including schools and universities, libraries, sporting facilities, local council offices and swimming pools) which the public have access to.

Privately owned buildings including shopping centres, aged care and retirement villages, commercial properties over 600 square metres in size, and certain residential apartments will also be required to install the devices. It will also be mandatory for the devices to be installed in all emergency services vehicles, including SAPOL, Metropolitan Fire Service, Country Fire Service and State Emergency Service.

A maximum fine of up to \$20,000 would be imposed on those who failed to abide by the new laws.

The Bill passed the Legislative Council on 15 October 2020 and has been received and adjourned at its first reading in the House of Assembly.

Council has installed defibrillators in the Civic Centre, Hamra Centre, Thebarton Community Centre and Plympton Community Centre. It has also installed defibrillators in a number of its leased facilities including the Hilton RSL, Western Youth Centre, Fulham Community Centre, Airport Over 50s Club etc. In addition, it has provided community grants to other community groups such as the Glenelg Baseball Club and will continue to receive grant applications for the installation of defibrillators in community facilities within West Torrens. As such, if this Bill is passed then it will not result in any major impost on Council.

Further information can be found on the [South Australian Legislative Tracking website](#).

Planning, Development and Infrastructure (Regulated Trees) Amendment Bill 2020**Private Members Bill**

The Hon. M C Parnell introduced the Bill to the Legislative Council on 23 September 2020 where it was introduced and read a first and second time. It is essentially a duplicate bill of one that passed the Legislative Council in 2017, with the intent to prevent the unnecessary or premature removal of regulated or significant trees.

The Bill intends to restrict applications for the removal of a significant or regulated tree until such a time that development approval for a structure is processed, blocking developers from creating a "clean slate" on a block of land.

The Bill has been adjourned at second reading.

Further information can be found on the [South Australian Legislative Tracking website](#).

Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous) Amendment Bill 2018**Government Bill**

This Bill seeks to change the definition of public interest, amend the processes for determining that a document does not exist and changes definitions relating to the nature and scope of an application. It also changes the processes for determination of an application.

The Bill passed the Legislative Council with amendments on 18 October 2018. It was read for the first time in the House of Assembly on the 8 April 2020, and adjourned at second reading on 21 July 2020. The Bill is now in the Committee Stage.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Local Government (Public Health Emergency) (Rate Relief) Amendment Bill 2020**Private Members Bill**

This Bill was introduced as a Private Members Bill by the Hon. Tony Piccolo MP with the intent of enforcing a 100% rate rebate for businesses or non-profit organisations who have been forced to close due to COVID-19 for the period that they were required to be closed.

A motion to move the Bill through all stages failed, and it was adjourned at second reading.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Local Government (Fixed Charges) Amendment Bill 2018**Government Bill**

This Bill seeks to amend s152 of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

The amendment seeks to include each residence in a retirement village (within the meaning of the *Retirement Villages Act 1987*) as a type of allotment to which a fixed charge for rates cannot be applied.

The Bill was introduced to the Legislative Council and read a first time on 17 October 2018. It has been adjourned at second reading.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Planning, Development and Infrastructure (Carparking Requirements) Amendment Bill 2019**Private Members Bill**

This Bill, introduced by the Hon. Tony Piccolo MP, amends the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* providing minimum carpark requirements on all dwellings.

Amendment of section 108 - categorisation:

In the case of a 1 bedroom dwelling, the requirement to provide for at least 1 carpark, and 2 carparks for a dwelling with 2 or more bedrooms. Carparks are required to be on site or on a site within 100 metres of the dwelling.

If the development does not meet these requirements it will be classified as restricted development.

Amendment of section 110 - restricted development:

If the Commission makes an assessment under s110 of the Act in relation to restricted development, the Commission must take into account the relevant provisions of the Planning and Design Code, but is not bound by those provisions.

The Bill was introduced to the House of Assembly on 13 November 2019 and adjourned at second reading on 13 November 2019.

Further information can be found on the South Australian Legislative Tracking website.

Acts Assented

No. 8 of 2021—Motor Vehicles (Motor Bike Driver Licensing) Amendment Act 2021

The Act was assented to on 11 March 2021 and amends the *Motor Vehicles Act 1959* for the purpose of amending provisions for motor bike licensing.

For further information, please see South Australian Legislation website.

Regulations

Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (HomeBuilder) Variation Regulations 2021

Regulations under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*, to vary the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017* in order to include HomeBuilder development for the purposes of the Regulations.

The Regulations came into operation on the day of which Schedule 6, Part 2 of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* came into operation, being 19 March 2021.

For further information, please see South Australian Legislation website.

Planning, Development and Infrastructure (Fees, Charges and Contributions) (HomeBuilder) Variation Regulations 2021

Regulations under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*, to vary the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (Fees, Charges and Contributions) Regulations 2019*.

The Regulations came into operation on the day of which Schedule 6, Part 2 of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* came into operation, being 19 March 2021.

For further information, please see South Australian Legislation website.

Local Government (General) (Differentiating Factors) Variation Regulations 2021

Regulations under the *Local Government Act 1999* to vary the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2013*.

Specifically, regulation 14 has been amended so that differentiating factors will 'work' for rating declarations made for the 2021/2022 financial year and the years to follow.

The Regulations came into operation with immediate effect on 18 March 2021.

For further information, please see [South Australian Legislation website](#).

Land and Business (Sale and Conveyancing) (Planning, Development and Infrastructure) Variation Regulations 2021

Regulations under the *Land and Business (Sale and Conveyancing) Act 1994* to vary the *Land and Business (Sale and Conveyancing) Regulations 2010*.

The Regulations vary the requirements for council search certificates, so that, certain information must be disclosed under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* in addition to the *Development Act 1993*.

The Regulations came into operation on 19 March 2021.

For further information, please see [South Australian Legislation website](#).

Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Site Contamination) Variation Regulations 2021

Regulations under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*, to vary the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017*.

The Regulations require that development applications proposing a change in land use to or land division for a "more sensitive use" to be accompanied by a site contamination declaration form, a preliminary site investigation report, a copy of the certificate of title for the subject land and any site contamination audit report prepared in relation to the land.

The Regulations come into operation on 19 March 2021, immediately after the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Phase 3 of Code) Variation Regulations 2021* come into operation.

For further information, please see [South Australian Legislation website](#).

Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Planning and Development Fund) (No 2) Variation Regulations 2021

Regulations under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* to vary the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017*.

The Regulations amend regulation 119 relating to the application of the Planning and Development Fund. The Regulations replace the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) (Planning and Development Fund) Variation Regulations 2021* which have now been disallowed.

The Regulations came into operation on 18 March 2021.

These are the **fifth** set of Regulations in relation to the Planning and Development Fund, with the first four being disallowed by the Legislative Council.

For further information, please see South Australian Legislation website.

Liquor Licensing (General) (Emodka Prohibition) Variation Regulations 2021

Regulations under the *Liquor Licensing Act 1997* to vary the *Liquor Licensing (General) Regulations 2012*.

The Regulations to prohibit the manufacture, sale or supply of Emodka vodka or any other spirit packaged in a similar way. **Emodka vodka is packaged in 50mls round, light globe shaped, yellow emoji patterned bottles.

The Regulations came into operation on 1 April 2021.

For further information, please see South Australian Legislation website.

Declarations***Approval of the Governor—Extension of a Major Emergency Declaration***

On 1 April 2021, pursuant to section 23(2) of the *Emergency Management Act 2004*, the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, approved a further extension of the Major Emergency Declaration for a period of 28 days, commencing on 3 April 2021.

For further Information, please see the Notice of page 1085 of the Government Gazette - No 20 - 1 April 2021.

Planning and Development Act 2016

Amendment to the Building Code of Australia

By Notice published in the Gazette dated 18 March 2021, the Building Code of Australia has been altered.

Specifically, the *Ministerial Building Standard MBS 007 - Modification to the Building Code of Australia*, dated December 2020 and adopted by Gazettal Notice dated 18 February 2021, has been amended in respect of the 'SA 2 Water efficiency' limitations.

The amendments have been published on the PlanSA portal and adopted as part of the Building Rules on 19 March 2021.

For further information, please see the Notice of page 1033 of the Government Gazette - No 17 - 18 March 2021.

Practice Directions

By Notice published in the Gazette dated 18 March 2021, the following State Planning Commission Practice Directions are varied:

- State Planning Commission Practice Direction 3 (Notification of Performance Assessed Development Applications) 2019.
- State Planning Commission Practice Direction 11 (Deemed Planning Consent Standard Conditions) 2020.
- State Planning Commission Practice Direction 12 (Conditions) 2020.

The varied practice directions came into operation on 19 March 2021.

The following Practice Directions have been issued:

- State Planning Commission Practice Direction 14 (Site Contamination Assessment) 2021.
- State Planning Commission Practice Direction 15 (Building Envelope Plans) 2021.

The new practice directions came into operation on 19 March 2021.

For further information, please see the Notice of page 1034 of the Government Gazette - No 17 - 18 March 2021.

Publication of Ministerial Building Standard

By Notice published in the Gazette dated 18 March 2021, the *Ministerial Building Standard MBS 010—Construction requirements for the control of external sound*, dated July 2020 and adopted on 1 July 2020 by Gazette Notice on 25 June 2020, has been amended to include additional provisions for sound attenuation in buildings exposed to aircraft noise and is republished as the *Ministerial Building Standard MBS 010—Construction requirements for the control of external sound*, dated March 2021.

The amendment have been published on the PlanSA portal and adopted as part of the Building Rules on 19 March 2021.

For further Information, please see the Notice of page 1034 of the Government Gazette - No 17 - 18 March 2021.

Revocation of Development Plan

Pursuant to Schedule 8, Clause 9(7) of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*, Vickie Chapman MP, Minister for Planning and Local Government, has revoked the City of West Torrens Development Plans created under the *Development Act 1993*.

However, development all applications received before 19 March 2021 will be assessed under the City of West Torrens Development Plan.

This Notice has effect from 19 March 2021.

For further Information, please see the Notice of page 1034 of the Government Gazette - No 17 - 18 March 2021.

Practice Directions

By Notice published in the Gazette dated 25 March 2021, the following State Planning Commission Practice Directions are varied:

- State Planning Commission Practice Direction 8 (Council Swimming Pool Inspections) 2019
- State Planning Commission Practice Direction 9 (Council Inspections) 2020

Additionally, the State Planning Commission Practice Direction 16 (Urban Tree Canopy Off-set Scheme) 2021 has been issued.

The practice directions came into effect on 25 March 2021.

For further Information, please see the Notice of page 1076 of the Government Gazette - No 19 - 25 March 2021.

<p>Amendment to the Planning and Design Code</p>
<p>By Notice published in the Government Gazette dated 4 March 2021, the Planning and Design Code has been amended to make changes of form and to correct errors that relate to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutory referrals in relation to site contamination, following recent changes made to the Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017 (gazetted 18 March 2021). • A typographical error in Part 1 of the Code referencing incorrect legislation. • Consistency with the title of Part 5 of the Code, and clarification of reserved matters in relation to the Urban Tree Canopy Overlay. • Update to the Community Facilities Zone to reflect the endorsed recommendations of the State Planning Commission and the Minister. • The spatial application of Technical and Numeric Variations (various) • The Deemed-to Satisfy classification of 'advertisement'. <p>The Amendment will come into operation upon being published on the SA planning portal.</p> <p>For further Information, please see the Notice of pages 1076-1082 of the Government Gazette - No 19 - 25 March 2021.</p>
<p>Practice Directions</p>
<p>By Notice published in the Gazette dated 1 April 2021, the State Planning Commission Practice Direction 2 (Preparation and Amendment of Designated Instruments) has been varied.</p> <p>The varied practice direction came into effect on 1 April 2021.</p> <p>For further Information, please see the Notice of pages 1076-1082 of the Government Gazette - No 19 - 25 March 2021.</p>
<p>Proclamations</p>
<p><i>Liquor Licensing (Conferral of Authority) Proclamation 2021</i></p>
<p>Proclamation under section 15 of the <i>Liquor Licensing Act 1997</i>, conferring authority on the District Court Judge, His Honour Judge Timothy James Heffernan, to exercise jurisdiction of the Licensing Court of South Australia.</p> <p>Proclamation comes into operation on 12 April 2021.</p> <p>For further information, please see South Australian Legislation website.</p>
<p>Relevant Common Law</p>
<p>Nil</p>

Climate Impact Considerations

(Assessment of likely positive or negative implications of this decision will assist Council and the West Torrens Community to build resilience and adapt to the challenges created by a changing climate.)

There is no direct environmental impact in relation to this report.

Conclusion

This report on legislative amendments is current as at 6 April 2021.

Attachments

Nil