



The Adelaide Park Lands Authority was established by the *Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)* as a subsidiary of the City of Adelaide under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*.

As part of the Park Lands governance framework the Adelaide Park Lands Authority is the principle advisory body to the City of Adelaide (CoA) and the South Australian State Government (SG) on Park Lands matters.

The Authority provides guidance around the use of and improvement to the Adelaide Park Lands through the development of the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015 – 2025, which can be found [here](#)

Minutes for the Board Meeting held on Thursday 25 November 2021

Present:

Presiding Member

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor Sandy Verschoor

Deputy Presiding Member

Ms Kirsteen Mackay

Board Members

Ms Allison Bretones

Mr Stephen Forbes

Councillor Alexander Hyde

Ms Stephanie Johnston

Mr Craig Wilkins

Mr Ben Willsmore

Board Meeting Minutes, Thursday 25 November 2021, at 6:03pm
Colonel Light Room, Town Hall, King William Street, Adelaide

Welcome and Opening

- 1.1 Acknowledgment of Country** With the welcome and opening of the Board Meeting, the Presiding Member, Lord Mayor Sandy Verschoor stated:
‘Adelaide Park Lands Authority acknowledges that we are meeting on traditional Country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past and present. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.
And we also extend that respect to other Aboriginal Language Groups and other First Nations who are present today.’

During the Acknowledgment Ms Stephanie Johnston entered the Colonel Light Room at 6.04pm

- 1.2 Apologies** Ms Jessica Davies-Huynh (Maternity Leave) & Mr Rob Brookman AM
- 1.3 Confirmation of Minutes - 28/10/2021 [APLA]** Board Decision
That the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 28 October 2021 be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.
- 1.4 Business Arising** Noted as per Status Update for Actions Arising in Link 1 [here](#)
*Collated list of Actions Arising

Conflict of Interest Nil

Presiding Member Report (verbal) Nil

Representations (verbal)

- 4.1 Speaker** **Representation attached
Mr James Robinson on behalf of the Park Terrace Community Garden (Licensee) Continued operation of The Community Garden in Mary Lee Park (Park 27b)

Items for Board Decision

- 5.2 Community Garden Mary Lee Park (Park 27b) [2016/00993] [APLA]** Discussion Points:
- Fence height (Undetermined - 1200 envisaged)
 - Security and fence style considerations
 - Garden location
 - Area audit
 - Living green fence and structural considerations
 - APLA review of final design
- Action Arising
APLA to review the operation of the visually permeable, living green fence surrounding the Community Garden 12 months after installation.

Board Decision to Advise City of Adelaide

That the Adelaide Park Lands Authority:

1. Notes that an Expression of Interest (EOI) process will not be undertaken. The Park Lands Leasing and Licensing Policy allows for an exemption to occur in exceptional circumstances.
2. Supports Council entering into licence negotiations for a five-year agreement with the Park Terrace Community Garden Inc, for the Community Garden and associated facilities within Mary Lee Park (Park 27b).
3. Supports the installation of a visually permeable, living green fence surrounding the Community Garden with final design to be reviewed by APLA.
4. Supports the continued use of the Shipping Container as an ancillary storage option for the Community Garden.

CoA Council meeting to note APLA advice 14 December 2021.

5.1 Park Lands Community Land Management Plan – General Provisions [2021/00938] [APLA]

Discussion Points:

- Addressing the diverse comments/emotions
- Formalising signage
- Interaction of pedestrian/cyclists/dogs
- By Law review & associated consultation
- Biodiversity and associated impacts
- CLMP alignment and policing
- Community educating users and education for shared use

Board Decision to Advise City of Adelaide

That the Adelaide Park Lands Authority:

1. Notes the community engagement findings for the draft General Provisions of the Adelaide Park Lands Community Land Management, included as Attachment A to Item 5.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 25 November 2021.
2. Supports the revised draft General Provisions of the Adelaide Park Lands Community Land Management Plan (which takes into consideration the community engagement feedback), included as Attachment B to Item 5.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 25 November 2021 which, based on community engagement findings, includes the following changes:
 - 2.1. Change all areas designated 'limited off-leash' to 'off leash at all times' as shown in the Dog Management Map as shown in Appendix D of the General Provisions.
 - 2.2. Reduce the extent of the 'on leash at all times' section of Victoria Park /Pakapakanthi (Park 16) to the area east of the Criterium Track and north of the central path as shown in Appendix D of the General Provisions.
 - 2.3. Expand the 'off-leash at all times' section of Victoria Park /Pakapakanthi (Park 16) to include the section west of the Criterium Track and north of the Central Path as shown in Appendix D of the General Provisions.

CoA Council meeting to note APLA advice 14 December 2021.

5.3 Brownhill Keswick Creek Stormwater Project (South Park Lands) [2018/02437] [APLA]

Angelo Lanzilla & Ben Taylor, BHKC project team members in attendance to precis matter and respond to questions.

Discussion Points:

- Preconstruction audit on site and outcome
- Project reassessment and design adjustment to minimise impact
- Sense of total tree loss (86 to 97 in total)
- In Park 20 no regulated or significant trees scheduled to be removed
- Inclusion of numbers in maps to track trees referenced in Arborist reports to assist in assessment
- Additional tree planting to proposed planting where possible as project progresses

Board Decision to Advise City of Adelaide

That the Adelaide Park Lands Authority:

1. Notes the changes to the design for Blue Gum Park/Kurangga (Park 20) and the efforts undertaken to retain two regulated trees.
2. Supports the alternative design, including the net increase of 11 unregulated tree removals as detailed in Attachment A to Item 5.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 25 November 2021.
3. Notes the requirement to prune 23 trees to facilitate the construction works, none of which will exceed 30% of the tree mass.
4. Notes the proposed planting of over 120 trees in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) and at least 40 in Blue Gum Park / Kurangga (Park 20) as part of the project plus additional trees where possible.

CoA Council meeting to note APLA advice 14 December 2021.

5.4 Adelaide Park Lands Authority – 2022 Meeting Dates [2021/02211] [APLA]

Discussion Points:

- Calling of a Special meeting if required in either December 2021 or January 2022

Board Decision

That the Adelaide Park Lands Authority:

1. Meet at 5:30pm in the Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall, on the following Thursdays in 2022:
 - 24 February
 - 24 March
 - 28 April
 - 26 May
 - 23 June
 - 28 July
 - 25 August
 - 22 September
 - 27 October
 - 24 November
2. Authorises the City of Adelaide Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) after liaison with the Presiding Member (or Deputy Presiding Member if the former is absent), to vary meeting dates, meeting times and meeting place as required (within the provisions of the Authority's Charter) including scheduling special meetings as required.

Councillor Alexander Hyde left the Colonel Light Room at 7.05pm

Items for Board Discussion

- 6.2** Date and Insights – Urban Heat & Tree Canopy [2017/04573] [APLA] Presentation
- Paper in Agenda taken as read
- Discussion Points:
- Canopy and greening – in particular the Northwest and Southwest of the City
 - Cool corridors – working to identify highest foot fall
 - Wild walls and roofs
 - Green Streets specific to the CBD
 - Wetlands Project – River Torrens
 - Water Rebate Scheme – Green Adelaide
 - Increased street gardens and street cleansing
 - Heat mapping and LIDAR to guide decision making
 - Impact of greening and tree canopy on cooling for surrounding areas and policy discussion around investment in water to ensure irrigation and thriving of greening and climate resilience
 - Data explaining value of the Park Lands and natural systems and contribution to the quality of life
 - Document trends both positive and loss
 - Interrogating further the LIDAR data pinpointing hot and cool buildings
 - Cool roofs project trial at University of Adelaide
 - Old and new Planning Code – Canopy impacts & greening/water sensitivities within development
- Action Arising
- Check to see with the increase in street gardens if an increase of rubbish trapped is problematic for street cleansing.
- Action Arising
- APLA in early 2022 to review City of Adelaide business plan and budget greening component and sustainability components to provide support and advice in progressing initiatives.
- 6.1** Associate Director / APLA Update Presentation
- ***PowerPoint presentation attached
- Updates
- World Heritage Bid Progress
 - Australian Heritage Grant Application
 - Adelaide Park Lands Event Management (APLEMP) 2016-2020 Review
 - Adelaide Events Guidelines 2021
- 6.3** Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy - Update of the Audit of Actions [2020/00836] [APLA] Presentation
- Paper in Agenda taken as read
- Discussion Points:
- Veale Gardens
 - Landscaping measures/features – Park Lands promenades
 - Story board signs - interpretive signage – over 100 installed explaining the history & cultural importance of the Park Lands
 - Artwork - Vietnamese Boat People Memorial – Victoria Drive
 - Prospect Road
 - Revegetation projects
 - Continued review of actions to ensure current, relevant or needed

- Peace Park
- Current Park Lands Priorities
- Wetlands & Rymill Park Lake works
- Community Forum and next steps
- Avenues through the Park Lands (Elm carriageway and how to use to connect the wetlands back to Hutt Street)

6.4 Review of the Adelaide Park Lands Lease and Licence Policy [2016/00662] [APLA] Workshop

Paper in Agenda taken as read

Discussion Points:

- Exploring alternative infrastructure funding models to enable community organisations to support community need with fit for purpose facilities
- Community fundraising - broaden reach of facilities and purpose they play in the community aligned with CLMP consider more commercial type activities (Fringe event or activity not currently related)
- Policy distinction between peak sporting groups vs community groups
- Rising expectations for facilities
- Expression of Interest processes
- Transparency - current process to understand who a sub-licensee is and whether fees exceed 50% or not
- Increasing expectation on head lease to support smaller community groups and reinforce accessibility to the Park Lands
- Tenure periods
- Incentivised fee structure
- Asset Management Plans for community buildings under leases & building equity considerations (depreciation) in setting lease fees
- Monitoring how much of the Park Lands is under lease vs freely available area
- Next Steps – Draft policy for Board consideration in March 2022

Items for Noting

7.1 Correspondence Nil
Presiding Member Verbal Update

Other Business

8.1 Update on the Bonython Park / Tulya Wardli Regreening Pilot Project [APLA] Ms Stephanie Johnston
Activities of the planning group for pilot project outlined
Action Arising
Associate Director to liaise with Ms Stephanie Johnston to prepare a communication and update for Board Members and distribution to City of Adelaide Council Members (E-News update).

Meeting Close

Board meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Next Board meeting

5.30pm Thursday 24 February 2022

Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

Lord Mayor, Sandy Verschoor
 Presiding Member
 Adelaide Park Lands Authority

Attached for Reference

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| * | Collated List | Actions Arising |
| ** | Representation | Continued operation of The Community Garden in Mary Lee Park (Park 27b) |
| *** | PowerPoint Presentation | Associate Director / APLA Update |

City of Adelaide Staff

In Attendance

Tom McCready – Acting Director City Shaping
 Klinton Devenish – Director Services Infrastructure & Operations
 Lara Daddow – Associate Director Park Lands Policy & Sustainability
 Christie Anthoney – Associate Director, City Culture
 Stephen Zaluski – Associate Director Regulatory Services
 Ray Scheuboeck – Team Leader, Community Lifestyle
 Laura Morgan – Community Leasing Coordinator
 Tanya Roe – Senior Sustainability Advisor
 Martin Cook – Team Leader Park Lands Planning
 Michele Williams – Senior Park Lands Planner
 Judy Speck - Council Governance Advisor

Actions Arising - Business of the Board in progress

	Date	Topic and Action Arising	Responsibility
9	25/3/2021	CLMP targets & measures <u>Action Arising</u> Paper to lead Board discussion on targets & measures (purpose and the level of accountability) in CLMP's	Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability

	Date	Topic and Action Arising	Responsibility
28	22/7/2021	Risk Management & Mitigation <u>Action Arising</u> Draft Risk Register addressing governance/reputational etc to be presented to the Board in the next couple of months for review with a view to sign off by the end 2021.	Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability
29	22/7/2021	Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA) <u>Action Arising</u> Convene a separate workshop to discuss and assess whether the Board is delivering on the intent of the objectives in the Act.	Governance / Office of the Lord Mayor

	Date	Topic and Action Arising	Responsibility
33	23/9/2021	Date & Insights – Biodiversity <u>Action Arising</u> Schedule presentation to the Board on the Torrens River / Karrawirra Parri wetlands proposal.	Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability
34	23/9/2021	Authority Annual Report 2020/21 <u>Action Arising</u> Planning and Design Code – Reference in Annual Report 2020/21 - Follow up and advise Board whether the November 2020 request seeking self-assessment on heritage values was undertaken and can be provided to the Board.	Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability
35	23/9/2021	Authority Annual Report 2020/21 <u>Action Arising</u> Draft Riverbank Masterplan – Reference in Annual Report 2020/21 - Follow up and advise Board when the Riverbank Masterplan will be released.	Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability

	Date	Topic and Action Arising	Responsibility
39	14/10/2021	Forwarding Board advice to Green Adelaide <u>Action Arising</u> Presiding Member to forward to Green Adelaide the Board's advice on the Riverbank Precinct Code Amendment & the request for Care and Control of Kate Cocks Park to be transferred to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing.	Office of the Lord Mayor

	Date	Topic and Action Arising	Responsibility
40	28/10/2021	Rymill Park Lake – Renewal Options <u>Action Arising</u> Clarify infrastructure budget components and all costs associated with the lake renewal proposal including current annual operating costs and ongoing annual operating costs	Infrastructure

	Date	Topic and Action Arising	Responsibility
41	25/11/2021	Community Garden Mary Lee Park (Park 27b) <u>Action Arising</u> APLA to review the operation of the visually permeable, living green fence surrounding the Community Garden 12 months after installation.	City Culture

Actions Arising - Business of the Board in progress

	Date	Topic and Action Arising	Responsibility
42	25/11/2021	Urban Heat & Tree Canopy <u>Action Arising</u> Check to see with the increase in street gardens if an increase of rubbish trapped is problematic for street cleansing.	Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability
43	25/11/2021	Urban Heat & Tree Canopy <u>Action Arising</u> APLA in early 2022 to review City of Adelaide business plan and budget greening component and sustainability components to provide support and advice in progressing initiatives.	Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability
44	25/11/2021	Update on the Bonython Park / Tulya Wardli Regreening Pilot Project <u>Action Arising</u> Associate Director to liaise with Ms Stephanie Johnston to prepare a communication and update for Board Members and distribution to City of Adelaide Council Members (E-News update).	Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability

Deputation to APLA 25/11/21

From Park Terrace Community Garden Inc

The Park Terrace Community Garden was established in 2016 by volunteers supported by the Adelaide City Council in a partnership with Renewal SA. It was, until recently, a thriving garden. But the social tensions of the times have made it difficult to continue. All this is well-documented.

But though demoralised and diminished in numbers, our group still believes in the model of a community garden in which the whole community shares.

Many of our remaining group live in the Bowden development. But we could just as likely live in North Adelaide, as did other members including David Baptiste, a continuing friend of the garden. In fact, our membership has always come from any of the surrounding communities. And, we know we can rebuild that again.

So, our group looked for opportunities.

We began a passionate conversation through email with the Adelaide City Council in hope that we may find a solution at Park Terrace.

We attended the recent APLA Management Strategy Forum and were pleased to confirm a growing appetite for a thriving community garden.

We continued our engagement with horticultural and senior members of the ACC and that has brought us here today.

The opportunity we were looking for was staring us in the face, but it came with two challenges.

Our first challenge was to renew our lease which is part of this submission

The second challenge is to create a solution to our issues- a barrier, that is not a wall but a gated, permeable 'living' fence' that allows views into the garden in all its 'future magnificence' and promotes the objectives contained in the APLA Strategy document- ideals the Park Terrace Community Gardens Inc has always espoused:

- To create a place to meet to be with friends and family, a place to escape the rigours of urban life, a place to be active
- Places to grow food and a sense of community"
- To boost awareness of the role the Parklands play in supporting population growth
- To enhance people's connection with each other and with the natural environment
- To create dynamic, active and tranquil spaces
- To establish community gardens in accessible locations across the Park Lands where there is support from adjacent residential communities.

The Park Terrace Community Garden was a success with tangible support across the community. We've fundraised in order to plant and nurture what has been an abundant garden. But our efforts need the protection of a fence similar to that pictured.

It will become a signal to all that what happens within the garden itself is important and worth protecting for the community interaction it enables yet invites all comers to join in and enjoy.

We look forward to working with The APLA The Adelaide City Council and community to rebuild the Park Terrace Community Garden.

**James Robinson (on behalf of the Park Terrace Community Garden
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APLA Update

Associate Director
Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability

November



World Heritage Bid Progress

- Report combining the Adelaide Park Lands, City Layout and Mt Lofty Ranges World Heritage Bid is nearly finalised
- Once finalised, the report will be presented to the Minister of Environment and Water.
- A collaborative approach to the nomination will be taken.
- A workshop will be held with expert participants in early 2022 to continue to gather the supporting information to enable a bid.
- APLA Members will be provided with a copy of the report once finalised and will continued to be updated on the progress.



Minutes - Item 6 - Proposed Presentation



Australian Heritage Grant Application

- CoA submitted an Australian Heritage Grant Application on 1 November 2021 for the purpose of preparing a Heritage Management Plan (HMP) for the National heritage listing of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout.
- If the grant is approved, the HMP would provide:
 - detailed objectives, principles, policies and processes to maintain, protect and conserve the heritage listed values.
 - direction, guidance and information to protect and manage the heritage listed values to guide day to day management and assist decision making.
- **Status** - Pending Commonwealth Assessment, decision expected early 2022.



Adelaide Park Lands Event Management Plan (APLEMP) 2016-2020 Review

- The APLEMP is at end of life and under review and a Discussion Paper will be presented to Council and APLA in early 2022
- Sections referring to Guidelines and Site Criteria have been reviewed and updated into a new set of user friendly Adelaide Events Guidelines
- The Guidelines now set the expectations for City-wide events and festivals, including events held on roads, not only in the Park Lands
- No changes to criteria pertaining to event finish times or general use of the Park Lands
- The Adelaide Event Guidelines will be delivered under CEO delegation
- The APLEMP Action Plan 2016-2020 will be reviewed separately and a new Action Plan developed.



Adelaide Events Guidelines 2021

- The Adelaide Event Guidelines and accompanying Report will be presented to Council on 7 December 2021

- Section 1.8 refers to APLA:

1.8 Consideration by the Adelaide Park Lands Authority (APLA)

Events may be presented to APLA for advice or comment to the Council if it is deemed that there will be a significant impact to the care and control of the Park Lands, beyond the regular application of these Guidelines and that require specialist advice from APLA. The authority will be regularly informed of events held in the Park Lands through reporting mechanisms.

- All former Guidelines remain in place which relate to guidance for event organisers to care for the Park Lands. All events will continue to pay for any remediation required after their event.
- Improved advance and post quarterly reporting to APLA is planned regarding event outcomes, Park Lands use and management.

