

New Year's Eve Events

ITEM 15.1 27/01/2022

Council

Council Member

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor
Abrahamzadeh

2020/01167

Public

Contact Officer:

Stephen Zaluski, Acting Director
City Shaping

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Abrahamzadeh will ask the following Question on Notice:

'In relation to the City of Adelaide organised New Year's Eve events throughout the CBD and North Adelaide, can the Administration please advise:

- If there were any COVID outbreaks originating at any of these events?
- If there were any concerns raised by SA Health in the lead up to the events?
- Any feedback (in relation to the event format, entertainment, Pyrotechnic show, etc) from traders in close proximity to those events?'

The Lord Mayor will provide a reply at the meeting, the reply and question will be included in the Minutes of the meeting.

REPLY

1. The City Experience Team engaged SA Health representatives along with other emergency service stakeholders throughout a number of planning discussions and pre-New Year's Eve event briefings.
2. SA Health provided regular feedback during the planning phase and approved the COVID Management Plans for both the Rundle Street public outdoor dining area (supporting Midnight Moments), and the 'Light Up' ticketed event in Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka. Other Midnight Moment event locations such as the Lion Hotel and Sparkke Hotel also secured COVID safe plans from SA Health.
3. Following enquiries to SA Health, we have not been advised of any concerns relating to the operations on New Year's Eve in the City or that there was any related COVID outbreaks as a result of the events or activities.
4. There were no incident reports from our Security and COVID Marshals relating to breaches of the COVID Management Plans.
5. Feedback throughout the event from traders and staff onsite was that the audience observed social distancing and COVID safe behaviours (mask wearing, QR code check-ins, use of sanitisers, etc).
6. Reviewing feedback from post-event business surveys is yet to be finalised, however insights will be provided as part of the New Year's Eve in the City evaluation.
 - 6.1. Anecdotal feedback from businesses and traders has been positive, including direct feedback to the team from a business involved in a Midnight Moments event stating: "Your team was fantastic to work with to activate the street and New Year's. It was a really great idea and I can't thank you enough"

7. Data from intercept surveys conducted with members of the public on the night has recently been received. Details of this will also be included in a more thorough NYE evaluation to be shared shortly, however early analysis shows:
- 7.1. The majority of words used by visitors to describe the event/activity they just attended were positive and optimistic in nature, with many finding the events and activities to be fun, family-oriented and friendly.
 - 7.2. 87% of those who attended the event were satisfied, with 37% very satisfied.
 - 7.3. Of those who participated in the survey, the majority had come to the City/North Adelaide specifically for the NYE events and also to go out for a meal/drink.

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Walking Strategy

ITEM 15.2 27/01/2022

Council

Council Member
Councillor Donovan

2018/04053
Public

Contact Officer:
Tom McCready, Director City
Services

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Donovan will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Noting:

- the recent successful launch of the South Australian Walking Strategy by Wellbeing SA
- the heightened desire of residents, businesses and visitors to have the option to access outdoor methods of commuting and recreating during the COVID pandemic

What is the timeline for delivery of the City of Adelaide's Walking Strategy?'

The Lord Mayor will provide a reply at the meeting, the reply and question will be included in the Minutes of the meeting.

REPLY

1. At its meeting on 10 September 2019, Council requested we prepare a walking strategy through the following Council Decision:

That Council:

 - (1) *Notes the recent data compiled by WalkingSA on pedestrian safety within the City of Adelaide.*
 - (2) *Notes the current opportunity to provide policy input to complement/inform the Integrated Transport Plan and City Access Strategy.*
 - (3) *Requests Administration prepare a detailed walking strategy, including a peer review of the walking strategies of other cities (eg Melbourne and Sydney), to improve Adelaide's walkability and liveability.*
2. Our teams have had input into the South Australian Walking Strategy and the City Access Strategy and were awaiting their release prior to progressing our strategy.
3. Now that the South Australian Walking Strategy has been released, we will progress City of Adelaide's walking strategy.

4. A draft walking strategy is anticipated to be completed by July 2022 to present to Council for approval to be released for community consultation.
 - 4.1. The strategy will encompass all forms of walking – including everyone who uses our footpaths, whether they are on foot, pushing a stroller or moving with the help of a mobility device such as a wheelchair.
 - 4.2. The Strategy will be developed in alignment with the South Australian Walking Strategy and also consider the City of Adelaide’s specific needs.
 - 4.3. The outputs from this project will also be critical in informing future investment in infrastructure and operational projects as well shaping the future liveability of the city.

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Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace

ITEM 15.3 27/01/2022
Council

Council Member
Councillor Martin

2018/04053
Public

Contact Officer:
Tom McCready, Director City
Services

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Noting the Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace was officially opened by the Lord Mayor in December 2020 and then closed in order to improve safety and amenity, could the Administration advise:

1. Have all improvements that were proposed been completed and, if not, which remain to be completed?
2. Has the Inclusive Playspace been reviewed recently to ensure it complies with the applicable standards of an inclusive playspace?
3. Is there another official opening planned to which members of the Kenihan family will be invited?'

The Lord Mayor will provide a reply at the meeting, the reply and question will be included in the Minutes of the meeting.

REPLY

1. The Lord Mayor and the Minister for Child Services, together with Quentin Kenihan's family and friends, cut a ribbon in December 2020 to recognise the fact that the Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace construction works had reached practical completion and was open to the public.
2. Since December 2020 works have been undertaken to enhance the user experience. The only remaining works to be completed is the installation of a wheelchair accessible swing that was delayed due to Covid and international shipping. This will be installed in the first week of February 2022.
3. It is Australian Standard and CoA policy that an independent comprehensive audit is undertaken and deemed satisfactory prior to handover of the complete playspace. We have on file two independent comprehensive audit reports, completed immediately prior to the playspace being open to the public, that confirms the playspace is safe for use. As well as this, there are monthly operational inspections conducted by an independent company and daily routine inspections conducted internally, all of which have confirmed the playspace is compliant with the applicable standards, AS4685.
4. Plans have commenced for an official opening at the Playspace to take place once the swing is installed. Quentin Kenihan's family and friends will be engaged shortly to confirm the most appropriate date and event format.

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User Costs of EV Chargers

ITEM 15.4 27/01/2022
Council

Council Member
Councillor Martin

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Public

Contact Officer:
Stephen Zaluski, Acting Director
City Shaping

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

'The City of Adelaide website appears to state fees apply to the use of EV chargers at all 42 locations on and off street in the City of Adelaide, except for the Grote Street UPark where the charger is free but car parking fees apply. Setting aside the issue of car parking fees, could the Administration advise:

1. Is this the current status?
2. Which on street and off street EV chargers used to be free for any period and when did they cease to provided at no charge for whatever time period applied?
3. Was the provision of EV chargers with free periods of use designed to encourage the use of Electric Vehicles consistent with the City's strategy to promote carbon neutrality?
4. What revenue was forgone by offering periods of EV charging without cost?
5. What prompted the change?'

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REPLY

1. City of Adelaide provides a network of 42 electric vehicle chargers, the majority are 22kW capacity (AC) "fast chargers", with two 50 kw (DC) "super-fast chargers" at the Franklin Street hub.
 - 1.1. The current charge for the electricity provided is \$0.25 / kWh at the fast chargers, and \$0.35c / kWh at the super fast chargers. There is a minimum charge of \$1 charge after 5 minutes.
 - 1.2. Parking costs (in addition to the charging costs) are relevant to the location.
 - 1.3. Usage has been increasing – in the financial years 2018/2019, 2019/20 and 2020/21 the electricity dispatched by the network has approximately doubled year on year.
2. There are two power point based charging points in the Grote Street UPark which are unmetered and free. These were installed prior to the roll out of the current fast chargers in 2017/18.

3. Between 1 September 2017 and 30 June 2021, the charging costs were:
 - For AC fast chargers (22kW) - first hour free then \$0.20/kWh between 6am and 6pm and \$0.10/kWh all other times including weekends. Minimum EV Charging Service fee of \$1 after 1 hour.
 - DC super-fast chargers (50kW): \$0.30 / kWh at all times.
4. The 'first hour free' period was provided to help introduce the electric charging network to customers and encourage the early adoption of electric vehicles in City of Adelaide.
5. Over the first two full financial years of operations, the foregone revenue by offering periods of EV without cost is estimated to be between \$5,000-\$10,000. The total revenue received over this period was approximately \$12,500.
6. The adjustment to fees in 2021/22 was to recover some of the cost of the electricity, maintenance costs and the subscription fee for the network provider, and to simplify the fee structure. The intention was that the chargers would operate on a 'cost neutral' basis.

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Golf Course Car Parking

ITEM 15.5 27/01/2022
Council

Council Member
Councillor Martin

2021/00818
Public

Contact Officer:
Tom McCready, Director City
Services

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Could the Administration advise in respect of car parking at the Adelaide Golf Course:

1. What is the total of square metres allocated in this area of the Park Lands?
2. Has this total changed in the past 6 months?
3. Has an area formally not covered by gravel nor formally used regularly for car parking been recently surfaced with gravel?
4. What is the car parking capacity of this area referred to in 3. and what are the conditions of parking?
5. Was the activity in that part of the Park Lands mentioned in 3. and 4. above brought before APLA and, if not, why not?'

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DRAFT REPLY

1. There are 4 areas available for parking that enable customers to access the Clubhouse, North and South Courses at North Adelaide Golf Course as follows:
 - 1.1. Main carpark on Strangways Terrace containing 71 public carparks.
 - 1.2. On-street parking in the surrounding streets.
 - 1.3. Season pass holder (permit), staff, and supplier parking to the south of the entrance road to the clubhouse (approximately 20 vehicles).
 - 1.4. Event competition parking on the grassed area to the north of the entrance road to the clubhouse.
2. Management Direction 1.3.17 of the CLMP for Park 1 states *"Manage car parking availability for park visitors including users of golf courses, tennis facilities and the North Adelaide Railway Station."*
3. The total area available for parking has not changed and the availability for parking is managed appropriately to facilitate users of the golf courses.

4. Usage and demand at North Adelaide Golf Course has more than doubled from that experienced 2 years ago. This has significantly increased the demand and utilisation of parking availability for the Course with flow on constraints for other stakeholders in the area including residents. To manage the impacts inline with stakeholder feedback and expectations we are utilising all parking areas as efficiently as possible whilst continuing to minimise Parklands Parking.
5. Benchmarking undertaken in consultation with Golf Australia found North Adelaide Golf Course has less than half the parking spaces available per round of golf played indicating that it is a significant constraint limiting visitation/participation.
6. The significant increase in demand and the identified constraint is currently under review as part of the future planning for the clubhouse and carpark renewal. Detailed information regarding parking and any potential options to improve its management in line with the CLMP will be brought back to APLA and Council for consideration.
7. The areas listed at 1.3 and 1.4 are fully maintained to an exceptional standard by the dedicated North Adelaide Golf Course horticulture staff. This includes management of the parking area availability, maintenance of surfaces and remediation where required to provide quality amenities for customers and high-quality surfaces.
8. The area listed at 1.4 suffered washout damage after large rainfall in late 2021. The area required repair (completed November 2021) to be safe which included applying a rubble to the area. The works undertaken were standard repair/maintenance tasks which are not taken to APLA.

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