



COUNCIL

Minutes

for the meeting on

Tuesday, 10 February 2026

in the Council Chamber, Adelaide Town Hall

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Present – The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Dr Jane Lomax-Smith (Presiding)

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon

Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Cabada, Couros, Davis, Freeman, Giles, Maher, Martin, Dr Siebentritt and Snape

1 Acknowledgement of Country

At the opening of the Council meeting, the Lord Mayor stated:

'Council acknowledges that we are meeting on traditional Country of the Kaurna 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 Kaurna people living today.

And we also extend that respect to other Aboriginal Language Groups and other First Nations who are present today.'

2 Acknowledgement of Colonel William Light

The Lord Mayor stated:

'The Council acknowledges the vision of Colonel William Light in determining the site for Adelaide and the design of the City with its six squares and surrounding belt of continuous Park Lands which is recognised on the National Heritage List as one of the greatest examples of Australia's planning heritage.'

3 Prayer

The Lord Mayor stated:

'We pray for wisdom, courage, empathy, understanding and guidance in the decisions that we make, whilst seeking and respecting the opinions of others.'

4 Pledge

The Lord Mayor stated:

'May we in this meeting speak honestly, listen attentively, think clearly and decide wisely for the good governance of the City of Adelaide and the wellbeing of those we serve.'

5 Memorial Silence

The Lord Mayor asked all present stand in silence in memory of those who gave their lives in defence of their Country, at sea, on land and in the air.

6 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Nil

7 Confirmation of Minutes - 27/1/2026

Moved by Councillor Davis,
Seconded by Councillor Cabada -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 27 January 2026, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Councillor Martin entered the Council Chamber at 5.33 pm.

8 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Nil

9 Deputations**9.1 Deputation - Mr Dominic Mugavin - City Loop Bus**

Mr Dominic Mugavin addressed the Council:

- In support of improvements to the City Connector Bus service.

During the presentation, Councillor Couros left and Councillor Giles entered the Council Chamber at 5.34 pm.

The Lord Mayor thanked Mr Mugavin for his deputation.

At the request of Councillor Maher, the Lord Mayor sought leave of the meeting to consider Item 16 - Motions without Notice, prior to Item 10.

Leave was granted

16 Motions without Notice**16.1 Councillor Maher - MwN - City Connector Bus**

Moved by Councillor Maher,
Seconded by Councillor Snape -

That Council:

1. Notes that the City Plan 2036 and the Integrated Transport Strategy identify the need for a long-term City Loop public transport service to connect different parts of the city and link to key destinations.
2. Notes that demonstrated and continued growth in the city's population of residents, workers and visitors is expected to increase demand on the existing City Connector loop bus service.
3. Requests the Administration to prepare a report on opportunities to progress the long-term City Loop public transport service.

Councillor Freeman declared a general conflict of interest in Item 16.1 [Councillor Maher - MwN - City Connector Bus], pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as she is employed by the Department of Infrastructure and Transport, but that she would stay in the room, participate in the discussion and vote on the matter.

Discussion ensued during which:

- Councillor Couros re-entered the Council Chamber at 5.42 pm
- Councillor Abrahamzadeh entered the Council Chamber at 5.43 pm

Amendment –

Moved by Councillor Davis,
Seconded by Councillor Giles -

'That the motion be amended to include an additional part 4 to read as follows:

4. Write to the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport to request an extension to the hours of operation of the City Connector Bus Service.'

Discussion ensued

The amendment was then put and lost

Councillor Davis requested that a division be taken on the amendment.

Division

For (3):

Councillors Couros, Davis and Giles

Against (8):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Cabada, Freeman, Maher, Martin, Siebentritt and Snape

The division was declared against the amendment

Discussion continued

Undertaking - City Connector Bus

In response to queries from Council Members, the CEO gave an undertaking to include in the report a review of all historical reports and decisions in relation to the City Connector Bus.

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

Councillor Davis requested that a division be taken on the motion.

Division

For (11):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Cabada, Couros, Davis, Freeman, Giles, Maher, Martin, Siebentritt and Snape

Against (0):

The division was declared in favour of the motion

10 Petitions

Nil

11 Recommendation of the City Community Services and Culture Committee - 3 February 2026**11.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.1 - Community Wellbeing Strategy - Draft for Public Consultation**Moved by Councillor Giles,
Seconded by Councillor Snape -THAT COUNCIL

1. Adopts for the purpose of public consultation the Draft Community Wellbeing Strategy, as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 3 February 2026.
2. Notes the community and stakeholder workshops and research analysis already undertaken to build the Draft Community Wellbeing Strategy contained in Attachment B and Attachment C to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 3 February 2026.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make minor and technical amendments to the documents contained in Attachment A, Attachment B and Attachment C to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 3 February 2026, for the purposes of finalising the documents for public consultation.

Carried

12 Reports for Council (Chief Executive Officer's Reports)**12.1 Nomination of Council Appointed Member to Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority**

Moved by Councillor Martin,
Seconded by Councillor Snape -

THAT COUNCIL

1. Approves the following amendment to the Kaurua representative roles (contingent upon consultation with the Minister for Planning) on the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority Board for the period commencing 11 February 2026 and expiring 31 December 2028:
 - 1.1. Tim Agius as a Member of the Kadaltilla Board (replacing Frances (Mitzi) Nam, former Chair KYAC).
 - 1.2. Allan Sumner as a Deputy Member for Tim Agius (replacing Dennis Rigney, former Deputy Chair KYAC).

Carried

13 Lord Mayor's Reports

The Lord Mayor addressed the meeting on the following:

- 2 Citizenship Ceremonies held at Adelaide Town Hall
- Announcement of a series of six statues honouring First Nations leaders
- Celebratory dinner for the Year of the Fire Horse hosted by the HAKKA Association
- A dinner to farewell UniSA's longest serving chancellor, Professor David Lloyd
- A State dinner celebrating the new Adelaide University

During the discussion, Councillor Davis left the Council Chamber at 6.14 pm.

It was then –

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon,
Seconded by Councillor Cabada -

That the report be received and noted.

Carried

14 Councillors' Reports

Councillor Maher addressed the meeting on the determination of the site of the City of Adelaide by Colonel William Light on 10 February 1837.

During the discussion, Councillor Davis re-entered the Council Chamber at 6.18 pm.

Councillor Siebentritt addressed the meeting on his attendance at a North Adelaide Society meeting and Adelaide Day Centre lunch.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Abrahamzadeh,
Seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon –

That the reports be received and noted.

Carried

15 Motions on Notice**15.1 Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon - MoN - Precinct Strategic Planning**

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon,
Seconded by Councillor Maher -

That Council:

1. Notes that Council is currently undertaking a review of the Precinct model, including funding arrangements, with outcomes intended to take effect from the 2026/27 financial year.
2. Acknowledges that it is important for the City's Precincts to commence preparation in the 2025/26 financial year to ensure they are well-positioned to effectively participate in and utilise the revised funding model from 2026/27.
3. Requests the Chief Executive Officer to progress preparatory work during 2025/26 to support Precinct readiness, including:
 - a) engagement with Precinct Groups to confirm planning needs and priorities;
 - b) development of consistent planning guidance and funding-alignment criteria across all Precincts; and
 - c) identification of options to engage an appropriately qualified independent facilitator to support this work.
4. Requests that Administration identify and utilise any available 2025/26 funding (including residual Precinct funds where applicable) to support this preparatory work, with any further resourcing needs to be considered through the Q3 Business Plan and Budget Review.
5. Requests a report to Council by the end of Q3 2025/26 outlining the scope, cost and timeline for implementation of Precinct strategic planning support in 2026/27.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Abrahamzadeh left the Council Chamber at 6.40 pm.

The motion was then put and carried

17 Questions on Notice**17.1 Councillor Cabada - QoN - E-Scooter Safety, Data Availability and Risk Management****17.2 Councillor Martin - QoN - Park Lands Koalas****17.3 Councillor Martin - QoN - Rough Sleeping and Homelessness In The City****17.4 Councillor Freeman - QoN - Notification of planned works and unplanned disruptions****17.5 Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon - QoN - Fringe Festival Public Toilet Facilities**

The Questions and Replies having been distributed and published prior to the meeting were taken as read.

The Replies for Items 17.1 – 17.5, are attached for reference at the end of the minutes of the meeting.

18 Questions without Notice**19 Exclusion of the Public [S90(3) (b)]**

Moved by Councillor Giles,
Seconded by Councillor Maher -

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 20

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (a) & (b) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the Council dated 10 February 2026 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 20 [Confidential Recommendations of the City Community Services and Culture Committee – 3 February

2026] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Recommendation 1 - Grounds and Basis

The disclosure of information in this report may adversely impact project viability, prejudice the ability to undertake/participate in future negotiations on the proposal and prejudice the Council's commercial position and opportunity for Council to participate in future like considerations or discussions.

Recommendation 1 - Public Interest

The City Community Services and Culture Committee is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of this information may severely prejudice Council's ability to discuss/participate or influence a proposal for the benefit of the Council and the community in this matter and in relation to other contract negotiations.

Recommendation 2 - Grounds and Basis

This item is confidential as the disclosure of information contained in this report could reasonably pose reputational risk to the selected musical artist and create unnecessary fallout within their professional peer community.

The musical artist identified in this report remains subject to confidentiality arising from the 12 March 2019 Council decision and the proposed laneway has not yet been endorsed by Council as a City of Music Laneway.

Maintaining consideration in confidence is justified on the basis that public release of the information would involve unreasonable disclosure. In addition, the matter in relation is already subject to an existing confidential order from 2019.

The grounds for consideration in confidence also relate to potential commercial and reputational impacts. Any Council decision to name a city laneway after an artist may reasonably be expected to confer commercial benefits through heightened public profile, media attention, and future professional opportunities. Given the likely interest in both the selected musical artist and the laneway landlords, withholding this information at this time will help to avoid unintended adverse impacts arising from premature disclosure.

Recommendation 2 - Public Interest

The Committee is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of this information which could prejudice the commercial position and identity of the artist/s named through the receipt of a level of commercial advantage from the decision or disadvantage the personal and professional brand and reputation of artist/s and landlords named and selected in the decision-making process by Council.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* (the Act), this meeting of the Council dated 10 February 2026 orders that the public (with the exception of members of Corporation staff and any person permitted to remain) be excluded from this meeting to enable this meeting to receive, discuss or consider in confidence Item 20 [Confidential Recommendations of the City Community Services and Culture Committee – 3 February 2026] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) (a) & (b) of the Act.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Maher,
Seconded by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon -

ORDER TO EXCLUDE FOR ITEM 21

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (m) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the Council dated 10 February 2026 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 21 [Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 3 February 2026] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public

interest.

Grounds and Basis

This Item is confidential as the material presented contains information regarding potential new local heritage places to be included in a future draft Code Amendment that is not appropriate to be made public prior to the commencement of public engagement, due to the identification of individual properties in the draft Code Amendment.

The disclosure of information in this report could reasonably breach confidentiality of information prior to public engagement on the draft Code Amendment.

Public Interest

The Committee is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of this information will release the draft Code Amendment prior to Council endorsement of the policy approach and public engagement plan.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* (the Act), this meeting of the Council dated 10 February 2026 orders that the public (with the exception of members of Corporation staff and any person permitted to remain) be excluded from this meeting to enable this meeting to receive, discuss or consider in confidence Item 21 [Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 3 February 2026] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) (m) of the Act.

Carried

Members of the public and corporation staff not involved with Items 20 and 21 left the Council Chamber at 6.46 pm.

- 20 Confidential Recommendations of the City Community Services and Culture Committee - 3 February 2026 [S90(3) (a), (b)]**
- 20.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 11.1 - Park Lands Community Buildings - Priority Needs Analysis [S90(3) (b)]**
- 20.2 Recommendation 2 - Item 11.2 - City of Music Laneway Naming [S90(3) (a), (b)]**
- 21 Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee - 3 February 2026 [S90(3) (m)]**
- 21.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 10.1 - 20th Century Local Heritage Places Code Amendment - Proposal to Initiate [S90(3) (m)]**

The meeting reopened to the public at 6.59 pm.

Item 20 – Confidential Recommendations of the City Community Services and Culture Committee – 3 February 2026 [s 90(3) [(a), (b)]]

Recommendation 1 – Item 11.1 – Park Lands Community Buildings - Priority Needs Analysis

Confidentiality Order

Authorises that, in accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 20 [Confidential Recommendations of the City Community Services and Culture Committee – 3 February 2026, Recommendation 1 - Park Lands Community Buildings – Priority Needs Analysis] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 10 February 2026 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Council do order that:

1. The report, the discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2032.
2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2026.
3. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

Recommendation 2 – Item 11.2 – City of Music Laneway Naming

Confidentiality Order

In accordance with Section 91(7) & (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 20 [Confidential Recommendations of the City Community Services and Culture Committee – 3 February 2026, Recommendation 2 - City of Music Laneway Naming] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 10 February 2026 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (a) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Council do order that:

1. The resolution, report, discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting, and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter, are to remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2026 or until a public announcement is made, whichever occurs first; if Council does not approve the proposed renaming, the report will remain confidential until a suitable alternative laneway is approved.
2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2026.
3. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

Item 21 – Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee - 3 February 2026 [s 90(3) [(m)]]

Recommendation 1 - Item 10.1 - 20th Century Local Heritage Places Code Amendment - Proposal to Initiate

Confidentiality Order

Authorises that, in accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and because Item 21 [Confidential Recommendation of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 3 February 2026, Recommendation 1 - 20th Century Local Heritage Listing Code Amendment and Proposal to Initiate] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 10 February 2026 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (m) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Council do order that:

1. The resolution, the report, the discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until the public consultation for the Code Amendment has commenced or 31 December 2026.
2. The confidentiality of the matter will be reviewed on 31 December 2026.
3. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order

herein and is directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

Closure

The meeting closed at 6.59 pm

Dr Jane Lomax-Smith
Lord Mayor

Date of confirmation:

Documents Attached:

Item 17.1 – 17.5 - Question on Notice Replies – Distributed Separately

Councillor Cabada - QoN - E-Scooter Safety, Data Availability and Risk Management

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Council Member
Councillor Alfredo Cabada

Public

Contact Officer:
Tom McCready, Director City Infrastructure

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Alfredo Cabada will ask the following Question on Notice:

1. What data or information does the City of Adelaide currently rely on to assess the safety impacts of e-scooter use within the city, including risks to pedestrians in high-activity areas such as footpaths, outdoor dining precincts and retail streets?
2. Does Council have access to, or actively seek, information from external agencies such as SA Ambulance Service, SA Health or hospitals regarding injuries associated with e-scooter use within the City of Adelaide, and if so:
 - a) what is the nature of that information; and
 - b) how is it used to inform policy, infrastructure design or enforcement?
3. In the absence of comprehensive local injury or incident data, what approach does Council take to identifying and managing emerging safety risks associated with e-scooters, particularly given their speed and interaction with pedestrians?
4. How does Council currently assess the appropriateness of e-scooter use on footpaths versus bike lanes or roadways, and what factors are considered in balancing micro mobility access with pedestrian safety?
5. Given projections for increased residential density and pedestrian activity in the CBD, what preventative or evidence-based measures is Council considering to minimise the risk of serious injury from e-scooters as the city continues to grow?

REPLY

1. The Administration relies on the following information to assess the safety impacts of e-scooter use within the city:
 - 1.1. Annual crash statistics for crashes reported to SA Police (SAPOL) and provided by Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) each year which summarises the crash data for the previous 5 years.
 - 1.2. Monthly reports from the Shared e-scooter operators which includes incidents, collisions, near misses and injuries. (as required by permit conditions)

- 1.3. Individual notifications from Shared e-scooter operations related to any known incidents and injuries resulting in hospitalisation or paramedic attendance of a user or third party within 24 hours of the incident time (as required by permit conditions).
- 1.4. Feedback and reports from the community related to observations and experiences within the City of Adelaide (CoA) area.
- 1.5. State Government legislation, regulations and supporting information, including guidance and advice from DIT.
- 1.6. Review by relevant CoA staff which may include site specific observations or other data collection.
2. The CoA does not have direct access to information from external agencies such as SA Ambulance Service, SA Health or hospitals regarding injuries however this information is summarised within the crash information provided by DIT to CoA each year that includes the crash data for the previous five years, which currently relates to the 2020-2024 period. This data includes information such as road location, crash type, crash severity, number of casualties, apparent error, unit type (e.g. powered scooter, motor car, pedal cycle etc).
3. The Administration continues to review crash data provided by DIT along with the other sources of information as outlined in point 1.1 to 1.6 to consider appropriate interventions to improve safety of all road users within the CoA area.
4. Researchers from SA Health and The University of Adelaide are currently undertaking a study into e-scooter crashes. The study hopes to better understand the link between crashes and different infrastructure/street typologies. The CoA is liaising with the Centre for Automotive Safety Research (CASR) who are involved in the study and understands the study is utilising CCTV footage from the CoA CCTV network.
5. Legal use of e-scooters (and other micromobility) on different locations such as footpaths, cycle lanes and carriageway is set by the State Government and enforced by SAPOL. It is understood the State Government will review the outcomes of the study as part of their future review of the operation of the recent legalisation of e-scooters to ensure the regulatory regime is fit-for-purpose, safe and enforceable.
6. In terms of the shared e-scooter scheme that is currently operating in the CoA area, a report was presented to the Infrastructure Public Works Committee on 19 August 2025 ([Link 1](#)) detailing CoA approach to managing the scheme including the Business Operating Permits conditions, insurance requirements, exclusion areas, geofencing and parking areas. The permit conditions, including changes following the legalisation of e-scooters by the state government, can be found here: [Link 2](#).
7. The City of Adelaide has ability to restrict shared e-scooter use within certain areas (geofencing) which currently occurs along Rundle Mall at all times (which also applies to personal e-scooters and Hindley Street from 6:00pm to 6:00am on Friday and Saturday nights).
8. In terms of all e-scooter use, the Administration is primarily focused on the implementation of safer speeds and safer infrastructure to encourage people scootering to use road carriageways and cycleways, instead of footpaths noting the use of e-scooters has been legalised by the State Government and are now able to utilise the footpath and also the roadway in certain circumstances (e.g. roads with 50km/h speed limit or less, or in a bike lane on roads with a 60km/h speed limit during bike lane hours of operation).
9. However, where it can be demonstrated that the use of Personal Mobility Devices' (PMD) is not suitable on footpaths or other areas managed by a local government, primarily due to concerns for safety of pedestrians, the use of these devices may be prohibited. An application to DIT is required to prohibit PMD use. The Administration has not made an application for the prohibition of e-scooters since the legalisation of e-scooters by the State Government on 13 July 2025.
10. In any application to prohibit the use of e-scooters on a section of footpath would be subject to DIT approval and, the Administration would consider a number of factors including the relative risk of e-scooters to people walking/wheeling on the footpath compared to risk of motorised vehicles to e-scooters on the roadway, and the practicalities of the method of prohibition e.g. sign posting.
11. The Administration's reviews are informed by the Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS) Shared Micromobility Discussion Paper which can be viewed at [Link 3](#). As this paper notes, a review of the research indicates that people scootering (and cycling) will choose to use cycle lanes or the carriageway, rather than the footpath, if it is safe to do so. Research also indicates that e-scooter use without safe cycling infrastructure, will most likely result in an increase of casualty crashes. This means that:
 - 11.1. Safe System aligned speed limits or protected cycle lanes or cycle paths are required, and
 - 11.2. Where CoA seek to prohibit footpath use without consideration of safer streets, casualty crashes may likely increase.

12. ITS identifies many key projects and services which will contribute to enabling e-scooter use off footpaths thereby making footpaths more comfortable for people walking/wheeling as population in the city increases.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 10 hours.
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Councillor Martin - Park Lands Koalas

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Council Member

Councillor Phillip Martin

Public

Contact Officer:

Ilia Houridis, Director City Shaping

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Phillip Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

'The Adelaide Park Lands Association recently published a photograph of a koala sighting it said had been taken in Park 23. Could the Administration advise if it is aware of Koalas populating parts of the Park Lands and, if so, the extent of such habitation and any steps the Administration has taken to ensure their well being?'

REPLY

1. The post by the Adelaide Park Lands Association is available in [Link 1](#).
2. Koala sightings occur periodically across the Adelaide Park Lands, though they are often difficult to detect during daylight hours as koalas typically rest high in trees.
3. A koala was observed by the Park Lands Planning Team in G S Kingston Park / Wirrarninthi (Park 23) in June 2025 near the rail corridor.
4. Additional sightings are regularly recorded on the iNaturalist citizen science platform (see Image 1).
5. It is unlikely that a permanent koala population exists within the Adelaide Park Lands.
6. Koalas are known to move through the area, particularly along the River Torrens / Karrawirra Pari corridor, which provides a cooler, vegetated movement pathway between the Adelaide Hills and surrounding areas with reduced interaction with people and dogs.
7. The Adelaide Park Lands contain more than 36,000 Ribbon Gum, River Red Gum and Blue Gum trees, which are a preferred local food species.
8. Koala wellbeing is as a result of the retention and management of mature eucalypts, which provide canopy cover and food.
9. Ongoing improvements to the Key Biodiversity Areas in the Adelaide Park Lands further support koalas and broader biodiversity outcomes.

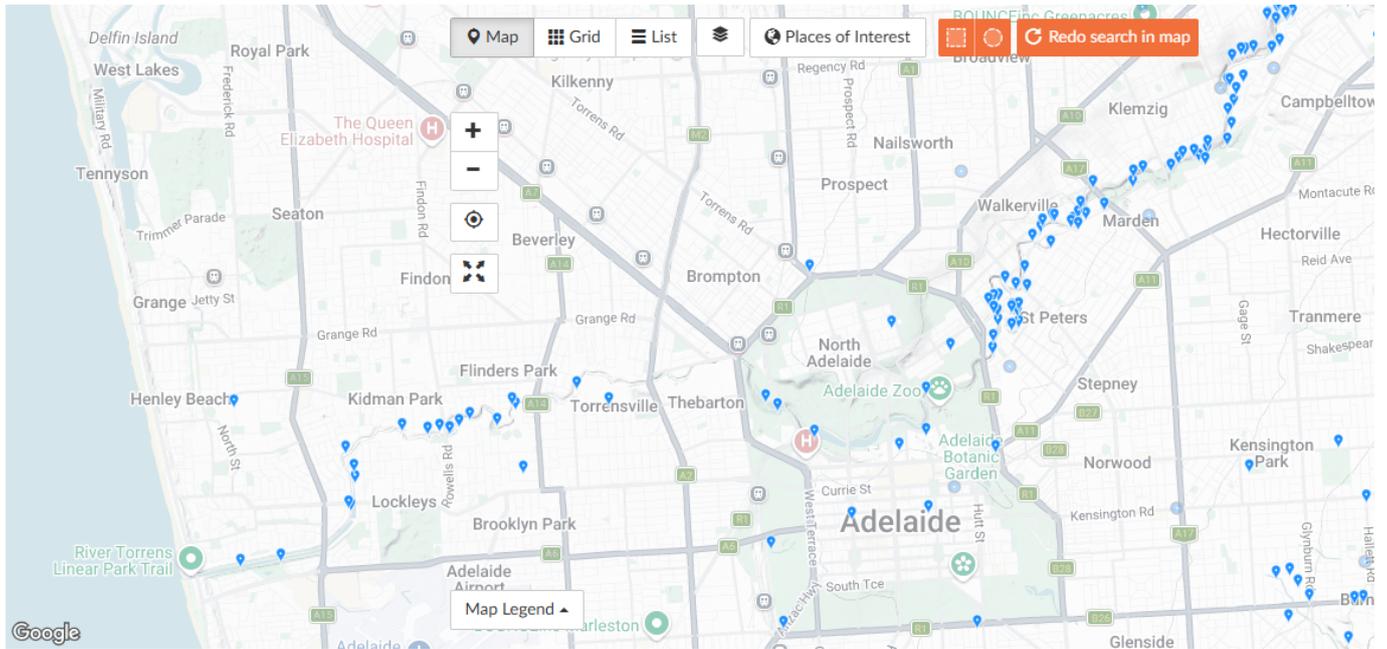


Image 1 – Map of Koala sightings - source INaturalist – 2011 to 4 February 2026

<p>Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply</p>	<p>To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 5.5 hours.</p>
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Councillor Martin - QoN - Rough Sleeping and Homelessness in the City

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Council Member
Councillor Phillip Martin

Public

Contact Officer:
Iliia Houridis, Director City Shaping

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Phillip Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

‘Could the Administration advise;

1. If the City of Adelaide was able, during the recent heat waves and repeated declarations of a Code Red, to assist, either separately or through our support for the Adelaide Zero project;
 - 1.1. rough sleepers who were obliged by circumstance or preference to sleep outdoors
 - 1.2. those who were homeless, but sleeping in vehicles or other forms of shelter not including venues operated by homeless agencies
 - 1.3. homeless agencies which provide shelter and services but which were already dealing with a shortage of beds and an inability to provide basic services, and
2. Can the Administration advise if there are any measures not currently in place that it recommends Council could adopt to assist vulnerable, homeless people when a Code Red or Blue is declared?’

REPLY

City of Adelaide Response

1. During extreme weather events, including the recent heatwave, the City of Adelaide response includes:
 - 1.1. Public information distributed via social media, the City of Adelaide website, and digital bus shelters.
 - 1.2. Libraries and Community Centres:
 - 1.2.1. Inform vulnerable community members about extreme weather and extended homelessness services
 - 1.2.2. Display notices and provide information packs
 - 1.2.3. Act as heat and weather refuges during normal operating hours.
 - 1.3. City Operations and Community Safety teams:
 - 1.3.1. Refer vulnerable individuals to Homelessness Connect (State Government homelessness service)
 - 1.3.2. Promote awareness of extended homelessness services.
 - 1.4. Community Safety reviews enforcement of cease camping notices unless there are significant safety concerns (e.g. playgrounds, toilets, highly impacted areas).
 - 1.5. Customer Centre provide information about extreme weather events and referral pathways to Homelessness Connect.

- 1.6. Rundle Mall remains open during normal business hours with access to air-conditioned premises and drinking fountains.
2. Libraries and Community Centres experience increased demand for drinking water and shelter during extreme weather events. This includes people experiencing homelessness and other vulnerable community members who may be unable to cool their homes due to cost, lack of air conditioning, or social isolation.
3. Administration report increased incidents of aggressive behaviour during extreme heat, often linked to exacerbated mental health conditions.

Response by Homelessness Agencies

4. The State Government is responsible for homelessness services which are delivered primarily through an Alliance model.
5. The City of Adelaide is within the geographic area covered by the Toward Home Alliance which services the Adelaide CBD, southern inner and outer metro areas and Adelaide Hills.
6. The Toward Home Alliance comprises nine organisations, including Lutheran Care, Hutt Street Centre, and Baptist Care SA, which increase their service response during Code Red and Code Blue periods:
 - 6.1. Code Red – Tier 1
 - 6.1.1. Distribution of water, sunscreen, hats, and hydration supplies
 - 6.1.2. Extended daytime service hours and staffing
 - 6.1.3. Identification and prioritisation of heat watch clients
 - 6.1.4. Maps of air-conditioned public spaces and drinking fountains
 - 6.1.5. Heat stress education and emergency contact information.
 - 6.2. Code Blue – Tier 1
 - 6.2.1. Distribution of hot drinks, meals, bedding, blankets, sleeping bags, and warm clothing
 - 6.2.2. Maps of heated public spaces
 - 6.2.3. Emergency contact information
 - 6.2.4. Extended daytime service hours and staffing.
 - 6.3. Depending on severity, emergency accommodation may be provided through:
 - 6.3.1. Referrals to existing shelters
 - 6.3.2. Hotel or motel accommodation for high-risk clients
 - 6.3.3. Outreach support for accommodated clients.
7. The City of Adelaide partially funds the Adelaide Zero Project (AZP), with the State Government and the Toward Home Alliance, to provide direct services to rough sleepers in Adelaide and North Adelaide.

Additional measures

8. The City of Adelaide's Homelessness Strategy – Everyone's Business, identifies an active role for Council in responding to extreme weather events.
9. Under Goal 3 – Safety and Support: People are safe and have access to support – a key action is to:
 - 9.1. In partnership with the South Australian Homeless Alliance, investigate the availability of City of Adelaide community infrastructure during extreme heat and cold events, such as when the State Government declares Code Red or Code Blue conditions.
10. Goal 3 is being delivered through the current City of Adelaide response, with additional future considerations subject to budget deliberations and advocacy efforts.
11. Potential actions to further support vulnerable and homeless people during Code Red or Code Blue events include:
 - 11.1. Extending the network of public drinking fountains across the city, North Adelaide and the Adelaide Park Lands.
 - 11.2. Investigating supported mobile cooling hubs, in partnership with the State Government and Toward Home Alliance, similar to those used by the City of Sydney ([Link 1](#)).

- 11.3. Advocating to State and Federal Governments for increased provision of permanent supportive housing.
- 11.4. Advocating to the State Government for the provision of extreme weather and cold weather kits available for collection from City of Adelaide customer locations.
- 12. If the City of Adelaide was to consider increased use of community facilities to support vulnerable community members, further feasibility on the resourcing, security, and specialist expertise to manage the complexities of supporting vulnerable community members would be required.
- 13. The State Government, through the Department of Human Services, is currently undertaking an Extreme Weather Response Review, of which the City of Adelaide is a member of the Steering Committee. The State Government’s review and recommendations are due to be finalised by 30 June 2026.

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Councillor Freeman - QoN - Notification of planned works and unplanned disruptions

Tuesday, 10 February 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Eleanor Freeman

Public

Contact Officer:
Tom McCreedy, Director City Infrastructure

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Eleanor Freeman will ask the following Question on Notice:

'As the Capital City, the City of Adelaide regularly undertakes works, or facilitates works by others, that may temporarily impact residents, workers and visitors. A range of online and physical tools are used to provide public notice of such works and minimise disruption.

Can the Administration confirm:

1. What tools are used to notify planned works and unplanned disruptions to interested and affected parties?
2. What opportunities exist to enhance the notification process through procedural changes or the use of additional tools?

REPLY

1. Works are recorded and notified depending on work type and impact to stakeholder:
 - 1.1. **Utility works:** approvals/permits from Council are generally not required and therefore Council can receive limited or no advance notification.
 - 1.2. **City of Adelaide (CoA) works (capital and maintenance):** details are collated and shared by the responsible delivery teams, including works undertaken by programs within Council and by contractors on Council's behalf.
 - 1.3. **Third-party works:** the applicant is responsible for stakeholder engagement, including letter drops to impacted properties, in accordance with the City Works permit application assessment process and conditions.
2. Information about planned works is primarily captured by project managers and delivery teams, supported by road space bookings, traffic management plans and contractor programs.
3. Unplanned disruptions are typically identified through customer requests, emergency call-outs, contractor notifications, or after-hours duty logs.
4. Data related to permits, agreements and licences for third-party works, and notifications managed by the Business Centre are recorded in internal systems (Pathway).
5. Processes and tools used by utility companies and external developers are managed by those organisations, except where specific notification obligations are imposed through City Works permit conditions. Depending

on the type of work and anticipated impacts, the permit process may require stakeholder notification and/or consultation, such as letter drops and/or signage. This is undertaken by the third party responsible.

6. For CoA works, (capital and maintenance) the tools commonly used include:
 - 6.1. Project webpages on the City of Adelaide website.
 - 6.2. The 'Our Adelaide' platform where formal consultation is required.
 - 6.3. Social media and digital updates.
 - 6.4. On-site signage and variable message boards(digital).
 - 6.5. Letters, emails and / or leaflet drops to residents, businesses, and stakeholders
 - 6.6. Internal notifications to the Customer Centre and Business Centre.
 - 6.7. E-news, The Next Edition articles and targeted stakeholder briefings.
 - 6.8. Verbal communications and updates (via project managers, etc) through individual engagement or community information sessions.
 - 6.9. Notifications to the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (if and when required).
7. The selection of tools is determined on a project by project based taking into consideration location, timing, and impacted parties. Where third-party works require a City Permit, notification requirements can be included as a condition of approval. Further improvement in stakeholder notifications can be considered as part of the implementation of Salesforce.
8. Generally, maintenance works undertaken through Council's City Operations teams are recorded and scheduled through the Assetic – Council's work order system. The exception to this may apply in instances where emergency works are required however these works are created through work orders post the emergency. From an Arboriculture perspective, all work requests are generated through Assetic and subsequently programmed and managed within Forestree. This enables works to be appropriately scheduled, resourced, and communicated.
9. When maintenance tasks are undertaken on roads and footpaths, every effort is made to reduce the impact to the user. This usually results in small worksites that retain operation of the road or footpath.
 - 9.1. The exception to this is emergency works or larger capital interventions where closure is unavoidable.
 - 9.2. Stakeholder notification is site dependent – generally, where there is a foreseeable impact to residents or businesses, City Operations staff will undertake a letter drop in the immediate area, notifying of the planned works, expected impacts and timeframes, and providing key contacts.
 - 9.3. Prior to the commencement of any scoped works, our teams undertake a review to determine whether traffic, path, or lane management is required.
 - 9.4. If works are required within 1.2 metres of moving vehicles, cyclists, or pedestrians, a Work Zone Traffic Management (WZTM) provider is engaged. Depending on the site, this may include lane or footpath closures.
 - 9.5. Traffic Management is engaged to supply a Traffic Management Plan (TMP), which is typically coordinated by Leading Hands prior to works commencing.
 - 9.6. Where tree removals are scheduled, residents are letter-dropped in advance and advised of any potential impacts, including temporary speed restrictions or changes to on-street parking.
 - 9.7. Advance communication is also provided to the Customer Service team to ensure awareness of upcoming works and any potential impacts.
 - 9.8. Appropriate notifications are provided where works are located near bus stops, commercial areas, or businesses.
10. Permits are required for both Council-delivered works and external developer works that involve road closures or occupation of the public realm.
11. Through the permitting and planning process, potential clashes between Council projects, external developments and scheduled events are considered when approving road closures and site occupations.
12. The level and method of notification are guided by:
 - 12.1. Safety risks for pedestrians, cyclists and traffic.
 - 12.2. Access impacts to properties and businesses.

- 12.3. Duration and timing of the works.
- 12.4. Sensitivity of the location (e.g. main streets, events, public transport corridors).
- 12.5. Cumulative impacts from nearby projects or permitted activities.
- 12.6. Required traffic, pedestrian, cyclist diversions.
- 13. Council teams have oversight on upcoming events through ongoing engagement from the Council's Events team and through pre and post event inspections
 - 13.1. Council teams have oversight on the upcoming internal projects through ongoing engagement from the Assets and Delivery teams.
 - 13.2. Where a clash occurs, Council teams will generally de-camp from the location and move onto other scheduled work until the site becomes available.
 - 13.3. Council teams work closely with the Council Projects during the review of plans and proposed planting locations, with resident notifications undertaken where required.
 - 13.4. Technical Officers work closely together to ensure effective coordination and delivery of works.
- 14. Early planning of projects for inclusion in the Business Plan and Budget (BP&B) considers known events and external developments, and projects are rescheduled early in the process where possible to avoid clashes. Decisions on notifications are made collaboratively between project managers, traffic, permitting teams and engagement.
- 15. Opportunities identified across engagement and permitting functions include:
 - 15.1. Centralised visibility of works: Pathway data is not currently extracted in a usable format to provide a public or internal register. In the short term we can investigate this is possible. Additionally, the implementation of Salesforce would enable improved integration and notifications to stakeholders.

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Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon - QoN - Fringe Festival Public Toilet Facilities

Tuesday, 10 February 2026
Council

Council Member
Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor
Carmel Noon

Public

Contact Officer:
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Community

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Carmel Noon will ask the following Question on Notice:

'In acknowledging that Council will be piloting additional public toilet facilities during the Fringe Festival period, can the Administration please advise:

1. How many additional temporary public toilet facilities will be provided as part of the pilot, and at which specific locations will they be installed?
2. What criteria were used to determine the location of these additional facilities, including consideration of:
 - o Pedestrian volumes
 - o Event clustering
 - o Night-time activity
 - o Residential amenity impacts
3. What arrangements are in place for monitoring, servicing and cleaning of these facilities, including:
 - o Frequency of cleaning
 - o Hours of operation
 - o Responsible contractor or service provider
 - o Response times for issues such as vandalism or overflow
4. What permanent or existing public toilet facilities will also be available to the public during the Fringe period, including:
 - o Locations
 - o Hours of access
 - o Whether any normally restricted facilities will have extended public access during Fringe
5. How information about the availability and location of public toilets will be communicated to:
 - o Fringe patrons
 - o Residents
 - o Visitors and tourists
6. Whether signage will be installed to clearly inform patrons of the location of all available public toilets, including:
 - o Temporary and permanent facilities
 - o Directional signage in high-traffic areas

- o Consistency with Council’s wayfinding standards
7. How the success of the pilot will be evaluated, including:
- o Usage data
 - o Complaints or incident reporting
 - o Impact on surrounding streets and properties
 - o Whether the pilot will inform longer-term vision of public amenities during major events
8. In recognition of the scale of the Fringe Festival and evening patronage, what measures are being implemented to ensure adequate late-night public toilet provision to:
- o Reduce inappropriate use of residential streets, laneways and doorways
 - o Protect residential amenity during evening and night-time hours?’

REPLY

1. As part of a City of Adelaide (CoA) initiative, focused on the Adelaide Fringe (Fringe) period and led through the East End Unleashed (EEU) operating activity, a total of five portable public toilets will be piloted in the East End in 2026.
 - 1.1 Two toilets will be located between Vardon Avenue and Charlick Circuit next to the Harcourts Real Estate Business.
 - 1.2 Three toilets will be located on the exterior of the Gluttony event, on East Terrace opposite Vardon Avenue.
 2. The criteria used to determine the location included:
 - 2.1 Feedback from residents in prior years and recent meetings with local residents and businesses
 - 2.2 Patronage of the precinct during EEU and Fringe and patron movement when Fringe venues close.
 3. The arrangements in place for servicing, cleaning and monitoring of these temporary facilities include:
 - 3.1 The two toilets located between Vardon Avenue and Charlick Circuit will align with EEU and will be open to the public from 5:00pm until 12:30am on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays during the Fringe (from 20 February until 22 March 2026).
 - 3.2 Professional cleaning will be carried out during the event opening hours and the servicing associated with temporary toilets will occur on Saturday and Monday mornings.
 - 3.3 The three toilets located on East Terrace will be open on Tuesdays to Sundays from 5:00pm until 12:30am. This aligns with the opening hours of Gluttony during the Fringe.
 - 3.4 All toilets will be closed and locked when not in operation.
 - 3.5 A contractor will provide the toilets and provide cleaning and removal services.
 - 3.6 The toilets will be monitored by CoA, Gluttony event staff and security during opening hours. The CoA customer centre will be the public contact point outside of these hours.
 4. Existing CoA public toilet facilities which are in the precinct and open 24 hours are located at the following locations:
 - 4.1 Rundle Park/Kadlitpina near East Terrace
 - 4.2 Victoria Drive, adjacent to Jolley’s Boathouse
 - 4.3 North Terrace near Kintore Avenue
 - 4.4 Rundle UPark
 - 4.5 Pirie Flinders UPark
 - 4.6 Hindmarsh Square/Mukata
 - 4.7 Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka
 5. During the Fringe, with the additional volume of visitors, the CoA Waste and Cleansing Team extend their hours of operation to respond to issues promptly. The above toilets will have increased monitoring and
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cleaning extended up to 8:00pm, with the toilet located at Rundle Park/East Terrace being a known priority due to its immediate proximity to the Fringe.

6. Information about the availability and location of the current and new temporary public toilets will be communicated through:
 - 6.1 Wayfinding signage installed on site.
 - 6.2 The use of digital messaging platforms as part of the broader EEU marketing strategy.
 - 6.3 CoA website updates.
 - 6.4 Email communication to local East End residents, the East End Precinct Group and businesses.
7. Signage will be installed in the vicinity of the temporary toilet facilities on Vardon Avenue and East Terrace, to inform patrons of the location of these facilities while they are in operation.
8. The success of the trial will be evaluated using:
 - 8.1 Qualitative data monitoring by event staff and Fringe staff.
 - 8.2 Communications to the CoA Customer Centre or staff.
 - 8.3 Feedback received during planned debriefs with key local stakeholders, including the East End Precinct Group, residents and businesses.
9. Other measures implemented during the Fringe period in the East End with the aim to limit late-night anti-social behaviour in residential areas include:
 - 9.1 Increased plantings in the Charlick Circuit area.
 - 9.2 Temporary picket fencing and public signage at residential access locations to limit public access.
 - 9.3 Increased security staff.
 - 9.4 Continued coordination with SA Police.

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