



COUNCIL

Minutes

for the meeting on

Tuesday, 10 March 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 and Martin

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.

Councillor Abrahamzadeh entered the Council Chamber at 6.03 pm.

6 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Apology:

Councillor Siebentritt

Leave of Absence:

Councillor Snape

7 Confirmation of Minutes - 24/2/2026

Moved by Councillor Maher,
Seconded by Councillor Martin -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 24 February 2026, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

8 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councillor Martin declared a general conflict of interest in Item 20.4 [Councillor Martin - MoN - Rough Sleeper Help], pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as he has a relative who works in the homelessness sector at Baptist Care but that he would stay in the room, participate in the discussion and vote on the matter.

Councillor Maher declared a general conflict of interest in Item 11 [Adjourned Business - Councillor Maher - MoN - Kerbside and Parking Management Policy], pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as one of his activities is rideshare, he has a residential parking permit and he holds a City of Adelaide permit for a nominated vehicle, but that he would stay in the room, participate in the discussion and vote on the matter.

Councillor Abrahamzadeh declared a general conflict of interest in Item 20.4 [Councillor Martin - MoN - Rough Sleeper Help], pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), as he works for a not for profit organisation which provides a range of services including homelessness services, but that he would stay in the room, participate in the discussion and vote on the matter.

9 Deputations**9.1 Deputation - Ms Tiffany Tysoe - Twin Street Safety and Parking**

Mrs Tiffany Tysoe addressed the Council:

- To speak to safety and parking on Twin Street for dance students.

The Lord Mayor thanked Mrs Tiffany Tysoe for her deputation.

Councillor Abrahamzadeh declared a general conflict of interest in Item 11 [Councillor Maher - MoN - Kerbside and Parking Management Policy], pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) as he works for a not for profit organisation which provides a range of services including homelessness services, but that he would stay in the room, participate in the discussion and vote on the matter.

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Maher,
Seconded by Councillor Abrahamzadeh -

That the deputation be included in the minutes.

Carried

The deputation can be found for information at the conclusion of the Minutes of this meeting.

10 Petitions

Nil

11 Adjourned Business - Councillor Maher - MoN - Kerbside and Parking Management Policy

The following motion was before the meeting:

That Council:

1. Notes a Draft Kerbside and Parking Management Policy has been submitted for Council consideration as part of the 2026/27 Business Plan and Budget process.
2. Requests the development of the Policy includes a review of principles and priorities for parking spaces and controls relevant to specific segments of the City and North Adelaide.
3. Requests the review considers relevant data sets and reflects the differing parking needs of residents, workers, visitors, businesses, those with disabilities, and those seeking short term/drop off spaces.
4. Notes the work that charities and service organisations deliver in the city, particularly for vulnerable members of our community.
5. Requests Administration prepare a report outlining potential parking options to support charities and not-for-profit service organisations, for Council consideration in 2026 – ahead of the Draft Kerbside and Parking Management Policy.

Discussion continued

Amendment –

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

'That part 5 of the motion be amended to read as follows:

5. Requests that, as part of the development of the Draft Kerbside and Parking Management Policy, Administration consider the operational parking needs of charities and not-for-profit service organisations delivering services within the city, and advise on potential parking options to support those organisations.'

Discussion ensued

The amendment was then put and carried unanimously

The motion, as amended, was then put and carried unanimously

12 Recommendations of the City of Adelaide Reconciliation Committee - 25 February 2026

Moved by Councillor Freeman,
Seconded by Councillor Martin -

1. **Recommendation 1 – Item 6.1** - National Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC Week Activity for 2026

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the City of Adelaide's proposed activities to celebrate the 2026:
 - 1.1. National Reconciliation Week, between 27 May 2026 and 3 June 2026, and
 - 1.2. National NAIDOC Week, between 5 July 2026 and 12 July 2026.

2. **Recommendation 2 – Item 6.2** – Updated Acknowledgement and Welcome to Kurna Yarta Protocol

THAT COUNCIL

1. Approves the Acknowledgement and Welcome to Kurna Yarta Protocol as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.2 on the Agenda for the Reconciliation Committee held on 25 February 2026, to replace the Welcome to Country and Acknowledgement of Country Protocol adopted by Council on 26 June 2012.
2. Notes the associated resources as contained in Attachment B to Item 6.2 on the Agenda for the Reconciliation Committee held on 25 February 2026, to support implementation of the Acknowledgement and Welcome to Kurna Yarta Protocol.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, to make minor typographical, technical and other amendments to the document as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.2 on the Agenda for the Reconciliation Committee held on 25 February 2026.

3. **Recommendation 3 – Item 6.3** – World Heritage Bid – Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) Update

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the progress update on implementation of the Free, Prior and Informed Consent Process in relation to the World Heritage Bid for Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes (Tentative List Submission).

4. **Recommendation 4 – Item 6.4** – Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan (2024-2027) – Quarter 2 2025/2026 Progress Update

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2027 Quarter 2 Progress Update for the period 1 October 2025 to 31 December 2025 as contained in Attachment A to Item 6.4 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Reconciliation Committee held on 25 February 2026.
2. Requests the Administration review the effectiveness of its current Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2024-2027 to support the development of its next Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan in consultation with its Reconciliation Committee.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

13 Advice of the Kadaltilla/ Adelaide Park Lands Authority - 26 February 2026

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

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes that Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority met on 26 February 2026.
2. Notes the advice of the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority from the meeting of the Board held on 26 February 2026, contained in Item 13 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 10 March 2026 in relation to:
 - 2.1. Adelaide Equestrian Festival Proposal for 2026-27 Water Jump
 - 2.2. Community Consultation Outcomes Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Commercial Leases
 - 2.3. Draft Kadaltilla Business Plan and Budget 2026/2027

Carried

14 Recommendation of the CEO Performance Review Panel - 2 March 2026

Mr Michael Sedgman, Chief Executive Officer declared an interest in the matter, as he was the subject of the report, and left the Council Chamber at 6.29 pm.

It was then –

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

Recommendation 1 – Item 5.1 – 2025/26 Q2 CEO KPI Progress Report

THAT COUNCIL

1. Receives and notes the KPI progress report as contained in Attachment A to Item 5.1 on the agenda for the meeting of the CEO Performance Review Panel held on 2 March 2026, outlining progress against the Chief Executive Officer's endorsed 2025/26 Key Performance Indicators.
2. Notes the commendation given by the CEO Performance Review Panel in relation to the achievement of the Key Result Areas.

3. Consider for future Key Result Areas the introduction of greater agility in strategic thinking and positioning of the organisation.

Carried

Mr Michael Sedgman, Chief Executive Officer re-entered the Council Chamber at 6.30 pm.

15 Recommendation of the City Community Services and Culture Committee - 3 March 2026

15.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.1 - Adelaide Equestrian Festival Proposal for 2026-27 Water Jump

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

THAT COUNCIL

1. Approves the proposal from the Adelaide Equestrian Festival for a new water jump feature in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi 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 March 2026.
2. Notes the proposal for a water jump feature would be funded and project managed by the Adelaide Equestrian Festival.

Carried

16 Recommendations of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee – 3 March 2026

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

16.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.1 - Revised Adelaide Oval Precinct Community Land Management Plan Public Consultation

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Approves the revised Community Land Management Plan for the Adelaide Oval Precinct part of Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee meeting held on 3 March 2026, being released for statutory consultation for a period of 28 days subject to approval agreement with the Minister for Planning.
2. Notes the amendments made to the revised Adelaide Oval Precinct Community Land Management Plan as contained in Attachment B to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee meeting held on 3 March 2026 in response to Council's decision on 11 November 2025 requesting that existing provisions for Adelaide Oval No. 2 contained in the existing Community Land Management Plan be retained.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, to authorise minor edits to the revised Community Land Management Plan for the Adelaide Oval Precinct part of Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee meeting held on 3 March 2026, for the purpose of agreeing with the Minister for Planning prior to public consultation.
4. Notes that should Council decide to approve the revised Community Land Management Plan for the Adelaide Oval Precinct part of Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) it will be communicated to the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority as it differs from their advice resolved at the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority meeting held on 30 October 2025.

16.2 Recommendation 2 - Item 7.2 - Council Assessment Panel - Annual Report 2025THAT COUNCIL:

1. Notes the Council Assessment Panel Annual Report 2025 contained in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 3 March 2026.

Discussion ensued, during which with the consent of the mover, seconder and the meeting, the Lord Mayor advised that the motion would be taken in parts.

Recommendation 1 of the motion, was then put and carried

Councillor Abrahamzadeh requested that a division be taken on Recommendation 1 of the motion.

Division

For (8):

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

Against (1):

Councillor Abrahamzadeh

The division was declared in favour of Recommendation 1 of the motion

Recommendation 2 of the motion, as then put and carried

17 Reports for Council (Chief Executive Officer's Reports)**17.1 Nominations to Adelaide Festival Centre Trust**

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

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes that the *Adelaide Festival Centre Trust Act 1971* requires City of Adelaide (1 appointee) representation on the Adelaide Festival Centre Trust.
2. Approves the nomination of three Council Members to be provided to the responsible Minister to select one council nominee to recommend to the Governor for appointment to the Adelaide Festival Centre Trust.
3. Notes that the method of nominating three Council Members will be undertaken in accordance with the Code of Practice for Council Meeting Procedures as follows:
 - 3.1. The Presiding Member of the Meeting will call for nominations, which must be accepted or declined by the Council Member who is the subject of the nomination.
 - 3.2. The Chief Executive Officer as Returning Officer is authorised to declare the successful candidates nominated for submission to the Trust for consideration by the Minister.
 - 3.3. In the event of only three nominations to the office, the candidates will be announced by the Returning Officer as Council's nominees.
 - 3.4. In the event of there being more nominations than required, an election by voting ballot of Council Members present will be undertaken.
 - 3.5. Upon completion of the ballot process, the Chief Executive Officer as Returning Officer will announce the successful candidates as nominated for submission to the Trust for consideration by the Minister.

Carried

The Lord Mayor called for nominations for three nominees, to be provided to the responsible Minister to select one council nominee to recommend to the Governor for appointment to the Adelaide Festival Centre Trust.

Councillor Giles nominated Councillor Martin, who accepted the nomination.

Councillor Cabada nominated Councillor Giles, who declined the nomination.

Councillor Freeman nominated Councillor Maher, who accepted the nomination.

Councillor Maher nominated Councillor Cabada, who declined the nomination.

Councillor Cabada nominated Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon, who declined the nomination.

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon nominated Councillor Couros, who accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Mr Michael Sedgman, Returning Officer advised the meeting that Councillors Couros, Maher and Martin were selected as Councils three nominees to be provided to the responsible Minister to select one council nominee to recommend to the Governor for appointment to the Adelaide Festival Centre Trust.

17.2 Nominations to Adelaide Festival Corporation Board

Moved by Councillor Maher,
Seconded by Councillor Cabada -

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes that the *Adelaide Festival Corporation Act 1998* requires City of Adelaide (1 appointee) representation on the Adelaide Festival Corporation Board.
2. Approves the nomination of three Council Members to be provided to the responsible Minister to select one council nominee to recommend to the Governor for appointment to the Adelaide Festival Corporation Board, in accordance with section 8(1)(a) of the *Adelaide Festival Corporation Act 1998*.
3. Notes that the method of nominating three Council Members will be undertaken in accordance with the Code of Practice for Council Meeting Procedures as follows:
 - 3.1. The Presiding Member of the Meeting will call for nominations, which must be accepted or declined by the Council Member who is the subject of the nomination.
 - 3.2. The Chief Executive Officer as Returning Officer is authorised to declare the successful candidates nominated for submission to the Board for consideration by the Minister.
 - 3.3. In the event of only three nominations to the office, the candidates will be announced by the Returning Officer as Council's nominees.
 - 3.4. In the event of there being more nominations than required, an election by voting ballot of Council Members present will be undertaken.
 - 3.5. Upon completion of the ballot process, the Chief Executive Officer as Returning Officer will announce the successful candidates nominated for submission to the Board for consideration by the Minister.

Carried

The Lord Mayor called for nominations for three nominees to be provided to the responsible Minister to select one council nominee to recommend to the Governor for appointment to the Adelaide Festival Corporation Board, in accordance with section 8(1)(a) of the *Adelaide Festival Corporation Act 1998*.

Councillor Cabada nominated Councillor Giles, who accepted the nomination.

Councillor Martin nominated Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon, who accepted the nomination.

Councillor Giles nominated Councillor Maher, who accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Mr Michael Sedgman, Returning Officer advised the meeting that Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Giles and Maher were selected as Councils three nominees to be provided to the responsible Minister to select one council nominee to recommend to the Governor for appointment to the Adelaide Festival Corporation Board, in accordance with section 8(1)(a) of the *Adelaide Festival Corporation Act*

1998.

18 Lord Mayor's Reports

The Lord Mayor addressed the meeting on the following:

- British Consulate visit with BAE Systems representatives
- Book Launch – Layla's Story
- The Senna infinity sculpture unveiling, a temporary statue within the Adelaide Park Lands
- Council of Capital City Lord Mayors in Canberra
- International Women's Day Breakfast
- Adelaide Fringe Festival, WOMADelaide
- Motions and Questions on Notice

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Cabada,
Seconded by Councillor Giles

That the report be received and noted.

Carried

19 Councillors' Reports

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon addressed the meeting on her attendance at the Citizen of the Year Awards at Government House, 2026 Local Government Deputy Lord Mayor forum, Australian Asian Chamber of Commerce and Industry - 2026 Year of the Horse Shanghai Soirée and installation of the new Archbishop of Adelaide, The Right Reverend Dr Bradley Billings at St Peters Cathedral.

Councillor Freeman addressed the meeting on her attendance at the HomeStart Fashion & Costume Graduate Parade.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Maher,
Seconded by Councillor Abrahamzadeh –

That the report be received and noted.

Carried

20 Motions on Notice

20.1 Councillor Abrahamzadeh - MoN - SAPOL communication re an Elected Member

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Abrahamzadeh,
Seconded by Councillor Couros –

That Council:

1. Notes recent public reporting indicating that SAPOL contacted the City of Adelaide a regarding matter(s) involving an elected member which highlights serious issues regarding governance integrity and public confidence in the City of Adelaide;
2. In the interest of maintaining integrity, transparency and responsible stewardship of ratepayer funds, requests that the CEO provide a report outlining:
 - a) a summary of the framework applied when communications are received from law enforcement agencies concerning elected members, including any risk assessment or escalation process undertaken;

- b) confirmation of whether the abovementioned framework was followed in this instance;
 - c) whether any Council resources, including email, devices, staff time or Council-funded facilities, were utilised in relation to the matter referenced in recent media reporting, and confirmation of compliance with relevant Council policies;
 - d) whether the elected member was attending an event in any official capacity or representing the Lord Mayor in relation to the matter referenced in recent media reporting;
 - e) the total administrative costs incurred by Council in relation to this matter to date, including but not limited to:
 - i. internal staff time;
 - ii. external legal advice, review, advisory or any other service.
3. Requests that this report be presented publicly to Council at the 24 March 2026 Council meeting.

Discussion ensued

Moved by Councillor Giles,
Seconded by Councillor Maher

That the meeting adjourned for a period of 5 minutes.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6.48 pm.

The meeting resumed at 6.53 pm, with the following Council Members present:

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

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

With the consent of the mover, seconder and the meeting, the motion was varied to delete parts 2a, 2b and 2e (ii).

Discussion continued

Amendment –

Moved by Councillor Maher,
Seconded by Councillor Davis

‘That Part 3 of the motion be amended to delete the word ‘publicly’.’

Amendment carried

Discussion continued, during which Councillor Couros called a Point of Order in relation to Councillor Martin not speaking to the motion.

The Lord Mayor asked Councillor Martin to not reflect on the motives of others and address the motion.

Amendment –

Moved by Councillor Freeman,
Seconded by Councillor Giles

That the motion be amended to delete part 3 and part 2 be amended to read as follows:

‘2. In the interest of maintaining integrity, transparency and responsible stewardship of ratepayer funds, requests that the CEO investigates.’

Discussion ensued, during which with the consent of the mover, seconder and the meeting the amendment was withdrawn.

The motion, as amended was then put and lost

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

Division

For (4):

Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Cabada, Couros and Davis

Against (5):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Giles, Freeman, Maher and Martin

The division was declared against the motion as amended

20.2 Councillor Maher - MoN - Creation of a walkable 'Live Music Circuit' recognition program

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

That Council:

1. Requests Administration investigate options for a walkable 'Live Music Circuit' of Adelaide's live music culture, including;
 - a) the expansion of the Heritage Plaques Program to include a category for recognising Adelaide's live music history.
 - b) a bespoke plaque or footpath inlay recognition scheme.
 - c) promotional options available through AEDA to increase public visibility of historical and existing live music venues.
2. Requests Administration produce a report detailing these possibilities for consideration in the 26/27FY business plan and budget.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried unanimously

20.3 Councillor Cabada - MoN - AEDA Budget Workshop – 2026–27 Business Plan and Budget

Moved by Councillor Cabada,
Seconded by Councillor Maher –

That Council:

1. Notes that the 2026–27 City of Adelaide Business Plan and Budget will materially shape the City's economic performance and long-term financial sustainability.
2. Notes that the Adelaide Economic Development Agency (AEDA), as a subsidiary of the City of Adelaide (CoA), plays a central role in delivering investment attraction, business growth, precinct activation and main street revitalisation.
3. Requests that Administration arrange an AEDA Budget Workshop for Councillors on Thursday 12 March 2026 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm, prior to the 2026–27 Business Plan and Budget briefing.
4. Requests that AEDA present at the Workshop:
 - a) Its proposed 2026–27 base budget and the strategic outcomes deliverable within current funding settings.
 - b) Clear funding scenarios outlining the additional initiatives and outcomes deliverable under:
 - i. An additional \$2.25 million per annum.
 - ii. An additional \$4.5 million per annum.
 - c) The initiatives or objectives that would not proceed under base funding.
 - d) The projected economic and financial impacts of each funding scenario, including investment attraction, business growth, visitation, job creation, private sector leverage and impact on the City's rate base.

- e) How proposed initiatives would support identified growth and development precincts.
5. Requests that Administration provide advice on the financial implications and sustainability of each funding scenario, including identification of significant expenditure areas that could reasonably be reduced, deferred, consolidated or reprioritised to support initiatives that demonstrably drive economic benefit to the City, together with an assessment of the associated financial and service impacts.
 6. Requests that workshop materials be provided to Elected Members no later than 5:00 pm on Wednesday 11 March 2026.

Discussion ensued

Amendment –

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

‘That Parts 3 and 6 of the motion be amended to read as follows:

3. Requests that Administration arrange an AEDA Budget Workshop together with the AEDA Chair and Deputy Chair present, no later than Monday 23 March 2026.
6. Requests that workshop materials be provided to Elected Members no later than 3 clear days before the scheduled meeting.’

Discussion continued

Undertaking – Councillor Cabada - MoN - AEDA Budget Workshop – 2026–27 Business Plan and Budget

In response to a query from Councillor Davis, an undertaking was given to include in the workshop information any budget line AEDA has to support main streets during the main street revitalisation projects.

The amendment was then put and carried

The motion, as amended, was then put and carried

20.4 Councillor Martin - MoN - Rough Sleeper Help

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

Consistent with the commentary at para 12 of Item 17.3 on February 10th (and noting the resolution of Council at Item 17.1 at the meeting of February 24th, 2026) asks the Administration to assist Council in ensuring that no rough sleeper in the City of Adelaide seeking safety from extreme weather will be denied shelter in the winter of 2026 by preparing a report for Council consideration by the middle of next month that;

1. Details which Council owned community and/or business properties could be turned into safe, temporary accommodation during the declaration of Code Blue Tier 2 Activations as a trial program between the beginning of June and the end of August, 2026
2. The report should:
 - 2.1. Detail optimum operating hours, assuming shelter and any necessary support service would be provided complementary to and in addition to the hours of operation of existing accommodation and/or service providers
 - 2.2. Quantify, through discussion with existing accommodation and service providers the likely number of rough sleepers not accommodated by current rough sleeper venues and services for whom shelter could be provided
 - 2.3. Scope the nature of the shelter to be provided by Council and any desirable accompanying services
 - 2.4. Identify potential sources of State Government and homelessness sector support, including the provision of funding and/or personnel
 - 2.5. Calculate the likely cost of the initiative to City of Adelaide through any required reconsideration of the 25/26 Budget associated with the QF3 report to Council and

for the 26/27 budget deliberations, including costings for staff resourcing, security and specialist expertise required, and

- 2.6. Advise of any other relevant issues to assist in the successful completion of the trial.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Abrahamzadeh left the meeting at 7.46 pm.

The motion was then put and carried

20.5 Councillor Freeman - MoN - Road and Path Closure Notification Review

Moved by Councillor Freeman,
Seconded by Councillor Cabada -

That Council:

1. Notes that road and path closures within the City of Adelaide are required to support maintenance, capital works, utility upgrades, emergency works and events, and that these activities can impact residents, businesses, workers and visitors.
2. Notes that closures are not centrally recorded within a single, publicly accessible Council repository, and that works undertaken by utilities and other third parties may not require Council approval, limiting early visibility of planned or unplanned closures and understanding of cumulative network impacts.
3. Requests the Administration to undertake a review of current notification and communication practices for road and path closures across Council, utilities, third parties and event organisers, and identify opportunities to:
 - Improve public access to clear, timely and consolidated information;
 - Explore innovative tools or platforms (e.g. mapping, real time data, subscription service) to support journey planning; and
 - Strengthen engagement and information sharing protocols with utilities and third parties and across Council.
4. Requests that a report be presented to Council by August 2026 outlining findings, recommended improvements, and implementation options and timeframes for the 26/27 financial year.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried

21 Motions without Notice

Moved by Councillor Martin,
Seconded by Councillor Maher -

That Council;

Asks the CEO

1. To determine if there has been a breach of the relevant sections of the Local Government Act by the publication of reports on March 5th, 2026, and later, about the claimed condition of council owned property and any allegation of the Council pursuit of the payment of debts claimed to be owed by a private individual, and
2. In the event of determining a breach has occurred, determine what action could be taken, including but not limited to informing any relevant integrity agency of what has occurred.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Davis raised a Point of Order that the item should be discussed in confidence or withdrawn.

The Lord Mayor ruled in favour of the Point of Order and the motion was withdrawn.

Undertaking – Confidential Information

In response to a query from Councillor Martin, an undertaking was given to provide Council Members with information on the confidentiality of an article published by The Advertiser on 7 March 2026.

22 Questions on Notice

- 22.1 Councillor Siebentritt - QoN - South Australian Motor Sport Board (SAMSB)**
- 22.2 Councillor Maher - QoN - Greening and Parking**
- 22.3 Councillor Davis - QoN - City of Adelaide Greening Strategy**
- 22.4 Councillor Davis - QoN - Light Square Master Plan**
- 22.5 Councillor Davis - QoN - Hutt Street**
- 22.6 Councillor Davis - QoN - Hindley Street MainStreet**
- 22.7 Councillor Davis - QoN - Renewals Program**
- 22.8 Councillor Couros - QoN - Freedom of Information – SAPOL Communications**
- 22.9 Councillor Couros - QoN - Reporting of Freedom of Information requests**
- 22.10 Councillor Couros - QoN - 218-232 Flinders Street Acquisition Release of Documents**
- 22.11 Councillor Martin - QoN - State Government Trees**

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

The Replies for Items 22.1 – 22.11, are attached for reference at the end of the minutes of the meeting.

23 Questions without Notice

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Davis,
Seconded by Councillor Cabada –

That the Administration will provide an answer in relation to the Questions on Notice asked by Councillor Cabada and subsequent undertaking at the meeting of Council on 24 February 2026, at the next meeting of Council to be held on 24 March 2026.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put

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

Division

For (4):

Councillor, Cabada, Couros, Davis and Maher

Against (4):

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Noon and Councillors Freeman, Giles and Martin

The division was declared against the motion on
the casting vote of the Lord Mayor

Councillor Martin called a Point of Order in relation to Councillor Davis breaching regulation 29 of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*, due to Councillor Davis behaving in an improper and disorderly manner.

Councillor Davis left the meeting at 8.42 pm.

The Lord Mayor ruled in favour of the point of order.

It was then –

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

That Councillor Davis has contravened regulation 29 of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*, by behaving in an improper and disorderly manner.

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Couros left the Council Chamber at 8.43 pm and re-entered at 8.45 pm.

The motion was then put and carried

It was then –

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

That Councillor Davis be censured and suspended for the remainder of the meeting

Carried

Discussion ensued

Undertaking – Election Briefing

In response to queries from Councillor Maher, an undertaking was given to include in the future election briefing for Council Members, information on the percentage of voters that are ratepayers.

24 Exclusion of the Public

Moved by Councillor Cabada,
Seconded by Councillor Martin -

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (b) & (d) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the Council dated 10 March 2026 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 25 [Confidential Advice of the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority – 26 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 commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret), the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting business, prejudice the commercial position of the Council and prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information and confer a commercial advantage on a third party.

The disclosure of information in this report could reasonably prejudice the commercial position and identity of the proponent who supplied 'commercial in confidence' information containing a business case and capability to undertake a promotional opportunity for evaluation by Council at the request of the Council for which 'commercial in confidence' discussions have been undertaken and remain current. Disclosure of this information 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.

Public Interest

The Council 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 result in the release of information prior to the finalisation of commercial Lease negotiations with the preferred proponents and competitors receiving the information to the detriment of the proponents who supplied information at this point in time, may materially and adversely affect the financial viability of the proponent for any future projects and 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 commercial Lease negotiations.

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 25 [Confidential Advice of the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority – 26 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) (b) & (d) of the Act.

Carried

Members of the public and corporation staff not involved with Item 25 left the Council Chamber at 8.49 pm.

25 Confidential Advice of the Kadaltilla/ Adelaide Park Lands Authority - 26 February 2026

The meeting reopened to the public at 8.50 pm.

Item 25 - Confidential Advice of the Kadaltilla/ Adelaide Park Lands Authority - 26 February 2026 [s 90(3) [(b) & (d)]

Confidentiality Order

In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) and because Item 25 [Confidential Advice of the Kadaltilla/ Adelaide Park Lands Authority – 26 February 2026] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on 10 March 2026 in full was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Sections 90(3) (b) & (d) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA), this meeting of 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 31 May 2026.
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.

Closure

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Dr Jane Lomax-Smith
Lord Mayor

Date of confirmation:

Documents Attached:

Item 9.1 – Deputation - Ms Tiffany Tysoe - Twin Street Safety and Parking

Item 22.1 – 22.11 – Question on Notice Replies – Distributed Separately

Lord Mayor and Members of Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to speak tonight.

My name is Tiffany, and I am here representing the families of Terry Simpson Studios — a dance school that has operated at the top of Gays Arcade for over 30 years. It is a long-standing and respected part of the city's cultural community.

The studio entrance is through a secure door on Twin Street. Once Gays Arcade closes in the evening, that Twin Street door becomes the only entry and exit point for students and parents. There is no alternative access.

Classes run every weekday evening and throughout the day on Saturdays. Pick-up times are typically between 6pm and 9pm.

And this is where the problem lies.

Due to the current line markings and parking design on Twin Street, parents cannot lawfully stop for two to ten minutes to safely collect their children. There is no short-term pick-up provision. No practical allowance. No recognition of the way the space is actually used by the community.

The painted lines on the road make it unlawful for us to do what any responsible parent would do — pull up, remain in our vehicle, and ensure our child gets safely from the studio door into the car.

Twin Street is not a street where I feel safe waiting alone at night. It is certainly not a place where children should be expected to stand on the footpath waiting while parents circle the block looking for compliant parking elsewhere.

Recently, I was fined \$118 for sitting in my car at 7:30pm waiting for my 12-year-old daughter. I was not obstructing traffic. I was not abandoning my vehicle. I was doing what parents do — keeping my child safe.

While that amount may appear minor in the scope of Council revenue, it is not minor to me. I collect my daughter from Twin Street four times a week. One fine is \$118, Four fines well you can do the math. That is more than three and a half hours of my work for a single infringement that arose purely because there is no lawful way to prioritise my child's safety under the current markings.

And I know I am not alone. Multiple families from the studio have been fined under similar circumstances.

Two weeks ago, Council had the opportunity to begin addressing broader parking reform across the CBD. That decision was deferred. I watched the first part of that meeting online, and from a community perspective it was difficult not to feel that political considerations and individual priorities were taking precedence over the practical needs of ordinary working families.

I say this respectfully — but honestly.

Because when a council knowingly maintains a street design that leaves children standing on a dimly lit street at night waiting to be collected, simply because their parents have no lawful place to stop, that is something that should give every member of this council pause.

And if that situation continues — then frankly, it is something this council should feel ashamed of.

The solution is not complicated. Twin Street needs appropriate short-term, after-hours pick-up provisions that reflect its real and longstanding use. Painted lines should serve the community — not penalise it for behaving responsibly.

I will be honest : at present, I do not feel confident that council fully understands the urgency of this issue, and I fear that poorly considered changes could make access even harder.

My \$118 fine may seem insignificant in the broader context of council budgets. But to my family — and to the many families of Terry Simpson Studios — it represents something much larger: the feeling that doing the responsible thing has been punished.

We are not asking for special treatment.

We are asking for safe, lawful access to collect our children.

Twin Street has supported a dance school that has enriched Adelaide's cultural life for over three decades. The least we can expect in return is a street design that recognises and protects the children who use it every day.

Thank you for your time.

Councillor Siebentritt - QoN - South Australian Motor Sport Board (SAMSB)

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Mark Siebentritt

Public

Contact Officer:
Ilia Houridis, Director City Shaping

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Mark Siebentritt will ask the following Question on Notice:

'Noting the commitment by the South Australian Motor Sport Board (SAMSB) to increase tree canopy cover at Pakapakanthi / Victoria Park (Park 16), can Administration advise:

1. How many trees have been planted to date?
2. What is the estimated canopy cover of those plantings?
3. How many trees are in the forward planting plan and over what period of time?
4. What opportunities exist for the local community to get more involved with the planting program?'

REPLY

How many trees have been planted to date?

1. Since 2023, more than 300 trees have been planted by the City of Adelaide and volunteers in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16).
2. 44 trees are scheduled for planting in 2026.

What is the estimated canopy cover of those plantings?

3. The Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Master Plan (the Master Plan) ([Link 1](#)) establishes a target to increase overall tree canopy cover by 8 per cent, delivering a minimum total canopy cover of 30 per cent across the park.
4. Assuming an average mature canopy spread of 20 metres (equating to approximately 314 m² of canopy per tree), 344 trees would generate an estimated 10.8 hectares of canopy cover at maturity.
5. In 2022, canopy cover within Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) was estimated at approximately 22 per cent (around 15 hectares). Based on current projections, canopy cover is anticipated to increase to 30 per cent (around 20.7 hectares) by ~2040.

How many trees are in the forward planting plan and over what period of time?

6. As outlined in a report on the Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Master Plan Implementation Projects presented to Kadaltilla on 18 September 2025 ([Link 2](#)), a tree planting plan has been prepared, with approximately 500 trees to be planted between 2026 to 2031.
 - 6.1. Planting is scheduled to occur annually during the seasonal window of April to May, subject to the availability of tree stock and required CoA and / or volunteer resources.

- 6.2. The number of trees planted annually will be guided by the availability of suitable tree stock and the capacity of Administration and volunteers.
7. The planting of an additional 500 trees would increase the overall canopy within Victoria Park by 15.7 hectares achieving an overall canopy of 60 per cent (41.5 hectares) by ~2050.
8. Administration has been working with South Australian Motor Sport Board (SAMSB) to identify suitable planting locations, noting that existing event infrastructure constrains planting opportunities within the northern section of the park. The tree planting plan will need to be reviewed following the State Government's recent announcement regarding the Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix and the proposed track realignment within Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16).
9. It is noted that the current MotoGP proposal and associated works are expected to result in impacts to trees across a number of parks within the Adelaide Park Lands, including:
 - 9.1. Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14)
 - 9.2. King Rodney Park / Ityamai-itpina (Park 15)
 - 9.3. Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16).
10. Administration will work with the SAMSB to understand the total impact consistent with the monitoring we are undertaking with tree loss and replanting commitments on the following State Government led projects:
 - 10.1. Adelaide Aquatic Centre
 - 10.2. New Women's and Children's Hospital and,
 - 10.3. North Adelaide Public Golf Course redevelopment.

What opportunities exist for the local community to get more involved with the planting program?

11. Administration works closely with the South East City Residents Association (SECRA), which in 2023 initiated the community-led 'Green Pakapakanthi' program to increase tree canopy within Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16).
12. Administration also partners with several schools to plant trees within the Adelaide Park Lands on various tree planting projects.
 - 12.1. In 2023, more than 120 secondary students from 11 Catholic schools planted approximately 1,500 native trees and plants in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) as part of World Youth Day activities.
13. Administration met with SECRA on 27 February 2026 to discuss the upcoming 2026 planting program which includes four community planting programs:
 - 13.1. Expansion of the existing Miyawaki planting zone on the southern side of the existing planting zone adjacent to the wetlands.
 - 13.2. Establishment of a new threatened species recovery zone (*Austrostipa gibbosa*) and future seed bank.
 - 13.3. Additional tree planting at the eastern end of South Terrace.
 - 13.4. Establishment of a new native verge planting zone on South Terrace at the end of Vincent Street.
14. Information is available on the City of Adelaide website outlining how local community members can participate in tree and biodiversity planting ([Link 3](#)) across the Adelaide Park Lands.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 5.5 hours.
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Councillor Maher - QoN - Greening and Parking

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Patrick Maher

Public

Contact Officer:
Tom McCready, Director City Infrastructure

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Patrick Maher will ask the following Question on Notice:

‘Noting that Councillors were provided with the following information regarding ‘the loss of [on-street] parks over the duration of the greening program’:

‘To date, (across the 2024/25 and 2025/26 financial years) there has been a loss of four on-street car parks. The loss of car parks has been a result of the rationalisation of car parking zones where no line marking was in place. This occurred in the following streets: Gawler Place, Ifould Street, Bewes Street and Logan Street. In these cases, trees have been incorporated into the parking zone with car spaces now line marked as per Australian Standards.’

Can the Administration please respond to the following questions:

1. As the zones were not individually marked to standard, it may have been possible to park, for example, 3 average cars in the zone, 4 small cars in the zone, or even 1 large truck in the same zone. If the zone was not rationalised, how did Administration determine how many parking spaces existed in the zone prior to rationalisation?
2. Would the rationalisation of these zones to mark individual spaces per Australian Standards have resulted in the same ‘loss’ of parking spaces regardless of the addition of any trees?’

REPLY

1. To understand the impact of new street trees on car parking in unmarked car parking zones, an assessment was conducted on that zone by calculating how many minimum sized car parks, that complied with the Australian Standard, would fit without trees and then with trees.
2. For example, in Gawler Place where trees were integrated into an existing parking zone, the number of minimum car spaces was six without any trees being planted. With trees planted, the number of minimum sized car parks was reduced to five.
3. Using the example of Gawler Place and assuming no street trees were planted within the street, the formalisation of minimum sized car parks by introducing line marking to delineate individual car park spaces would not have resulted in a reduction of car parking in the street.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 4.5 hours.
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Councillor Davis - QoN - City of Adelaide Greening Strategy

Tuesday, 10 March 2026

Council

Council Member

Councillor Henry Davis

Public

Contact Officer:

Tom McCreedy, Director City Infrastructure

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Henry Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

1. What is the cost to deliver the proposed Greening Strategy per year?
2. Has this project been included in the Council's Long Term Financial Plan?
3. What is the council's current prudential borrowing limit for each year over the next 10 years?
4. When will the council reach 95% of its prudential borrowing limit?

REPLY

1. On 17 February 2026 the 'Public Realm Greening Program – 5 Year Tree Planting Overview' was presented to the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee. The following information was outlined in the report:
 - 1.1. To date, the City of Adelaide has committed \$8,084,582 for the Program with \$3,297,582 spent in the 2024/25 financial year and \$4,787,000 allocated in the 2025/26 financial year.
 - 1.2. It is anticipated that an annual figure of approximately \$4,000,000 is required for the program to deliver 200 trees per year beyond the 2025/26 financial year.
2. The actual cost going forward will depend on various factors including intended scope, irrigation requirements, latent conditions and third-party services implications. The Administration believes that an average cost of around \$20,000 is possible when there is a mix of trees being planted with minimal works, such as in central medians without underground cells, and trees planted in locations requiring more significant work, such as in roads with underground cells.
3. It is more expensive to plant trees in roads with underground cells so these costs will need to be managed closely as more trees are planted only in roads with underground cells. Designs are being refined to provide a variety of options when trees are being planted in roads.
4. The resolution of Council on 24 February 2026, requested Administration prepare a revised 5-Year Green Infrastructure Plan which will involve the preparation of a detailed cost estimate to 2035 including water sensitive urban design (WSUD) interventions and operational costs/savings associated with ongoing maintenance.
5. This cost estimate will be presented to Council at the May 2026 meeting of the Infrastructure and Public Works Committee.

6. There is an allocation of \$3.932 million in 2025/26 for the Greening Program within Council’s adopted 2025/26 to 2034/25 Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP).
7. Within the LTFP, there is an assumed forward commitment for New and Upgrade Projects of \$23.178 million, which is subject to a Business Case approved by Council.
8. The following table represents Council’s prudential borrowing limit as per the adopted LTFP:

\$'m	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	30-31	31-32	32-33	33-34	34-35
	152.9	186.2	190.9	195.6	200.5	205.5	210.7	215.9	221.3	226.9

9. At a CEO briefing held on 21 February 2026, a list of potential new capital projects was presented to Council Members which allocated the assumed forward commitment across 2026/27 to 2029/30 financial years. This scenario resulted in Council forecasting to reach 95% of its prudential borrowing limit in 2032/33. This was on the assumption that all other parameters within the adopted LTFP remain unchanged.
10. The current adopted LTFP forecasts borrowings to reach 80% of the prudential borrowing limit in 2032/33.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 5.5 hours
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Councillor Davis – QoN - Light Square Master Plan

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Davis

Public

Contact Officer:
Ilia Houridis, Director City
Shaping

MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

1. 'When did the council begin considering the light square master plan?
2. How much money has been spent on the master plan to date?
3. As a high level cost estimate, I have been told it could cost in the range of 30Mil to deliver Master Plan Option 1, is that accurate or can the administration provide a better estimate?
4. Is the Master Plan progressing or has progressed halted? If it is progressing when will the masterplan be finalised?
5. Has any funding been allocated in the council's LTFP for the master plan for this project?'

REPLY

When did the council begin considering the Light Square master plan?

1. Council approved \$75,000 for the development of a Master Plan for Light Square / Wauwi as part of the 2023/24 Annual Business Plan and Budget.
2. The first workshop on the draft Light Square / Wauwi Master Plan (draft Master Plan) was held at the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee on 2 April 2024, following presentation to the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority on 28 March 2024.

How much money has been spent on the master plan to date?

3. \$284,714 has been spent on the draft Master Plan. This investment has included Phase 1 and Phase 2 consultation activities, supporting assessments such as traffic assessments and this expenditure has occurred across 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26.
4. This expenditure was supported by a Council approval for \$250,000 in the 2024/25 City of Adelaide Annual Business Plan and Budget.

As a high level cost estimate, I have been told it could cost in the range of 30Mil to deliver Master Plan Option 1, is that accurate or can the administration provide a better estimate?

5. As outlined in paragraph 10 below, Council's most recent decision on this proposal has a key check point, namely the assessment of the proposal's feasibility through consideration of a traffic impact assessment, with options related to total cost and approaches to stage delivery to be provided following the finalisation of the traffic impact assessments.
6. The outcomes of the traffic assessment and preliminary cost estimates will be brought to Council in Q4 of 2025/26. This report will include preliminary cost estimates, noting these would also be refined further subject to prioritisation of Council and progress through detailed and final design.
7. Options available to Council, consistent with any other capital proposals could include, not progressing further, progressing in stages, implementing specific elements only in line with future renewals, seeking grant

funding, progressing subject to successful grant funding or fully funding elements Council resolves to prioritise.

Is the Master Plan progressing or has progressed halted? If it is progressing when will the masterplan be finalised?

8. On 9 July 2024 Council requested Administration provide advice on how the Master Plan could be delivered through a staged approach prior to approving its release for public consultation.
9. Council endorsed the draft Master Plan for public consultation on 13 August 2024. Staging details were included in the draft Master Plan (refer pages 6 and 7) that progressed for a second phase of public consultation ([Link 1](#)). Phase 2 consultation findings were presented to Council on 11 February 2025.
10. On 25 February 2025, Council resolved the following:
 1. *Reiterates that the City of Adelaide's 2024/25 Annual Business Plan and Budget includes funding to complete the detailed design and cost estimates for priority elements in the draft Light Square/Wauwi Master Plan. These priority elements include a traffic impact assessment and a safety audit, to test the feasibility of the draft Master Plan options, before the next steps are determined.*
 2. *Notes the assessment will examine the impacts of the traffic proposals in Option 1 and Option 2 of the Master Plan, and the need for viable alternative transport solutions.*
 3. *Notes that future stages will be subject to community consultation to ensure that this important priority is fully addressed as the project progresses.*
11. In accordance with part 1 of the Council decision on 25 February 2025, the outcomes of the traffic and safety assessment will inform Council's determination of the next steps for the project. The outcomes of the traffic and safety assessment are scheduled to be presented to Council in Q4 of 2025/26.

Has any funding been allocated in the council's LTFP for the master plan for this project?

12. No funding has been allocated in the Lon Term Financial Plan for new and upgrade capital.
13. Any decision to invest in the implementation of any element of the current Master Plan would only occur once Council determines its priorities for the project. At that point, consistent with the recent approaches applied to Main Streets and other new and upgrade capital projects, allocations would be agreed and forecast into the budget and Long Term Financial Plan subject to the prioritisation and decision of Council.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this administration comment in response to the motion on notice took approximately 5.5 hours.
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Councillor Davis - QoN - Hutt Street

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Henry Davis

Public

Contact Officer:
Michael Sedgman, Chief Executive
Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Henry Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

- ‘1. How much money has been promised to the Hutt Street Main Street project by the State or Federal Governments?
- 2. Were there any deadlines associated with that money?
- 3. What steps is the administration taking in response to this?
- 4. When is the expected delivery date for the Hutt Street Main Street?
- 5. Since November 2022, what have been the expected completion dates adopted by council?
- 6. Why have those expected completion dates been delayed or extended?’

REPLY

- 1. These questions will be answered through advice to be included in the CEO Briefing of Council Members on the Main Streets Staging to be held on 12 March 2026.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 4 hours.
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Councillor Davis - QoN - Hindley Street MainStreet

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Henry Davis

Public

Contact Officer:
Michael Sedgman, Chief Executive Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Henry Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

1. What is the current status of the Hindley Street Upgrade?
2. What was the adopted delivery timeframe for Hindley Street?
3. If the project has been delayed, please explain why?

REPLY

1. These questions will be answered through advice to be included in the CEO Briefing of Council Members on the Main Streets Staging to be held on 12 March 2026.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 4 hours.
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Councillor Davis - QoN - Renewals Program

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Henry Davis

Public

Contact Officer:
Tom McCready, Director City
Infrastructure

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Henry Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

These questions are in reference to slide 14 of the Capital Budget Workshop held on 21 February.

1. The Adopted budget put renewal cost at 74,918mil and the Revised AMPS are now valued at 72,717. Has council approved the variation to these AMPs?
2. What is the reason for the reduced spend across each category in the proposed Draft budget namely:
 - a. Buildings increasing from 10,680 to 13,541
 - b. Parklands and Open Space reducing from 2,934 to 1,578
 - c. Transport reducing from 29,670 to 23,569
 - d. Urban Elements reducing from 5,437 to 4,435
 - e. Water Infrastructure reducing from 10,587 to 7,653
3. If the council was to fund each underfunded category for renewals at 100% what would be the additional spend required to fulfil the Adopted AMP vs its current draft spend? I calculate it would require an additional
 - a. 74,000 for Lighting and Electrical
 - b. 1,356,000 for Parklands and Open Space
 - c. 6,011,000 for Transport
 - d. 1,002,000 for Urban Elements
 - e. 2,934,000 for Water InfrastructureBeing a total of 11,377,000 million or an increase in the total proposed Draft budget of 16.5%?
- 4) On what basis was the new proposed Draft Budget calculated?
- 5) Were staff asked to find savings in renewals to enable the council to fund its proposed LTFP?
- 6) In what year will Council reach 95% of its prudential borrowing limit according to its currently adopted LTFP?
- 7) If each category of renewals was funded at 100% of the adopted AMPs now and into the future when would council reach 95% of its prudential borrowing limit?
- 8) Why is the proposed Draft Budget different to the Revised AMPs?

REPLY

1. At its meeting on 25 November 2025 Council resolved to adopt the 2025/26 to 2034/35 Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) which included the following recommendation:

THAT COUNCIL:

1. *Adopts the 2025 updates to the Asset Management Plans in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Finance and Governance Committee held on 18 November 2025.*
2. The variance between the proposed budget and the adopted Asset Management Plans (AMP) is due to:
 - 2.1. The revised AMP, endorsed by Council, provides commentary on the movements between the adopted AMP and the revised AMP.
 - 2.2. The revised AMP was adopted by Council through the 2025/26 - 2034/35 Long Term Financial Plan at a percentage of 94.5% of the Asset Renewal Funding Ratio for the 2026/27 Financial Year.
 - 2.3. The proposed renewal budgets consider the proposed retiming of the Main Streets Capital New and Upgrade funding, as the delivery of the two are linked.
 - 2.4. The AMPs and associated Renewal Program are reviewed on an annual basis based on current condition audit, risk and the delivery of upgrades to existing assets.
 - 2.5. There is a proposed increase in the building's renewal budget due to retiming of significant renewals such as the Adelaide Central Market Roof Renewal, retiming of the renewal contribution to the two Community Sports Building renewals in Golden Wattle Park /Mirnu Wirra (Park 21W) and Mary Lee Park (Park 27B), priority rehabilitation works required for Rundle and Gawler UPark. Additionally, the building's draft budget has been increased to make up for the shortfall in the other asset portfolios to balance out renewal expenditure across the life of the AMPs to smooth out delivery and funding requirements.
3. If 100% of its adopted AMP were funded in 2026/27, the Renewal Program would increase by \$6.093 million (or 8.1%), from the proposed draft renewal program of \$68.825 million to \$74.918 million.
4. The draft budget has been developed in line with the Asset Management Plans, addressing renewal priorities and re-timings of renewal funding aligned with Capital New and Upgrade projects.
5. No.
6. Per Council's adopted LTFP, borrowings are forecast to reach 80% of its prudential borrowing limit in 2032/33.
7. One of the financial principles adopted by Council within its LTFP is the use of borrowings to fund new and upgrade projects (including major projects) and *not* to fund operations, expenses or renewal projects. If Council resolves to fund 100% of its AMP from the 2026/27 financial year, it will need to consider increasing rates revenue, other revenue sources, or reduce operating expenditure.
8. The proposed Draft Budget varies from the revised AMP due to:
 - 8.1. The revised AMP was adopted by Council through the 2025/26 - 2034/35 Long Term Financial Plan at a percentage of 94.5% of the Asset Renewal Funding Ratio for the 2026/27 Financial Year.
 - 8.2. The proposed renewal budgets consider the proposed timing of the Main Streets Capital New and Upgrade funding as the delivery of the two are linked.
 - 8.3. The AMPs and associated Renewal Program are reviewed on an annual basis based on current condition audit, risk and the delivery of upgrades to existing assets.
 - 8.4. There is a proposed increase in the building's renewal budget due to retiming of significant renewals such as the Adelaide Central Market Roof Renewal, retiming of the renewal contribution to the two Community Sports building renewals in Golden Wattle Park /Mirnu Wirra (Park 21W) and Mary Lee Park (Park 27B), and priority rehabilitation works required for Rundle and Gawler UParks. Additionally, the buildings draft budget has been increased to make up for the shortfall in the other asset portfolios to balance out renewal expenditure across the life of the AMPs to smooth out delivery and funding requirements.

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Councillor Couros - QoN - Freedom of Information – SAPOL Communications

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Mary Couros

Public

Contact Officer:
Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Mary Couros will ask the following Question on Notice:

'In light of recent public reporting that the City of Adelaide declined a Freedom of Information (FOI) request relating to communications between Council Administration and SA Police concerning an elected member, I seek clarification on the following matters:

1. Under which specific provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 1991 (SA) was access refused, and was the refusal full or partial?
 2. Was the exemption relied upon mandatory or discretionary?
 3. Was the determination made under delegation, and if so, by whom?
 4. Was legal advice obtained in relation to this determination? If so, on what date was that advice obtained and at what cost?
 5. Was a public interest test required under the exemption relied upon, and if so, what public interest factors were identified and how were they assessed?
 6. Can Administration confirm whether the correspondence from SA Police is related to matters arising in connection with the elected member's official capacity?
 7. What protocol or policy governs communications between Council Administration and SA Police where those communications concern elected members?
 8. Was the elected member advised that Council Administration had received correspondence from SA Police? If so:
 - a. On what date was notification provided?
 - b. In what form was the notification made (e.g. written correspondence or verbal briefing)?
 9. Was the elected member provided access to, or an opportunity to review, the relevant correspondence received from SA Police?
 10. Has the City of Adelaide ever received similar correspondence from law enforcement agencies concerning elected members in the past five years and if so how were those matters managed?
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REPLY

1. Two applications for access were made by the same applicant.
Access was refused in respect of both applications, in full, as the documents sought were exempt documents in accordance clause 6(2) of Schedule 1 to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*.
The first application was the subject of external review by the Ombudsman. The Ombudsman upheld the Council's decision, in full.
The applicant for the second application remains entitled to an external review by the Ombudsman.
2. In accordance with Section 20(1)(a) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*, Council may refuse access to a document if it is an exempt document.
3. Section 14(1) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* requires applications for access to be dealt with on behalf of Council by an accredited FOI officer. The determination was made by Council's Chief Executive Officer, who is an accredited FOI officer for the purposes of the Act.
4. No.
5. No.
6. The Lord Mayor has determined that this question not be answered on the basis that it is improper in accordance with Regulation 9(6) of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*.
7. No formal protocol or policy governs communications between Council Administration and SA Police.
8. The Lord Mayor has determined this question not be answered on the basis that it is improper in accordance with Regulation 9(6) of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*.
9. The Lord Mayor has determined this question not be answered on the basis that it is improper in accordance with Regulation 9(6) of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*.
10. The Lord Mayor has determined this question not be answered on the basis that it is vague in accordance with Regulation 9(6) of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*.

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Councillor Couros - QoN - Reporting of Freedom of Information requests

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Mary Couros

Public

Contact Officer:
Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Mary Couros will ask the following Question on Notice:

- ‘1. Are Elected Members provided with regular reporting of Freedom of Information requests received by the City of Adelaide?
- 2. If so, when was the last report sent to Elected Members and how frequently is this reporting provided? What level of detail is included ie number of requests, subject matter, categories, determinations, refusals etc
- 3. If Elected Members do not receive such reporting, what is the rationale for not providing governance-level oversight of FOI activity?’

REPLY

- 1. Elected Members receive Freedom of Information reports through existing governance processes. Freedom of Information reporting is provided to the Strategic Risk and Internal Audit Committee and subsequently to the Audit and Risk Committee (ARC) in confidence. Confidential ARC reports are then made available to Council each month
- 2. See answer to question 1 above.
- 3. See answer to question 1 above.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 4.5 hours.
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Councillor Couros - QoN - 218-232
Flinders Street Acquisition Release of
Documents

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Mary Couros

Public

Contact Officer:
Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating
Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Mary Couros will ask the following Question on Notice:

- '1. Have all associated reports and minutes of decision been released from confidence, including the vote?'

REPLY

- 1. All items released from confidence from 2018 onwards, either in full, or in part, are available for viewing on the City of Adelaide Website.
- 2. Not all documents, either in part or in full, with respect to the acquisition of 218-232 Flinders Street, Adelaide have been released from confidence.
- 3. Documents associated with the acquisition of 218-232 Flinders Street which are publicly available, are listed below:
 - 3.1. Partial release: Minutes – Council Meeting held 8 August 2023:
 - 3.1.1. Minute Item 32 – Item 19.1 – Strategic Property Matter [s90(3)(b),(d)] ([Link 1](#)), released on 21 September 2023.

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Councillor Martin - QoN - State Government Trees

Tuesday, 10 March 2026
Council

Council Member
Councillor Martin

Public

Contact Officer:
Ilia Houridis, Director City Shaping

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

Could the Administration advise;

1. The total number of trees lost or proposed to be lost from the City of Adelaide's tree canopy by State Government's removal of trees from the site of the new Women's and Children's Hospital, trees regarded as likely to be removed associated with the new Women's and Children's Hospital development, the proposed loss of trees from the redevelopment of the North Adelaide Golf Course and the proposed loss of trees from construction of the MotoGP track and any other known tree removals, and
2. How the total number of trees removed or proposed to be removed by the State Government compares with the number of trees planted and proposed to be planted in this term of Council through City of Adelaide programs to increase tree canopy cover?

REPLY

1. In response to question 1 the following advice is provided:
 - 1.1. Administration is tracking the number of tree removals resulting from State Government projects in the Adelaide Park Lands.
 - 1.2. Based on information available to Administration, the total number of trees lost or proposed to be lost from the City of Adelaide's tree canopy as a result of the below State Government projects within the Adelaide Park Lands is currently estimated at 998 trees.
 - 1.3. A breakdown of tree removals as announced by the State Government and removals that Administration is aware of to date is provided in the table below.

Project	Announced	Removed to date
new Women's and Children's Hospital	365	357
North Adelaide Golf Course	585	0
MotoGP track	48	0
TOTAL	998	357

2. It should be noted that the MotoGP numbers are preliminary and Administration anticipates that this number will increase once the final detailed planning and design has been undertaken.

3. The redevelopment of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre resulted in the removal of 325 trees, including 7 classified as significant and 15 as regulated.
 - 3.1. As part of the project, the State Government has planted 355 replacement trees, comprising a 3:1 replacement ratio for significant trees (21), a 2:1 ratio for regulated trees (30), and a 1:1 ratio for unregulated trees (303).
 - 3.2. The City of Adelaide is scheduled to plant a further 43 trees during the 2025/26 planting season (April to June), which are included in the total referenced in paragraph 3.1 below.
4. In response to question 2 the following advice is provided:
 - 4.1. The number of trees planted and proposed to be planted (street and Adelaide Park Lands trees) by the City of Adelaide in this term of Council through City of Adelaide programs is 2,542 trees.
 - 4.1.1. 1,703 trees in the Adelaide Park Lands and City Squares
 - 4.1.2. 839 trees in the urban realm
 - 4.2. A breakdown of trees planted and proposed per year is provided below.

Year	Street Trees Proposed / Planted	Adelaide Park Lands Trees Proposed / Planted	TOTAL
2023/24	34 planted	706 planted	740
2024/25	273 planted	809 planted	1,082
2025/26	243*	188 proposed**	431
2026/27	289 proposed**	TBC	289
Total	839	1,703	2,542

* Subject to final designs and alignment with existing budget.

** Additional tree planting was proposed in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi but on hold pending further details of MotoGP track re-alignment.

*** Subject to final design and future budget.

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