



# Kadaltilla

Park Lands Authority



## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday 27 October 2022  
Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

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Board Meeting Minutes, Thursday, 27 October 2022, at 5.31 pm  
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### Present:

**Presiding Member** The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Sandy Verschoor

**Board Members**  
Allison Bretones  
Rob Brookman AM  
Councillor Helen Donovan  
Ashley Halliday  
Stephanie Johnston  
Craig Wilkins  
Ben Willsmore

### 1 Item 1 - Welcome and Opening

#### 2 Item 1.1 - Acknowledgement of Country

With the welcome and opening of the Board Meeting, the Presiding Member, Lord Mayor Sandy Verschoor stated:  
'Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority 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.'

#### 3 Item 1.2 - Apologies

Deputy Board Member – Kirsteen Mackay

#### 4 Item 1.3 - Confirmation of Minutes - 25/8/2022

##### Board Decision

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority held on 25 August 2022 be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

### 5 Item 2 - Conflict of Interest

Board Member, Ben Willsmore  
National senior level Board Member – Australian Institute of Landscape Architects

Item 4.2 – Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy - AILA  
Representation to be head from the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects  
Advised a perceived conflict may arise in receiving a representation from a State Chapter of the professional body for which he is a Board member in a voluntary capacity.

### 6 Item 3 - Presiding Member Report

#### 7 Item 3.1 - Presiding Member Report (verbal)

Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (APLMS) Update

- Adjoining Council meeting
- Thanked those Board members (Kirsteen Mackay, Allison Bretones, Helen Donovan & Stephanie Johnston) who attended the Adjoining Council meeting on Tuesday 30 August 2022
- The event was attended by six out of the seven adjoining Councils, with one apology from City of Norwood, Payneham and St Peters received on the day due to illness

State Planning Commission  
Appointment – Ms Stephanie  
Johnston

- APLMS Project Steering Committee
  - The first Project Steering Committee was held on 14 September 2022 and will continue on a monthly basis.
  - Attended by City of Adelaide staff members and senior members of administration from adjoining Councils, Green Adelaide and ODASA
- Acknowledged that Stephanie Johnston has been appointed as a member of the State Planning Commission from 1 September 2022 until October 2024, a term that aligns the appointment with the terms of other members of the Commission, replacing outgoing member Steven Griffiths whose term expired at the end of August.

Councillor Helen Donovan entered the Colonel Light Room at 5.35pm

City Skate Park – Gladys Elphick  
Park / Narnungga (Park 25)

- 3<sup>rd</sup> September City of Adelaide officially opened the City Skate Park – Joint initiative between Local, State & Federal Government – a permeant community facility in the City with an Olympic standard cradle
- Community day held a few weeks after the opening with music and markets. Convic, the contractor to deliver the skate park organised a skating demonstration by two female skate champions.

#### Board Decision

That Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority notes the Presiding Member Verbal report.

8 **Item 4 - Representations (verbal)**

9 **Item 4.1 - City Farm - Andrew Costello**

#### Speaker Points:

- Outlined his long held idea and passion for a City Farm
- Identified an opportunity in the Park Lands to raise understanding of agricultural activities with a City Farm
- Bringing part of the country to the city
- Over 600 City Farms across Europe
- Consider utilising an underutilised patch of Park Lands near Main North Road and O'Connell Street for a City Farm
- City Farm concept is simple and similar to the Bank SA farmyard nursery on a bigger scale
- 60% animal base – interaction and being with and learning about animals and 40% playground – adventure playground
- Referenced Jan Gehl who also had made a suggestion for a City Farm
- Envisaged a not for profit organisation deriving its income from school excursions (40%) and visitation (60%)
- The difference between Adelaide Zoo and City Farm is price point for attendance encouraging family attendance 3 or 4 or more times per year
- Physical activity being a focus at City Farm
- Encourage looking at a City Farm concept for kids, locals and tourists alike – availability of parking, public transport and no neighbour problems align with the area proposed for a City Farm
- City Farm offer horse riding lessons and a horse riding experience in the heart of Adelaide without the price tag associated with a riding school and far more accessible for the majority of people in Adelaide

#### Discussion Points:

- Infrastructure requirements including an assessment for the need for a residential component
- Fencing options, shed (main facility), horse riding arena, animal yards, play equipment



- APLMS engagement process capturing City Farm idea & concept
- Further discussion with RSPCA
- Full recycling of animal products into a community garden for school kids and local community
- Security and animal management / welfare

10 **Item 4.2 - Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy Review – AILA**

Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA)

Daniel Bennett (AILA SA State President)

Janelle Arbon (AILA SA Vice President)

Paper published in Kadaltilla Agenda

Speaker Points:

- AILA focus for the last four years has been for greener, healthier, inclusive and climate resilient South Australia.
- AILA values that underpin AILA advocacy have a role in the APLMS
- Has the APLMS review been looked at through the lens of what have we learnt, what has worked, what has not worked and have those outcomes been put into the consultation process for the next phase?
- Key issues facing Adelaide
- Develop a concise Strategy – galvanising commitment
- AILA Strategic Plan 2021
- Highlighted benchmarking projects from around the world that symbolise how you do get everyone in, know who will use, what it is for and how it will be - Central Park: The People's Park, Millennium Park: Chicago's Front Yard, Gardens by the Bay: Singapore's City in a Garden vision
- A new approach incorporating Designing on Country to be front and centre of the Strategy – Walking side by side together - speaking volumes as to where you want the Park Lands to go
- Artwork commissioned by AILA - SIXFIFTY2 Artwork – each dot is a millennia with two blue dots indicative of how long Europeans have been in Australia – powerful reminder - 3% of the Park Lands is remnant and a managed landscape - how can we think about that from the perspective of presence
- Wangayarta
- Considerations to highlight and capitalise on the value of green public accessible space
- Project examples displaying the value of green public accessible space – Lightsvue Linear Park, The Hawthorn Reserve / Mitcham Library, First Avenue Reserve Marion

Discussion Points:

- State funding secured with APLMS
- Connectivity - Connection to country, Reconciliation and Wellness
- Remnant vegetation – role of Park Lands in preservation – How to advance and do better. Connection to Country and understanding the balance of the managed landscape vs the remnant, how do we rediscover through the cultural landscape – wellness & benefit of native landscapes - is there a link for the Park Lands and what can it do?
- Your Say open
- Strategic plan on a page
- Codesigned space and similarities of First Avenue Reserve Marion for considerations with Bonython Park

Ben Willsmore having disclosed a perceived conflict of interest in the AILA representation in Item 4.2 - Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy Review – AILA, remained in the Colonel Light Room to listen to the representation but did not contribute to the deliberation on the item.

11 **Item 5 - Items for Board Decision**

12 **Item 5.1 - Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority 2023 Meeting Dates**

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Board Decision

That Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority:

1. Resolves to meet at 5:30pm in the Colonel Light Room,

Adelaide Town Hall, on the following dates in 2023:

- 23 February
- 23 March
- 27 April
- 25 May
- 22 June
- 27 July
- 24 August
- 28 September
- 26 October
- 23 November

2. Authorises the City of Adelaide Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) after liaison with the Presiding Member (or Deputy Presiding Member if the former is absent), to vary meeting dates, meeting times and meeting place as required (within the provisions of the Charter of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority).

13 **Item 6 - Items for Board Discussion**

14 **Item 6.1 - Associate Director Update (Verbal)**

Speaker – Sarah Gilmour, Associate Director Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability

APLMS Update

- Good engagement to date
- Consultation Summary report being prepared

Wellbeing Dashboard

- A Wellbeing dashboard can be accessed via the CoA website
- The City of Adelaide Wellbeing Dashboard contains a series of population-level indicators to help inform Council's work and priorities
- The indicators are aligned to the community outcomes and key actions in Council's Strategic Plan 2020 – 2024 and Wellbeing Plan 2020 – 2025.
- Viewing can also be accessed via the Portal
- CoA conversations and information in relation to an LGA project undertook with Wellbeing indicators as well as Wellbeing SA to be provided to Kadaltilla

Park 27B Community Garden Fence

- November 2021 consideration of Kadaltilla with request for further information
- Construction of the fence has been supported by a Council Community Infrastructure Grant for \$19,752
- Fencing panels will be purchased from the Company Wattle & Wire, made from split wattle pales and be a permeable living fence, in keeping with the surroundings of the Park Lands and will encase the garden beds.
- Community garden members are planning to remake paths and raise some of the beds
- There have been some donations to the project as it moves along

Ilia Houridis introduced, welcomed and welcomed back Jennifer Kalionis to Adelaide, who will take up the position of Associate Director City Culture at the City of Adelaide.

15 **Item 6.2 - APLMS Consultation Summary**

Speaker – Christopher Butcher, Senior Sustainability Advisor (Biodiversity)

Paper published in Kadaltilla Agenda

Speaker Points:

- Overview of the feedback on the initial engagement stage for the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (APLMS) review, a summary at a point in time as consultation has not concluded, in particular

- Engagement Approach
- Overview of key engagements undertaken
- High-level summary of key engagement findings

Discussion Points:

- Engagement Process for the Draft Strategy
- National Heritage Management Plan integration
- Sporting fields and sporting facilities
- Passive recreation
- Identifying passive recreation space for youth – smaller spaces
- Parking
- Visitation and activation
- Wellbeing dashboard data indicates a decrease in resident use but increase in general use – distinguish between residents within the Park Lands belt and adjoining councils
- Integrated street parking and review to support Park Land users
- Rethinking parking network, pressures and policy settings
- Integrated transport network (car, bicycle, bus, foot)
- Engagement with Department of Transport re provision of public transport linkages with the Park Lands & function of ring route to understand an integrated transport approach
- Next steps – including how the Board will prioritise / consider the emerging themes and then how /when to engage for the investment / implementation pieces of work
- Path networks, entry points and planting
- Residential / pedestrian amenity in City and interface with adjoining Council areas and access to the Park Lands
- Event spaces, infrastructure and interface / access to the City
- Representation, voices and breadth of voices to date
- Diversity and multicultural events held in the City and capturing feedback / input from the organisers
- Homeless agency engagement
- Thinking about the human experience, visitor experience and resident experience to better connect at an emotional level to get the most out of consultation to assist in the categorisation of elements.
- User experience lens during prioritisation, design and implementation project stages
- User experience as to why a space is not used and reimagining use in response to invisible barriers
- Focus groups to explore information
- Engagement with major event organisers, operators and cultural users during each phase of engagement - Sarah Gilmour to discuss further with Rob Brookman AM
- Project consideration and prioritisation approach in response to feedback
- Open questions in the Your Say consultation
- Presentation of Your Say feedback – Issues and opportunities
- Connectivity and continuous trails
- Cultural mapping and process for culturally appropriate ways to progress and continuity opportunities with cultural mapping across Local Government areas

During Item 6.2 discussion Rob Brookman AM left at 6.27pm and re-entered the Colonel Light Room at 6.29pm

**16 Item 6.3 - Major Projects Update**

Speaker – Ilia Houridis, Director City Strategy

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Speaker Points:

- Overview of current State Government proposals for Adelaide Botanic High School (ABHS), new Women's and Children's Hospital (nWCH) and Adelaide Aquatic Centre (AQC), in particular
  - ABHS - expansion, Memorandum of Understanding and next steps
  - nWCH - current status

- AQC – in response to State Government consultation southwestern corner of Park 2 selected as the preferred site and phases to support a New Aquatic Centre opening in late 2025

Discussion Points:

- ABHS - Value proposition for compensation of Land – return of area to Council greater than what has been given – neither acquisition nor purchase but a negotiation to secure investment back into Park Lands
- ABHS – Area of expansion, shape of building, community access and open public space
- nWCH – Community access and open public space, building size, footprint, further alienation of Park Land with agistment and stabling
- AQC – master planning site specific, footprint
- APLMS investigations - consider articulating the ABHS process in a policy or APLMS and in doing so providing clarity on how to value the Park Lands
- State Government approach for development differs to that of the ABHS and communicated with a development approach for the nWCH with legislation facilitating an approach of engage and inform vs consultation
- Legislative provisions increasing access to Park Lands and being an enabling document
- Legislative process for response and bodies that can hold to account the process
- Impact on Park Lands – Motor Sport - Checking that the environmental impact assessment under federal legislation has been undertaken
- National Heritage Park Lands - incremental impact (Motor Sport, ABHS and car park)
- Legislative role

During Item 6.3 discussion:

- Ben Willsmore left at 7.05pm and re-entered the Colonel Light Room at 7.07pm
- Rob Brookman AM left at 7.19pm and re-entered the Colonel Light Room at 7.21pm

17 Item 7 - Items for Noting Nil

The Lord Mayor indicated her love of chairing the Board, thanking Board Members for their fantastic input, moving Kadaltilla forward and pushing for better communication and promotion of the Park Lands.

Meeting Close

Board meeting closed at 7.55 pm

Next Board meeting

5.30 pm Thursday, 24 November 2022 Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

Lord Mayor, Sandy Verschoor  
Presiding Member  
Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority

