



CITY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CULTURE COMMITTEE MINUTES

for the meeting

Tuesday, 4 July 2023

in the Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

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Present – Councillor Giles (Chair)

Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Elliott, Hou, Li, Martin, Noon, Dr Siebentritt and Snape

1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair 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 recognize 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.’

Councillor Abrahamzadeh entered the Colonel Light Room at 5.32 pm.

2 Apologies and Leave of Absence

Apology:

Councillor Davis (Deputy Chair)

On Leave:

The Lord Mayor and Councillor Couros

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Noon,
Seconded by Councillor Elliott -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 6 June 2023, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

4 Reports for Recommendation to Council

5 Item 4.1 - Developing a sustainable model to support people experiencing homelessness in the City of Adelaide

Iliia Houridis, Director City Shaping, City of Adelaide provided a precis of the item.

Discussion ensued, during which Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin declared a general conflict of interest in Item 4.1 [Developing a sustainable model to support people experiencing homelessness in the City of Adelaide], pursuant to Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* as he has a relative who works for the Adelaide Zero Project. As the item was for discussion only, the Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Martin stayed in the room, participated in the debate and voted.

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Snape,
Seconded by Councillor Noon -

THAT THE CITY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CULTURE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL:

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the Discussion Paper contained in Attachment A to Item 4.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 4 July 2023, as a draft to be amended and adapted following the Homeless Roundtable as part of the process to inform the development of a new council Policy on Homelessness.
2. Approves the Engagement Plan contained in Attachment B to Item 4.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 4 July 2023, for the purpose of public consultation and engagement on Homelessness policy with the following changes.
 - 2.1 The Roundtable be held as a first step of the consultation/ engagement process. This to be

held during Homelessness week and chaired by the Lord Mayor.

- 2.2 A discussion paper and draft policy be developed incorporating the input of the round table which will be provided for discussion at the Community Services and Culture Committee and then approved by council prior to the commencement of community consultation.

Discussion continued

The motion was then put and carried

Deputy Lord Mayor voted in favour of the motion

6 Item 4.1 - Undertaking - Developing a sustainable model to support people experiencing homelessness in the City of Adelaide

In response to a query from Councillor Hou, an undertaking was given to provide Council Members with contact information (email, link etc) for businesses requiring support with rough sleepers in front of their businesses.

7 Item 4.2 - South Australian Motor Sport Board World Solar Challenge 2023 Declarations Consultation

Iliia Houridis, Director City Shaping, City of Adelaide provided a precis of the item.

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Elliott,
Seconded by Councillor Siebentritt–

THAT THE CITY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CULTURE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

That Council:

1. Notes the Declaration of the Declared Area, Declared Period and Prescribed Works Period for the purpose of conducting the World Solar Challenge 2023 event.
2. Authorises the Lord Mayor to write to the South Australian Motor Sport Board on behalf of Council with its feedback to the consultation, and to provide the following feedback and advice:
 - 2.1. That Council notes the Declaration of the Declared Area, Declared Period and Prescribed Works Period for the purpose of conducting the World Solar Challenge 2023 event.
 - 2.2. Asks the SAMSB to keep public footpaths and bike lanes as open and accessible as is practicable throughout the Prescribed Works Period and Declared Period.
3. Notes the consultation was considered by Kadaltilla at its meeting of 22 June 2023 and that Kadaltilla will be providing a submission to the consultation.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried

8 Item 4.3 - Adelaide Fringe 2024 Event Road Closure

Iliia Houridis, Director City Shaping, City of Adelaide provided a precis of the item.

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Councillor Hou,
Seconded by Councillor Abrahamzadeh –

THAT THE CITY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CULTURE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

That Council:

1. Rejects the closure of Rundle Road proposed for a six-week period from 7 February until 21 March 2024 for the Adelaide Fringe 2024.

Discussion continued

The motion was then put and lost

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Snape,
Seconded by Councillor Hou –

THAT THE CITY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CULTURE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

That Council:

1. Notes the closure of Rundle Road for Adelaide Fringe 2024 is currently proposed for a six-week period from 7 February until 21 March 2024.
2. Notes a 21 day public consultation will be undertaken, including targeted consultation with key stakeholders, including residents, as required under section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA).
3. Notes a report will be presented to Council in September 2023 for decision relating to the road closure.
4. Notes the previous letter sent to residents implying the Illuminate 2022 road closure-was a one off.

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

Part 1 of the motion was then put and carried

Part 2 of the motion was then put and carried

Part 3 of the motion was then put and carried

Part 4 of the motion was then put and lost

9 Item 4.3 - Undertaking - Adelaide Fringe 2024 Event Road Closure

In response to a query from Councillor Abrahamzadeh, an undertaking was given to provide Council Members with the cost of setting up an additional area for the box office in another location other than Rundle Road.

10 Item 4.4 - Adelaide Aquatic Centre Redevelopment Lease and Licensing

Iliia Houridis, Director City Shaping, City of Adelaide provided a precis of the item.

It was then –

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

THAT THE CITY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CULTURE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL
THAT COUNCIL

1. Endorses the location of the new Adelaide Aquatic Centre in Denise Norton Park / Pardipardinyilla (Park 2), Attachment A to Item 4.4 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 4 July 2023.
2. Authorises the Lord Mayor and Chief Executive Officer or delegate to negotiate a draft Construction Licence (Licence), Attachment B to Item 4.4 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 4 July 2023 for the purpose of undertaking community consultation in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 (SA).
3. Authorises the Lord Mayor and Chief Executive Officer or delegate to negotiate a draft 42-year Park Lands Lease Agreement (Lease) with the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport (Minister), Attachment C to Item 4.4 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 4 July 2023 to facilitate the operation of a new Adelaide Aquatic Centre for the purpose of undertaking community consultation on the essential terms of this agreement in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 (SA).
4. Notes that results of the community consultation will be presented back to Council in August 2023.
5. Authorises the Lord Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to continue discussions and finalise the outstanding terms and conditions of the draft Construction Licence and draft 42-Year Lease Agreement.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried

Councillor Snape requested his dissent be noted

11 Reports for Noting

12 Item 5.1 - Response to Anti-Social Behaviour in the City

Moved by Councillor Siebentritt,
Seconded by Councillor Abrahamzadeh –

THAT THE CITY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

1. Notes the response SAPOL has implemented to address increasing anti-social behaviour in the Adelaide CBD.
2. Notes the Safety and Wellbeing Taskforce is actively planning for short, medium and long term responses to anti-social behaviour and safety in the city.

Ilia Houridis, Director City Shaping, City of Adelaide provided a precis of the item.

Sarah Gilmour, Associate Director Park Lands, Policy & Sustainability and Colleen McDonnell, Manager City Planning & Heritage, City of Adelaide, utilising a PowerPoint presentation provided Committee Members with further information on discussions with stakeholders such as State Government Agencies, industry bodies etc and potential solutions on tackling the increasing anti-social behaviour taking place in the Adelaide CBD.

Discussion ensued

The motion was then put and carried

The PowerPoint slides utilised within the presentation, are attached for information at the conclusion of these minutes.

Closure

The meeting closed at 6.32 pm

Councillor Giles

City Community Services and Culture Committee Chair

Documents Attached:

Minute 12 - Item 5.1 - Response to Anti-Social Behaviour in the City – PowerPoint Slides

Response to Anti-Social Behaviour in the City

4 July 2023

Ilia Houridis – Director, City Shaping

MinuteItem 12

Acknowledgement of Country

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Outline

Cr Abrahamzadeh Motion without Notice – Council 27 June 2023

Requests administration to provide an update to the elected body at the next appropriate committee meeting on any discussion with stakeholders such as State Government Agencies, industry bodies etc and potential solutions on tackling the increasing anti-social behaviour taking place in the Adelaide CBD.

1. Remote & Regional Safety & Wellbeing Taskforce
2. North Terrace/ Riverbank Precinct hot spot
3. Coordinated Response
4. Next Steps

Taskforce

Multi-agency Taskforce for remote and regional safety and wellbeing

Department for Human Services (Chair)

SAPOL

SA Heath

SA Housing Authority

Attorney General's Department

Consumer and Business Services

Department of the Premier and Cabinet

Department for Correctional Services

Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation

Non-Government Organisations

Cultural leaders

Local government

Principles

1. Responses must be multi-agency, collaborative, coordinated, flexible, person-centred and assertive
2. Responses must embed Aboriginal community leadership, cultural authority and cultural frameworks
3. There are no 'quick fixes': we must embed governance, planning and collaboration, at both the operational and strategic level, for short, medium and longer-term outcomes
4. Responses must include locally based as well as broader (population-wide) strategies.

Goals:

1. Improved safety and wellbeing of at-risk visitors (and those around them)
2. A reduction in anti-social behaviour by visitors

North Terrace/ Riverbank Precinct

- Heightened levels of anti-social behaviour being experienced along North Terrace, around the train station, and the Riverbank Precinct.
- A younger cohort of remote visitors has been congregating in these locations and using alcohol excessively.
- The cohort involved are using SA Housing Authority tenancies across metropolitan Adelaide for accommodation, commuting to the city by bus or train.
- Theft from bottle shops and hotels and violent behaviours have increased.
- Increased concerns and complaints from businesses and social media about city safety.

Coordinated Response - SAPOL

- SAPOL has commenced an escalated, assertive response to the behaviours in North Terrace.
- Additional SAPOL resources complement the work of Operation Paragon members and will act as a circuit breaker to reduce the incidence of anti-social behaviour that is occurring.
- SAPOL continues to work with the Licensing Commissioner and the Australian Hotels Association to enforce, educate and monitor the effectiveness of temporary alcohol sale restrictions in and around the CBD.
- Through the Taskforce, SAPOL continues to be proactive in working with other support agencies and services to determine a long term strategy to address the issues of homelessness and displacement of vulnerable people.
- SAPOL advice is that at this stage it is too early to comment on the effectiveness of the increased police response.

Coordinated Response - DHS

- The DHS remote visitor outreach team continues to work closely with SAPOL, other agencies and NGOs to provide outreach services to remote visitors in the CBD and suburbs.
- Outreach staff and cultural advisors and interpreters work intensively with remote visitors for many months at a time to support better system engagement and outcomes that are tailored to each person or families need.

CoA Actions and Next Steps

- In support of the issues being faced on North Terrace, the Lord Mayor and CEO undertook a further night walk with the Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services and senior SAPOL staff.
- Administration has subsequently assessed and actioned responses to concerns raised by SAPOL and traders and operators in and around North Terrace, the response has included:
 - Review of lighting on Bank Street to address visibility
 - Addressing outdoor power points vandalised for access
- The Taskforce is leading a coordinated response for the State Government. Focus has been on short-term responses, with recent discussions, including advocacy from CoA to increase effort on medium to long term solutions that drive sustainable and improved outcomes for the individuals.
- One of the City of Adelaide's primary commitments through the Taskforce is to identify a safe place/s to gather in the Park Lands.

CoA Actions and Next Steps

- To date Council has supported two short term responses in the Park Lands: Puti on Kaurna Yerta in December 2021 located in the southern part of Veale Park / Walyu Yarta (Park 21) and 2022/23 Summer Response in Edwards Park / Wirrarninthi (Park 23).
- Administration is finalising options for suitable sites with the appropriate infrastructure and amenity for further consideration by the Taskforce and Council to address the immediate issues faced.
- Administration will continue its role as an active member in the Taskforce with a focus on the longer term solutions required, amongst which includes the need for transitional accommodation.

Thank You

