



# COUNCIL

## Minutes

for the meeting on

Tuesday, 8 October 2024

in the Council Chamber, Adelaide Town Hall

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Our Adelaide.  
**Bold.**  
**Aspirational.**  
**Innovative.**

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

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Snape

Councillors Abrahamzadeh, Couros, Davis, Elliott, Hou, Li, Martin, Noon and Dr Siebentritt

## **1 Acknowledgement of Country**

Councillor Elliott entered the Council Chamber at 5.35 pm.

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.’

Councillor Couros entered the Council Chamber at 5.35 pm.

## **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.’

Councillor Noon entered the Council Chamber at 5.36 pm.

## **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 Siebentritt entered the Council Chamber at 5.37 pm.

## **6 Apologies and Leave of Absence**

On Leave:

Councillor Giles

## **7 Confirmation of Minutes - 24/9/2024**

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Snape,

Seconded by Councillor Davis -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 24 September 2024, be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

## **8 Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

Nil

**9 Deputations**

Nil

**10 Petitions**

Nil

The Lord Mayor advised the meeting that she had received a request for a member of the public to film the meeting and that she had declined the request as the meeting was being live streamed.

**11 Advice of Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority**

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Snape,  
Seconded by Councillor Abrahamzadeh -

**THAT COUNCIL**

1. Notes that Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority met on 26 September 2024.
2. Notes the advice contained in this report, Item 11 [Advice of Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority – 26 September 2024] regarding Items 6.2 [Adelaide Park Lands Community Buildings (Sport and Recreation) Policy] and 7.1 [Kadaltilla Strategic Plan Annual Review of Progress 23/24].

Discussion ensued, during which Councillor Noon left the Council Chamber at 5.40 pm and re-entered at 5.43 pm.

The motion was then put and carried

**12 Recommendations of the Audit and Risk Committee**

Discussion ensued, during which the meeting agreed to take recommendations 2 - 4 together and recommendation 1 separately.

It was then –

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Snape,  
Seconded by Councillor Siebentritt -

**12.2 Recommendation 2 - Item 8.3 - Audited Financial Statements & Report on Financial Results****THAT COUNCIL**

1. Considers that the Consolidated Financial Statements present fairly the financial position of the City of Adelaide, having reviewed the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024, contained in Attachment A to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024.
2. Receives the City of Adelaide's Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024, contained in Attachment A to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, subject to minor administrative changes and subsequent balance date event adjustments, to be certified by the Chief Executive Officer and the Lord Mayor.
3. Considers it is appropriate that the representation letter requested by the external auditor, contained in Attachment B to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, is signed by management.
4. Notes the Certification of Auditor Independence contained in Attachment C to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024 is considered by the Chief Executive Officer and the Presiding Member of the Audit and Risk Committee.
5. Notes that the Chief Executive Officer and the Lord Mayor will certify the Annual Financial Statements in their final form as per the Council Decision on 27 August 2024.
6. Notes the Adelaide Central Market Authority Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024, contained in Attachment D to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, have been reviewed by the Adelaide Central Market Authority Board at its meeting on 5 September 2024. These financial results are included in the Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide, and
  - 6.1. Considers the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 present fairly the financial position of the Adelaide Central Market Authority.

- 6.2. Notes the Certification of Auditor Independence in relation to Adelaide Central Market Authority, contained in Attachment E to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024 is to be signed by the Chief Executive Officer and the Presiding Member of the Audit and Risk Committee.
- 6.3. Notes the representation letter requested by the external auditor of the Adelaide Central Market Authority, contained in Attachment F to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, is signed by management.
7. Notes the Adelaide Economic Development Agency Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024, contained in Attachment G to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, have been reviewed by the Adelaide Economic Development Agency Board at its meeting on 19 September 2024. These financial results are included in the Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide, and
  - 7.1. Considers the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 present fairly the financial position of the Adelaide Economic Development Agency.
  - 7.2. Notes the Certification of Auditor Independence in relation to Adelaide Economic Development Agency, contained in Attachment H to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024 is to be signed by the Chief Executive Officer and the Presiding Member of the Audit and Risk Committee.
  - 7.3. Notes the representation letter requested by the external auditor of the Adelaide Economic Development Agency, contained in Attachment I to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, is signed by management.
8. Notes the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024, contained in Attachment J to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, are included in the Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide, and
  - 8.1. Considers the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 present fairly the financial position of the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority and can be certified by the Lord Mayor as Chair of Adelaide Park Lands Authority.
  - 8.2. Considers it is appropriate that the representation letter requested by the external auditor of the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority, contained in Attachment K to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, to be signed by management.
  - 8.3. Notes the Certification of Auditor Independence in relation to the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority, contained in Attachment L to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024, and considers it is appropriate to be signed by the Chief Executive Officer and the Presiding Member of the Audit and Risk Committee.
9. Notes the audited Brown Hill and Keswick Creeks Storm Water Board's Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 as contained in Attachment M to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024. Council's equity interest of 8% is included in the Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide.
10. Recommends the 2023/24 Consolidated Financial Statements of the City of Adelaide, and the Financial Statements of the Adelaide Economic Development Agency, Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority, Adelaide Central Market Authority and Brown Hill and Keswick Creeks Stormwater Board be presented to Council for noting on 22 October 2024 and included in the adopted Annual Report.
11. Notes the 2023/24 Report on the financial results for the City of Adelaide and its subsidiaries, contained in Attachments N, O, P and Q to Item 8.3 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024.

### **12.3 Recommendation 3 - Item 8.6 - Integrated Climate Strategy Reporting Framework**

#### THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the Integrated Climate Strategy Risk and Reporting Framework as contained in Attachment A to Item 8.6 on the Agenda for the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024 has been prepared to support the delivery and monitoring of the Integrated Climate Strategy 2030.

**12.4 Recommendation 4 - Item 8.7 - Climate Change Risk Adaptation Action Plan**THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the progress of the Climate Change Risk Adaptation Action Plan 2021-2026 as contained in Item 8.7 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 27 September 2024.
2. Notes that the Integrated Climate Strategy 2030 replaces the Climate Change Risk Adaptation Action Plan 2021-2026.
3. Notes that the management of climate risk is transitioned to the Integrated Climate Strategy 2030 and the associated reporting and governance framework.

Discussion ensued

Undertaking – ARC Chair

In response to a query from Councillor Siebentritt, an undertaking was given to schedule periodic briefings from the Audit and Risk Committee Chair to Council.

The motion was then put and carried

**12.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 8.1 - 2024/25 LTFP update - draft for public consultation**

Moved by Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Snape,  
Seconded by Councillor Siebentritt -

THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes Audit and Risk Committee feedback on the Draft 2024/2025 – 2033/34 Long Term Financial Plan document set out in Attachment A to Item 8.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee on 27 September 2024:
  - 1.1 Asset Renewal Funding Ratio (Table 3 on page 20 of the Agenda) – ensure there is an explanation that table is showing how 100% will be achieved.
  - 1.2 Key Financial Indicators – Borrowings section (Table 6 on page 22 of the Agenda) – explanation required to clarify what the numbers are in this section of the table.
  - 1.3 Asset Renewal Repair Fund (page 36 of Agenda) – wording should be revised to ensure clarity on what the fund's purpose is.
2. Notes Audit and Risk Committee feedback on the Draft 2024/25 CEO Sustainability Report set out in Attachment B to Item 8.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee on 27 September 2024.

Carried

**13 Recommendations of the City Community Services and Culture Committee - 1 October 2024**

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

**13.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.1 - Community Grants Operating Guidelines**THAT COUNCIL

1. Notes the revised Arts and Cultural Grants Program Operating Guideline, Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 1 October 2024, for promotion and implementation.
2. Notes the revised Community Impact Grants Program Operating Guideline, Attachment B to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 1 October 2024, for promotion and implementation.
3. Notes that the following Funding Programs will open by the end of October 2024, as per the 2024/25 Business Plan and Budget:
  - 3.1. Arts and Cultural Grants Program
  - 3.2. Community Impact Grants Program.

### 13.2 Recommendation 2 - Item 7.2 - Draft Discussion Paper – Culture the Life of our City - for Public Consultation

#### THAT COUNCIL

1. Approves the draft City of Adelaide Cultural Policy Discussion Paper contained in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 1 October 2024, for the purpose of public consultation.
2. Notes the proposed City of Adelaide Culture Round Table to be held as part of the engagement on the City of Adelaide Cultural Policy Discussion Paper, to be chaired by the Lord Mayor.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to make minor, formatting, typographical or syntactical updates to the documents contained in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Community Services and Culture Committee held on 1 October 2024, for the purpose of finalising the documents for public consultation.

Carried

### 14 Recommendations of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee - 1 October 2024

Moved by Councillor Noon,  
Seconded by Councillor Abrahamzadeh -

#### 14.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.1 - Heritage Incentives Scheme Allocation over \$75,000 for Approval

##### THAT COUNCIL:

1. Approves an allocation of \$153,009.00 for conservation works to 'Cottage Homes', 51 - 60 Kingston Terrace, North Adelaide contained in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 1 October 2024, in accordance with the City of Adelaide's Heritage Incentives Scheme Operating Guidelines.

#### 14.2 Recommendation 1 - Item 7.2 - City of Adelaide Review of Nuclear Free Zone Policy

##### THAT COUNCIL:

1. Notes the 1995 Declaration of the City of Adelaide as a Nuclear Free Zone Policy (the Nuclear Free Zone Policy) reaffirmed in 2000 as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 1 October 2024.
2. Adopts the Nuclear Weapons and Power Policy as contained in Attachment B to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee held on 1 October 2024.

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

Recommendation 1 was then put and carried unanimously

Discussion continued

Recommendation 2 was then put and carried

### 15 Reports for Council (Chief Executive Officer's Reports)

Nil

### 16 Lord Mayor's Reports

Nil

### 17 Councillors' Reports

Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Snape addressed the meeting on his attendance at the Launch of the 2024 Nature Festival and the Opening of Chihuly in the Botanic Gardens.

It was then -

Moved by Councillor Noon,  
Seconded by Councillor Martin –

That the report be noted.

Carried

**18 Motions on Notice****18.1 Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Snape - MoN - Melbourne Street Wombat Crossing**

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

That Council:

1. Notes that the City of Adelaide was allocated \$1 million from the state government for the Melbourne Street Improvements Project, which has not delivered a Wombat Crossing outside Ronald McDonald House.
2. Notes that on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 a student was hit in the vicinity of this section of Melbourne Street, resulting in the attendance of an ambulance.
3. Requests the administration seek funding and construction options to urgently progress the creation of a Wombat Crossing outside Ronald McDonald House in the 24/25 financial year.

Discussion ensued

Amendment -

Moved by Councillor Elliott,  
Seconded by Councillor Hou -

That the motion be amended to read as follows:

‘THAT COUNCIL:

1. Notes that on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 a student was hit in the vicinity of Ronald McDonald House on Melbourne Street, resulting in the attendance of an ambulance.
2. Requests the administration seek funding and construction options to expedite the creation of a Wombat Crossing outside Ronald McDonald House in the 25/26 financial year following completion of the Melbourne St Upgrade detailed design.’

Discussion ensued

The amendment was then put and carried

The motion, as amended, was then put and carried

**19 Motions without Notice**

Nil

**20 Questions on Notice****20.1 Councillor Martin - QoN - Disability and Aged Pension Rate Rebate****20.2 Councillor Davis - QoN - Committee Meeting Length**

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

The replies for Item 20.1 and 20.2, are attached for reference at the end of the Minutes of the meeting.

**21 Questions without Notice**

Discussion ensued

**22 Exclusion of the Public**

Moved by Councillor Abrahamzadeh,  
Seconded by Councillor Siebentritt –

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Having taken into account the relevant consideration contained in section 90(3) (a) and section 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, this meeting of the Council dated 8 October 2024 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 23.1 [Civic Recognition] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public interest.

Grounds and Basis

Disclosure of the information in this report is considered inappropriate if released to the public prior to the official awarding of the Key to the City.

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 would be inappropriate if released to the public prior to the official awarding of a Key to the City.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* (the Act), this meeting of the Council dated 8 October 2024 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 23.1 [Civic Recognition] listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) (a) of the Act.

Carried

Members of the public and corporation staff not involved with Item 23.1 left the Council Chamber at 6.31 pm.



**23 Confidential Reports for Council (Chief Executive Officer's Reports)**

**23.1 Civic Recognition [S90(3) (a)]**

The meeting reopened to the public at 6.38 pm.

Item 23.1 – Civic Recognition

Confidentiality Order

In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA) and because Item 23.1 [Civic Recognition] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 8 October 2024 was received, discussed and considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3) (a) of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA), this meeting of the Council do order that.

1. The resolution, 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 after the key(s) have been awarded to the endorsed nominees.
2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2024.
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 6.38 pm

Dr Jane Lomax-Smith  
Lord Mayor

**Date of Confirmation:**

Documents Attached:

Nil

## Councillor Martin - QoN - Disability and Aged Pension Rate Rebate

Tuesday, 8 October 2024  
Council

**Council Member**  
Councillor Phillip Martin

Public

**Contact Officer:**  
Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

### QUESTION ON NOTICE

**Councillor Phillip Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:**

‘Could the Administration advise;

When and how the Disability and Aged Pension Rebate for eligible City of Adelaide ratepayers will be paid, and the means by which the Rebate has and will be drawn to the attention of ratepayers so that they are aware that they may be entitled to claim it?’

### REPLY

1. The pensioner concession rebate is available to those ratepayers who hold a Pensioner Concession Card.
2. The rebate is paid via a \$100 credit to the ratepayer’s account.
3. Rebate applications received during the first quarter of 2024/25 are currently being assessed and approved rebates will be visible on the second quarter rate notice being issued later this month.
4. Each applicant is being contacted to advise the outcome of their application.
5. Information regarding the availability of the rate rebate is displayed on the rate notice in the information for ratepayer’s section located on the back page. The information provided reads “*Ratepayers who hold a Pensioner Concession card and satisfied the eligibility criteria to receive a State Government funded Cost of Living Concession may upon application to Council receive a rate rebate of \$100 for the financial year*”.
6. The on-line Pensioner Rate Rebate application form is available on our website ([link](#)).
7. Ratepayers can also find information about the rebate on the rates page of our corporate website under the “Changes to our Rating Policy” section ([link](#)). The article includes a link to the on-line application form.

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 - Committee Meeting Length

Tuesday, 8 October 2024  
**Council**

**Council Member**  
 Councillor Henry Davis

Public

**Contact Officer:**  
 Anthony Spartalis, Chief Operating Officer

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Henry Davis will ask the following Question on Notice:

'In terms of time, what has been the shortest committee meeting we have had since the start of the council term?'

REPLY

1. Council's Core Committees (committees where all Council Members are appointed) were established by Council on 30 January 2023 pursuant to section 41 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and include the following Committees:
  - 1.1. City Community Services and Culture Committee;
  - 1.2. City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee;
  - 1.3. City Finance and Governance Committee; and
  - 1.4. Infrastructure and Public Works Committee
2. Core Committee meetings may vary in length depending upon the number of business items to be discussed.
3. From 7 February 2023 until 1 October 2024, both the shortest and longest Core Committee meetings for each committee are listed below:

Meeting Type	Date	Meeting Length	Number of Items on Agenda
Special City Community Services and Culture Committee	19 September 2023	11 minutes (Shortest)	1
City Community Services and Culture Committee	7 November 2023	2 hours and 13 minutes (Longest)	7
Special City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee	5 December 2023	42 minutes (Shortest)	1

City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee	6 June 2023	2 hours and 11 minutes (Longest)	4
Special City Finance and Governance Committee	4 June 2024	4 minutes (Shortest)	1
City Finance and Governance Committee	21 March 2023	3 hours and 16 minutes (Longest)	10
Infrastructure and Public Works Committee	16 July 2024	11 minutes (Shortest)	2
Infrastructure and Public Works Committee	19 March 2024	1 hour and 51 minutes (Longest)	8

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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