

Standing Item: Update on the World Heritage Listing for the Adelaide Park Lands and Rural Settlement Landscapes

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## Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on progress of the Joint World Heritage Bid for Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes.

## Recommendation

That Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority:

1. Receives the report contained within Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of Kadaltilla held on 22 June 2023.

# Implications

Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025	<ul> <li><u>Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025</u></li> <li><b>Outcome</b> - The Park Lands are valued as a National Heritage site worthy of World Heritage Listing.</li> <li>Action 1 - Secure a commitment to pursue World Heritage listing.</li> <li>Action 2 - Develop the case for World Heritage listing.</li> </ul>
2020-2025 Strategic Plan	Adelaide Park Lands Authority 2020-2025 Strategic Plan Strategic Plan Alignment – Environment 2.1 - Design, protect and enhance landscape values and design qualities
Policy	The World Heritage listing of Adelaide and its rural settlement landscapes seeks to landmark the site and protect the area for future generations to enjoy and appreciate.
Consultation	Not as a result of this report.
Resource	Not as a result of this report.
Risk / Legal / Legislative	Not as a result of this report.
Opportunities	<ul> <li>Opportunities created through World Heritage listing include:</li> <li>Improved understanding and recognition of the significance of Adelaide and its rural settlement landscapes</li> <li>Global profile and cultural tourism business and international investment attraction</li> <li>Creating a shared narrative about First Nations culture and history that aligns with colonial settlement</li> <li>Greater levels of protection.</li> </ul>
City of Adelaide Budget Allocation	The expected cost of the World Heritage bid process is in the order of \$500,000 (financial year 2023/2024 to 2026/2027, subject to outcomes of Council's budgeting process). On 23 May 2023, Council endorsed its draft budget 2023/2024 for the purposes of public consultation.
Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	Not as a result of this report.
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	Not as a result of this report.
Other Funding Sources	The partner Councils of the Mount Lofty Ranges have indicated potential budget of approximately \$60,000 in 2023/2024 to progress the nomination.

### Discussion

#### **Current Status**

- 1. The Project Working Group met on 29 May 2023. At this meeting:
  - 1.1. The existing resourcing and funding commitments for the bid were discussed with specific focus on the 2023/2024 financial period.
  - 1.2. Governance arrangements to elevate involvement to senior levels of respective Council Administrations was progressed.
  - 1.3. A draft Governance structure has been prepared and is being communicated to partners seeking their feedback.
  - 1.4. The draft Governance structure includes:
    - 1.4.1. Project Steering Group at Council executive level
    - 1.4.2. Nomination Author Group
    - 1.4.3. Project Management Group (currently Project Working Group)
    - 1.4.4. Community Reference Group
    - 1.4.5. First Nations Reference Group.

#### **Next Steps**

- 2. The Project Working Group has agreed to increase meeting frequency to monthly to progress discussions on the proposed draft Governance structure.
- 3. First Nations involvement will be progressed through conversations with Reconciliation SA and Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation.

### Attachments

Nil

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