

**Council Member**  
Councillor Abrahamzadeh

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**Contact Officer:**  
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Officer

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

**Councillor Abrahamzadeh will ask the following Question on Notice:**

‘Are there any travel plans by any elected members in relation to sister city relationships?’

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## REPLY

1. There are currently no confirmed travel plans which relate to sister city relationships.
2. It is established practice for representatives from the City of Adelaide to visit sister cities, and to similarly extend invitations for delegates from sister cities to visit Adelaide, as part of the celebration of significant relationship milestones and events.
3. A report on *2023-2024 Sister City Relationship Milestone Celebrations* was discussed at the City Community Services and Culture Committee meeting on [7 March 2023](#). The Committee noted that:
  - 3.1 A Civic Event will be held in Adelaide in July 2023 for the community to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Sister City Relationship with Austin, USA.
  - 3.2 A Civic Event will be held in Adelaide in December 2023 for the community to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Sister City Relationship with George Town, Malaysia.
  - 3.3 A Civic Event will be held in Adelaide in April 2024 for the community to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Sister City Relationship with Qingdao, China.
  - 3.4 A report will come to Council to approve the proposal travel and itinerary for any outbound travel to George Town, Malaysia.
4. George Town, Penang, Malaysia
  - 4.1. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our sister city relationship with George Town is on 8 December 2023.
  - 4.2. The Lord Mayor wrote to the Mayor of Penang Island City Council on 29 June 2023 extending an invitation for them to lead a delegation to visit Adelaide. Two options for an inbound visit were suggested:
    - 4.2.1. The week of Monday 30 October 2023 to coincide with the OzAsia Festival.
    - 4.2.2. From Wednesday 6 December 2023 to coincide with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary date on 8 December 2023.

- 4.3. The Lord Mayor also highlighted the possibility of an outbound visit to George Town in April 2024, pending advice on the best dates and a formal invitation from the Mayor of Penang Island City Council.

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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