## Footpath Condition Index

08/03/2022 Council

Council Member Councillor Snape

Contact Officer: Tom McCready, Director City Services

## MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Snape will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

'That Council:

- 1. Researches the City of Unley footpath maintenance scheme from the late 80s the 'Footpath Condition Index.'
- 2. Brings back a report and proposal to implement a similar scheme from July 2022.

## ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

- 1. The CoA footpath maintenance process is guided by current industry best practice standards developed by the National Asset Management Strategy Group (NAMS.AU) of the Institute of Public Works Engineers Australia (IPWEA).
- 2. A number of factors should be incorporated into the management of footpath assets including levels of service, CoA's duty of care, risk assessment, footpath condition data collection and analysis and long term planning. The categories mentioned above have been implemented and continue to be improved upon.
- 3. We currently have planned annual Footpath Refurbishment and Footpath Renewal programs to ensure that footpaths assets within CoA remain at an appropriate level of service for the footpath material and street hierarchy.
- 4. This includes regular rolling inspections by City Operations staff of footpath condition and assignment of required maintenance.
- Recent community feedback undertaken by CoA from Level of Service surveys indicates that CoA has exceeded all measures for footpath safety, accessibility and ease of navigation, cleanliness and level of maintenance achieving scores over 70%.
- 6. Improvements to our existing footpath maintenance framework are being made in line with the IPWEA recommendations, as a part of the Transport Asset Management Plan review in 2022.
- 7. Should this motion be carried, a report will be presented to Council in the first quarter of 2022/23 which will reflect current practices, industry guidelines and a review of relevant documentation in respect to the City of Unley and other councils.

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Should the motion be carried, the following implications of this motion should be considered. Note any costs provided are estimates only – no quotes or prices have been obtained:

Public consultation	Not applicable
External consultant advice	\$10,000 to undertake independent assessment
Legal advice / litigation (eg contract breach)	Not applicable
Impacts on existing projects	Not applicable
Budget reallocation	Not applicable
Capital investment	Not applicable
Staff time in preparing the workshop / report requested in the motion	2 weeks
Other	Not applicable
Staff time in receiving and preparing this administration comment	To prepare this administration comment in response to the motion on notice took approximately 5.5 hours

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