

# Kadaltilla

Adelaide Park Lands Authority

## Update on the World Heritage Tentative Listing for the Adelaide Park Lands and Rural Settlement Landscapes

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Board Meeting**

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## Purpose

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

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## Recommendation

That the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority:

1. Receives and notes the report contained in Item 6.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 27 June 2024.
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# Implications

<p>Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025</p>	<p><a href="#">Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025</a></p> <p>Outcome - The Park Lands are valued as a National Heritage site worthy of World Heritage Listing</p> <p>Action 1 – Secure a commitment to pursue World Heritage listing</p> <p>Action 2 - Develop the case for World Heritage listing.</p>
<p>2023-2028 Strategic Plan</p>	<p><a href="#">Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority 2023-2028 Strategic Plan</a></p> <p><b>Strategic Plan Alignment – Cultural Value</b></p> <p>Objective 1.4 Champion the development of World Heritage listing nomination</p> <p>Initiative 1.4 Regularly review World Heritage listing submission progress</p> <p>Measure of Success 1.4 State Government support for World Heritage listing submission by 2026.</p>
<p>Policy</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Consultation</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report.</p>
<p>Resource</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report.</p>
<p>Risk / Legal / Legislative</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report.</p>
<p>Opportunities</p>	<p>Opportunities created through World Heritage listing include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history that aligns with colonial settlement</li> <li>• Greater levels of protection for the Adelaide Park Lands.</li> </ul>
<p>City of Adelaide Budget Allocation</p>	<p>In 2023/24, the City of Adelaide has dedicated an existing FTE to project manage development of the bid which is equivalent to \$74,000 of operating costs. A budget proposal for the \$160,000 was submitted to the draft 2024/25 Annual Business Plan and Budget process. The draft 2024/25 Annual Business Plan and Budget was approved by the Council at its meeting on 23 April 2024 for the purposes of public consultation. There is currently no budgetary allowance for the World Heritage Project.</p>
<p>Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report.</p>
<p>Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report.</p>
<p>Other Funding Sources</p>	<p>The Mount Lofty Consortium have noted that there is approximately \$60,000 remaining to contribute towards the ongoing development of the World Heritage bid. Until there is clarity in the World Heritage Governance arrangements, this funding is best retained by the Consortium to help facilitate required World Heritage Survey and review works relating to these Council areas.</p>

## Discussion

### Current Status

1. Administration is working to enact the Council decision of 12 March 2024 in relation to partnership arrangements for the World Heritage Bid and Tentative List submission ([Link 1](#)).
2. Administration met with World Heritage expert Duncan Marshall AM on 13 June 2024 to discuss updates to the consultant fee proposal and the steps required for a World Heritage Tentative submission to meet a February 2026 timeframe.
3. The Project Management Group (PMG) will meet in June 2024 to discuss amended Governance arrangements to inform a new partnership.

### Related Activity

4. The Strategic Heritage Assessment of the Adelaide Park Lands, which considers the environmental and heritage impacts on the National Heritage Values over time, has been reviewed by the Australian Heritage Council's Historic Heritage Experts and is progressing to the full Council for their review in mid-June 2024.
5. Administration has identified the following potential projects for implementation of the National Heritage Management Plan (subject to 2024/25 Annual Business Plan and Budget deliberations):
  - 5.1. A Historic Landscape and Plantings Management Plan, including;
    - 5.1.1. Identification and mapping of historic designed landscapes and plantings relating to the National Heritage Values
    - 5.1.2. Climate change assessment and recommendations for replacement tree species
    - 5.1.3. Maintenance and care recommendations.
  - 5.2. A desktop Archaeological Survey of the Adelaide Park Lands to identify areas with high likelihood of uncovering remains that may contribute to our understanding of the State's history.
6. Administration sought and received four tender responses to undertake a literature review on the cultural, social, environmental and economic values of the Adelaide Park Lands in direct response to the Kadaltilla Strategic Plan 2023-2028. The project will be considered in stages pending budget review processes in 2024/25.

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## Data and Supporting Information

**Link 1:** [Agenda, City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee, Tuesday, 5 March 2024](#)

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## Attachments

Nil