

Workshop: Code Amendment Historic Area Statements

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City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee

Strategic Alignment - Our Places

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PURPOSE OF WORKSHOP

The purpose of this workshop is to seek input from Council Members on the draft Historic Area Statements Update Code Amendment (the draft Code Amendment) prior to seeking Council approval to undertake public consultation. The Code Amendment is in line with the City of Adelaide Strategic Plan – Our Places, Outcome 2 - Encourage bold, interesting and purposeful development that supports the changing needs of our community and city.

The Code Amendment progresses the Council's submission to the Expert Panel on the State Planning Implementation Review endorsed in January 2023. Council's submission recommended an urgent update of the City of Adelaide's Historic Area Statements to improve guidance for development assessment in historic areas.

Council endorsed a request to the Minister for Planning to Initiate the City of Adelaide Historic Area Statements Update Code Amendment on 8 August 2023 ([Link 1](#)).

The Minister for Planning approved the Proposal to Initiate the Code Amendment on 16 November 2023. The Code Amendment has been undertaken in accordance with the endorsed Proposal to Initiate ([Link 2](#)).

The Code Amendment proposes to update the City of Adelaide's 14 existing Historic Area Statements in the Planning and Design Code. An example of the updated Historic Area Statement is provided in [Link 3](#).

The Code Amendment proposes to introduce 54 Representative Buildings in the Historic Area Statements in the City of Adelaide.

The scope endorsed by the Minister precludes the introduction of additional Local Heritage Places. This is being pursued separately by the City of Adelaide through its Code Amendment program in 2024/25.

Under the 'Proposal to Initiate' determined by the Minister for Planning, Council is unable to include any additional Historic Areas or modify existing boundaries.

Additional Historic Areas and Character Areas are being investigated separately. These will be brought to Council for consideration in the first quarter of 2025. A Code Amendment to introduce a new Historic Area or Character Area would need to be approved by the State Government as a separate and subsequent Code Amendment.

A report on proposed new areas and buildings will be presented in confidence as it would identify individual properties proposed to be listed as Representative Buildings.

The program of work through the Code Amendment and the future work program through 2024/25 address the City of Adelaide Strategic Plan 2024-2028 aspiration for Our Places and directly respond to the following measures:

- No loss of local heritage places and consider options to increase the 1,850 places
- Review the heritage overlays to ensure our heritage places are known and accommodated during development by 2025

Following the workshop, a report will be presented to the September 2024 meeting of the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee and Council seeking a decision on the draft Code Amendment for the purposes of public consultation.

KEY QUESTIONS

What are Council Members' views on the content of the draft Historic Area Statements Update Code Amendment?

What are Council Members' views on the approach to staged consultation with landowners, that is, to advise landowners in writing prior to formal consultation commences?

DATA AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Link 1 – [Council Minutes Tuesday 8 August 2023](#)

Link 2 – [Historic Area Statement Update Code Amendment](#)

Link 3 – [Example Draft Historic Area Statement](#)

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