

Council's Submission on the Draft Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (APLMS)

Strategic Alignment - Our Environment

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City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On 23 May 2024, the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority (Kadaltilla) endorsed the draft Adelaide Park Land Management Strategy (APLMS) – Towards 2036 for the purposes of public consultation, which is being undertaken from 17 June to 9 August 2024.

At its meeting on 2 July 2024, a workshop was held with Council Members at the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee (CPDBA) to gather their feedback on the draft APLMS – Towards 2036.

This submission on the draft APLMS summarises the feedback provided by CPDBA at that meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

The following recommendation will be presented to Council on 13 August 2024 for consideration

THAT THE CITY PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL

THAT COUNCIL

1. Approves the submission summarising the response to the draft Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (APLMS) – Towards 2036 for submission to the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority (Kadaltilla).
 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make any minor editorial and formatting changes as required to finalise the submission as contained in Attachment A to Item 7.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 6 August 2024.
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IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2024-2028 Strategic Plan	Strategic Alignment – Our Environment Deliver the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (APLMS)
Policy	<p>Section 18(12) of the <i>Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)</i> allows Kadaltilla to vary the management strategy by substituting a new management Strategy.</p> <p>Section 18(4) of the <i>Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)</i>, sets out requirements to vary the APLMS including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing a draft of the proposal (complete) • Referring the proposal to the Minister, the City of Adelaide, and any State authority or adjoining council that has a direct interest in the proposal (complete) • Public consultation and public hearing at a time to be determined by Kadaltilla (in progress).
Consultation	<p>At its meeting on 23 May 2024, Kadaltilla determined to undertake public consultation on the draft APLMS for an 8-week period commencing on 17 June 2024, in accordance with Section 18(4)(c) of the <i>Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)</i>. Kadaltilla held a public meeting in relation to the proposal on 25 July 2024.</p> <p>Kadaltilla considered the draft APLMS at its meeting held on 23 May 2024, along with the outcomes of targeted stakeholder consultation, including feedback provided by the Council at its meeting on 9 April 2024.</p> <p>The City of Adelaide is undertaking the review of the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025 on behalf of Kadaltilla. Input into the draft APLMS has been provided by the Office for Design and Architecture SA (ODASA) on behalf of the Government of South Australia.</p> <p>Following consultation Kadaltilla may, on the basis of any consultation undertaken or submissions received, amend the draft APLMS. Kadaltilla will then prepare a report on the matter and provide a copy of the report to the City of Adelaide and the Minister for Planning.</p>
Resource	Not as a result of this report
Risk / Legal / Legislative	Kadaltilla must undertake a comprehensive review of the APLMS at least once in every five years as required under Section 18(14) of the <i>Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)</i> . The Strategy must contain the information set out in Section 18(3) of the <i>Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)</i> .
Opportunities	The review provides an opportunity to ensure that the APLMS continues to address key themes contained in, and contemporises, the APLMS.
24/25 Budget Allocation	<p>Implementation of the City of Adelaide strategic priorities identified within the draft APLMS are funded through the 2024/25 Annual Business Plan and Budget. Strategic priorities identified in the APLMS including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500,000 for lighting and footpaths renewals in Wellington Square / Kudnartu. • \$250,000 for detailed design of the Light Square / Wauwi Master Plan. • \$250,000 for detailed design of the Victoria Park / Pakapakapanthi (Park 16) Master Plan. • \$340,000 for Botanic Catchment Water Course Rehabilitation. • \$50,000 for an Adelaide Park Lands Strategic Water Resources Study.
Proposed 25/26 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report

Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	The APLMS timeframe is proposed to be updated to 2036. In accordance with the <i>Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)</i> , the APLMS must be reviewed every five years. Pending decision on the draft APLMS in 2024/25, the next review would be due in 2029/30.
24/25 Budget Reconsideration (if applicable)	Not as a result of this report
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	Not as a result of this report
Other Funding Sources	The draft APLMS introduces new content relevant to the planning of, and investment in, the Adelaide Park Lands including consideration of funding and investment pathways.

DISCUSSION

Background

1. On [23 May 2024](#), the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority (Kadaltilla) endorsed the draft Adelaide Park Land Management Strategy (APLMS) – Towards 2036 for the purposes of public consultation.
2. [Public consultation](#) is being undertaken from 17 June to 9 August 2024.
3. At its meeting on [2 July 2024](#), a workshop was held with Council Members at the City Planning, Development and Business Affairs Committee (CPDBA) to gather feedback on the draft APLMS – Towards 2036.
4. Council members were invited to respond to key questions:
 - 4.1. What are Council Members' views on the draft APLMS – Towards 2036?
 - 4.2. What feedback do Council Members have for consideration by Kadaltilla on the draft APLMS – Towards 2036?
5. Council Members commended the progress made and the high quality of the presented document, whilst highlighting several key recommendations for improving the draft APLMS.

Submission

6. The submission (**Attachment A**) summarises the feedback provided by CPDBA at its meeting on 2 June 2024.
7. Feedback from the CPDBA included:
 - 7.1. Investment and Funding Clarity: Include a reference to the City of Adelaide's commitment to investment in Park Lands infrastructure and outline the total investment required for APLMS priorities and strategies.
 - 7.2. Park Land Use and Heritage Preservation: Clearly state the goal of returning hardstand Park Lands to their intended use, emphasise reducing parking, ensure all significant areas and items are designated as heritage items, and recognise and protect significant Kaurna heritage sites.
 - 7.3. Alternative Uses and Road Management: Define "alternative" uses of Park Lands that contribute positively to preservation and enhancement, and clarify road closure considerations through modelling and consultation with the Department for Infrastructure and Transport.
 - 7.4. Heritage and Infrastructure: Enhance the interpretation of heritage items and reconsider altering the structure of Wellington Square to preserve heritage elements.
 - 7.5. Private Funding and Collaborative Funding Models: Include a precise definition of "private funding" excluding consideration from private corporations, review investment wording distinguishing between maintenance and new infrastructure, and clarify opportunities and implications of contributions from neighbouring Councils through a new funding model.
 - 7.6. Historical Context: Provide additional references or details on the historical practice of horse pasturing in Lefevre Park / Nantu Wama (Park 6).
8. These recommendations aim to strengthen the APLMS by addressing clarity, inclusivity of cultural heritage, financial planning, and historical preservation within the Park Lands.

Next Steps

9. Following the conclusion of the public consultation period on 9 August 2024, the next steps include:
 - 9.1. Presentation of the draft APLMS to Kadaltilla in September/October 2024 seeking its approval.
 - 9.2. Report to the City of Adelaide and the Minister for Planning seeking adoption of the draft APLMS with or without amendment.
 - 9.3. Finalisation of the draft APLMS, including approval of the Council and the Minister for Planning, parliamentary processes and publication.

DATA AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Link 1 – [Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority - Agenda - Thursday, 23 May 2024](#)

Link 2 – [Draft APLMS Public Consultation Webpage](#)

Link 3 – [Council – Agenda – Tuesday 2 July 2024](#)

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – Council's Submission on the Draft Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy – Towards 2036

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