

# Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy Towards 2036







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# Minister's Foreword (Placeholder)

Subject to decision and final approval by the Minister.

# Message from the Presiding Member



**Dr Jane Lomax-Smith AM** Lord Mayor

Presiding Member

The Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority (Kadaltilla) is excited to introduce the **Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy – Towards 2036** (the Strategy), a document that reflects Kadaltilla's collective vision for one of Adelaide's most precious features.

The Adelaide Park Lands are a masterpiece of urban design and serve as a remarkable example of nineteenth-century colonial planning. These beautiful green spaces, held in trust for the people of South Australia, invite individuals to walk, run, ride, explore, celebrate, and play across their diverse natural environments.

The Strategy is a joint State Government and Council owned document, which is prepared and maintained on their behalf by Kadaltilla. As stewards of this globally recognised open space, preserving and celebrating the Adelaide Park Lands is essential. The Strategy sets out a long-term vision for Adelaide's open space and provides guidance on how to protect and manage these areas through the next decade.

The Strategy promotes a balanced approach to decision-making around the Adelaide Park Lands, but ensures we are always striving to retain their natural, social, and recreational values.

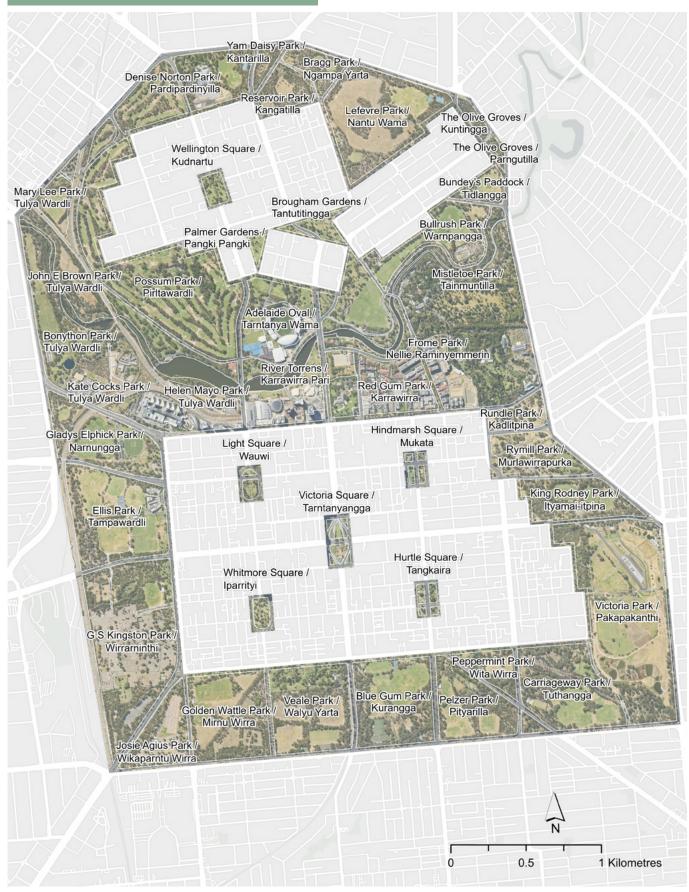
Guided by the community's input, this Strategy lays out a bold vision for the Adelaide Park Lands, one that focuses on defending their environmental, cultural, and historical significance.

Approximately 3000 people provided their ideas, visions, and goals across many drop-in sessions, workshops, informal gatherings, online surveys, and presentations to help shape the Strategy. This invaluable feedback has enabled Kadaltilla to prioritise the initiatives that are of the most importance to our community.

As we look toward 2036, Kadaltilla recognises that the Adelaide Park Lands will become increasingly valuable as Adelaide's population increases. It is more important than ever to safeguard their natural, cultural, and historical significance, ensuring they remain vibrant and accessible for all.

Ultimately, this Strategy enables a bold and ambitious vision for the future of the Adelaide Park Lands, guiding decision-making and planning for their ongoing protection and enhancement.

# **Adelaide Park Lands**



Source: Metromaps Aerial Imagery 2024

# Partnering to preserve and celebrate our precious Adelaide Park Lands

Adelaide Park Lands
Management Strategy –
Towards 2036 (the Strategy)
has been developed by
Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park
Lands Authority in accordance
with the requirements of the
Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005
to prepare a Management
Strategy to determine the
Adelaide Park Lands directions
and priorities.





This guide has been prepared to assist in understanding how the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy - Towards 2036 can be used and provide a general overview of the Strategy's structure and content.

# Part A — Background, governance, consultation

Part A provides the context, the purpose and objectives of the Strategy.

This section outlines why the Strategy was developed, the vision and Governance for the Adelaide Park Lands, and the consultation undertaken to inform it.

This section includes

- Vision
- **Executive Summary**
- Governance
- Consultation

# Part B — Priorities, directions, goals

Part B provides the core directions and priorities for the Adelaide Park Lands as a system of open space. It describes the guiding strategies that will inform Kadaltilla, the Government of South Australia and the City of Adelaide's future planning of the Adelaide Park Lands under three goals.

- Goal 1. Places and Spaces
- Goal 2: Connections and Networks
- Goal 3: Natural Systems, Cultural Landscapes and Climate Resilience

The directions, priorities and goals inform infrastructure and strategic planning for the Adelaide Park Lands.

# Part C — Implementation, partnerships, investment

Part C outlines how the Strategy will inform future implementation, partnerships, and investment in the Adelaide Park Lands.

The Precinct Plans form the basis for future detailed master planning of parks and precincts.

Part C sets out the intent for the Strategy to be implemented in partnership, including how the Adelaide Park Lands will help support the growth of the city and metropolitan Adelaide, its relationship to the Greater Adelaide Open Space System, areas of the Adelaide Park Lands that could return to the care and control of the City of Adelaide and an investment framework.

This section includes

- Adelaide Park Lands Precinct Plans
- Partnerships, Planning and Investment
- Greater Adelaide Open Space System
- Return Areas
- Investment Framework

# **Appendices**

The appendices provide the reader with the land tenure (ownership) and leases and licences that exceed five years for the Adelaide Park Lands. These elements are requirements under the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005. This section also includes the National Heritage Values for the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout.

Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy — Towards 2036



# **Caring for Country**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures are the oldest living cultures in the world, and the Adelaide Plains landscape, including the areas now defined as the Adelaide Park Lands have been cared for and managed by the Kaurna people (Miyurna) for tens of thousands of years.

Respecting Kaurna Miyurna rights as Native Title holders, and their relationships with Country (Yarta), as well as taking an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander lens to planning and managing the Adelaide Park Lands as Yarta, benefits community health and wellbeing, education, cultural knowledge protection, and ecological resilience.

This means engaging with Kaurna Miyurna, including through site visits on Yarta and listening and integrating Kaurna knowledge into the planning, design and management of the Adelaide Park Lands.

The Adelaide Park Lands must provide opportunities for ongoing connection to Yarta for Kaurna and other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and provide places to share their rich and abiding cultures with visitors and the South Australian community.

Kaurna Miyurna rights, knowledge and living cultures are respected and valued recognising that the Adelaide Park Lands are part of Yarta and can be accessed and used by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to support their connection and reconnection with Yarta for cultural, social, spiritual and economic purposes.

The Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy – Towards 2036, aims to promote the cultural values of the Adelaide Park Lands and respect Kaurna culture, heritage and wellbeing.

# What have we already learned?

For more than 60,000 years, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have followed cultural practices, including the use of fire to care for their Country (the term 'Country' in this context refers to the cultural connection that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have with the lands of their ancestors).

The forced separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples from their traditional lands, as well as European colonisation has drastically altered the Australian landscape. Including:

- Significant land and vegetation clearing
- Introduction of non-native flora and fauna
- Alternate land management practices.

This Strategy recognises the important role of cultural burning in urban areas. Cultural burns not only reduce the amount of fuel which can result in devastating bushfires, but these low and controlled burns produce smoke which is important for germination of seeds and regeneration of native plants.

A Kaurna cultural burn was held at Carriageway Park in Tuthangga (Park 17) of the Adelaide Park Lands on Friday 14 May 2021. The burn was a powerful example of healing together. It was the first cultural burn in an Australian capital city and the first on Kaurna Yarta (Country) since European colonisation.

The Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy – Towards 2036 supports Kaurna Miyurna Caring for Country and returning traditional practices such as cultural burning for management of the Adelaide Park Lands. These traditional practices will be guided by Kaurna Miyurna with support from the City of Adelaide.

Adelaide, what that does for me as an Aboriginal man, is it empowers me. It gives me strength, it lets me know that, hey we have a voice here and we're part of some of that decision making around what happens to our country on the Adelaide Plains."

### **Allan Sumner**

Kaurna, Ngarrindjeri, Yankununytjatjara man

# Indigenous Weather Knowledge -Kaurna Calendar

The Adelaide Park Lands provide a landscape to observe seasonal change occurring throughout the Adelaide plains. The Kaurna calendar recognises four distinct weather periods, as well as winds which indicate seasonal change.

#### Warltati - Summer

January to March

#### Hot season

Warlta – Hot, heat and warmth

#### **Pulturru**

Dry breeze

#### Parnati - Autumn

April to June

### Windy season

Waitpi - Windy

#### Pukarra

North/west wind

#### Kudlila - Winter

July to September

#### Wet season

Kudlinthi – To wash the earth

# Wartapukarra

North/west wind, tempestuous weather

# Wirltuti – Spring

October to December

#### Mild warm season

Wirltu – The Eagle's Foot constellation (the Southern Cross)

#### Purta

To burn and blaze/rage like a storm (refers to the seasonal winds)

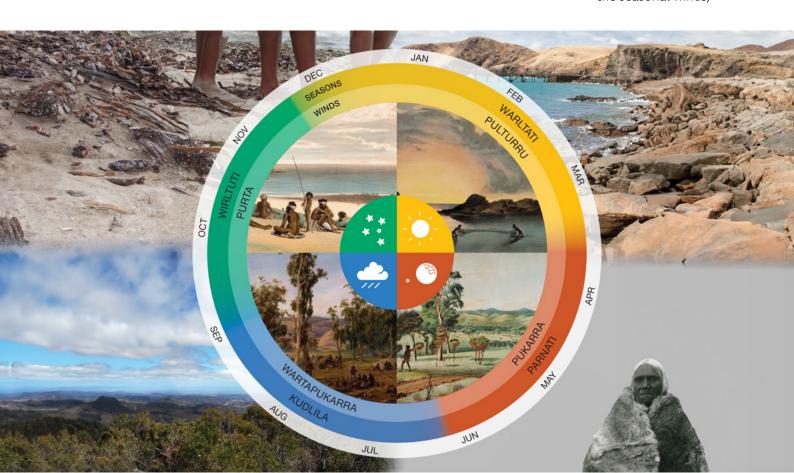


Figure 2 Kaurna Calendar

Source: Australian Government – Bureau of Meteorology / Permission to use the Kaurna seasonal calendar and related information on the Indigenous Weather Knowledge website is given by the Elders/Directors of Kaurna.



# Part A

Background Governance Consultation

# **Adelaide Park Lands Snapshot**

Situated on the Adelaide Plains between the Mount Lofty Ranges and the Gulf St Vincent, Adelaide is located on Kaurna Yarta (Kaurna Country) and is the capital city of South Australia.

Covering 932 hectares, the Adelaide Park Lands are a nationally and internationally recognised network of parks.

The Adelaide Park Lands, Squares and City Layout provides a tangible and direct lineage back to the earliest planning and establishment of the settlement of South Australia, a point of difference to other major Australian settlements.

The Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout is inscribed on the Australian National Heritage List as a place of outstanding national heritage significance. It was founded on Edward Wakefield Gibbon's principles of Systematic Colonisation and embodies Colonel William Light's 1837 plan defined by its layout of North and South Adelaide incorporating gridded street pattern (including hierarchy of roads), six town squares separated by the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari and encircled by the Adelaide Park Lands.

The landscaping and beautification of the Adelaide Park Lands has a long history, with significant influence of design, formal gardens, tree planting and maintenance being influenced by William O'Brien (1861–1874), William Pengilly (1867–1883), John Ednie Brown (1878–1890) and August Wilhelm Pelzer (1899–1932) who were appointed as City Gardeners. Many of these influences are still evident today.

Today the Adelaide Park Lands consist of 29 individual Parks and six City Squares all with a variety of different features and facilities that form the heart of the Greater Adelaide Open Space System (formerly the Metropolitan Open Space System) for Greater Metropolitan Adelaide.

The Adelaide Park Lands form a cohesive network of open spaces that are managed at a whole of Park Lands scale, in precincts, and at individual park scale.

The City of Adelaide is within the Green Adelaide urban landscape management region which contains 17 metropolitan councils. Green Adelaide works towards a cooler, greener, wilder and more climateresilient metropolitan South Australia. Green Adelaide led the successful application for Adelaide to be awarded National Park City status in 2021. Adelaide is the first city in Australia and the second in the world to have this status with an aim to improve liveability by connecting people with nature through everyday actions.

# **Data and Insights**

### **Adelaide Park Lands Allocation**

The following figures have been derived using Geographical Information Systems (GIS) and are based on the registered Adelaide Park Lands Plan.

Adelaide Park Lands (Managed by City of Adelaide)	691 ha
Adelaide Park Lands Roads (Managed by City of Adelaide)	70 ha
Adelaide Park Lands (Managed by Government of South Australia)	171 ha
Adelaide Park Lands Plan (Total)	932 ha

Figure 3 Adelaide Park Lands Allocation

#### Kaurna Yarta

- Kaurna Kardla Parranthi (cultural burn) held in Carriageway Park/Tuthangga (Park 17)
- Annual Kids on Country event held in G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23)
- Created the Place of Reflection in Rymill Park/ Murlawirrapurka (Park 14)

# **Biodiversity (Survey 2024)**

- 12% of the Adelaide Park Lands are classified as Key Biodiversity Areas
- 7 Key Biodiversity Areas
- · High diversity of native habitats and species
- 337 tree species
- Over 250 native plant species
- 5 pre-European ecological communities
- 12 threatened or near-threatened species
- 7 microbat species, and 71 native bee species, including the discovery of at least 2 new species of bees

# Vision

Located on Kaurna Yarta, the Adelaide Park Lands support our environment, provide connections to nature and offer places for people to participate in events, cultural experiences, sporting and recreational activities. We will work together to enhance and protect the Adelaide Park Lands for future generations.

# Adelaide Park Lands Trees (2022 audit)

- 56,022 trees surveyed
- 33.9% of the Adelaide Park Lands are covered by tree canopy
- Canopy cover has increased from 27.3% to 33.9% in the period 2015 – 2022
- 72% of the total City of Adelaide tree canopy is located in the Adelaide Park Lands

#### **Water Use**

- 185 hectares of irrigated area
- 71 points provide recycled water for irrigation, water features and buildings
- 775 megalitres of recycled wastewater used to irrigate Adelaide Park Lands open spaces in 2022
- On average 220 megalitres of water is extracted from River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari to irrigate the North Adelaide Golf Course

# **Aquatic Ecosystems**

- 4 major aquatic habitats (river, lake, creek, wetland)
- 8 native fish species, 2 native turtle species and yabbies found in River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari
- 1 native aquatic mammal, Rakali (water rat)
- 50 distinct riparian vegetation associations
- 1 sighting of the short-finned eel (Anguilla australis above Torrens Weir (very rare occurrence)
- 23 native plant species

# **Urban Stormwater**

- 5,260 megalitres of urban stormwater is discharged into Adelaide Park Lands water courses every year
- 279 tonnes of gross pollutants were captured by traps before entering Adelaide Park Lands watercourses in 2021
- 143 tonnes of gross pollutants (litter, leaves and branches) were collected by traps stopping them from entering Karrawirra Pari

# Adelaide Park Lands Hardstand and Built Form (2023 audit)

- 3.4% of the total Adelaide Park Lands is hard surface (not including roads)
- 4.1% of the total Adelaide Park Lands is built form
- 411 buildings

# Adelaide Park Lands Lease/Licences (2024)

- 31 leases which exceed five years (including rights of extension)
- 57 lease/licences for sporting facilities
- 17 leases for community business purposes
- 9 ministerial leases/licences
- 100+ event licences granted annually

#### **Adelaide Park Lands Facilities**

- 28 formal gardens
- 13 playgrounds
- 2 skate parks

# **Sporting Facilities**

- 36 general sports fields
- 35 cricket pitches
- 4 basketball facilities (5 leased courts, 3 community courts and 3 half courts)
- 5 netball facilities (32 leased courts and 2 community courts)
- 22 tennis facilities (83 leased courts and eight community courts)

# **Events**

• 135 medium/major events held (2023)

#### **Access and Connections**

- 19.5km Adelaide Park Lands Trail
- 15 on-ramps connecting Metropolitan Adelaide to Adelaide Park Lands and the city
- Sealed and unsealed pathways

# Adelaide Park Lands Car Parking (2022 audit)

Car parking adjacent to the Adelaide Park Lands

- 6,478 spaces of on-street parking managed by City of Adelaide
- 1,318 spaces of on-street parking (managed by adjoining councils/other authorities)

Car parking on the Adelaide Park Lands

- 2,346 spaces designated car parks
- 4,929 spaces temporary/event/permit parking
- 1,413 spaces designated car parks (managed by other authorities)

# City of Adelaide Operational Management of the Adelaide Park Lands

- 25,000+ rose bushes pruned annually
- 60,000 annuals grown and planted annually
- 32 garden beds with 4 different displays annually
- 540 ha of turf mown and over 150km of turf edged annually
- 75km of shared paths and bike tracks maintained
- 10,500 irrigation sprinklers maintained
- Over 15,600m3 of green organics recycled annually

# **Existing Uses of the Adelaide Park Lands**





# **Adelaide Park Lands Definitions**

The following definitions have been developed with guidance from the Statutory Principles of the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 and will provide consistency when referencing to the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### **Adelaide Park Lands**

In accordance with the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005, Adelaide Park Lands refers to the land shown on the Adelaide Park Lands Plan (GRO) (refer to Appendix A – Adelaide Park Lands Tenure) and includes the City Squares; Brougham Gardens/Tantutitingga (Park 29) and Palmer Gardens/Pangki Pangki (Park 28); roads running through or bordering the Adelaide Park Lands; and any other land vested in or under the care, control or management of, the Crown, a state authority or a local government body.

The Adelaide Park Lands do not include:

- Parliament House, the premises known as Old Parliament House, or the land appurtenant to Parliament House, or Old Parliament House
- 2. Government House or the land appurtenant to Government House
- 3. Any land vested in the Commonwealth, or an agency or instrumentality of the Commonwealth.

### **Park Lands Purposes**

Adelaide Park Lands Purposes align with the Statutory Principles outlined under section 4(1) of the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005, including:

 The Adelaide Park Lands should be held for the public benefit of the people of South Australia, and should be generally available to them for their use and enjoyment (recognising that certain uses of the Adelaide Park Lands may restrict or prevent access to particular parts of the Adelaide Park Lands)  The Adelaide Park Lands reflect and support a diverse range of environmental, cultural, recreational and social values and activities that should be protected and enhanced.

Adelaide Park Lands uses that do not meet this definition should be limited and where appropriate returned to Park Lands Purpose.

# **Restricted Public Access (Alienation)**

Restricted Public Access (Alienation) refers to areas of the Adelaide Park Lands which are not publicly accessible.

#### Permanent Net loss of Adelaide Park Lands

The Adelaide Park Lands Plan is a registered plan through the General Registry Office (GRO).

A 'net loss' of the Adelaide Park Lands would occur if the boundary of this plan is amended resulting in land currently being registered within the Plan being removed from the Plan.

## Return to Publicly Accessible Adelaide Park Lands

Land registered within the Adelaide Park Lands Plan that has previously been used for a purpose that does not meet the definition of a Park Lands Purpose being permanently returned to the public for a 'Park Lands Purpose'.

# **Executive Summary**

# Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority



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The Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority (Kadaltilla) is the principal advisor to the City of Adelaide and the Government of South Australia on the protection, management, enhancement, and promotion of the Adelaide Park Lands. Kadaltilla is established pursuant to section 5 of the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA) and operates as a subsidiary of the City of Adelaide, pursuant to section 42 of the Local Government Act 1999 (SA). Kadaltilla acts in accordance with its Charter and the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA).

On 11 May 2023, the Minister for Planning approved a change to Kadaltilla's Charter so that it would be branded as the 'Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority' (Kadaltilla).

## Kadaltilla Membership:

Pursuant to section 6 of the *Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005*, membership of the Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority comprises:

- The Lord Mayor (as Presiding Member) or, if the Lord Mayor chooses not to be a member of Kadaltilla, a person appointed by the City of Adelaide (as the Presiding Member)
- Four other members appointed by the City of Adelaide
- Five members appointed by the Minister (one of whom will be the Deputy Presiding Member).

# Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy – Update

The Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (the Strategy) has been developed by Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority and sets the strategies, projects and planning considerations that will be used by Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority, the City of Adelaide, the Government of South Australia, cultural institutions, and community stakeholders to guide decisions relating to the Adelaide Park Lands.

Using a spatial planning approach and focusing on key themes identified through stakeholder and community consultation, the Strategy provides a bold vision towards 2036 for the overall enhancement and protection of the Adelaide Park Lands.

# The Strategy relates to all land managed by state agencies, authorities and City of Adelaide in the Adelaide Park Lands Plan and aims to:

- Protect the integrity of the Adelaide Park Lands National Heritage Values
- 2. Manage the Adelaide Park Lands in an environmentally and financially sustainable manner
- 3. Increase the community's use of the Adelaide Park Lands
- 4. Ensure the Adelaide Park Lands are widely accessible to the public
- 5. Safeguard and celebrate the natural, cultural and recreational values of the Adelaide Park Lands
- 6. Improve the quality of landscapes and facilities
- 7. Improve the community's awareness of the natural and cultural heritage of the Adelaide Park Lands through interpretation.

# In planning for the future of the Adelaide Park Lands the Statutory Principles of the *Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005* (the Act) must be observed.

- a. The land comprising the Adelaide Park Lands should, as far as is reasonably appropriate, correspond to the general intentions of Colonel William Light in establishing the first Plan of Adelaide in 1837.
- b. The Adelaide Park Lands should be held for the public benefit of the people of South Australia, and should be generally available to them for their use and enjoyment (recognising that certain uses of the Park Lands may restrict or prevent access to particular parts of the Park Lands).
- c. The Adelaide Park Lands reflect and support a diverse range of environmental, cultural, recreational and social values and activities that should be protected and enhanced.
- d. The Adelaide Park Lands provide a defining feature to the City of Adelaide and contribute to the economic and social well-being of the city in a manner that should be recognised and enhanced.

- e. The contribution that the Adelaide Park Lands make to the natural heritage of the Adelaide Plains should be recognised, and consideration given to the extent to which initiatives involving the Park Lands can improve the biodiversity and sustainability of the Adelaide Plains.
- f. The State Government, state agencies and authorities, and the City of Adelaide, should actively seek to co-operate and collaborate with each other in order to protect and enhance the Adelaide Park Lands.
- g. The interests of the South Australian community in ensuring the preservation of the Adelaide Park Lands are to be recognised, and activities that may affect the Park Lands should be consistent with maintaining or enhancing the environmental, cultural, recreational and social heritage status of the Park Lands for the benefit of the state.

The Strategy takes into account a range of trends and changes affecting the Adelaide Park Lands, including: climate, population growth in City of Adelaide and Greater Adelaide, and increasing demand for use. It also takes into account a growing demand for their protection due to public recognition of their uniqueness.

As the heart of our vibrant state, Adelaide is immersed in the Adelaide Park Lands which are a defining feature of the city and all it has to offer. Beyond the picturesque landscapes of high biodiversity and heritage value, arts and music festivals, rich cultural heritage, major sporting and cultural events, the Adelaide Park Lands are a much-loved natural asset that must be protected for future generations.

As the venue for many of Adelaide's and South Australia's premier events and tourist attractions, the Adelaide Park Lands are critical to promoting and enhancing the social, cultural and economic life of the city.

# The Strategy secures this future and responds to the critical challenges of:

- Embedding Kaurna culture
- Respecting and acknowledging the past
- Improving climate resilience
- Learning from management of parks across the world.



# Kadaltilla Strategic Plan

Kadaltilla's Strategic Plan 2024–2028 includes the following guiding principles and pillars:

# **Guiding Principles**

- Preserve and strengthen the integrity of the Adelaide Park Lands
- Promote the values of the Adelaide Park Lands – as Adelaide's defining feature, and an internationally unique asset
- Partner with Council and the state government to advocate the benefits of the Adelaide Park Lands
- Advise government at all levels on the management and usage of the Adelaide Park Lands for the benefit of all South Australians.

#### **Pillars**

# **Cultural Value**

Promote the cultural values of the Park Lands including Kaurna culture, heritage and wellbeing

# Environmental Performance

Maintain and improve climate resilience and the landscape of the Park Lands

# Management and Protection

holistically with an adaptive future focused approach

# **Expert Advice**

Function as the peak advisory body for policy, development, heritage, and management of the Park Lands based on sound data and evidence

Figure 4 Kadaltilla Strategic Plan Pillars

# Governance

Governance of the Adelaide Park Lands is shared between state government and the City of Adelaide. Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority is the principal advisor to the state government and the City of Adelaide on the Adelaide Park Lands and is responsible for preparing the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy.

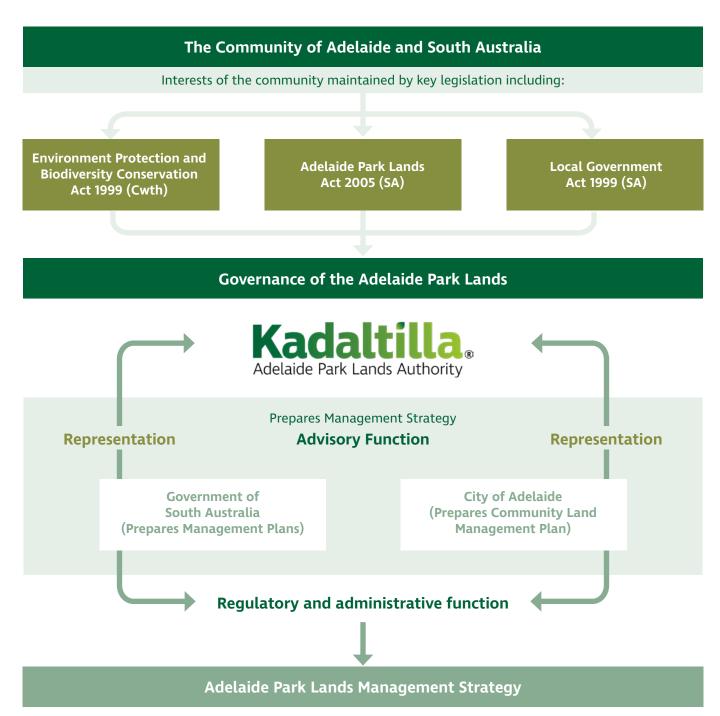


Figure 5 Adelaide Park Lands Governance

# **Consultation**

The Strategy has been informed by extensive community and stakeholder engagement where we gathered thousands of individual comments and ideas.

To deliver on what we heard, the Strategy retains core strategies from the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015–2025 whilst providing additional opportunities for the enhancement and protection of the Adelaide Park Lands.

To share the Strategy as well as provide up-to-date data about the Adelaide Park Lands, at different scales, the update includes an interactive digital version accessible for the community.

# Community and stakeholder engagement included

- 2 drop-in sessions
- 10 workshops
- · One informal gathering
- 3 online surveys
- 4 presentations
- Monthly Steering Group meetings

#### We heard from

- 18 stakeholder groups
- 246 forum attendees
- 356 community submissions
- 2,500 YourSay comments

## Listening to Kaurna

 Relationship with Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation



# What we learnt from you

We heard that the Adelaide Park Lands play a vital role in creating a healthy, respectful and vibrant lifestyle for Adelaide and South Australia.

# **Places and Spaces**

- · Mental health and wellbeing
- Connection and community spaces
- Improve existing and create new facilities

# Natural Systems, Cultural Landscapes and Climate Resilience

- · Kaurna land management and culture
- More natural spaces
- Climate resilience
- · Health of Karrawirra Pari

# **Connections and Networks**

- Safety
- · Active transport
- · Connections to inner metropolitan Adelaide

# Partnerships, Planning and Investment

- Better governance
- Protect for future generations
- More volunteers and community involvement
- · Shared investment





# Part B

Priorities
Directions
Goals

# **Design Quality**

Design quality relates to the 'look and feel' of the natural environment, places and spaces, as well as how successfully they meet the needs of the people who use and experience them.

High quality design helps to improve our quality of life, attract investment and reduce our impact on the environment. Within the Adelaide Park Lands, designs for natural landscapes, the upgrade or redevelopment of community buildings and infrastructure must respond to their site and context, sitting comfortably within and enhancing the broader experience of its park setting.

# South Australia's Principles of Good Design

These Principles help us recognise, discuss and support the role that design plays in making our buildings and places better for people, the environment and economy.

#### **Context**

Good design is contextual because it responds to the surrounding environment and contributes to the existing quality and future character of a place.

# **Inclusive**

Good design is inclusive and universal because it creates places for everyone to use and enjoy, by optimising social opportunity and equitable access.

#### **Durable**

Good design is durable because it creates buildings and places that are fit-for-purpose, adaptable and long-lasting.

#### Value

Good design adds value by creating desirable places that promote community and local investment, as well as enhancing social and cultural value.

#### **Performance**

Good design performs well because it realises the project potential for the benefit of all users and the broader community.

### Sustainable

Good design is sustainable because it is environmentally responsible and supports long-term economic productivity, health and wellbeing.

Source: Office for Design and Architecture SA

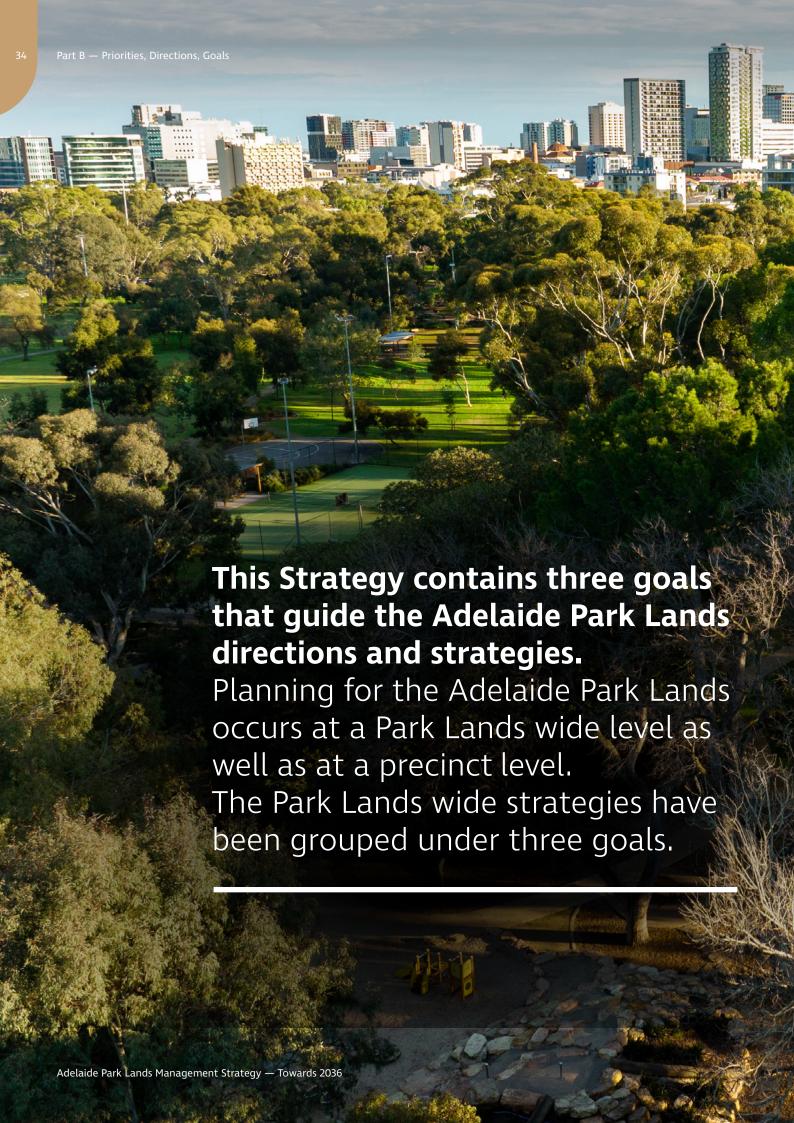
# **Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)**

The Adelaide Park Lands will be designed taking the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design into consideration, including but not limited to supporting sight lines through vegetation placement and management.

# **Universal Design**

Universal design principles ensure that as many people as possible of all ages and abilities can use a space. For Adelaide Park Lands it means planning and design is inclusive, healthy and safe for everyone to use as part of their everyday life. This includes design that responds over time to changing needs and values, facilitating more opportunities for participation and enjoyment of the Adelaide Park Lands. For example, increasing female participation in sport and considering the needs of children.





# **Adelaide Park Lands Directions and Priorities**



Places and Spaces

Places of activity, creativity and tranquillity for everyone that support our changing lifestyles, health and wellbeing; offer diverse landscapes and natural beauty and provide a range of sport, recreational, sensory and stimulating experiences.

Goal 2

Connections and Networks

A system of connected and legible places and spaces enabling safe movement via paths and trails linking the city to the suburbs, hills and coast.



Natural Systems, Cultural Landscapes and Climate Resilience Places that thrive in the face of a changing climate and celebrate Adelaide's unique natural and cultural heritage.





# Goal 1 — Places and Spaces

#### Strategies

# The Adelaide Park Lands are a place to meet and enjoy diverse experiences

#### Strategy 1.1

Create a network of hubs that respond to the needs of growing and changing communities in the city and neighboring suburbs to create spaces for all South Australians and visitors to enjoy.

#### Strategy 1.2

Create places and attractions that set the Adelaide Park Lands apart.

#### Strategy 1.3

Promote the Adelaide Park Lands as a visitor and tourist destination.

#### Strategy 1.4

Upgrade or redevelop community buildings that provide for a diversity of uses including recreational, sporting, educational and cultural uses that prioritise community access and inclusion.

#### Strategy 1.5

Create healthy ecosystems that encourage appreciation, connection and use and improve health, wellbeing and liveability.

# The Adelaide Park Lands will host diverse events, from small to large, in more places more often

#### Strategy 1.6

Create spaces to accommodate cultural, sporting, artistic and recreational events of varying types and sizes that are planned and delivered to minimise environmental impacts and that promote active and public transport.

#### Strategy 1.7

Provide both permanent and temporary infrastructure to attract and service world-class events in the Adelaide Park Lands.

# The Adelaide Park Lands are Adelaide's hub for sport and recreation

#### Strategy 1.8

Strengthen the role of the Adelaide Park Lands as a regional destination for competitive sport and a variety of active and passive forms of recreation.

#### Strategy 1.9

Optimise the community use of sport and recreation areas outside formal game and training times.

## **Community Buildings**

Community buildings in the Adelaide Park Lands consist predominantly of sport and recreation, public amenity buildings and small-scale structures. These facilities are extensively utilised by community sport and recreation groups, schools, and the community.

As community buildings reach the end of their useful asset life, they may no longer respond to community needs. Consideration of the future of these buildings and how their upgrade or redevelopment can best serve user groups and the public will be imperative.

The City of Adelaide has committed to a program of annual investment to upgrade or redevelop community buildings in the Adelaide Park Lands so that community buildings respond to current and future needs. Joint investment in the upgrade or redevelopment of community buildings will be required in order to provide exemplary development outcomes.

Community building upgrades or redevelopment will be prioritised based on asset condition, functionality and the capacity of the building to benefit multiple eligible community organisations into the future.

Community buildings will be of an appropriate height and form within their landscape context including consideration of topography, vegetation, tree canopy, sight lines to adjacent heritage and built forms, balanced with a building's intended use.

Community buildings will be created as welcoming spaces that offer the facilities required to meet community expectations, changing values and needs and minimum sporting code requirements for the intended use.

Sharing resources, services and facilities through collaboration will help create more sustainable and efficient community buildings, as well as provide opportunities to increase diversity of activity and maximise investment in the Adelaide Park Lands. Community buildings will support a range of community organisations including sport and recreation clubs, community education and community service providers. This will ensure that buildings are activated throughout the day and evening, providing opportunities for people to play, learn and interact with the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### **Public Amenities**

Public amenities (toilets) in the Adelaide Park Lands will be designed to accommodate diverse needs and support the participation of all community members in the Adelaide Park Lands through inclusion of a range of appropriate facilities and universal design.

Public toilets should be well sited, conveniently located to enhance community activity and visitor enjoyment. They should consider both current and future needs.

The redevelopment of public amenities should, where possible, provide for an even distribution of facilities throughout the Adelaide Park Lands and areas of high use.

Design, position and management of public amenities will ensure that everyone feels included and safe including at night and/or when they are alone.

Public amenities shall complement their Adelaide Park Lands setting and where appropriate be incorporated into community buildings.

#### Hubs

Hubs are a combination of open space elements that complement surrounding uses and landscape character, and support people to visit and prolong their stay in the Adelaide Park Lands.

The Adelaide Park Lands contain a range of existing hubs, such as the one in Bundey's Paddock/Tidlangga (Park 9), which includes barbecue facilities, picnic tables, shelter and play features. An upgrade of existing or development of future hubs within the Adelaide Park Lands will respond to the needs of growing and changing communities and age groups in the city and neighbouring suburbs. Hubs will vary in what they include and be designed to respond to community needs and climate change impacts.

Hubs may be complementary to community buildings or exist on their own. Where a community building is proposed, consideration should be given to the provision of a hub to support active outdoor recreation and passive relaxation. This will optimise the benefits from community buildings and support the improved health and wellbeing of the community.

Hubs may include a combination of the following elements:

- Play features
- Natural shaded areas
- Landscaped setting
- Picnic setting
- Seating
- Open shelter or pavilion (where there is community support or need)
- Rubbish bins
- Barbecues
- Fitness equipment
- Wayfinding and interpretive signage
- Public art
- Bicycle parking, pump, and repair stations
- Drinking fountains
- Lighting for evening use and safety
- Defibrillator
- Event infrastructure such a power and water supply.

#### **Formal Parks**

Formal Parks offer high levels of amenity to attract users and encourage them to stay, providing places for respite with comfort and facilities, and areas for activity, play and amusement. They are well connected to the surrounding suburbs and the city and generally include sustainably irrigated open space for activity and play opportunities.

Formal Parks often provide services and facilities to attract, and in turn, cater for high levels of visitation. Formal Parks complement the existing cultural landscapes within the Adelaide Park Lands and create new landscapes that reflect our diverse cultural identity, offer beauty and delight, and provide opportunities for active and non-active recreation. Formal Parks provide opportunities for socialisation and the development and strengthening of communities and our collective identity.

Formal Parks include ornamental garden areas containing both native and exotic plant species and may include paved plazas and opportunities for events of various sizes.

# **Sport and Recreation**

The Adelaide Park Lands is the home of metropolitan sport and caters for the needs of organised competitive sport, as well as more casual sporting pursuits and informal recreation opportunities.

Sporting areas in the Adelaide Park Lands typically consist of large areas of irrigated open space for ovals and pitches, hard surface and courts, and are partially bounded by trees providing a visual backdrop and shade for spectators.

Recreation areas include riparian corridors, walking and cycling trails, formal and informal open spaces.

The Adelaide Park Lands will continue to provide for sport and recreation opportunities and prioritise open accessible spaces for the public to enjoy outside of programmed sport and recreation times.

Identified through master planning, increasing the offering of active recreation facilities will provide

residents and visitors access to infrastructure such as running loops, urban nature trails and equipment-based exercise. These offerings will be in close proximity to community buildings, Adelaide Park Lands Trail and public transport networks.

Acknowledging that certain uses may temporarily restrict access to particular parts of the Adelaide Park Lands ensures that uses such as organised sport can occur.

### **Playspaces**

The Adelaide Park Lands are home to a number of highly valued playspaces which are used by city residents and visitors to the Adelaide Park Lands.

Planning for the renewal of playspaces will be identified through master planning of parks and precincts and provide the opportunity for innovation and contemporary design considerations to achieve interesting and dynamic outdoor playspaces.

Playspaces in the Adelaide Park Lands will be designed to:

- Consider Kaurna culture and heritage
- Be equitable, inclusive, accessible and promote flexible use and incorporate elements that allow for challenge and risk, augmented, intergenerational and nature play
- Provide diversity in learning and play experiences and minimise duplication of play experiences with adjoining councils
- Where appropriate, use the natural landscape features as the basis for play, including creeks and water bodies and other natural systems and minimise the use of non-natural materials, elements and impervious surfaces
- Where appropriate, playspaces will be linked to the Adelaide Park Lands Trail, within close proximity to active transport or co-located with other facilities, such as community buildings.

#### **Events**

With a dynamic cultural life, Adelaide has an enviable reputation as one of the world's most liveable cities. It hosts a year-round calendar of events and activities that delight, inspire and engage local, national and international audiences.

The Adelaide Park Lands offers a wonderful backdrop for a huge variety of events. Its diverse range of beautiful open spaces host major events through to small-scale community events and weddings.

Acknowledging that certain uses may temporarily restrict or prevent access to particular parts of the Adelaide Park Lands ensures that uses such as ticketed events can occur.

Indicator	Target	Baseline
Community Access	Return Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C) to Park Lands Purpose	Limited community access and use
Landscape Types	Clearly identified landscape types appropriate to location	Five pre-European typologies

Figure 6 Places and Spaces – Targets





#### **Priorities**

# The following new moves are identified to guide improvements towards 2036:

#### Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)

Deliver a master plan and commence return of Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C) to an Adelaide Park Lands destination connecting the North Terrace Health and Education Precinct and Karrawirra Pari to the city.

#### New Women's and Children's Hospital Integration

The site will be developed over the next 10 to 15 years and requires integration and connectivity within the wider Bonython Park and Riverbank Precincts.

#### **Community Buildings**

Upgrade prioritised buildings within the Adelaide Park Lands to offer purpose-designed, safe and accessible facilities, whilst also providing multi-function spaces for flexible community use.

#### **Adelaide Aquatic Centre Integration**

A new Adelaide Aquatic Centre will be built immediately south of the existing facility at Denise Norton Park/Pardipardinyilla (Park 2) in the northern Adelaide Park Lands as an all electric, sustainable and contemporary aquatic facility. The integration and connectivity of the new facility with the wider Adelaide Park Lands will be a key priority and deliverable of master planning for the Northern Park Lands.

#### Light Square/Wauwi Master Plan

Deliver a master plan for Light Square/Wauwi that explores connection and Care for Country, improved tree canopy, succession planting, heritage values, transport, walking and cycling connectivity, events, adjacent uplift and future uplift potential, climate change mitigation, artwork and cultural celebrations, smart technology and increased residential population and changing demographics.



#### **Northern Park Lands Master Planning**

Undertake master planning for the Northern Park Lands (Parks 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) that provides for consideration of Kaurna culture, improved connections to surrounding suburbs and delivers a high quality natural asset for the community.

#### Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) Master Plan

Deliver a master plan for Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) that provides improvements to the broader Precinct including Kaurna culture, greening, playspaces, connectivity and integration with the New Women's and Children's Hospital.

#### **Master Plans for the Squares**

Prepare master plans for Hurtle Square/Tangkaira, Hindmarsh Square/Mukata and Wellington Square/ Kudnartu to respond to growth in the city and changing community needs.

#### Whitmore Square/Iparrityi Stage 2 Implementation

Deliver the Whitmore Square/Iparrityi Master Plan through asset renewal and succession planting, to build upon improvements already delivered through lighting and path upgrades.

#### Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Implementation

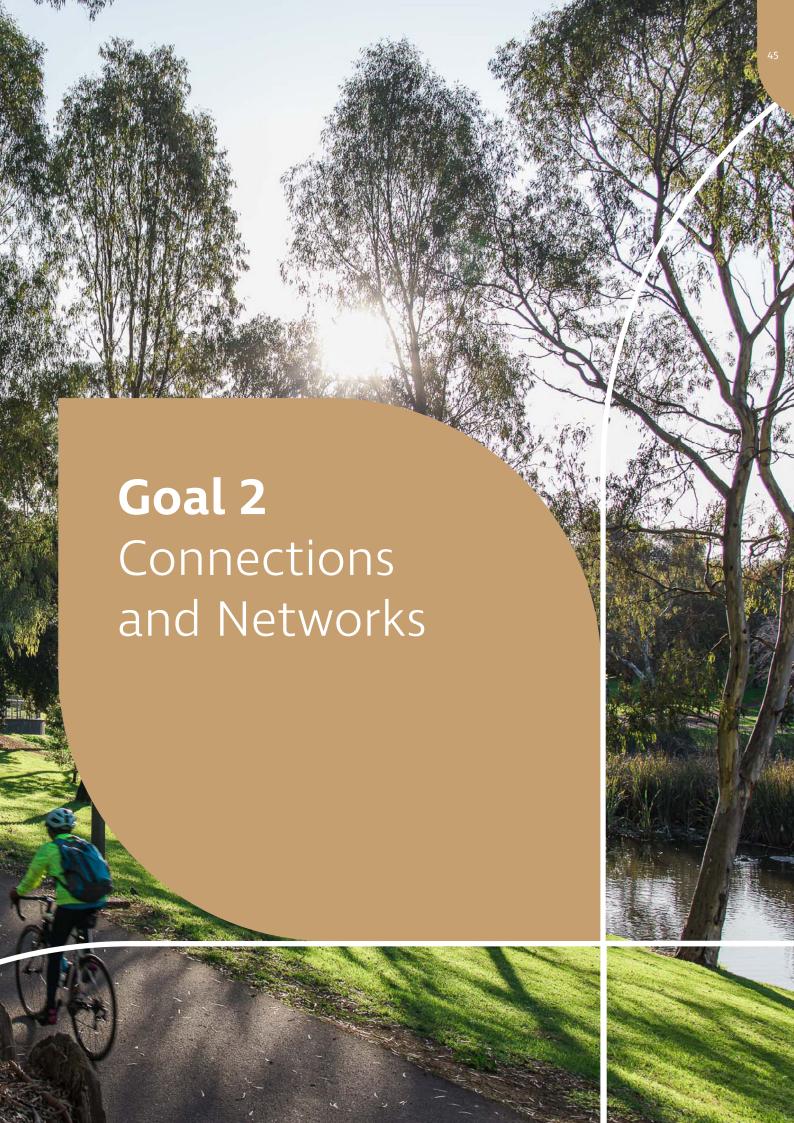
Commence the staged implementation of recommendations within the Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Master Plan in collaboration with the local community, stakeholders and land managers to improve accessibility and amenity throughout Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16).

#### Reimagining Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka (Park 14)

Continue improvements aligned to the Rymill Park/ Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Master Plan including new landscaping and tree planting and creation of promenades. Enhance the kiosk to improve the quality of experience for users.







# Goal 2 — Connections and Networks

#### Strategies

# The Adelaide Park Lands are a network of connected parks

#### Strategy 2.1

Improve the Adelaide Park Lands Trail linking all parks and providing a pleasant and convenient cycling and walking route.

# The Adelaide Park Lands connect the city to the inner suburbs

#### Strategy 2.2

Connect the Adelaide Park Lands with the hills, coast and Greater Adelaide open space network.

#### Strategy 2.3

Improve public and active transport connections with Adelaide Park Lands and work with neighbouring councils to reduce access barriers.

#### Strategy 2.4

Improve safety, universal design and connectivity within and to the Adelaide Park Lands.

# The Adelaide Park Lands are easily identifiable

#### Strategy 2.5

Develop an identifiable landscape character for Adelaide Park Lands edges (urban address).

#### Strategy 2.6

Create a strong, cohesive overall Adelaide Park Lands identity.

# The Adelaide Park Lands invite exploration and are safe and easy to access and move around in, day and night

#### Strategy 2.7

Install wayfinding signage enhancing the legibility of paths and connections across the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### Strategy 2.8

Develop a network of bicycle parking and bicycle facilities across the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### Strategy 2.9

Establish shared walking and cycling paths throughout the Parks that include safe connections and crossing points and designed to accommodate different travel modes.

#### Strategy 2.10

Create a path network within each park that complements the landscape character and desired use of the park.

#### Strategy 2.11

Where appropriate return car parking on the Adelaide Park Lands to a Park Lands Purpose and consider temporary uses of existing car parking to provide greater community benefit.

#### Strategy 2.12

Incorporate smart technology in priority locations across the Adelaide Park Lands including technologies such as pedestrian counters and charging facilities.

#### Strategy 2.13

Strengthen the urban address of the Adelaide Park Lands through large tree species and native plantings.

#### Strategy 2.14

Promote the Adelaide Park Lands Trail and enhance to provide greater connections, safer crossings, greening and improved wayfinding with an aim to develop a continuous/unbroken trail linking the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### Strategy 2.15

Provide lighting to support safe movement throughout the Adelaide Park Lands balanced with preservation of environmental values and biodiversity.

# **Movement Types**

The spatial planning approach for movement explains the variety of ways in which safe and legible connections into and through the Adelaide Park Lands are provided, allowing users to access the diversity of activities and attractions that are on offer.

#### **Promenades**

Promenades provide key pedestrian and cycle connections into significant activity centres within the Adelaide Park Lands, linking to both the surrounding suburbs and the city, tying in with major metropolitan pedestrian routes and bikeways and cross-city links. Promenades provide important connections through the Adelaide Park Lands connecting the city to Greater Adelaide and beyond.

Promenades are typically tree-lined with ornamental planting, lighting, seating, wayfinding and interpretive signage.

#### **Urban Address**

The urban address provides a structured, designed perimeter to the Adelaide Park Lands with a level of amenity to attract and welcome people. It is a transitional space designed to encourage and entice exploration deeper into the Adelaide Park Lands. More legible entries and open views (where appropriate) visually and physically connect people to the opportunities within. It provides comfort and amenity for use as a place in its own right.

The urban address plays an important wayfinding role, paying particular attention to major pedestrian and cycle links connecting the city to Greater Adelaide.

It responds to anticipated growth to inner-rim suburbs surrounding the Adelaide Park Lands and to outer edges of the city. The urban address reverses the focus from the city providing an interface that looks outward to the inner suburbs.

## Adelaide Park Lands Trail

The Adelaide Park Lands Trail provides an iconic recreational circuit linking Adelaide Park Lands Precincts and offering varying levels of amenity. In some locations, the Trail provides connectivity to the Greater Adelaide strategic walking and cycling network.

Typically it includes a 3 metre to 3.5 metre sealed surface, tree-lined edges and a consistent character at path intersections, road crossings and rest points. Lighting is strategically provided to key sections of the Trail based on levels of night-time use.

Where the Adelaide Park Lands Trail location coincides with another movement type, the Trail will take precedence, except where the other movement type is of a higher quality or amenity, for example a promenade.

### **Edge Paths**

Edge paths provide routes along the Adelaide Park Lands where they interface with roads, providing pedestrian and cycle links associated with the road network.

Edge paths provide connections along the Adelaide Park Lands perimeter creating a variety of informal recreational circuits and providing transition between built form, transport infrastructure and park.

The design of edge paths will prioritise the use of permeable surfaces that respond to climate change impacts and reduce urban heat storage rather than black asphalt.

# **Walking and Running Trails**

Walking and running trails within the Adelaide Park Lands are developed to provide a variety of experiences across a range of park types.

Typically these trails provide connections within a park or informal planting area and connect more broadly via other path networks.

Walking trails and running tracks include wayfinding and interpretive signage that may range from information regarding biodiversity in the Adelaide Park Lands, to distance markers for runners and walkers.

The design of walking and running trails will prioritise the use of permeable surfaces that respond to climate change impacts.

#### **Shared Paths**

Shared paths provide the balance of connections in the Adelaide Park Lands. They provide a base level of connection for walking and cycling, offering varying levels of amenity depending on location.

Typically they include a sealed surface with a consistent width to enable shared use. Shared paths often connect to active transport routes linking active cross-city links through to greater Adelaide and beyond. These may be lit depending on location and frequency of night-time use.

#### **Access Roads**

Access roads allow for vehicular access into some sections of the Adelaide Park Lands.

The creation of new access roads will be minimised and only provided where no alternative exists and provide safety and accessibility outcomes (eg emergency service access).

Where appropriate access roads will be narrowed to a consistent width to reduce impervious surfaces and the impact on the natural landscape.

Access roads will minimise their impact on the landscape, incorporating trees and other plantings, as well as Water Sensitive Urban Design techniques.

## **Car Parking**

The Strategy supports an overall reduction in existing car parking in the Adelaide Park Lands.

Existing car parking is accommodated in some locations in the Adelaide Park Lands. Where appropriate, existing car parking will encourage multiple uses such as market stall, events, community sport and recreation opportunities and electric vehicle charging to maximise public access to existing infrastructure.

Car parking will minimise its impact on the landscape, provide for additional greening and trees and incorporate Water Sensitive Urban Design.

### **Fencing**

Fencing in the Adelaide Park Lands will provide for safety, temporary event purposes or where it is a requirement of a sporting code.

If fencing is provided for sporting purposes the priority will be to maintain public access to these spaces outside of programmed usage. Fencing should not be provided for security purposes.

Heritage fencing may be maintained to preserve heritage connections.

Low scale, open fencing is the preferred option that retains visual amenity, visual permeability and public accessibility.

# **Smart Technology**

The incorporation of smart technology will be considered to assist in the planning and management of the Adelaide Park Lands, including sensors to capture visitor numbers, path usage, dwell time and micro-climate data.

#### **Priorities**

The following priorities will enhance and protect the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### **Greenhill Road Corridor**

Provide improvements to the Greenhill Road Corridor including an expanded east-west walking and cycling connection, wayfinding and storytelling, safer road crossings, shade and amenities

#### **Great Connections**

Improve pedestrian and cycling networks with regular and safe crossing points, amenity along the route and path lighting.

#### The Urban Address

Provide an increased level of amenity and attraction along Adelaide Park Lands frontages to both the city and inner-rim suburbs with a focus on park entries to encourage and entice further exploration deeper into the parks.

#### **Amazing Art**

Consider permanent and temporary displays of art including art trails and interactive artworks across the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### Lights, Lights, Lights

Provide wildlife appropriate lighting along key paths, at hubs, sporting ovals and the urban address to support increased night-time use and improve safety.

#### **Shade Avenues**

Protect and enhance heritage planting avenues and review opportunities for new avenue planting to provide shade for users.

#### **Wayfinding and Interpretation**

Continue to install wayfinding and interpretive signage across all parks as necessary, particularly when associated with other park upgrades, including opportunities for the expression of Kaurna culture.

#### **Adelaide Park Lands Trail Improvements**

Enhance the Adelaide Park Lands Trail through greater connections, safer crossings, greening and improved wayfinding. Aim to deliver a continuous/unbroken trail linking the Adelaide Park Lands and an iconic trail experience.

Indicator	Target	Baseline
Clear path hierarchy across Adelaide Park Lands	Provide clear path hierachy for all new projects from 2024.	Adopt an Adelaide Park Lands path and trail asset hierarchy.
Safe road and path crossing points	Undertake safety upgrades to all road crossings by 2036.	Prioritise crossings with the highest traffic volumes over 20,000 vehicles per day.
Active transport users	Increase number of active transport users by improving Adelaide Park Lands pathways, lighting and signage.	1,342 movements (2022 Super Tuesday counts)
Car parking	Reduce existing car parking on land managed by the City of Adelaide by 5%.	2,346 car parking spaces (2022 Audit)
Connectivity with surrounding bicycle networks	Ensure connections are maintained and where possible improved with all surrounding bicycle networks with a preference for off-road connections.	River Torrens Linear Path Marino Rocks Greenway/ Mike Turtur Bikeway Rugby/Porter Bikeway Outer Harbor Greenway

Figure 7 Connections and Networks – Targets





# Goal 3 — Natural Systems, Cultural Landscapes and Climate Resilience

### Strategies

# The Adelaide Park Lands are a place of natural beauty and Kaurna cultural significance

#### Strategy 3.1

Recognise, promote and protect sites of Kaurna cultural heritage and significance and work with Kaurna Miyurna to provide education to the community about these sites.

#### Strategy 3.2

Work with Kaurna Miyurna to return Caring for Country practices to the Adelaide Park Lands, such as promoting and facilitating Cultural Burns as effective land management in grassland and woodland settings.

#### Strategy 3.3

Provide a positive visitor experience of sites of cultural significance.

#### Strategy 3.4

Establish a range of natural, ornamental and cultural landscapes celebrating the diversity of the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### Strategy 3.5

Seek to incorporate regenerative practices into the planning, design, and management of the Adelaide Park Lands to improve social and environmental wellbeing.

# The Adelaide Park Lands celebrate biodiversity

#### Strategy 3.6

Through Biodiversity Sensitive Urban Design enhance biodiversity in the Adelaide Park Lands and provide food, resources and habitat.

#### Strategy 3.7

Continue to protect and enhance habitats and ecosystem health to achieve a net increase in biodiversity.

#### Strategy 3.8

Seek opportunities to improve the quality and condition of sites with remnant vegetation.

#### Strategy 3.9

Participate and lead in global urban biodiversity initiatives and research.

#### Strategy 3.10

Continue to survey, monitor and improve our knowledge of Adelaide Park Lands biodiversity. Share data and report findings.

# The Adelaide Park Lands are water sensitive, with healthy watercourses

#### Strategy 3.11

Enhance the ecological health of Adelaide Park Lands watercourses including slowing the flow, improving water quality and greater diversity of aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna.

#### Strategy 3.12

Ensure sustainable water use across the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### Strategy 3.13

Enhance and promote the role of of submerged native aquatic vegetation in river, lake and wetland settings.

# The Adelaide Park Lands are climate resilient

#### Strategy 3.14

Strengthen the Adelaide Park Lands' role in developing a climate resilient city and in reducing the urban heat island effect.

#### Strategy 3.15

Design and manage the Adelaide Park Lands to recognise the increasingly important value of open space in response to a growing population.

#### Strategy 3.16

Retain and strengthen distinctive mature tree species through succession planting.

#### Strategy 3.17

Seek opportunities to increase greening and tree canopy, including through community participation.

#### Strategy 3.18

Understand the risks for tree species and biodiversity from pests, diseases and climate change and develop adaptation responses.

#### Strategy 3.19

Ensure climate change risks and opportunities are assessed and integrated in decision making and management of the Adelaide Park Lands.

# The Adelaide Park Lands are valued as a National Heritage site worthy of World Heritage Listing

#### Strategy 3.20

Ensure the values of the National Heritage Listing are protected and promoted.

#### Strategy 3.21

Progress World Heritage Listing of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout.

#### Strategy 3.22

Demonstrate best practice in managing heritage assets.

#### Strategy 3.23

Retain existing spatial layouts and pathway alignments which are part of the National Heritage Values of the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### Strategy 3.24

Maintain and enhance views and vistas to the skyline and Adelaide Hills through carefully planned tree planting and spatial arrangements to reinforce the open and expansive character of the Adelaide Park Lands.

# The Adelaide Park Lands are a place of shared appreciation and knowledge

#### Strategy 3.25

Share knowledge, provide education and promote Adelaide Park Lands values to ensure the Adelaide Park Lands are appreciated and recognised as a unique asset for South Australia.

## **Biodiversity**

The natural heritage and biodiversity within the Adelaide Park Lands is one of its most valuable components. Adelaide is fortunate to have pockets of vegetation that have lineage back to pre-European times when Kaurna Miyurna were primary custodians of Kaurna Yarta.

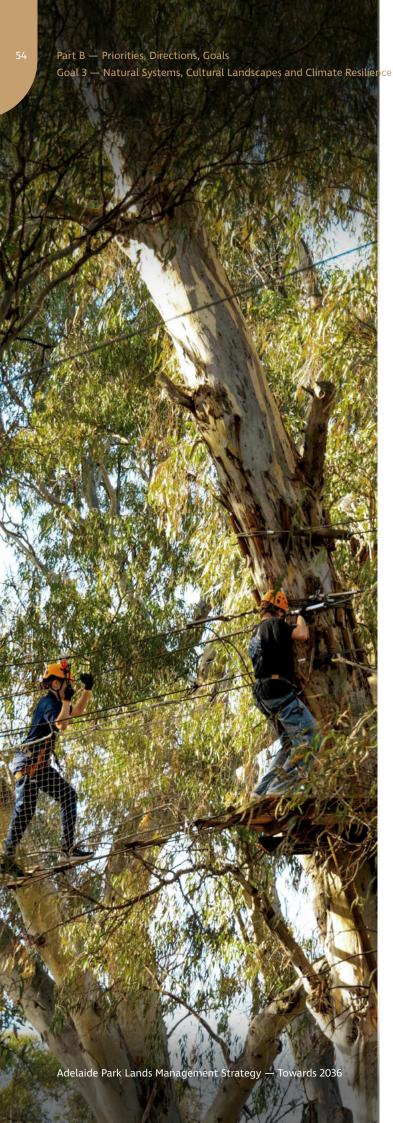
These vegetation pockets, along with soil indicators, provide important clues to how we can manage the land and encourage and support more native species and biodiversity to return to the city.

Planting of diverse native species will be according to the five pre-European planting associations occurring in the Adelaide Park Lands to enhance and expand Key Biodiversity Areas.

The Adelaide Botanic Garden contributes to South Australia's biodiversity and conservation efforts. The State Herbarium, located within the grounds of the Adelaide Botanic Garden, undertakes research and gathers information for the various collections within the Herbarium. This includes research under the themes of: biodiversity discovery, species populations, climate change, and history and collections. Also located within the Adelaide Botanic Garden is the South Australian Seed Conservation Centre that helps to protect the state's threatened plant species from extinction and supports the restoration of habitats across the state.

# **Key Biodiversity Areas**

A Key Biodiversity Area is a management boundary that prioritises high value native biodiversity. At least one Key Biodiversity Area is in each of the five recognised pre-European vegetation communities across the Adelaide Park Lands.



Key Biodiversity Areas contain medium and highquality biodiversity with remnant vegetation or native revegetation. This improves ecological connectivity and facilitates movement of animals and plant material (eg seed) across and between Key Biodiversity Areas. Creating space for plants and wildlife to move makes the Adelaide Park Lands more resilient to threats presented by climate change, disease and pests.

Plant species that have adapted to the local conditions of soil, temperature and rainfall are most likely to survive with little additional intervention. These landscapes and species have also been shaped by Kaurna cultural practices for millennia, including the skillful use of fire. Kaurna fire management or Culture Burning, benefits the biodiversity within Key Biodiversity Areas. These plants also attract and support native fauna species that assist with pollination, relying on them for food and shelter.

Key Biodiversity Areas are not irrigated, relying on rainfall and watercourses. They embrace the open woodland and grassland aesthetic of the original Adelaide Plains. They enhance and protect areas of significant biodiversity and remnant vegetation while providing a recreation opportunity to escape from the city and suburbs into a natural landscape experience for walking and discovery, picnicking and playing, roaming and relaxing.

## Woodlands / Grasslands

Woodlands and grasslands are characterised by a highly diverse ground-layer of vegetation. Woodlands have large shrubs and a 20-50% canopy coverage of medium to large trees while grasslands will have an almost complete lack of trees.

The Woodland/Grassland landscape offers a high diversity of habitats and resources, and therefore high native biodiversity. Engagement opportunities are presented through interpretation and events/activities to gain a deeper understanding of Adelaide's pre-European vegetation and ecosystems.

## **Tree Canopy and Greening**

The City of Adelaide defines tree canopy in the Adelaide Park Lands as green infrastructure (trees and shrubs) identified with a height of 1 metre and above.

The Adelaide Park Lands has varied levels of tree canopy cover. The aim is to provide an overall increase in canopy cover and understorey that is balanced with the open space and recreational requirements of the community. This will include succession planting in existing areas as well as new climate resilient canopy trees. Natural shade will be provided adjacent playing fields for spectator comfort and along trails and paths to improve shading, cooling and amenity.

#### Climate Resilience

Projected changes to seasonal conditions and frequency of extreme weather events will impact the Adelaide Park Lands. The quality of open spaces and capacity of natural systems will evolve as the climate changes.

The Adelaide Park Lands themselves mitigate the urban heat island as they surround the City of Adelaide with irrigated gardens, lawns and vegetation which provide a cooling effect. They also play a role in flood mitigation, with features such as the Torrens Lake and Pakapakanthi Wetland.

# Riparian

Riparian landscapes exist in the Adelaide Park Lands as remnants of original watercourses as well as the purposeful construction of new features such as wetlands, basins and swales to manage stormwater.

## Brown Hill Keswick Creek Catchment

The southern area of Adelaide is within the Brown Hill Keswick Creek water catchment, where Gleeson Creek and other waterways west of Mount Osmond enter the City of Adelaide via Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) and flow westward along Park Lands Creek across to Blue Gum Park/Kurangga (Park 20). Now part of the urban drainage network, these flow paths connect with the City of Unley and ultimately contribute stormwater runoff to Keswick Creek. In the western Park Lands, the city also contributes stormwater runoff to Keswick Creek, via GS Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Parks 23), Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24) and Gladys Elphick Park/Narnungga (Park 25).

## River Torrens/Karrawirri Pari Catchment

The River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari catchment extends from the upper reaches of the Torrens Valley from the north, east and also via smaller creeks on the south eastern side of the city, ultimately draining through the centre of Adelaide, filling the Torrens Lake and discharging downstream beyond Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) to the coast via the City of West Torrens. Several tributaries discharge into the river, notably Botanic Creek which captures rainfall from suburbs in the City of Burnside and First Creek, a major urban waterline connected to Waterfall Gully.

The catchment is managed across multiple local government boundaries and is collectively used as a stormwater conveyance system with a majority of Adelaide's urban stormwater discharging via the Torrens Lake. In periods of high rainfall, substantial volumes of silt and debris is transported into waterways and is deposited into the lower reaches, where it accumulates just beyond the Torrens weir, creating a dynamic and ever changing environment.

#### **Stormwater**

Throughout the Adelaide Park Lands, stormwater from urban roads and properties is discharged into drainage channels connected to riparian landscapes and directly enters primary water systems such as:

- River Torrens/Karrawirri Pari
- Park Lands Creek
- Botanic Creek

- Wirrarninthi Wetlands
- Pakapakanthi Wetlands
- First Creek Managed Aquifer Recovery and Storage System
- Main Lake/Kainka Wirra.

These drainage networks offer opportunity to reestablish riparian features and use water sensitive urban design approaches to minimise stormwater contaminants from polluting waterways and improve water quality.

#### **Water Features**

Constructed water features are located throughout the Adelaide Park Lands for amenity purposes and stormwater detention. Key water features include:

- Light Square/Wauwi water feature
- Rymill Lake and fountain
- Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) Boat Pond
- Veale Gardens creek
- Himeji Gardens
- Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga Three Rivers Fountain
- Hindmarsh Square/Mukata fountain.

#### **Water Use**

Water used to irrigate the Adelaide Park Lands includes a mix of recycled wastewater, groundwater, potable mains, and surface water from the River Torrens/ Karrawirra Pari.

The City of Adelaide is a major customer of the Glenelg to Adelaide Park Lands recycled water network using 85% of non-potable water for irrigation. Expanding the use of sustainable water resources to support Adelaide Park Lands amenity and recreation.

### Heritage

Heritage includes natural assets and built form together with cultural associations and practices. Enhancing heritage provides the opportunity to increase awareness and protection of the Adelaide Park Lands to ensure values are retained into the future.

The cultural significance of a place is defined as the aesthetic, historic, scientific, social, or spiritual value for past, present, or future generations. It is embodied in the place itself, in its fabric, its setting, its contents, in the associated documents, in its use, and in people's memories and association with the place

## **UNESCO World Heritage**

The City of Adelaide is leading a bid for World Heritage Status for Adelaide and its rural settlement landscapes, including the Adelaide Park Lands.

The nomination will be finalised jointly by the state government and Australian Government and submitted to the World Heritage Centre.

# **National Heritage**

The Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout was included on the National Heritage List on 7 November 2008.

The following National Heritage conservation principles apply to the Adelaide Park Lands:

- The National Heritage values are the basis for the future conservation and management of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout.
- Conserve the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout in accordance with the principles and practices of the Australia ICOMOS Charter of Places of Cultural Significance (the Burra Charter) and its future revisions.
- Retain, conserve, and restore the identified heritage attributes of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout, including their form, spatial arrangements and fabric.

- Retain the Adelaide Park Lands and City Squares as public land for the use and enjoyment of all South Australians.
- Ensure the Park Lands and City Squares retain their cultural heritage significance when considering the ongoing use, change, development and maintenance of the place.
- Fulfil the objectives and statutory principles of the *Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005*.
- Observe and comply with the legislative requirements arising from the *EPBC Act 1999*, *Heritage Places Act 1993* and *Planning*, *Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*.
- Promote the National Heritage Values of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout through education and interpretation programs to enhance appreciation of their significance to all Australians.
- Record changes to the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout which affect their National Heritage value.
- Regularly monitor the condition and integrity of the National Heritage Values.

The Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout National Heritage Management Plan will be used by the City of Adelaide, Government of South Australia and Federal Government agencies to guide decision making in the Adelaide Park Lands.

National Heritage Values are Park Lands wide considerations. Advice will be sought from the Australian Government for actions with the potential to impact on National Heritage Values.

# **State Heritage**

The South Australian Heritage Council has recommended the Adelaide Park Lands, Squares and City Layout be recommended to the Minister for Planning for State Heritage Area consideration. State and Local Heritage Places are found throughout the Adelaide Park Lands.

## Kaurna Cultural Heritage

The Adelaide Park Lands are located on Kaurna Yarta (Country). The land that forms the Adelaide Park Lands and the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari have significant cultural and spiritual value for Kaurna Miyurna. Information regarding Kaurna heritage is included in the Precinct Plans section of this Strategy.

### **Priorities**

# The following priorities will enhance and protect the Adelaide Park Lands:

#### **KYAC Country Plan**

The KYAC Country Plan will encompass the whole of the Kaurna Peoples Native Determination Area. Once developed it will help inform approaches to Caring for Country.

#### **Restore Riparian Corridors**

Realign and naturalise creek networks to improve water quality, biodiversity movement and fauna habitat. Incorporate opportunities for informal recreation and nature play, boardwalks and walking trails, and wayfinding and interpretive signage.

#### **Strategic Water Resources**

Improve the sustainable sourcing and use of water throughout the Adelaide Park Lands for sport, recreation, planting, amenity and cooling.

#### **Greening and Canopy Cover**

Increase tree canopy cover and understorey vegetation and reduce hard surfaces in the Adelaide Park Lands, prioritising areas that are the most vulnerable to heat and where tree canopy is at risk from climate change.

#### **UNESCO World Heritage Bid**

Recognised as one of the most complete examples of nineteenth-century colonial planning, achieving UNESCO World Heritage status for the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout would bring international recognition and attention to our region, be a source of local, state and national pride, and boost optimism and investment.

#### **State Heritage Listing**

Progress the South Australian Heritage Council's recommendation for State Heritage nomination of the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### **Biodiversity Monitoring Program**

Establish and implement a biodiversity monitoring program and investigate methods to accurately plan and report on biodiversity.

Indicator	Target	Baseline
Kaurna Knowledge and Capacity Building	Aboriginal people employed to work in the Adelaide Park Lands.	Aboriginal rangers engaged
Water Quality	Across the three receiving water bodies in the City of Adelaide: 80% reduction in suspended solids 90% reduction in gross pollutants 60% reduction in phosphorus 45% reduction in nitrogen.	1,122,282 kg/yr 307,939 kg/yr 2,391 kg/yr 13,068 kg/yr
River Health	Reduce Torrens Lake carp density to 50 kg/ha by 2026 and maintain the density below this threshold to 2030.	65 kg/ha

Figure 8 Natural Systems, Cultural Landscapes and Climate Resilience – Targets

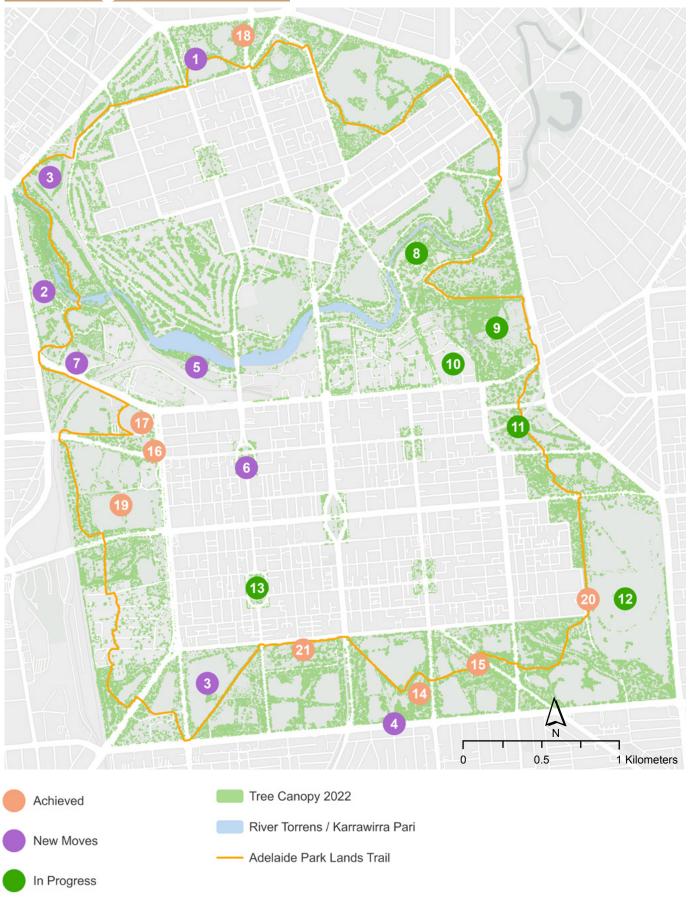


The following Strategic Priorities have been identified through the development of this Strategy. The priorities have been identified through community and stakeholder consultation and through the Government of South Australia and City of Adelaide priorities.

Also highlighted are Strategic Priorities which are currently In Progress or have been Achieved that were identified through the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (2015–2025) or through state government priorities. Projects without numbers are not location specific, they are Adelaide Park Lands wide priorities.



# Strategic Priorities



# **New moves**







Bonython Park/ Tulya Wardli (Park 27) Master Plan



**3** Community Buildings



4 Greenhill Road Corridor



Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)



**KYAC Country Plan** 



6 Light Square/ Wauwi Master Plan



New Women's and Children's Hospital Integration



**Strategic Water Resources** 



**Biodiversity monitoring program** 



**State Heritage Listing** 



Adelaide Park Lands Trail Improvements

# In progress



8 Adelaide Zoo Master Plan Implementation



Adelaide Botanic Garden
Master Plan
Implementation



**Amazing Art** 



**Great Connections** 



**Greening and Canopy Cover** 



**Lights Lights Lights** 



Lot Fourteen Implementation



**Master Plans for the Squares** 



Reimagining Rymill Park/ Murlawirrapurka (Park 14)



**Restore Riparian Corridors** 



**Shade Avenues** 



The Urban Address



**UNESCO World Heritage Bid** 



Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Implementation



**Wayfinding and Interpretation** 



Whitmore Square/Iparrityi
Stage 2

# **Achieved**



An expanded BMX track including multiple skill level training tracks creates a significant destination in Blue Gum Park/Kurangga (Park 20). Associated attractions include nature and adventure play complemented by the adjacent Tree Climb course and kiosk.

14 BMX and Youth Activity Hub



Nestled under the protective boughs of an expansive Moreton Bay fig, the much loved Pelzer Park/Pityarilla (Park 19) playspace has undergone a major refurbishment. Interactive water play elements allow children to weave a flow of water through rock and sand paths. Traditional play equipment sits alongside cubby house structures inspired by Aboriginal Wurlies.

The creek bed weaves through the centre of the hub and is home to thousands of new plants.

15 Central Park in the South



Located next to West Terrace and nestled in the Adelaide Park Lands, City Skate is a facility built for skating, BMX and other wheeled sports from beginner to advanced skill levels.

City Skate is the largest skate park in South Australia and attracts local, national and international events.

16 City Skate Plaza



Gladys Elphick Park/Narnungga (Park 25) provides a wide range of user experiences serviced by high quality infrastructure including the sports hub and new skate facility.

The park has been transformed with high quality irrigated lawn areas together with natural settings providing a range of passive and recreational pursuits. The urban address has been enhanced attracting people and providing a transition between the Adelaide Park Lands and the north-west sector of the city.

17 Newmarket Urban Park



**Northern Activity Hub** 

The Northern Activity Hub includes upgraded tennis courts, new fencing, basketball rings and tennis nets.

A community hub provides a small plaza, seating, BBQs, and outdoor exercise facility.

Newly planted trees, entry statement plantings and landscape treatments create a shaded setting with improved shared paths and pedestrian lighting increasing accessibility for the community.



People's Park of the West

Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24) continues to be used for a wide range of sporting and cultural uses. With a large amount of open space the plateau continues to provide an ideal location for large events and concerts.

Improvements to user experience included consolidation of buildings, upgrades to vehicular and pedestrian access and safety to the Adelaide High School and new community sports building.



Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) **Master Plan** 

The Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Master Plan sets a vision for Victoria Park to:

- Be greener, cooler and more climate resilient
- Celebrate cultural and social values
- Provide space for community use and connection to
- Be biodiverse and improve Adelaide's open grassy woodland landscape character
- Provide quality community sports and recreation
- Attract and support diverse events and activities.



Accessibility has been improved with replacement footbridges, and improvements to the creek were made to prevent water overflow and soil erosion, ensuring users can continue to enjoy the gardens.

Vibrant Veale

ceremonies as well as informal recreation.

Veale Gardens, located within Veale Park/Walyu Yarta (Park 21), continues to be a popular place for wedding



# Part C

Implementation Partnerships Investment

# **Adelaide Park Lands Precinct Plans**

Individual parks within the Adelaide Park Lands have been grouped into Precincts which are unique to the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy and allow for planning considerations to be provided at the Precinct level.

# The boundaries of the 11 Precincts, Squares and Gardens were determined using the following factors:

- Existing and proposed landscape character
- Communities of interest in the city and inner suburbs
- Adjacent council boundaries
- Major infrastructure and transport corridors
- Management arrangements including third party responsibilities.

All Precincts are informed with reference to existing state and local government strategies and plans.

Each Precinct Plan provides a high level overview of site context, Heritage Places and natural systems and identifies future drivers for change.

Master planning will generally be the next stage of planning for the Precincts. The Precinct Considerations identified in the Precinct Plans will assist in site analysis and identifying future opportunities. Once a master plan is approved by the relevant landowner for a Park or Precinct, this information will take precedence.

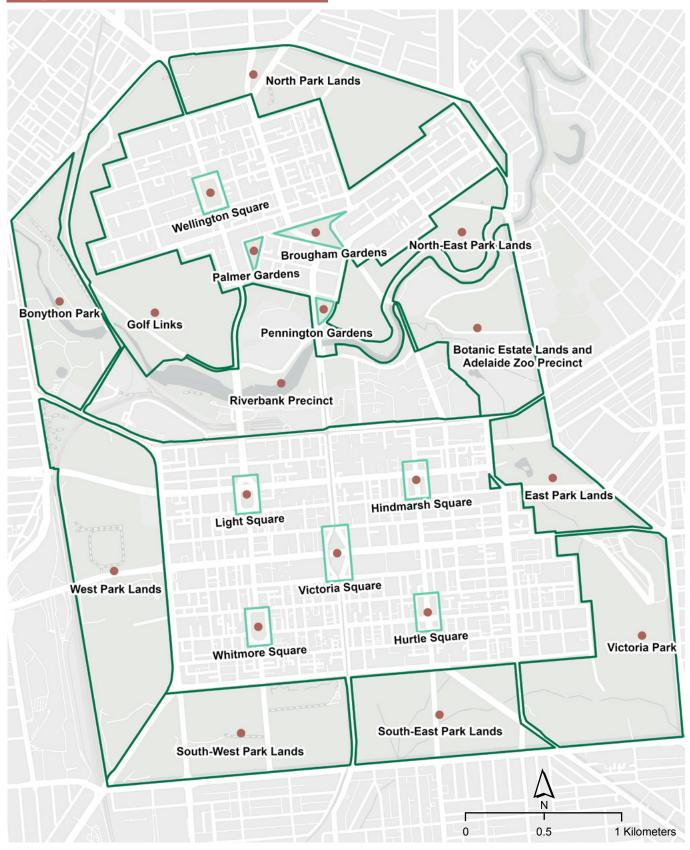
# Descriptions of Kaurna and Historic Heritage draws on the work of:

- National Heritage Management Plan for the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout
- Community Land Management Plan for the Adelaide Park Lands
- Adelaide Park Lands and Squares Aboriginal Heritage (Australian Cultural Heritage Management, 2005)
- Adelaide Park Lands and Squares Cultural Landscape Assessment Study (David Jones 2007) which highlights the works of landscape designers and gardeners John Ednie Brown, August Pelzer and William Pengilly.

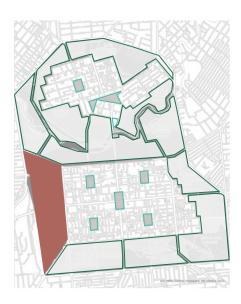
#### The Precincts are:

- West Park Lands Precinct
- South-West Park Lands Precinct
- South-East Park Lands Precinct
- Victoria Park Precinct
- East Park Lands Precinct
- North Park Lands Precinct
- Golf Links Precinct
- Bonython Park Lands Precinct
- River Bank Precinct
- Botanic Estate Lands and Adelaide Zoo Precinct
- North-Fast Park Lands Precinct
- Squares and Gardens

# Adelaide Park Lands Precincts, Squares and Gardens



# **West Park Lands Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

#### Parks included in Precinct

- G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23)
- Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24)
- Gladys Elphick Park/Narnungga (Park 25)

#### **Size of Precinct**

121 hectares or 13% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

#### **Tree Count and Canopy**

22.5% canopy cover provided by 6,846 trees

#### **Key Precinct Uses**

- West Terrace Playground
- City Skate
- Narnungga Urban Forest
- Karen Rolton Oval
- Wirrarninthi Wetland and Education Trail
- West Terrace Cemetery
- Adelaide High School

#### **Context**

The West Park Lands Precinct is bordered by rail lines to the west, West Terrace to the east and several arterial roads dissecting the Precinct. Despite containing a diverse range of places and landscapes, including two State Heritage Places (Adelaide High School and West Terrace Cemetery), four city gateways, a large dedicated events space, over 18 hectares of playing fields, three important biodiversity sites and around 48 hectares of open woodland, the West Park Lands Precinct has one of the lowest levels of visitation of all the Adelaide Park Lands Precincts.

#### Kaurna

There are general references to regular use of this area as a camping venue by Aboriginal peoples pre-contact and post-contact and there is also a record of a stone flake artefact found on these grounds. In 1844 Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24) was the site of a planned fight between Kaurna people and Ngarrindjeri people which was prevented by police.

Aboriginal people are buried in West Terrace Cemetery and the playground in G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23) was frequented by Aboriginal children living in the West End of Adelaide during the 1930s to 1950s.

#### **Historic Heritage**

G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23) retains its general shape and form as planned by Colonel William Light, and has substantial early tree planting including perimeter plantations. The park is dominated by the highly significant West Terrace Cemetery, a State Heritage Place which contains remnant exotic and indigenous vegetation as well as built features.

Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24) and Gladys Elphick Park/Narnungga (Park 25) retain their original shape and form as devised by Colonel William Light. They reflect the philosophies, spatial and planting design intent, including species plantings and pathway alignments, of early landscape designers, Brown and Pelzer.

Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24) and Gladys Elphick Park/Narnungga (Park 25) were originally used for soil and stone extraction, agistment, temporary encampment and council works before being used for recreational purposes and more organised sporting grounds in the 1920s and beyond. A tree planting program intermittently occurred.

#### Landscape

A number of specimen trees are scattered throughout the Precinct. The designed Kingston Gardens with its bandstand and remnant exotic tree plantings, is a significant cultural heritage feature in G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23). The West Terrace Playground was designed by Pelzer in 1915.

Current access into the parks and movement through, particularly north-south, is limited.

Karen Rolton Oval and the City Skate Park provide key activity hubs. Amenity and activity are spread throughout the Precinct with a diversity of offerings.

### **Drivers for Change**

Situated between a growing city and rapidly growing resident and worker populations in West Torrens, the opportunity to create attractive places and spaces that draw people to and activate the West Park Lands

has never been greater. The development of the new Royal Adelaide Hospital and biomedical precinct, revitalisation of the western end of Hindley Street and the University of South Australia's City West campus will see a substantial increase in the number of people accessing the north-west corner of the city. The resident population in the combined west, north-west and south-west areas of the Central Business District is forecast to grow more than any other area in the city to 2036.

Creating new attractions and facilities to meet the needs of this increased population and improving connections to, between and within each park presents both challenges and opportunities to transform the appearance and increase activation of the West Park Lands Precinct.

There is opportunity to investigate a shared-use bridge over the train lines to connect the South Australian Sports Institute with Adelaide Park Lands Trail. This opportunity links key state government investment to the Adelaide Park Lands whilst also providing the missing link to the western suburbs for commuter cyclists and pedestrians.





### **Precinct Considerations**

The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

#### **Existing Features**

- Wirrarninthi wetlands
- Desert Ash plantings
- Grove of Moreton Bay Figs
- 4 Row of Desert Ash
- 5 Canary Island Palms
- 6 Row of Desert Ash
- 7 Hill's Fig
- 8 Row of Morton Bay Figs
- 9 Row of Pepper Trees
- 10 Former tram lines
- Manage car parking availability in
  Wylde Street to ensure use for park users

#### **Consider Local Heritage Listing of**

- 12 Kingston Gardens and bandstand
- Emigration Square/Bureau of Meteorology Memorial interpretive site
- 14 Adelaide High School

#### **Future Considerations**



Enhance landscaping of Sir Donald Bradman Drive and Glover Avenue with planting of large eucalyptus



Create a hub to support environmental education and manage as a Key Biodiversity Area into the future



Improve water quality and mitigate downstream urban stormwater impacts



Enhance the Wirrarninthi Interpretive Trail



Investigate opportunity to connect Adelaide Park Lands Trail to South Australian Sports Institute via shared-use bridge



Create an urban address as a response to a growing population in the city's west



Improve connectivity across Sir Donald Bradman
Drive via land bridges/wildlife bridges



Link the Adelaide Park Lands to the Squares



Investigate opportunities to construct a footbridge over Glover Terrace



Upgrade existing hub to better service the South West corner of the city



Upgrade existing hub and manage City Skate Park as a regional/state level facility



Consider future requirements for the Cemetery through master planning

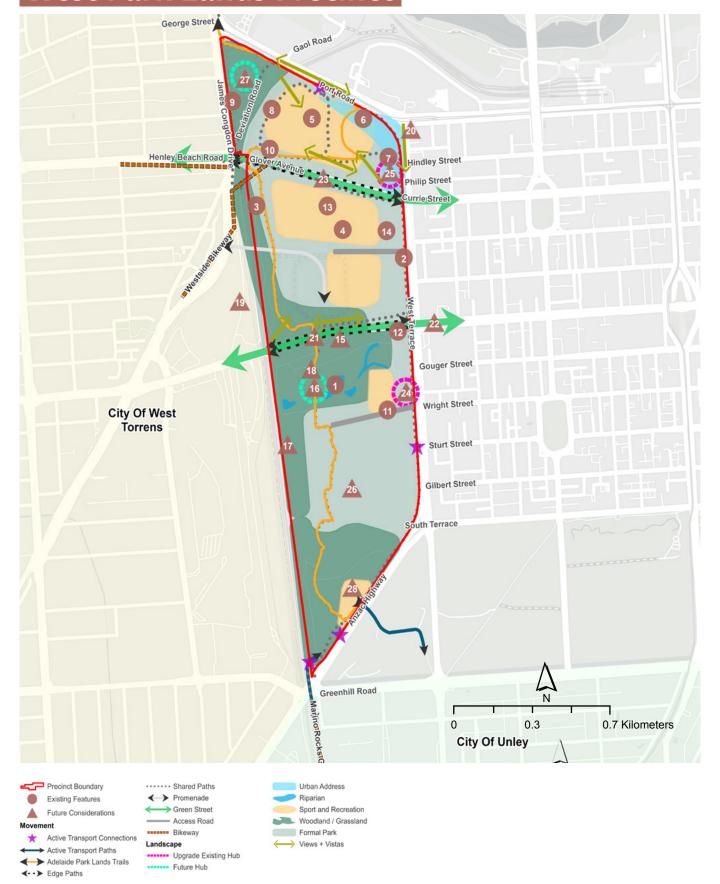


Create a hub and continue to enhance the Narnungga Urban Forest. Explore additional uses of this space, especially regarding its potential biodiversity values



Investigate removal of hardstand areas in Edwards Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23 South) and return to a Park Lands Purpose.

## West Park Lands Precinct



## **South-West Park Lands Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### Parks included in Precinct

- Josie Agius Park/Wikaparntu Wirra (Park 22)
- Golden Wattle Park/Mirnu Wirra (Park 21 West)
- Veale Park/Walyu Yarta (Park 21)

#### **Size of Precinct**

88 hectares or 9.4% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

### **Tree Count and Canopy**

32% canopy cover provided by 7,222 trees

### **Key Precinct Uses**

- Veale Gardens
- Princess Elizabeth Playspace
- Regional Netball Facility
- · Key Biodiversity Area
- Lundie Gardens
- · Adelaide Pavillion
- Walyu Yarta Community Garden

## **Context**

The South-West Park Lands Precinct is bordered by South Terrace, Anzac Highway, Greenhill Road and Peacock Road. The land use is relatively balanced between high to medium quality remnant native grassland and woodland and a mixture of dedicated sports (netball, soccer, tennis and multi-use fields). The northern section has high-quality play spaces and formal gardens while the facilities and some landscape values in southern section are in need of revitalisation.

#### Kaurna

The Precinct was regularly used as a camping venue, a source of food and site for burials. Traditional camping stopped in this area in the 1860s when Aboriginal peoples were forced from the south Park Lands.

Some Kaurna people associate areas in Golden Wattle Park/Mirnu Wirra (Park 21 West) with spiritual danger and believe this park has historical links to suspected colonial violence in the dispossession of their ancestors.

## **Historic Heritage**

Golden Wattle Park/Mirnu Wirra (Park 21 West) and Veale Park/Walyu Yarta (Park 21) were once considered a single park, however upon the introduction of Sir Lewis Cohen Avenue (1902–1903) the two parks were separated. The area is bound by Peacock Road, Greenhill Road, South Terrace and Sir Lewis Cohen Avenue.

The remainder of the Precinct retains its original shape and form as devised by Colonel William Light.

Substantial tree planting that accords with the design and species intent of Brown and Pelzer, such as species plantings and pathway alignments are intact today.

## Landscape

Featuring large areas of open woodland, smaller dispersed areas of remnant native vegetation and playing fields, the South-West Park Lands Precinct accommodates a mix of dedicated sport facilities for netball, soccer and tennis with less emphasis on multi-use playing fields.

Veale Gardens boasts highly refined landscaping features, including creeks, fountains and exotic vegetation. There are several contemporary structures within the gardens, including the Walyu Yarta Community Garden, and the Adelaide Pavilion.

North-south and east-west routes are limited and do not connect well to the city or the suburbs.

Activation, other than that provided by sporting uses, Veale Gardens, and Princess Elizabeth Playspaces, is limited.

The management of Key Biodiversity Areas will be primarily focused on their conservation and sustainable expansion rather than activation.

The Precinct will continue to support environmental education and provide a space for the engagement of community volunteers and education groups.

## **Drivers for Change**

Nestled between a strong and growing south-west city community to the north and an increasingly intensive corridor of mixed-use development along Greenhill Road in the south, the South-West Precinct is well positioned to attract city and suburban residents and workers from Keswick, Wayville and Unley into the Adelaide Park Lands for a variety of recreational and sports activities. The community's positive response to the redevelopment of the Princess Elizabeth Playspace attests to the potential benefits to be realised from improving the appearance and functionality of areas fronting South Terrace.

Ensuring that the urban address provides an attractive frontage to the Adelaide Park Lands' northern and southern edges will be critical in enticing more people into the Precinct, especially in the south as these sections of the Adelaide Park Lands are currently under-utilised with low visitation rates.





The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors, remnant plant species and associated biodiversity from the Mallee Box Woodland and Grey Box/SA Blue Gum Woodland that was managed by Kaurna Miyurna.

- 1 Pine trees south of the Princess Elizabeth Playground
- 2 The Sugar Gum avenue
- 3 Remnant wattle and white cypress pines grove plantings
- 4 Lundie Garden
- 5 Perimeter woodland planting
- 6 Veale Gardens
- 7 Moreton Bay Fig Avenue
- 8 Nurses Memorial Garden
- 9 Manage car parking for the Royal Adelaide Show according to the Deed of Agreement with the Royal Agricultural and Horticultural Society of SA
- Manage Key Biodiversity Areas towards their corresponding pre-European vegetation communities (composition and structure)
- 11 Continue to manage as an informal recreation area

## **Consider Local Heritage Listing of**

Princess Elizabeth Playspace, including sign, original trees and shelter shed

## **Future Considerations**



Investigate the removal of access road and return to a Park Lands Purpose



Create an urban address to incorporate off-road cycling movement, and improved public transport accessibility



Align shared-use path with lighting that is appropriate/sensitive to biodiversity



Link the Adelaide Park Lands to the city and suburbs by developing strong 'green street' connections



Realign the Adelaide Park Lands Trail and investigate signalised crossing over Goodwood Road



Improve pedestrian crossing points at Greenhill Road / Anzac Highway intersection



Create a hub and continue to support the Community Garden



Investigate consolidation of hardstand and buildings within the Precinct in consultation with stakeholders and adjoining councils



Provide a fenced, off-leash dog park that is able to utilise facilities and car parking associated with the adjacent netball hub

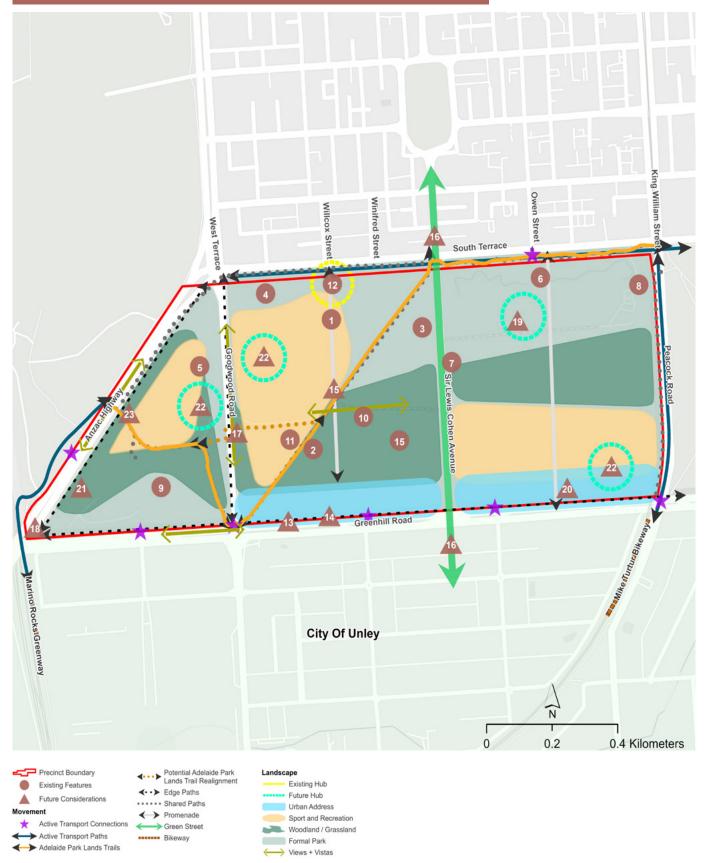


Investigate upgrade or redevelopment of community buildings



Provide a new playspace within the park

## South-West Park Lands Precinct



## **South-East Park Lands Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### Parks included in Precinct

- Part of Carriageway Park/Tuthangga (Park 17)
- Peppermint Park/Wita Wirra (Park 18)
- Pelzer Park/Pityarilla (Park 19)
- Blue Gum Park/Kurangga (Park 20)

#### **Size of Precinct**

57 hectares or 6.1% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

#### Tree Count and Canopy

39% canopy cover provided by 4.002 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- Sporting fields and courts
- Petanque piste
- Glover Playground
- Marshmallow Park and Oxbow playspace
- City Dirt BMX Park
- Fenced dog park
- TreeClimb Adelaide
- Himeji Gardens
- Osmond Gardens
- South Park Lands Creek
- Contributory historic features such as memorials, exotic species, avenues and corridor

## **Context**

The South-East Park Lands occupy the area between Peacock Road and Hutt Street. These parks primarily accommodate sporting fields which are used by schools and clubs for hockey, soccer, tennis, Australian Rules Football, basketball, cricket, athletics, softball and petanque. In order to support these activities, the usability of sports fields and playing courts across the Precinct needs to be improved with their associated buildings revitalised. Areas of open woodland surrounding the sports fields and courts are prominent landscape features with many large, beautiful trees fronting Park Land edges.

#### Kaurna

The Precinct was regularly used as a camping venue, a source of food and site for burials. Traditional camping stopped in this area in the 1860s when Aboriginal peoples were forced from the south Park Lands.

## **Historic Heritage**

The Precinct maintains the shape designed by Colonel William Light and substantial tree planting, incorporating perimeter pathways and sweeping paths, including a large mass planting in the southern corner.

The introduction of Osmond Gardens in 1907, provided a formal gardenesque landscape and considerably change the landscape.

The Himeji Garden, opened in 1985, represents Japanese garden design principles. The grounds are frequently used for formal events and weddings.

There is evidence of Brown and Pelzer's design intent throughout the Precinct.

## Landscape

The Precinct is characterised by a combination of open woodlands and sports fields. The landscape is characterised by large open grassed spaces semienclosed by predominantly native groves of trees, with open spaces generally used for sporting activities.

The area is renowned for its significant vegetation elements, particularly avenues such as Kurrajong Avenue, Sellar Avenue of White Cedars, Lombardy Poplar Avenue, and White Poplar Avenue.

Significant changes have been made to the creek system in an attempt to naturalise it and encourage public visitation. This includes bank lay-backs and native revegetation to increase biodiversity, facilitate wildlife movement, and improve water quality.

## **Drivers for Change**

Growing resident and worker populations in the south of the city and the north of Unley, Parkside and Eastwood provide the impetus for a reimagined Adelaide Park Lands environment that will enable more people to participate in a variety of recreational and sports activities.

The urban address plays an important role in drawing people into the Precinct while access to the various amenities supporting recreation and sport will be enhanced to activate the parks, facilitate higher levels of social interaction and provide for casual surveillance.

As a pre-eminent sport and recreation precinct in the Adelaide Park Lands, improvements to playing fields, courts and sports infrastructure will fuel the community's capacity to participate in a wide range of physical activities with positive health and wellbeing outcomes.





The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 Sugar Gum Avenue Ponder Avenue
- 2 English Elms and Desert Ash in playground
- 3 Stone Pines
- 4 Kurrajong Avenue
- 5 Sellar Avenue (White Cedar)
- 6 Manage Osmond Gardens and Himeji Gardens as significant public attractions
- 7 Continue stormwater management and flood mitigation
- 8 Manage car parking availability for Precinct visitors
- 9 Manage Marshmallow Park as a major regional activity hub for informal recreation

## **Consider Local Heritage Listing of**

- 10 Osmond Gardens
- 11 Himeji Gardens
- 12 Glover Playground

### **Future Considerations**



Explore opportunities to naturalise the drainage line along Glen Osmond Road whilst retaining important historic features



Pursue convenient and safe access across adjoining main roads (Greenhill Road)



Improve the long-term management of creek and drainage lines by removing weeds and continuing to pare back creek banks and reintroduce native vegetation



Create an urban address to incorporate off-road cycling movement, an improved public transport accessibility



Link the Adelaide Park Lands to the city and suburbs by developing strong 'green street' connections



Manage the BMX track as a regional youth activity hub and seek opportunities to upgrade including increased amenities



Integrate community courts further into the Precinct and promote community use of courts



Create a hub that delivers an urban gateway plaza to the city



Transform this area into a Formal Park with a number of prominent sculptures

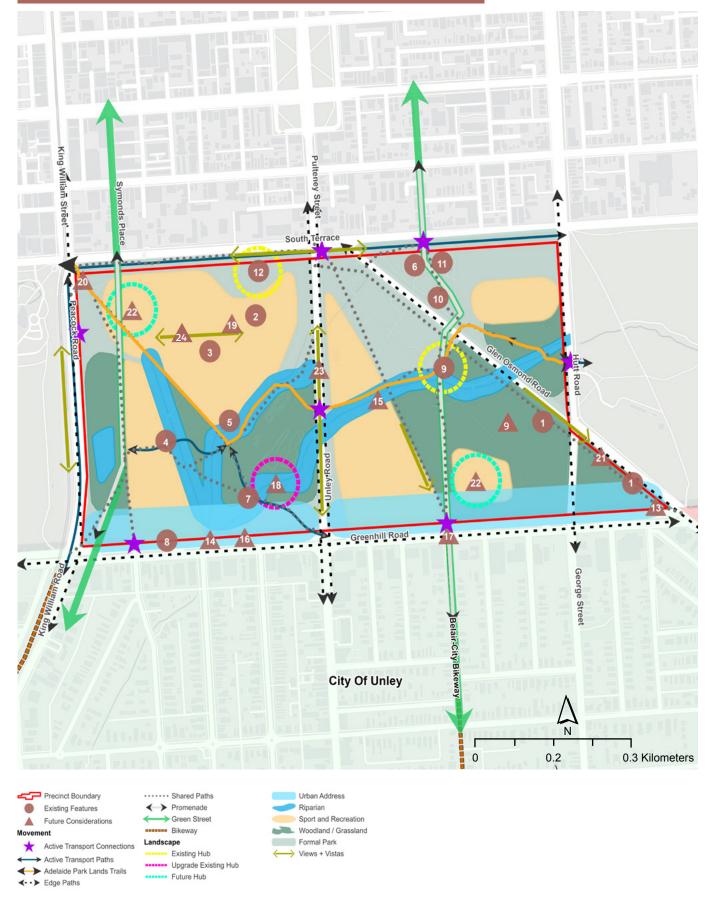


Investigate upgrade or redevelopment of community buildings



Investigate consolidation of hardstand and buildings within the Precinct in consultation with stakeholders and adjoining councils

## **South-East Park Lands Precinct**



## **Victoria Park Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### Parks included in Precinct

- Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16)
- Carriageway Park/Tuthangga (Park 17)

#### **Size of Precinct**

42 hectares or 4.5% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

## **Tree Count and Canopy**

26% canopy cover provided by 4,045 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- Major event space for motor racing and Adelaide Equestrian Festival
- Criterium cycling track
- Botanic and Park Lands Creek
- Pakapakanthi Wetlands
- Sporting fields
- Walking and running loops
- Victoria Park Precinct grandstand and surrounding buildings State Heritage Places
- Historic Elm Carriageway
- Historic Glenelg Service Water Reservoir
- Contributory historic features such as memorials, exotic species, avenues and corridor

## **Context**

The Victoria Park Precinct occupies the area between Hutt Street, Greenhill Road, Fullarton Road and Wakefield Road.

The Precinct provides for a diverse range of formal and informal activities, with Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) providing an important regional open space.

The Precinct plays an important role in affording uninterrupted views from the city to the Adelaide Hills – one of the key National Heritage Values.

Previously home to horse racing, the Precinct hosts motor sport events and the cycling criterium track, both unique assets of regional importance.

#### Kaurna

History held by members of the Kaurna community indicates that the area was used for camping and corroborees.

In 1980, members of the Pitjantjatjara, Yankunytjatjara, and other Aboriginal Elders from the north-west of the state converged here to protest for Aboriginal Land Rights. This stand ultimately led to the passage of the *SA Pitjantjatjara Land Rights Act, 1981* and the establishment of the freehold Aboriginal Lands in the north-west of the state.

On 14 May 2021, the Kaurna community and the City of Adelaide collaboratively delivered the first Kaurna Kardla Parranthi Cultural Burn Project in Carriageway Park/Tuthangga (Park 17).

### **Historic Heritage**

The Precinct retains its original shape and design from Colonel William Light's Plan.

The area south of Botanic Creek holds state and national significance, hosting the inaugural Arbor Day Plantings in 1889 and reviving them in the late 1980s. The 1880s Grandstand, Victoria Park Racecourse is registered as a State Heritage Place.

#### Landscape

The Precinct comprises of open woodlands and sports with a riparian corridor. There are two watercourses

through the Precinct including the Park Lands Creek and Botanic Creek.

It is characterised by large open grassed spaces, generally used for sporting activities, that are semienclosed by predominantly native groves of trees.

Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) contains a Key Biodiversity Area with remnant and rare vegetation including important grasslands. Expansion of the Key Biodiversity Area aims to restore the site to a Grey Box Grassy Woodland.

There will be an ongoing commitment to the management of the conservation values for the remnant vegetation site and the protection of the Chequered Copper Butterfly (Lucia limbaria) habitat in the park.

Carriageway Park/Tuthangga (Park 17) contains significant areas of remnant native vegetation currently managed by community volunteers, an avenue of mature Elm trees and the upper reaches of the Park Lands Creek network. The Precinct also accommodates playing fields, courts and spaces for active and passive activities.

The 3.2 hectare Pakapakanthi Wetlands is a key feature of the Precinct and provides water quality improvements, fauna habitat, flood risk mitigation and a high-quality natural asset for outdoor recreation and fauna habitat.

A network of pathways provide access to and through

the Precinct including primary commuter routes from the eastern suburbs.

Activity occurs throughout the Precinct with high demand during events and festivals.

Amenity and activities will be introduced more broadly across the Precinct in accordance with the 2024 Master Plan for Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) which prioritises the following principles:

- Be greener, cooler and more climate resilient
- Celebrate cultural and social values
- Continue to provide space for unprogrammed community use and connection to nature
- Be biodiverse and improve Adelaide's open grassy woodland landscape character
- Provide consistent quality community sports and recreation
- Be a park that attracts and supports a diverse range of events and activities.

## **Drivers for Change**

Located opposite an increasingly diverse south-east community and expanding health and medical precinct in the city, and increasing inner-suburban resident and worker populations in Unley, Eastwood and Dulwich to the south and east, the Victoria Park Precinct will continue to attract users for a diverse range of sport and recreation pursuits. Improving connections and wayfinding to Hutt Street main street could also encourage visitors to the Precinct.





The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors with significant native revegetation.

- 1 Major stands of River Red Gums
- 2 Sugar Gum Avenue Ponder Avenue
- 3 Olive Grove with heritage value
- 4 Arbor Day Tree Planting
- Manage Key Biodiversity Area 1 as a Grey-box
  Woodland and continue to support community
  initiatives
- 6 Former offices of the Adelaide Racing Club
- 7 Kiosk and café
- The white concrete planter bowl (horse racing history)
- 9 Former Glenelg Reservoir and fencing
- 10 Tuthangga Survey Benchmark
- 11 Butterfly conservation zone
- High quality Grey-box Woodland remnant vegetation

## **Consider Local Heritage Listing of**

- Turnstile Building and Grandstand Entrance Gates
- 14 Heritage Grandstand

## **Future Considerations**



Reveal existing stormwater drains and increase opportunities for interaction with the existing Botanic and Park Lands Creek to the south



Continue to monitor Pakapakanthi wetland and seek opportunities to capitalise on its novel ecosystems for species conservation



Reinforce the distinct landscape of Victoria Park/ Pakapakanthi (Park 16) through additional tree planting to pathways while maintaining open areas for grassland and biodiversity planting



Capitalise on Elm Avenue



Provide additional cultural history signage and interpretive material



Enhance Kaurna Kardla Parranthi – cultural burn site



Improve the path network to reduce conflicts between pedestrians, cyclists and joggers through new and improved pathways



Create new and enhance the existing nodes along key pedestrian access points and strengthen connectivity into the city from neighbouring suburbs



Create strong 'green street' connections linking with key walking and cycling networks



Install signalised crossing to enhance safety of Adelaide Park Lands Trail



Create a strong physical and visual connection between the Grandstand and the adjacent Adelaide Park Lands spaces by creating a new hub



Investigate opportunities for safer crossing point for Wakefield Road



Create a Formal Park to frame Glen Osmond Road and Hutt Street gateways



Incorporate elements of play along a restored creek line

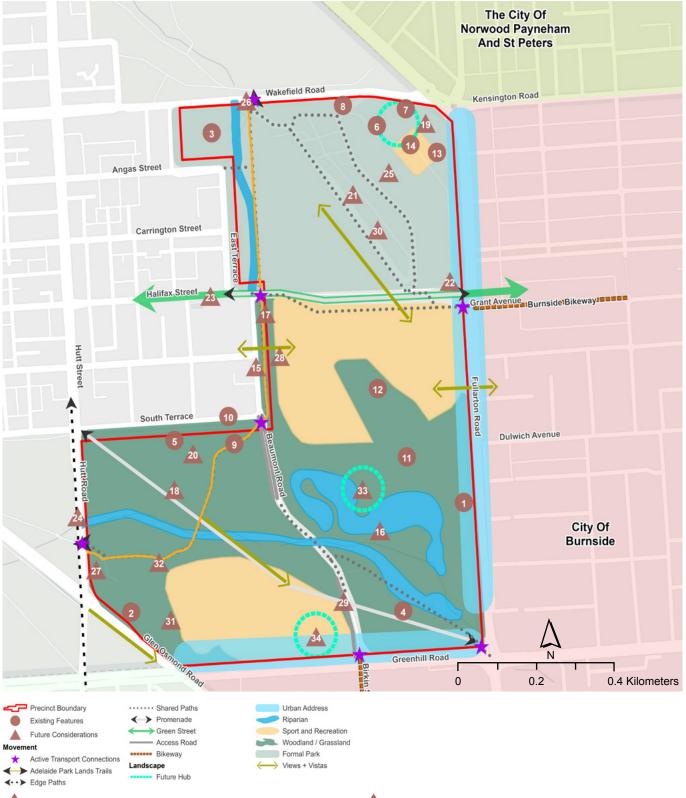


Implement smart technologies and environmental monitoring



Continue to work with SA Motor Sport Board to minimise disruption to community access including pre and post events and minimise environmental impact

## Victoria Park Precinct



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Relocate amenities block closer to the Pakapakanthi Wetland



Investigate consolidation of hardstand and buildings within the Precinct in consultation with stakeholders and adjoining council

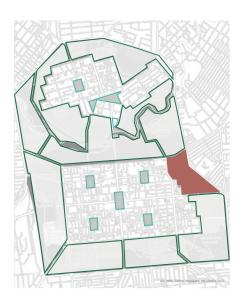


Create a hub to support environmental education at the Pakapakanthi wetland



Investigate upgrade or redevelopment of community buildings

## **East Park Lands Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### Parks included in Precinct

- Rundle Park/Kadlitpina (Park 13)
- Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka (Park 14)
- King Rodney Park/Ityamai-itpina (Park 15)

#### **Size of Precinct**

42 hectares or 4.5% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

### **Tree Count and Canopy**

37% canopy cover provided by 2,036 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- · Major event spaces
- Botanic Creek
- Rymill Lake
- Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace
- Petangue piste
- Peace and Friendship Garden
- Adelaide Bowling Club
- Sporting fields
- Glover East Playground
- O-Bahn busway tunnel entrance/exit
- Basketball courts and skate park
- Contributory historic features such as memorials, exotic species, avenues and corridors

## **Context**

One of the most visited Precincts of the Adelaide Park Lands, the East Park Lands hosts a diverse range of events including the Adelaide Fringe Festival, motor racing, the Australian International Three Day (Equestrian) Event and various food and community festivals.

These events attract large numbers of local, national and international visitors to its gardenesque and attractive semi-natural landscapes.

The Precinct provides a key gateway into the city from eastern Adelaide.

#### Kaurna

The Precinct was a major camping area (1840s–1900) for Kaurna People and would have been an area of swamp leading into the waterhole in the Botanic Garden providing a wealth of food and resources.

The 'Place of Reflection' in Rymill Park/ Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) is a dedicated space for members of the Stolen Generations, and their family, friends and wider community to meet and support each other. The space is designed to highlight the important links between the natural world and cultural lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

## **Historic Heritage**

Overall Rundle Park/Kadlitpina (Park 13), Rymill Park/ Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) and King Rodney Park/ Ityamai-itpina (Park 15) retain their original shape and form as devised by Colonel William Light. There is evidence of substantial tree planting that accords with the general spatial and species intent of Brown, Pelzer and Pengilly, including pathway alignments and species plantings that reinforce a semi-formal Victorian style.

A cross-axial pathway lined with white cedars dissects Rundle Park/Kadlitpina (Park 13) and has been evident since the 1870s.

Two cross-axial pathways, evident since the 1870s, and lined with Oriental Planes and White Cedars, dissect Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka (Park 14). Both pathways constitute important Precinct aesthetic and design elements.

In the 1950–1960s, Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) was transformed to accommodate a lake, picnic and recreation grounds, as well as a large formal rose garden planting layouts.

The Precinct contains Local Heritage Places of significance. The War Horse Memorial Trough and Obelisk are located near Wakefield Road. The Valve House, which was moved and rebuilt in the eastern end of RundlePark/Kadlitpina (Park 13), is the last remaining structure from the Kent Town Waterworks, demolished in the 1980s.

The Alice in Wonderland Statue and the Picanniny Statue in Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) are considered to be of cultural and historic importance and are potential Local Heritage Places.

The Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) 1961 design features including the lake, footbridges, sign, rose gardens and sundial, are also considered to be of cultural and historic importance.

## Landscape

Rundle Park/Kadlitpina (Park 13) and Rymill Park/ Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) are structured and highly utilised parks.

King Rodney Park/Ityamai-itpina (Park 15) is characterised by large open grassed spaces semienclosed by predominantly native groves of trees. Open spaces are generally used for sporting activities. Significant areas of native vegetation and revegetation exist in this Park including native grasses.

The southern section of Rundle Park/Kadlitpina (Park 13) functions as an open public garden, containing the well-maintained Rymill Park Rose Garden and picnic facilities.

Enhancement of Adelaide Park Lands Trail and key promenades will further reinforce primary north-south and east-west connections. This will occur within a defined path hierarchy.

Activated temporarily by key Adelaide events, the Precinct has temporary hubs as well as defined sporting hubs.

The Rymill Lake renewal project, reopening of the Rymill Park Kiosk and Botanic Creek rehabilitation will further activate an already well-loved Precinct.

## **Drivers for Change**

Population growth in the city's east and in Kent Town and Norwood provide a strong impetus for reimagining the future of the East Park Lands and building on its proximity to a number of key state government investment sites.

The O-Bahn busway extension running underneath and through Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) will continue to have a significant impact on how the Precinct will develop in the future, while Lot Fourteen will shape many of the activities occurring in Rundle Park/Kadlitpina (Park 13).





The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors with significant native revegetation.

- 1 Aleppo Pine stand
- 2 White Cedar avenues
- 3 Camphor Laurel circle
- 4 Northern Rose Garden
- Southern Rose Garden
- 6 London Plane Tree avenue
- 7 Olive grove
- 8 SA Blue Gum avenue
- 9 Pepper Tree avenue
- Manage car parking availability to ensure use by patrons visiting the Precinct including the public car park adjacent the Adelaide Bowling Club
- Retain community access to Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace for daylight hours during event times
- Manage the Glover East Playgrounds recognising its heritage value and provide upgrades to this hub to for additional community benefit

## **Consider Local Heritage Listing of**

- 13 Valve house
- 14 Alice in Wonderland statue
- The 1961 landscape design of Rymill Park Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) including the lake, footbridges, sign, rose gardens and sundial
- Glover Playground including shelter shed, sign and original trees
- Manage the war memorial horse trough and obelisk

## **Future Considerations**



Complete the Rymill Lake renewal project



Reveal existing stormwater drains and increase opportunities for interaction with the existing Botanic Creek and Park Lands Creek to the South



Create a promenade which strengthens the east-west links



Create strong 'green street' connections



Link the Adelaide Park Lands to the city



Provide active transport connection linking to King William Street



Support the re-opening of the Rymill Park Kiosk



Investigate opportunity to reimagine the skate park in King Rodney Park/Ityamai-itpina (Park 15)

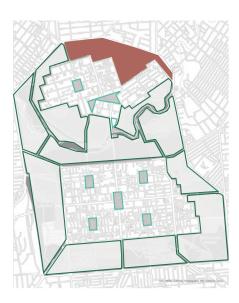


Open up the bowling club to engage with its Adelaide Park Lands surroundings

## East Park Lands Precinct



## **North Park Lands Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### Parks included in Precinct

- Denise Norton Park/Pardipardinyilla (Park 2)
- Yam Daisy Park/Kantarilla (Park 3)
- Reservoir Park/Kangatilla (Park 4)
- Bragg Park/Ngampa Yarta (Park 5)
- Lefevre Park/Nantu Wama (Park 6)
- The Olive Groves/Kuntingga (Park 7)
- The Olive Groves/Parngutilla (Park 8)

## **Size of Precinct**

84 hectares or 9% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

## **Tree Count and Canopy**

33% canopy cover provided by 5,303 trees

### **Key Precinct Uses**

- Bush Magic Playground
- Glover Playground
- Adelaide Aquatic Centre
- North Adelaide Dog Park
- Sport and recreation playing fields
- Horse depasturing
- · Key Biodiversity Areas
- Biodiverse Carbon Offset Planting
- Contributory historic features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors

## **Context**

The North Park Lands encompass the area between Jeffcott Street in the west to the intersection of MacKinnon Parade with Hackney Road in the east. The precinct accommodates a diverse range of facilities and activities for public use. These include the increasingly popular North Adelaide Dog Park, the large horse paddocks and the State Heritage Place Olive Groves off Mann Terrace and the redevelopment of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre.

High quality recreation spaces exist within the Precinct to serve North Adelaide and the open space needs of adjoining communities.

#### Kaurna

There is general reference that points to the regular use of the Adelaide Park Lands as a camping area and there probably would have been camp sites in the Precinct. It has been noted that it is likely that Aboriginal trade routes passed through Denise Norton Park/Pardipardinyilla (Park 2), Yam Daisy Park/Kantarilla (Park 3), Reservoir Park/Kangatilla (Park 4) and Bragg Park/Ngampa Yarta (Park 5) and that they would have been traditional hunting country. Some sites in the Precinct may contain Aboriginal burials.

## **Historic Heritage**

The Precinct does not contain any State or Local Heritage Places, however Kangatilla contains the SA Water Reservoir site which was nominated as a State Heritage Place by the City of Adelaide.

Overall the Precinct retains the original shape and form as devised by Colonel William Light. The only variation is the realignment of Lefevre Road to intersect with Main North Road, but its original alignment is still evident by the retention of some of the original street tree plantings.

There is evidence of underlying planting structures by Brown and Pelzer throughout the Precinct which contains a variety of vegetation and natural elements of heritage value.

## Landscape

The Precinct is characterised by large open grassed spaces semi-enclosed by predominantly native groves of trees, with open spaces generally used for sporting activities.

Significant areas of native vegetation and revegetation exist. There are two Key Biodiversity Areas within the Precinct which will continue to be enhanced and protected.

Nineteenth-century perimeter planting contains some of the largest and most significant trees in the Precinct.

Densely planted pines, Red Gums and Sugar Gums stand in excellent condition along the north and east perimeter of the Precinct.

The Glover Playground is situated central to the western perimeter, established in 1920 with a donation from the then Lord Mayor Charles Glover.

Enhancements to the Adelaide Park Lands Trail and alignment with the new Adelaide Aquatic Centre provide the main pedestrian and cycling access to the Precinct.

There is some distance between the few points of activity that are predominantly focused around playspaces, the North Adelaide Dog Park and the Adelaide Aquatic Centre. Works along Prospect Road have improved access to the playing courts.

The redevelopment of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre, renewal of the Bush Magic Playground and the Adelaide Park Lands interface will provide for a hub within the Precinct.

There has been a long association with horse depasturing in Lefevre Park/Nantu Wama (Park 6) along with a bridle track. The bridal track originally opened in 1939.

Depasturing is grazing of the natural resources of the land and is managed by the City of Adelaide through a depasturing licences.

Lefevre Park/Nantu Wama (Park 6) will continue to include areas for horses to depasture and a bridle

track. This area also contains significant areas of biodiversity which will continue to be managed as Key Biodiversity Area 4.

## **Drivers for Change**

The Adelaide Aquatic Centre in Denise Norton Park/ Pardipardinyilla (Park 2) is currently under redevelopment by the Government of South Australia. The new facility will ensure this park remains a key destination in the North Park Lands Precinct and will provide state of the art aquatic facilities at a regional scale.

Denise Norton Park/Pardipardinyilla (Park 2) also contains a range of recreational and sporting landscapes for formal and informal facilities for cricket, tennis and family picnics. The Bush Magic Playground, which is due for renewal, will form part of a wider urban design upgrade to Denise Norton Park/Pardipardinyilla (Park 2) as part of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre redevelopment.

Growing resident and worker populations in Fitzroy, Prospect, Medindie, Gilberton and North Adelaide provide a significant opportunity to increase activation of the Precinct by adding value to existing facilities and creating new attractions.

The redevelopment of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre is likely to draw people into the Precinct from across the metropolitan area. The potential development of a light rail connection through North Adelaide extending north along Prospect Road, together with planned improvements to greenways and bikeways connecting the city with the northern and western suburbs, will result in greater numbers of people moving through the Precinct.

The renewal of the Bush Magic Playground with contemporary design and the inclusion of outdoor learning opportunities will provide further activation of the Precinct. There is an opportunity to investigate the return of Lefevre Road between Main North Road and Lefevre Terrace, which is under the care, control and management of the City of Adelaide to Park Lands Purpose. This would reconnect Reservoir Park/Kangatilla (Park 4) and Bragg Park/Ngampa Yerta (Park 5).

The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 River Red Gums and SA Blue Gums
- Norfolk Island Pines
- Canary Island Date Palms
- 4 Aleppo Pines
- 5 Port Jackson Fig
- 6 Tree species along Jeffcott Road
- 7 Horse depasturing and paddock configuration
- 8 Pedestrian pathways
- 9 Remnant native vegetation
- 10 Kingston Terrace woodland
- 11 Sugar Gum plantation
- 12 Aleppo Pine plantation
- Maintain stormwater detention basin adjacent Robe Terrace
- The Olive Groves/Kuntingga (Park 7) and The Olive Groves/Parngutilla (Park 8)
- Habitat of rare Chequered Copper Butterfly (Lucia limbaria)
- 16 Biodiverse Carbon Offset Planting
  Demonstration Site

- 17 Key Biodiversity Area #3 and #4
- Protected Conservation Zone Remnant Mallee
  Box Woodland
- 19 Manage Key Biodiversity Areas as Mallee Box Woodland

## **Consider Local Heritage Listing of**

- 20 SA Water reservoir
- 21 Glover Playground signage and fence posts

## **Future Considerations**



Support planting of additional screening vegetation around SA Water and SAPN facilities



Undertake traffic modeling and consultation with community and Department for Infrastructure and Transport to investigate the closure of Lefevre Road and return to a Park Lands Purpose



Undertake enhancement and required realignment to the Adelaide Park Lands Trail to support movement across and in the Precinct



Upgrade the existing Glover Playground hub for informal recreation and include further nterpretation of heritage elements



Relocation and development of a new aquatic facility (incorporating upgraded landscaping and other works to surrounding areas) within Denise Norton Park/Pardipardinyilla (Park 2)



Return former Adelaide Aquatic Centre to a Park Lands Purpose

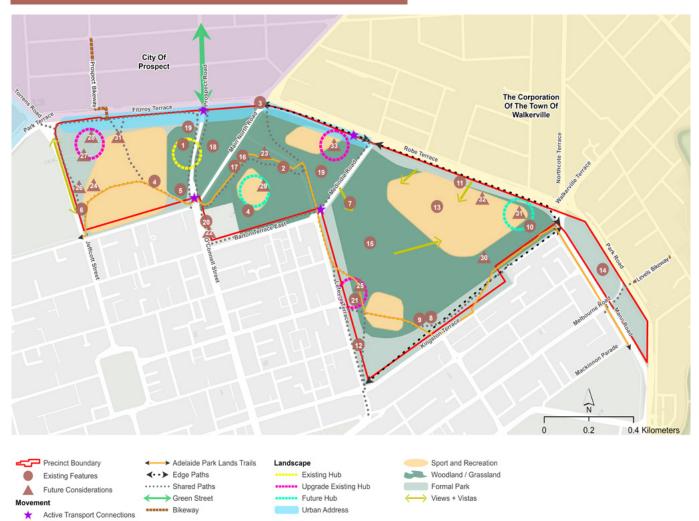


Renew playspace and integrate into a hub with links to the new Adelaide Aquatic Centre



Support enhancement of the former sports field in Reservoir Park/Kangatilla (Park 4) into a biodiversity-focus hub that prioritises community use

## **North Park Lands Precinct**





Investigate the removal of under-utilised tennis courts and return to a Park Lands Purpose



Investigate upgrade or redevelopment of community buildings

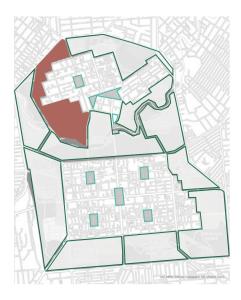


Investigate consolidation of hardstand and buildings within the Precinct in consultation with stakeholders and adjoining councils



Upgrade the North Adelaide Dog Park hub to improve accessibility

## **Golf Links Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### Parks included in Precinct

Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1)

## **Size of Precinct**

72.4 hectares or 7.8% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

#### Tree Count and Canopy

34.4% canopy cover provided by 3,289 trees

### **Key Precinct Uses**

- Two full-size, 18-hole golf courses (referred to as 'North Course' and 'South Course')
- Par 3 golf course
- North Adelaide Golf Clubhouse
- Mills Terrace community tennis courts
- Historic Strangways Terrace fence posts
- Contributory historic features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors
- Remnant vegetation
- Views and vistas

## **Context**

The Golf Links Precinct occupies the area bordered by War Memorial Drive, Park Terrace, Jeffcott Road, Barton Terrace, Mills Terrace, Strangways Terrace, Railway lines and Montefiore Road.

Accommodating mostly golfing activities associated with the City of Adelaide Golf Links, Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) is characterised by wide open spaces surrounded by magnificent boulevards of large trees.

#### Kaurna

As part of the Red Kangaroo Dreaming this area is significant to Kaurna people and plays a central role in our shared history.

A portion of Pirltawardli or 'Native Location' was located in this park and has importance to the Kaurna community. Subsurface archaeological deposits may exist.

History held by members of the Kaurna community indicates that this was a site for boxing tournaments up until the 1960s. North of the weir is where Aboriginal people used to gather and were not allowed to cross to the south side of the river in the early 1900s.

It was the place of the first Colonial Iron Store, Tinninyawodli and later became a place of hangings for Aboriginal and European people.

Prior to European settlement, the landscape of the area would have been characterised by River Red Gum and SA Blue Gum Woodland in the southern section of the Park and Mallee Box Woodland in the northern section of the Park.

#### **Historic Heritage**

North Adelaide Golf Course developed early in the twentieth century, expanded in the 1920s, and further extended northwards in the 1940s. A smaller Par 3 course to the south was added in the 1960s.

The planting implemented to service the golf course was introduced by August Pelzer, following from

Brown's species selection proposal, but adapted to suit the golf course design.

The area is highly significant to the early history of Adelaide's establishment, being located on one of the main transport routes from Port Adelaide.

## Landscape

The landscape is predominantly irrigated golf fairways and greens set amongst an open woodland.

Greater variety is proposed through the introduction of Formal Parks and an urban address to the edges of the Precinct.

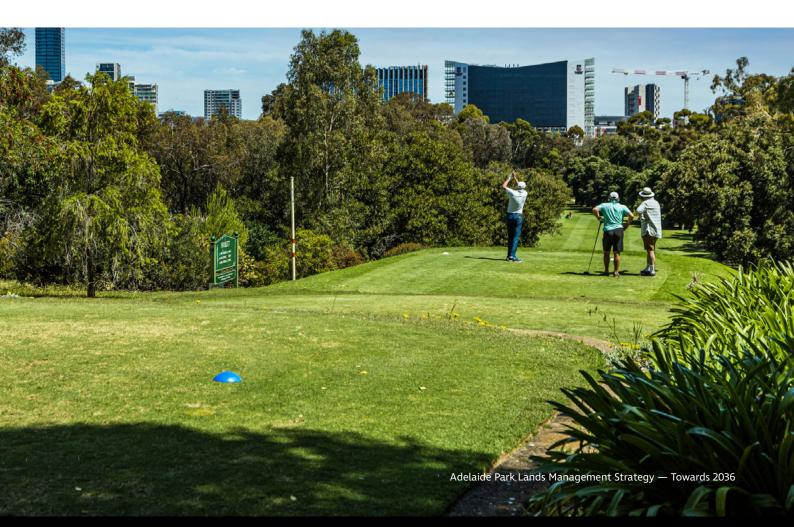
There is currently very little access around or through the golf links.

A number of key connections are proposed providing links to North Adelaide, Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) and Bowden. Formalised edge paths are provided for improved pedestrian amenity.

The focus will be on improving the North Adelaide Golf Course Club House to increase amenity within the Precinct.

## **Drivers for Change**

Expanding resident and worker populations in Bowden and Brompton, and a maturing population in North Adelaide will fuel the demand for a broader range of recreational and sporting activities, particularly in the northern sections of the Precinct. The Bowden Urban Village development, extension of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre and revitalisation of the Riverbank is likely to attract more people (local residents and visitors) into the Precinct. Establishing better facilities and connections will be an important way of encouraging people to stay longer and explore the diverse cultural and natural landscapes that characterise Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1).



The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 Moreton Bay Fig avenues
- 2 Oriental Plane avenue north-east of the golf course clubhouse
- 3 Italian Poplar avenues
- 4 Strangways Terrace olive grove dating from 1870s
- 5 Lemon-Scented Gum grove
- 6 North Course Ironbarks
- 7 Golf course use and layout
- 8 Pirltawardli Aboriginal area
- 9 Site of Colonial Iron Store
- Manage car parking availability for park visitors including users of golf courses and tennis facilities

### **Future Considerations**



Undertake succession planting between the golf course fairways to strengthen ecosystem processes, improve biodiversity values, and increase visual amenity



Explore opportunities to naturalise the drainage line along Park Terrace to increase wildlife movement, and improve safety and appearance



Seek opportunities to heritage list, celebrate and interpret historic park features such as Strangways Terrace fence posts



Provide a promenade between Montefiore Hill and Hill Street linking to the North Adelaide Golf Course clubrooms



Investigate options to strengthen connection from Ward Street across the Golf Course to Bonython Park / Tulya Wardli (Park 27)



Connect Childers Street to the North Adelaide Railway Station, café and beyond to the community facilities in Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) and Bowden



Improve access and amenity to the community courts adjacent Mills Terrace



Support enhancement and increased usage of the North Adelaide Golf Links golf courses, clubhouse and supporting facilities to broaden opportunities for social activity and other sporting activities

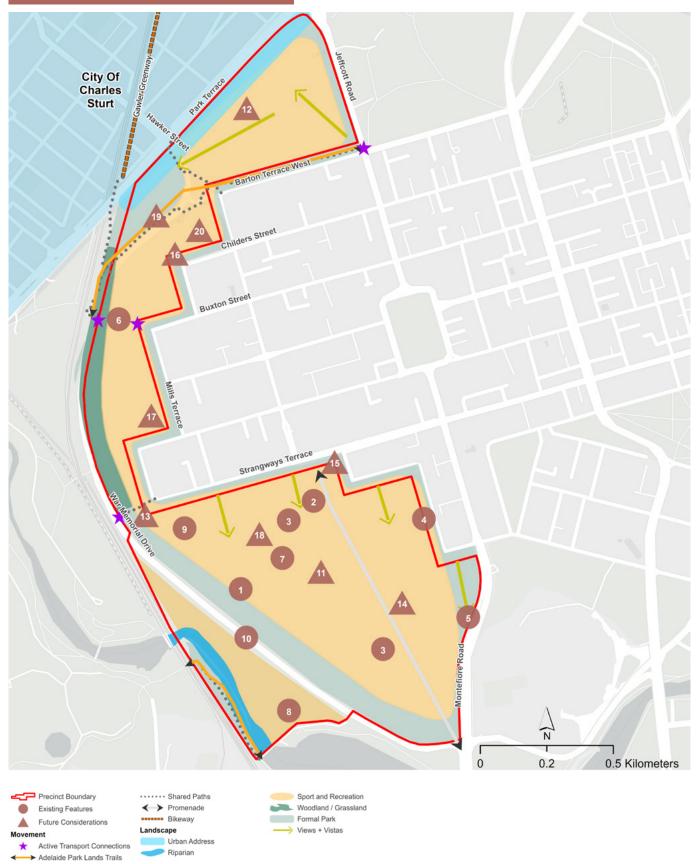


Investigate an alternative Park Lands Purpose for all or part of the northern section of the North Adelaide Golf Course

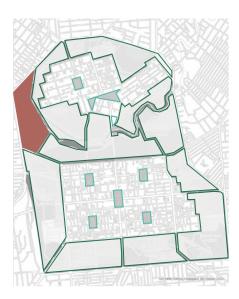


Revegetate and enhance vegetation and understorey of the vegetated areas of the golf course.

## **Golf Links Precinct**



## **Bonython Park Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### Parks included in Precinct

Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27)

## **Size of Precinct**

59 hectares or 6.3% of the total area of Adelaide Park Lands

## **Tree Count and Canopy**

37.4% canopy cover provided by 2,395 trees

### **Key Precinct Uses**

- River Torrens (Karrawirra Pari), Torrens Lake, Torrens Weir
- Large open woodland areas and stands of trees of historic, botanical and aesthetic merit
- Event space for large music festivals, visiting circuses and many smaller community events
- Model boat pond, playspaces, picnic grounds, kiosk
- Learn to ride facility
- Contributory historic features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors
- Remnant vegetation
- Police Barracks
- Old Adelaide Gaol

## **Context**

The Precinct occupies the area bordered by Park Terrace, Port Road, the Royal Adelaide Hospital Precinct, Montefiore Road, War Memorial Drive, Mildred Road and Barton Road.

Traditionally serving as a recreational space for both the wider metropolitan community and locals from the Cities of West Torrens and Charles Sturt, the Precinct boasts prominent natural features.

The surrounding road and rail infrastructure, as well as the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari itself, pose accessibility challenges for many of the Park's attractions, particularly for nearby communities in North Adelaide, Thebarton, Hindmarsh, Brompton, and Bowden. This issue is particularly significant considering the limited availability of quality open spaces for these communities.

The Precinct serves the leisure and recreation needs of the community through the provision of facilities including three soccer pitches, two playgrounds, boating lake, Skate Park, the Adelaide Park Lands Trail and the River Torrens Linear Park path. It hosts a number of licence holders and is major and unique location for a range of community events.

#### Kaurna

The Park is known as Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27), the Kaurna component of which loosely translates as 'blue gum place'. Tulya Wardli has significance as one of the many parks which comprise the Adelaide Park Lands as a place where the Kaurna people lived.

Along the Karrawirra Pari at a location called Pilta Wodli, the first then-named 'Native Location' or 'Aboriginal Location' was formally established and intended by colonial governments to concentrate local Aboriginal people in one place and provide education. Given the restriction to their way of life, Kaurna and Ngarrindjeri people did not cooperate. At this location, in 1845, children were separated from their parents and relocated, creating the first of the Stolen Generations. This location has strong cultural values to the Kaurna and South Australian Aboriginal communities.

The Precinct is culturally significant to Kaurna people, incorporating several elements that are relevant to heritage management planning, including:

- The physical status of the river, banks and environs including native vegetation, associated physical evidence (such as traditional burials and archaeological sites)
- Historic associations of the area as an important place of pre-colonial habitation, ceremony and hunting.

These factors make the Park equally important for the future as an ongoing part of Kaurna cultural life and relationship to their cultural landscape, and should be considered in management of the Park and project planning.

## **Historic Heritage**

Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) consists of a highly modified landscape that experienced complete clearing during the initial years of colonial settlement. While the Park possesses general spatial integrity of the form devised by Colonel William Light in his Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout, it has been slowly reduced over time.

The olive plantation, Adelaide Gaol, Railway lines and marshalling yards reflect government infrastructure history that underpinned the development of the state.

Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) has historic significance and was the venue for cattle and sheep to be agisted, watered and grazed awaiting sale or slaughtering in the Slaughter House. Olives were also extensively planted, maintained and harvested by Adelaide Gaol prisoners.

The Olive Plantations are a significant manifestation of the horticultural advancement and vision of the emerging colony.

The Precinct contains State Heritage Places and important Kaurna and Historic Heritage archaeological features.

## Landscape

Bonython Park Precinct is currently segregated into large areas of open space used for events, the playspace and surrounds, Old Adelaide Gaol and the river corridor.

Greater integration of spaces is achieved through Formal Parks, with increased activation to the north and connection with the Old Adelaide Gaol to the south. Current movement is not well defined and access to some areas is problematic. Key connections can be investigated linking Karrawirra Pari to Port Road.

Improving the movement network and connections linking Thebarton to North Adelaide will be an ongoing priority.

Providing a greater number of flexible hubs, specifically rest nodes, will be an ongoing priority to serve the expanding City of West Torrens, City of Charles Sturt and Bowden Urban Village communities and activate the river edge and centre of the Precinct.

## **Drivers for Change**

The Bonython Park Precinct will continue to see significant change driven by the state government's New Women's and Children's Hospital on the former Police Barracks site.

While expanding resident and worker populations in the inner western suburbs and North Adelaide provide a solid platform for reimagining the future of Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27), it is the nature and scale of the development occurring in close proximity to the park that will play a major role in its ongoing activation.

The development of the new Women's and Children's Hospital, Bowden Urban Village, and the urban corridor along Port Road including the former West End Brewery site, will lead to a substantial increase in the number of people accessing areas adjacent to Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27).

Creating appealing attractions and facilities that through collaboration between City of Adelaide, adjoining councils and the state government will be critical in facilitating greater use of the Precinct and providing valuable open spaces to these communities.

The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 Sugar Gum plantation
- 2 Moreton Bay Fig, Hackberry and Lemon-Scented Gums
- Olive Plantation A
- 4 Olive Plantation C
- 5 Olive Plantation Hedge
- 6 River Red Gum Grove
- 7 Sheoak grove
- 8 Ash plantation
- 9 Pre-European vegetation in biodiversity conservation area
- Continue to support the restoration and rehabilitation of the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari
- Continue succession planting with River Red Gum and SA Blue Gum to replace willows and poplars
- Bunyip Trail and woodland revegetation site
- Manage Key Biodiversity Area #6 as a River Red Gum Woodland

The Precinct includes locations of cultural and historic importance including

- 14 Slaughterhouse
- 15 Cattle Market

- 16 Slaughterhouse Manager's residence
- 17 Kaurna location (Bromley's Camp)
- 18 Buffalo Row
- 19 Coromandel Row
- 20 Railway bridge
- Former powder magazine and Powder Keeper's cottage

## **Future Considerations**



Encourage innovative water management practices and effective stormwater management including connections with City of West Torrens



Investigate the removal of the former netball courts and return to a Park Lands Purpose



Create a native grass meadow with selected local native species for biodiversity and seed production



Work with adjoining councils to provide effective walking and cycling connections through the Adelaide Park Lands



Reimagine the existing access road by providing a consistent road width and reducing hardstand where appropriate and maintaining cycling and walking connections



Provide walking trails and boardwalks along and over the river within a regenerated riparian environment



Provide pedestrian and bicycle priority at vehicle entry points into the park through improved signage and intersection design



Work with adjoining councils and community to plan and deliver a hub to respond to the population growth along Port Road

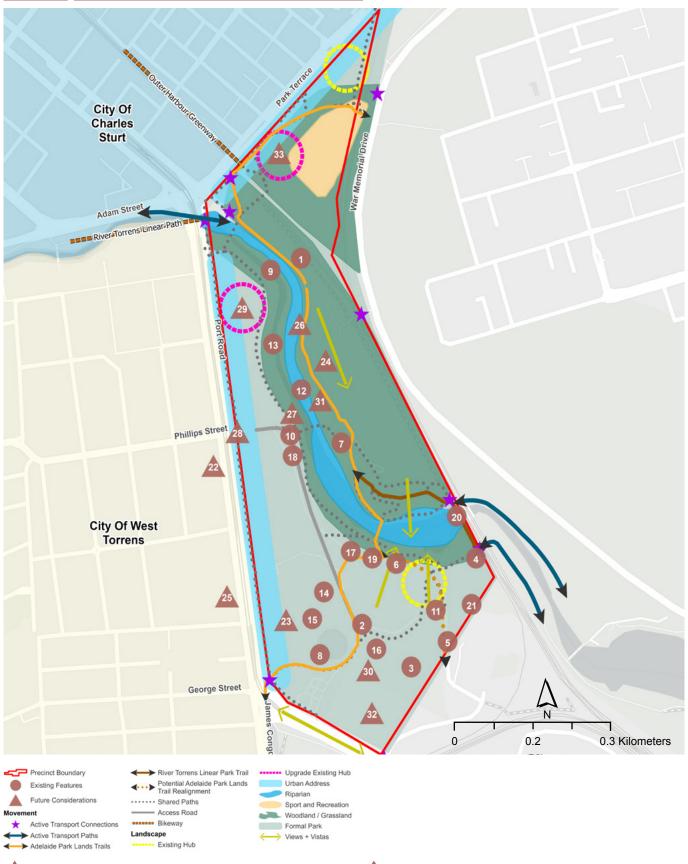


New contemporary play settings around the New Women's and Children's Hospital



Investigate consolidation of hardstand and buildings within the Precinct in consultation with stakeholders and adjoining councils

## **Bonython Park Precinct**



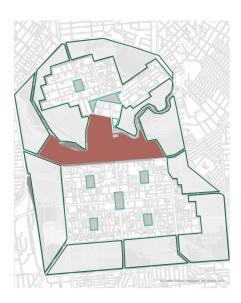
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Support the integration of the new Women's and Children's Hospital with the landscape.



Investigate upgrade or redevelopment of community buildings

## **Riverbank Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### Parks included in Precinct

- Part of Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12)
- Tarntanya Wama (Park 26)
- Part of Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27)
- Frome Park/Nellie Raminyemmerin Park

## **Size of Precinct**

132 hectares or 14% of the total area of Adelaide Park Lands

#### Tree Count and Canopy

19% tree canopy cover provided by 3,703 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- South Australian Parliament
- Adelaide Festival Centre
- Adelaide Railway Station
- Adelaide Convention Centre
- Elder Park
- Adelaide Oval
- Memorial Drive Tennis Centre
- · South Australian Museum
- Migration Museum of South Australia
- Art Gallery of South Australia
- State Library of South Australia
- Health and medical research and services
- Adelaide Botanic High School
- Lot Fourteen
- · Old Adelaide Gaol Police Barracks
- The University of Adelaide
- University of South Australia

## **Context**

Occupying the area between Port Road in the west and Hackney Road in the east. The Riverbank Precinct is a strategically important part of the Adelaide Park Lands. Its location between the Central Business District and North Adelaide, and its accommodation of the River Torrens, Festival Centre and Parliament House, make it an important part of the lives of all South Australians.

The Riverbank Precinct is the subject of a major state government revitalisation initiative, which seeks to transform the Precinct into a mixed-use Precinct accommodating a host of health, research, cultural, entertainment, government, commercial, tourism, educational, recreational and sporting activities designed to activate the area and showcase its natural attributes.

Within the Riverbank Precinct the Government of South Australia has identified four distinct subzones, including:

- Health Subzone centred on the Royal Adelaide Hospital, South Australian Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI) and two world-class medical research centres developed by the University of Adelaide and University of South Australia.
- Entertainment Subzone features a redeveloped plaza area, with restaurants, cafés, water features, public artwork, seating, shelters and improved lighting, linking Elder Park and the Riverbank Footbridge to the Adelaide Railway Station and North Terrace.
- Cultural Institutions Subzone accommodates universities, Art Gallery of South Australia, South Australian Museum, Migration Museum and State Library.
- Innovation Subzone contains Lot Fourteen, Adelaide Botanic High School, and Frome Park Nellie Raminyemmerin Park.

For the purposes of this Strategy, the Riverbank Precinct occupies the area bordered by Montefiore Road, Pennington Terrace, King William Road and North Terrace. It includes most of the Health Subzone, the Entertainment Subzone, Cultural Institutions Subzone and Innovation Subzone. The central feature of the Precinct is the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari, of significant cultural heritage value to Kaurna people and long recognised as a major focal point of the city's historical development.

#### Kaurna

There were traditional camps and burial grounds along both banks of the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari and there is a high potential for burials or archaeological sites to be disturbed by landscaping and earthworks along both sides of the river. These traditional Kaurna camping and ceremonial areas, also used for firewood and construction timber, were heavily impacted by the growth of Adelaide. Red gum forests were rapidly transformed into bare grasslands.

Pingku (Pinky Flat) was an important traditional camp site with strong associations to the cultural power and significance of the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari. It was a traditional ceremonial and corroboree grounds, before and after the establishment of the City of Adelaide.

There are highly significant cultural sites and associations in parts of the Precinct that are complex and confidential and cannot be reported or included in Park interpretation and signage or material.

## **Urban Landscape**

The Urban Landscape is a highly modified landscape setting of the Adelaide Park Lands and is limited to the southern side of the Riverbank Precinct. The Urban Landscape consists of urban features including significant built form, plaza spaces, promenade connections and some areas of natural elements that provide for a Formal Park setting. It offers a high quality public realm and supports opportunities for events of various sizes.

## **Drivers for Change**

The Riverbank Precinct is at the centre of a major state government initiative to revitalise the area including the development of the new Women's and Children's Hospital, continued development of Lot Fourteen and the revitalisation of Festival Plaza. Higher education is also a focus of this area including the new Flinders University Campus in Festival Plaza and merged Adelaide University.

These developments, as well as those envisaged in the future, will see a substantial increase in the number of people (locals and visitors) accessing and using the Riverbank Precinct for a diverse range of social, recreational, sporting, entertainment, commercial and government activities. Ensuring that people can safely

and conveniently access and enjoy the various attractions on offer, while strengthening the visual connection to and showcasing the environmental importance of the river's natural attributes, will be critical in facilitating the sustainable use of the Precinct.

## Tarntanya Wama (Park 26)

A reimagined river frontage, incorporating a series of activity hubs on its northern and southern banks, will enable people to interact with the river and engage in many different on and off water activities.

Opportunities to develop wetlands to improve water quality and increase people's engagement with and understanding of the importance of the river ecosystem will also be explored. The hubs will offer a range of facilities and attractions for local people and visitors to the Precinct, including play opportunities, interpretive trails, boardwalks and well-provisioned viewing areas, encouraging longer stays during the day and night.

A new, centrally located shared-use path extending from the Botanic Garden in the east through to Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) in the west will seamlessly connect these activity hubs and provide additional links to shaded paths running north-south between North Adelaide and North Terrace.

To the north, an enhanced interface along Pennington Terrace will draw people into a hub established around Adelaide Oval. Improved access between Pennington Terrace and the Adelaide Oval will also be created to improve accessibility to Adelaide Oval and to encourage greater use of its northern park setting.

To the south, an extended frontage along North Terrace between the new Royal Adelaide Hospital and Kintore Avenue in the east will activate the southern edge of the Precinct by providing safe and convenient crossings to a re-designed Festival Plaza, supported by a host of restaurants/cafés and retail outlets. The frontage to North Terrace will also allow for the development of transitional spaces into the Central Business District, highlighting the connectivity between the Riverbank with the business and tourist districts of the city centre.

East-west connections from the Precinct into Tulya Wardli, the new Royal Adelaide Hospital and the Old Adelaide Gaol will be upgraded and will include lighting to illuminate the bridge structures and other prominent features of the built environment as well as increase the safety of the path connections. The River Torrens Linear Path will also be improved to link the riverfront with areas further east and west. Identifying ways to improve connection between the new Royal Adelaide Hospital and the River will be investigated.

#### **Lot Fourteen**

Lot Fourteen is a growing innovation district which targets sectors with an emphasis on technology-enabling and creative industries.

The opportunity exists to create a new and exciting environment at Lot Fourteen including contributing public space to the Adelaide Park Lands and transforming adjacent areas. New development within the Precinct should be integrated into the Adelaide Botanic Garden, Adelaide Riverbank and the Adelaide Park Lands more broadly.

The Lot Fourteen site should be planned and managed to optimise the open space, community and cultural benefits generated by the diverse community and cultural attractions and events across the broader North Terrace and East End precincts. Identifying opportunities to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island culture will contribute to sharing this area with a range of audiences. Overall, plans for the site should maximise the land returned to flexible community open space.

Innovative adaptive reuse of heritage buildings will maximise their contribution to the economic viability of the site and the East End as a whole.

Frome Park/Nellie Raminyemmerin Park, located north of Lot Fourteen, provides opportunities for general and informal recreation and landscaping should continue to complement that of the Adelaide Botanic Gardens and Botanic Park. The remaining significant sight line from the Barr Smith Library of the University of Adelaide through this park to the Botanic Garden should be maintained.

## **Strategic Priorities**

Master plans have been developed for much of the Precinct and strategic moves include to



Deliver the Riverbank Master Plan



Deliver the Lot Fourteen Master Plan

## **Precinct Considerations**

The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 3 War Memorial Oak
- 4 Remnant White Cedar pathway
- Moreton Bay Figs
- 6 River Red Gums
- 7 Pennington Gardens West
- 8 Creswell Gardens
- 9 Stella Bowen Park
- 10 Elder Park and Elder Park Rotunda
- 11 Light's Vision
- 12 Statue of Hercules
- 13 Memorial to Captain Ross Smith
- Cultural sites in the Precinct are protected under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988*
- Due to cultural associations, interpretation of Red Kangaroo Rock site should not be included in Park signage or material

- Maintain and seek to strengthen sight line from Frome Park/Nellie Raminyemmerin Park
- 17 Riverbank Precinct Footbridge
- 18 Barr Smith Walk
- Fireman Gardener's Memorial Fountain
- Pennington Gardens Fountain
- 21 Reedman Memorial Drinking Fountain
- 22 Creswell Garden Sign
- 23 Sir Donald Bradman statue
- 24 Artworks and sculptures
- 25 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Memorial
- 26 Vietnam War Memorial
- Pioneer Women's Memorial Garden

### **Future Considerations**

Create open woodland north of Oval No. 2

Improve water quality and biodiversity of the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari and incorporate opportunities to engage with the river

Consider the impact of any re-landscaping or earthworks on any culturally significant site

Reinforce perimeter planting along War Memorial Drive, Pennington Terrace and Montefiore Road

Enhance interface along Pennington Terrace to draw people into Tarntanya Wama (Park 26)

Restrict the existing roadway to its current width and alignment and exclude any new buildings from Oval No. 2

Improve connectivity and accessibility to other Precincts and Central Business District

Deliver a Master Plan for Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)



Investigate potential return of the state government car park in Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C) to Park Lands Purpose



Reimagine the river frontage to enable greater interaction with the river and encourage diverse activities and tourism



Retain a mix of formal and informal recreational use of the River Torrens Karrawirra Pari and provide related infrastructure



Provide for informal recreation, including the River Torrens Linear Trail



Provide public facilities, furniture and amenities to support activities and events held in Tarntanya Wama (Park 26)



Retain Elder Park as a major event venue for temporary community cultural and sporting events

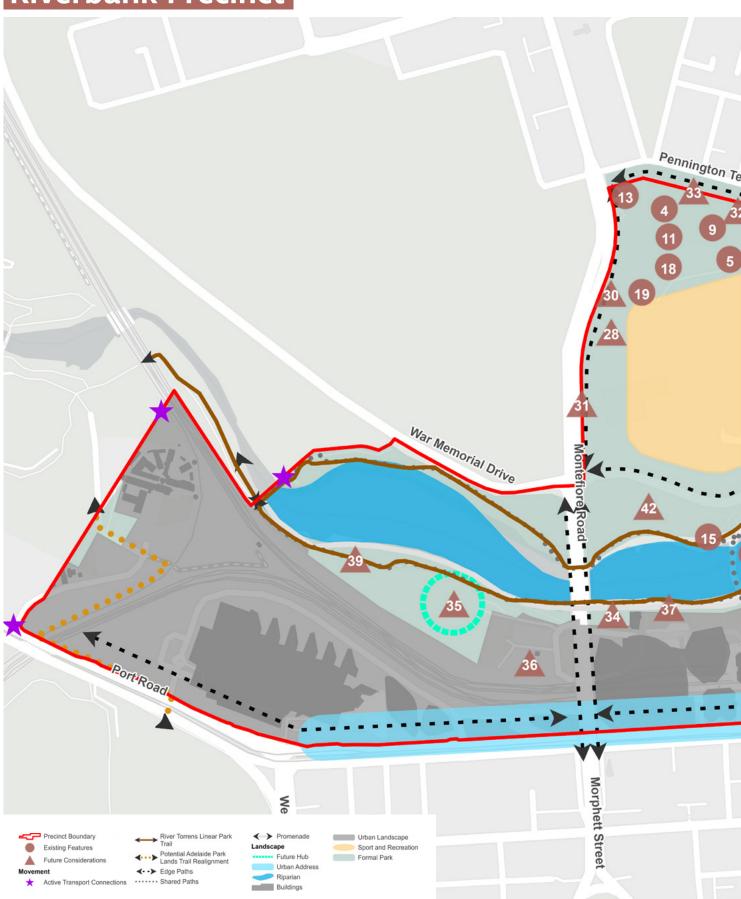


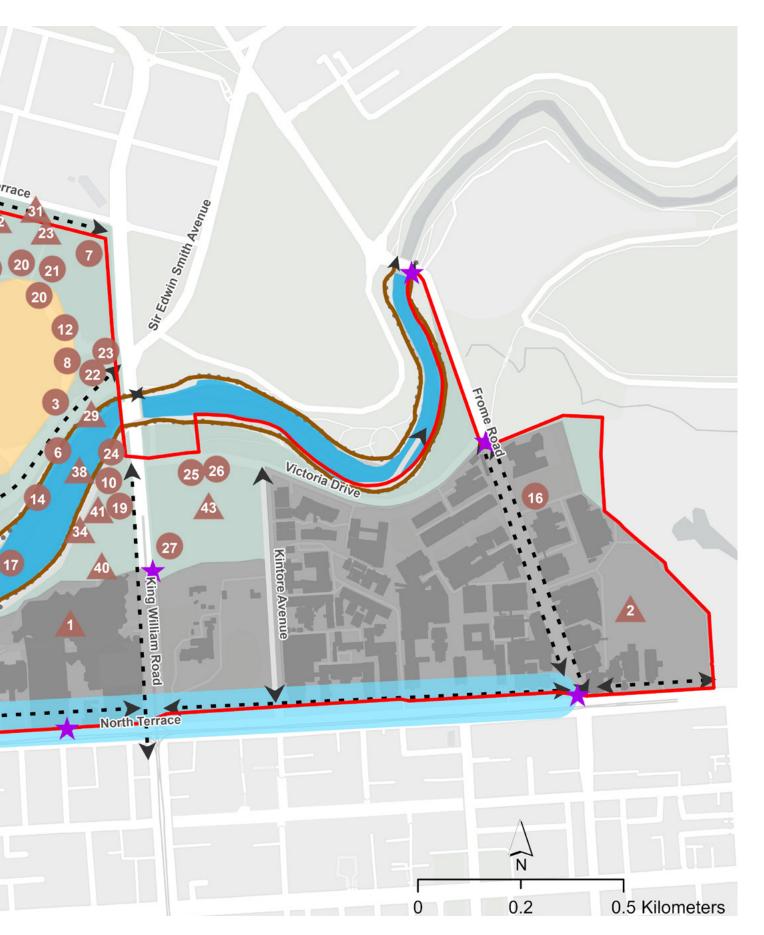
Provide shade tree plantings to define the Pingku (Pinky Flat) space



Investigate opportunities to increase public use of the Torrens Parade Ground

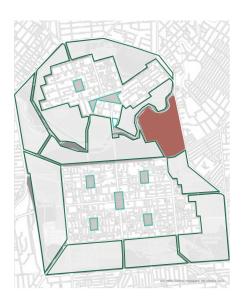
## Riverbank Precinct





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# Botanic Estate Lands and Adelaide Zoo Precinct



## **Precinct Snapshot**

#### **Size of Precinct**

71.8 hectares or 7.7% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

#### Parks included in Precinct

Mistletoe Park/Tainmuntilla (Park 11)

#### Tree Count and Canopy

45.9% canopy cover provided by 5,900 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- Adelaide Zoo
- Adelaide Botanic Garden
- Botanic Park
- National Wine Centre
- State Heritage Places including the Goodman Building, Tram Barn, Bicentennial Conservatory, North Lodge, East Lodge, Palm House, Simpson Kiosk, Museum of Economic Botany, former Asylum Medical Officer's Residence
- Grey-headed Flying fox colony in Botanic Park
- Contributory historic and cultural features such as exotic and native species, avenues and corridors
- First Creek Managed Aquifer Recovery and Storage System and Main Lake/Kainka Wirra

## **Context**

Comprised of several state government managed areas, the Botanic Estate Lands and Adelaide Zoo Precinct includes the Adelaide Zoo, Adelaide Botanic Garden, Botanic Park and National Wine Centre.

As a major drawcard for tourists and visitors to Adelaide, the Precinct experiences the highest rates of visitation of all the Adelaide Park Lands with the Adelaide Zoo, Adelaide Botanic Garden and National Wine Centre scoring highly on overall levels of satisfaction amongst visitors. While it is important to sustain and build on the quality of experiences available, it is equally important to apply a 'light touch' to any future development within the Precinct to maintain and ensure its ongoing popularity as a special place within the Adelaide Park Lands.

## Kaurna

The Botanic Creek waterway and particularly the waterhole that is now the Main Lake Adelaide Botanic Garden/Kainka Wirra were important for Kaurna people. Kainka Wirra was the main waterhole of Parnatatya 'King Rodney,' one of the leading Kaurna men of the Adelaide Plains, as told by his daughter Iparrityi.

The areas within the Adelaide Zoo, Adelaide Botanic Garden, Botanic Park and surrounds were culturally significant to Kaurna people and were used for burials, camping, ceremonies and other activities

## **Drivers for Change**

The delivery of the Adelaide Botanic Garden Master Plan, Botanic Park Management Plan and Zoos Master Plan are key initiatives generating change in the Precinct.

## **Adelaide Botanic Garden**

The Adelaide Botanic Garden Masterplan 2021 was developed with a deep understanding of the role of botanic garden in contemporary society and the site's natural topography, its structure and heritage and its management by the Board of the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium appointed by the Minister, under the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium Act (2024) and Regulations (2021).

The Adelaide Botanic Garden and State Herbarium offer a range of education opportunities for students and teachers of all ages. This allows for discovery about plants, culture, science and connecting to nature to contribute to health and wellbeing.

Key initiatives in the Masterplan include:

- The Main Lake/Simpson Kiosk precinct upgrade
- North Lodge and East Lodge heritage restoration and activation projects
- Classgrounds and Simpson Shade House upgraded
- Bicentennial Conservatory restored and renovated
- International Rose Garden upgrade to World Federation of Rose Societies Garden of Excellence status
- Managed aquifer storage and recovery system enhancements
- Continued improvements to the new Eastern Entrance through the Outback Garden
- · Kitchen Garden extended
- Niobe Hill precinct upgrades
- New themed and interpreted rare and endangered seed production garden
- North Terrace entrance entry and precinct
- Francis Arbor building upgrade providing new entrance to the site
- Sustainable long-term waterways management
- Visitor experience and facilities infrastructure upgraded
- Key living collections expanded and enhanced including local provenance species.

The details of the 110 priority actions arising from the Adelaide Botanic Garden Masterplan 2021 can be read at Adelaide Botanic Garden Masterplan.

### **Botanic Park**

Botanic Park was gazetted as a botanic estate under the care and control of the state in 1855 and is one of four botanic estates managed by the Board of the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium under the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium Act (2024) and Regulations (2021). Aspects of future priorities for Botanic Park are included in the Adelaide Botanic Garden Masterplan 2021, a Botanic Park Management Plan (2002) and Botanic Park Event Vegetation Management Plan (2002).

Botanic Park contains a state significant living tree collection, displayed in an arboretum landscape. It also has a River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari frontage which is the focus of an ongoing project to revegetate with local provenance species. The park is a popular recreation facility for family gatherings and the venue for significant major outdoor events, such as WOMADelaide, which now utilise all areas of the park. The site is an integral part of the operations of the Adelaide Botanic Garden. Botanic Park is more recently the location of the Grey-headed Flying-fox colony in Adelaide, and future activation concepts under consideration include the creation of 'Botanic Loop', a high treetop level walk to enable visitors to learn about the importance of the work of the Botanic Garden and the threatened flying-fox.



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### **Adelaide Zoo Precinct**

Adelaide Zoo opened to the public on 23 May 1883, making it the second oldest zoo in Australia. Since that time, many generations of South Australians have passed through its gates. Adelaide Zoo has retained many original and significant architectural, heritage and botanical features, giving it a style and character of its own. This city-based zoo occupies eight hectares of the Adelaide Park Lands and is home to more than 250 species of exotic and native animals. In 2015, a 20-year master plan was developed for Adelaide Zoo (Zoos SA Master Plan 2015–2035), with a mid-term review and addendum developed in 2023 (Adelaide Zoo Master Plan Addendum 2023). The master plan is focused on developments reflective of a vibrant city oasis showcasing life's diversity, and offering visitors an accessible, intimate and rich experience that complement the offerings of the adjacent Riverbank Precinct.

## **Strategic Priorities**

Master Plans have been developed for much of the Precinct and strategic moves include to



Deliver the Zoos South Australia Master Plan



Deliver the Adelaide Botanic Garden Master Plan



Deliver the Botanic Park Management Plan

## **Precinct Considerations**

The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.



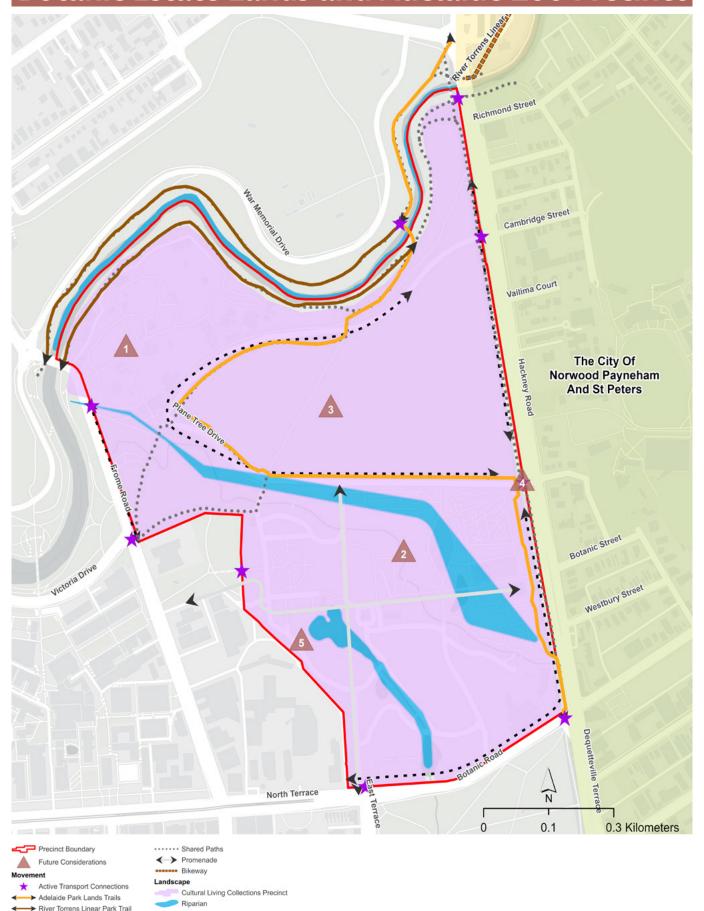
Assess options to increase safe crossing across Hackney Road to the Botanic Garden and Botanic Park for walkers, cyclists and users of mobility aids, and for an increase in public transport connections



Deliver the proposed Adelaide Botanic Garden and Lot Fourteen interface projects to enhance and add value to the eastern end of the North Terrace cultural boulevard.



# Botanic Estate Lands and Adelaide Zoo Precinct



<--> Edge Paths

## **North-East Park Lands Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

## Parks included in Precinct

- Bundey's Paddock/Tidlangga (Park 9)
- Bullrush Park/Warnpangga (Park 10)
- Mistletoe Park/Tainmuntilla (Park 11)
- Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12)

### **Size of Precinct**

36 hectares or 3.9% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

### **Tree Count and Canopy**

23% canopy cover provided by 1,149 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- · Significant sports ovals used by licensees
- · Lower North Adelaide Playground
- Petanque piste
- · Archery field
- Grass tennis courts
- City of Adelaide Nursery
- Key Biodiversity Area
- Contributory historic features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors
- Remnant vegetation

## **Context**

The North-East Park Lands occupy the area between King William Road and Sir Edwin Smith Avenue to the west, Finniss Street and MacKinnon Parade to the north, Mann and Hackney Roads to the east and the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari to the south. This Precinct contains sporting grounds held under licence by the University of Adelaide and a number of popular recreational facilities, including the Lower North Adelaide Playground, Peace Park, a semi-ornamental areas, petangue piste and archery field.

#### Kaurna

River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari flows through the Precinct which provided an important source of food, and a place to meet and camp. Red Gum Park/ Karrawirra (Park 12) has been a significant meeting site for Aboriginal peoples including, in recent times, meetings related to Reconciliation and Native Title.

### **Historic Heritage**

Overall, the Precinct retains the original shape and form of the Parks as devised by Colonel William Light.

From the 1850s to the late 1870s areas of the Precinct were used for grazing, fire wood collection, and agistment.

Tree planting that aligns with the general spatial and species intent of Brown's treatise on South Australian tree culture (1880) including pathway alignments are still evident through the Precinct.

## Landscape

While Bundey's Paddock/Tidlangga (Park 9), Bullrush Park/Warnpangga (Park 10) and Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12) have a predominantly structured recreational and sporting character, Mistletoe Park/Tainmuntilla (Park 11) is characterised by a semi-natural landscape containing important areas of remnant vegetation and sites of significant restoration and revegetation.

Bundey's Paddock/Tidlangga (Park 9) and Bullrush Park/Warnpangga (Park 10) are characterised as structured and maintained sports grounds.

Mistletoe Park/Tainmuntilla (Park 11) contains an identified Key Biodiversity Area.

Minor connections and edge paths are already well established within the Precinct.

A defined river pathway connection along the river front would provide an improved connection to the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari.

## **Drivers for Change**

As sporting activities continue to expand in the Precinct there is likely to be further demands for facilities such as clubrooms to support these uses.

Care will be needed to ensure facilities do not adversely affect residential areas in North Adelaide and that they are available for broader community use outside formal sporting times.

While adjacent residential areas in North Adelaide house a relatively stable population, an intensification of development in the Town of Walkerville will see more people accessing the Precinct from the east to participate in the variety of recreational and sporting activities.

Lot Fourteen and Adelaide Botanic High School are likely to attract more people into the North-East Park Lands. Ensuring that there are safe connections through to this Precinct from these developments and from Melbourne Street will be a key driver.



The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Precinct contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- Aleppo Pine and River Red Gum grove of trees
- 2 English Elm plantation
- Group plantation of Sugar Gum, Moort, Melaleuca spp., Weeping Bottlebrush, and She Oak
- 4 English Elm Grove
- 5 River Red Gum plantation
- 6 Key Biodiversity Area
- 7 Sculptures and picnic area within River Torrens/ Karrawirra Pari banks
- 8 Drainage swale north of Adelaide University Oval
- 9 River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari Watercourse and lake
- 10 Aleppo Pine row located on the southern flank of MacKinnon Parade
- Moreton Bay Fig grove located on side of Sir Edwin Smith Avenue
- 12 Kei Apple hedge behind the University of Adelaide 'pavilion'
- 13 Remnant McEwin Arboretum trees
- Two gate posts and series of eight fence posts on MacKinnon Parade

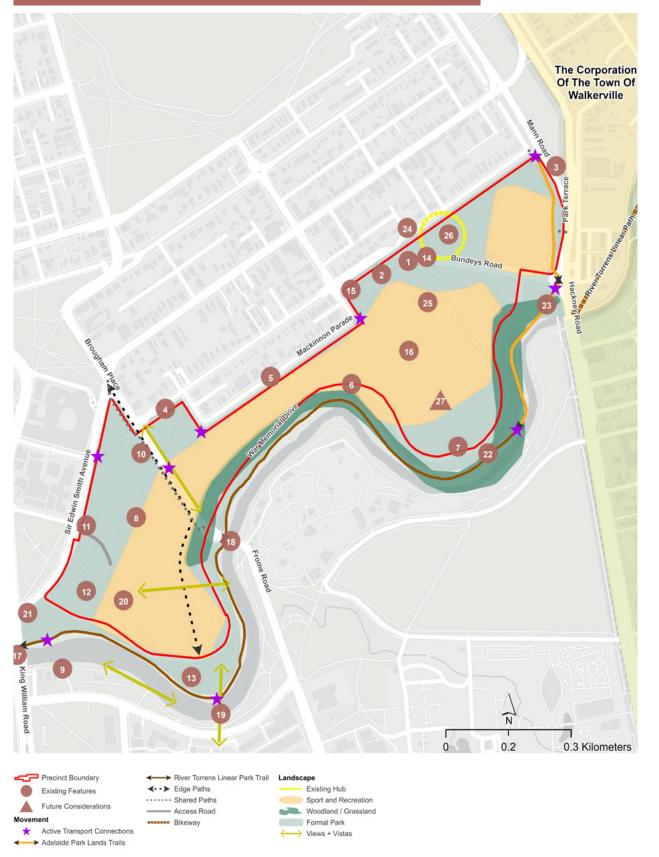
- 15 Lower North Adelaide War Memorial
- 16 Former Teachers Training College Grandstand
- Adelaide Bridge over the River Torrens/ Karrawirra Pari
- Albert Bridge over the River Torrens/ Karrawirra Pari
- 19 The University of Adelaide Footbridge
- University of Adelaide Grandstand, War Memorial Drive, North Adelaide
- 21 Memorial to G.F. Angas and J.H. Angas
- Manage Key Biodiversity Area #5 as a River Red
  Gum Woodland
- 23 Stormwater detention basin and urban address
- Manage car parking availability in MacKinnon Parade to ensure availability for users of park facilities
- Maintain running and fitness loops and associated facilities
- Manage courts for community use and further enhance the hub

## **Future Considerations**



Work with community and licence holders to develop a master plan to address future community, sport and recreation needs

## North-East Park Lands Precinct



## **Adelaide Squares and Gardens**

The city's Squares and Gardens are a highly valued element of the city's fabric and its distinctive heritagelisted layout. In order to optimise their value to the South Australian and local resident community, it is important that the Squares and Gardens are enhanced in ways that better serve a growing and increasingly diverse city community.

To that end, the following sections put forward a series of planning considerations for the Squares and Gardens that are designed to enhance their attractiveness to a wide cross-section of the resident, worker and visitor populations and, as a result, to increase their use.

In time, the Squares and Gardens will be master planned to determine the appropriate level of infrastructure and enable an integrated and coordinated approach to their future enhancement.

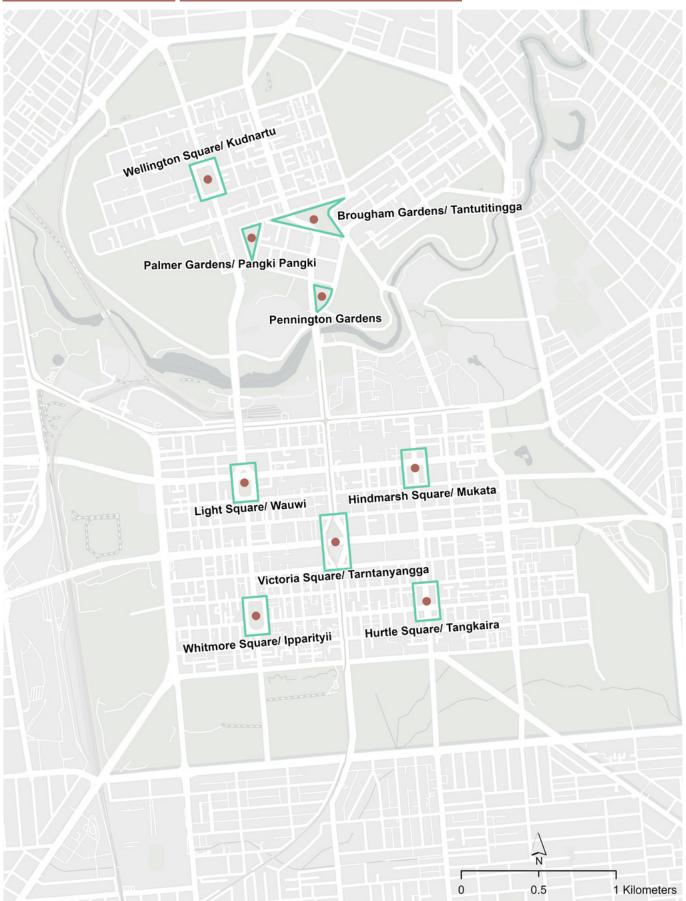
Movement within each Square and Garden is generally well defined via pathways. Vehicle movements are generally to the perimeter of Squares with some roads bisecting the Squares into segments.

Where practical, return of road to Squares to align with the National Heritage Values is desirable.

Each Square and Garden is considered a hub due to their attraction for residents and visitors as green open space within the city.



## **Adelaide Squares and Gardens**



## Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga



## **Precinct Snapshot**

#### Size

2.94 hectares

#### **Tree Count**

18% tree canopy cover provided by 174 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- Major event spaces
- John Dowie's 'Three Rivers' fountain
- Australian Aboriginal Flag
- Australian National Flag
- Queen Victoria Statue
- John McDouall Stuart Statue
- Captain Charles Sturt Statue
- Charles Cameron Kingston Statue
- Public toilet
- Desert Ash Corridor
- Ngaru mularta/Chalk Sticks
- Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga Fountain

## **Context**

Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga is the geographic and civic centre of the city and regarded as one of its great public places.

The first stage of the Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga Master Plan has reinforced its status as Adelaide's premier gathering place and venue for a diverse range of local, national and international events.

The second stage of the Master Plan will enhance connections between the Square and the Adelaide Central Market, activate its western and eastern edges and provide for a more appealing and versatile public space.

#### Kaurna

Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga is of high cultural, spiritual and physical significance to the Kaurna people and to the wider Aboriginal community.

Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga has special associations as the central camp and traditional meeting place of the Tarntanyangga Clan of Kaurna community and for Aboriginal visitors.

The Square is linked to Tarnda Kanya, the Red Kangaroo rock site on the south side of the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari, a highly significant cultural heritage site concerned with this Creation Ancestor. From the 1960s Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga became a focus for Aboriginal activities. These activities included its role as a central meeting place for Aboriginal people from all over Australia, becoming a social and gathering point outside the central Police Station (now the Commonwealth Law Courts building) and Court House.

Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga is where the National Aboriginal Flag (the red, black and yellow Aboriginal flag) designed by Harold Thomas, was flown for the first time anywhere on National Aboriginal and Islander Day on 9 July 1971. It now flies permanently alongside the Australian flag on one of the two tall flagpoles in the centre of the Square.

## **Historic Heritage**

Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga was created in Colonel William Light's Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout of 1836 resulting in an area of approximately now six hectares, including a park and roadway, comprising the Square. The design incorporated a central square to function as Adelaide's focal point and provide open space for recreational activities. On his first map, Light called the Precinct 'The Great Square'. It was eventually named in honour of Princess Victoria before her accession in 1837.

Light surveyed the Square as a rectangle on a north-south axis and sketched an approximate internal spatial configuration of two rectangular park areas with a rectangular encircling an east-west movement system. This spatial configuration remained from 1864 until 1883 when King William Street was constructed north-south through the Square, with the Queen Victoria statue being unveiled in its present location in 1894.

The Square was a dusty, treeless paddock until 1854, when the City of Adelaide embarked on a planting program, constructed four broad diagonal pedestrian paths and erected a wooden fence. Other work on the Square included construction of an east-west roadway that created two garden areas. A fountain was also considered, but it took 100 years for this idea to come to fruition.

By 1883, plans were underway to extend King William Street directly through Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga,

dividing it into four garden areas. The original wooden fence was replaced by ornate iron railings which were relocated to the University of Adelaide. A statue of Queen Victoria, who had ascended to the throne in June 1837, was erected in the centre of the Square in 1894. The layout remained unchanged until 1967 when the Square assumed its present diamond form Landscape design remodelling works again transpired in 1945–46 and 1966.

## Landscape

Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga reflects the staged implementation of the Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga Master Plan. Open turf spaces are regularly renewed following impacts from major events and festivals.

## **Drivers for Change**

Master Plan recommendations are the primary drivers of change although the steady diversification of uses surrounding the Square, including more residential development and the establishment of local and international education providers, is seeing its increased use. Residential development in the King William Street area is projected to continue to grow and house almost 20% of city growth to 2036. The Square's proximity to the Adelaide Central Market, one of the city's most treasured facility, creates opportunities for Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga to improve access to the Adelaide Central Market precinct and to host a program of events and activities that will attract people to the locality with benefits to local retailers and businesses.





The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Square contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 John Dowie's 'Three Rivers' fountain
- 2 Australian Aboriginal Flag
- Australian National Flag
- 4 Queen Victoria Statue
- John McDouall Stuart Statue
- 6 Captain Charles Sturt Statue
- 7 Charles Cameron Kingston Statue
- 8 Public toilet
- 9 Desert Ash Corridor
- 10 Ngaru mularta|Chalk Sticks
- 11 Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga Fountain

### **Future Considerations**



Improve connections to the Adelaide Central Market Precinct and facilitate opportunities for Adelaide Central Market events to occur in the Square



Establish two new promenades in the south of the Square to connect with the central plaza existing northern promenades



Realign the surrounding roads to create a consolidated Square

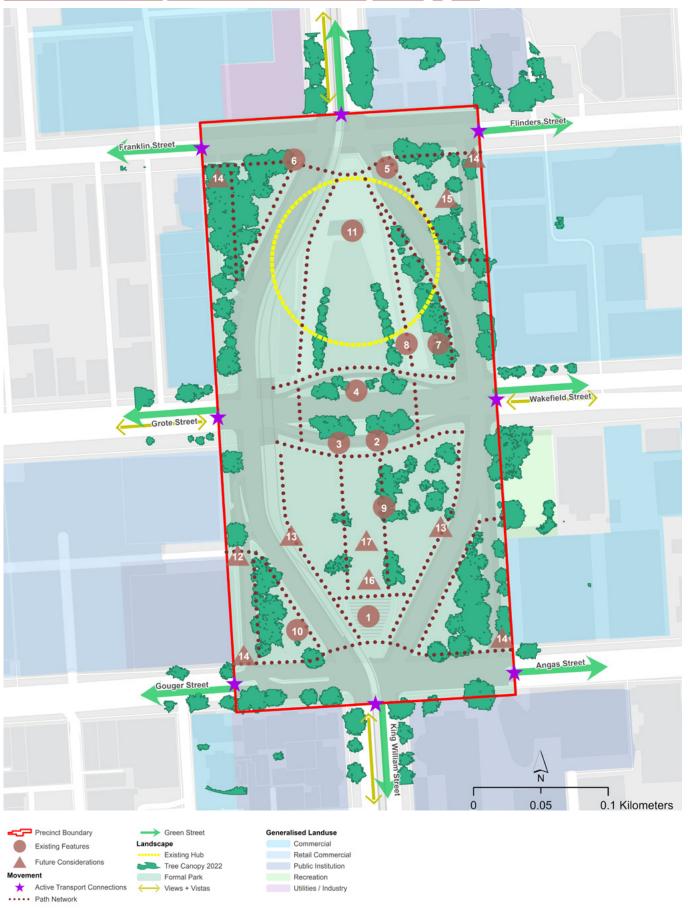


Create an active interface to the eastern edge

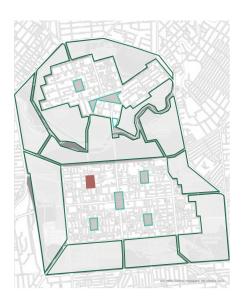


Provide opportunities for events in the south of the Square including celebrations of Kaurna culture

# Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga



## **Light Square/Wauwi**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

#### Size

1.56 hectares

#### **Tree Count**

27% tree canopy cover provided by 191 trees

### **Key Precinct Uses**

- Colonel Light Monument and Grave
- Artworks
  - 'The Eternal Question' Richard Tipping
  - · 'Knot' Bert Flugelman
  - 'Catherine Helen Spence' Ieva Pocuis
- Pride Walk

## **Context**

Despite having some 55,000 vehicles travelling through and around the Square each day, Light Square/Wauwi provides high quality open spaces catering for major events through to small community gatherings. The Square features a range of distinctive mature tree species, important public art installations and the State Heritage Place Colonel William Light's Grave and monument, the area is surrounded by a range of uses including health, education, entertainment, accommodation and the arts and supports day and night-time economy.

#### Kaurna

The Square served as the main community meeting place for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, including local Kaurna Miyurna and neighbouring Narungga and Ngarrindjeri peoples from the 1900s where people socialised, shared stories and organised rallies and protests. Wauwi was named to commemorate the wife of Kadlitpina. Wauwi is the Kaurna name for female Kangaroo.

### **Historic Heritage**

Light Square/Wauwi was named after Colonel William Light, the first Surveyor-General of Adelaide, responsible for its planning and layout. When he died in 1839, he was buried in the Square. Over his grave there now stands a memorial in the form of a marble column surmounted by the representation of a surveyor's theodolite.

### Landscape

The original layout was compromised in 1910 when Currie Street was cut through the Square.

The Square is now split into two parts and consists of a large southern rectangle and a small northern semi-circle.

In 1983 council embarked on an improvement program of Light Square/Wauwi and a redesign plan was developed and later implemented. The program included the undergrounding of power lines, the widening of footpaths around the perimeter, planting of extra street trees, and elms around the perimeter, work on the memorial, construction and landscaping

of the southern median strips and the northern quadrant, incorporation of the Catherine Helen Spence Statue and the resurfacing of all internal footpaths.

Improving walking and cycling connections to, through and from the Square will encourage local residents and workers to adopt more active travel options, while increasing the safety of crossings to the northern section of the Square from the adjacent Arts SA and TAFE sites is a priority.

## **Drivers for Change**

There has been a substantial increase in the number and diversity of residents living in and around Light Square/Wauwi in recent years, providing a strong platform to reimagine the character and benefits of the Square. Light Square/Wauwi will continue to support a growing population in the city's north-west, which could house 8% of the city's residents to 2036. As population and density increase the importance of this green space will grow. Along with residential development, the area will change through an increase in higher education, health and medical uses.

The capacity for Light Square/Wauwi to meet the diverse needs of users provides the opportunity to transform the Square to better connect to its surrounding uses and River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari and support community wellbeing. A master plan is being developed to guide investment and partnerships and aims to rebalance the public space for greening, cooling, biodiversity, events and activities and to create a safer, inclusive and welcoming environment for people to meet, stay, walk, wheel and cycle.





The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Square contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- Indian Coral Tree
- 2 Carob
- 3 Swamp Sheoak
- 4 Morton Bay Fig
- 5 Hills Weeping Fig
- 6 Italian Poplar Avenue
- 7 Irish Strawberry
- 8 Chinese Elm Avenue
- 9 Golden Ash
- 10 Colonel William Light Grave and Monument
- The Eternal Question sculpture by Richard Tipping
- 12 Knot sculpture by Bert Flugelman
- 13 Catherine Helen Spence sculpture by Ieva Pocuis
- 14 Pride Walk

## **Future Considerations**



Support opportunities to improve the connection of the Square with the Adelaide Park Lands



Minimise parking around the Square



Through master planning seek opportunities to reconfigure the surrounding roads and improve safety, active transport, and crossing points, reduce traffic impacts and identify any opportunities to return Adelaide Park Lands Roads to Park Lands Purpose



Define the unique character of the Square and create flexible spaces for gathering and events



Improve amenity by increasing greening for cooling and biodiversity and to contribute to health and wellbeing



Consider opportunities for play within the Square through universal landscape design such as surrounding public art and water feature.

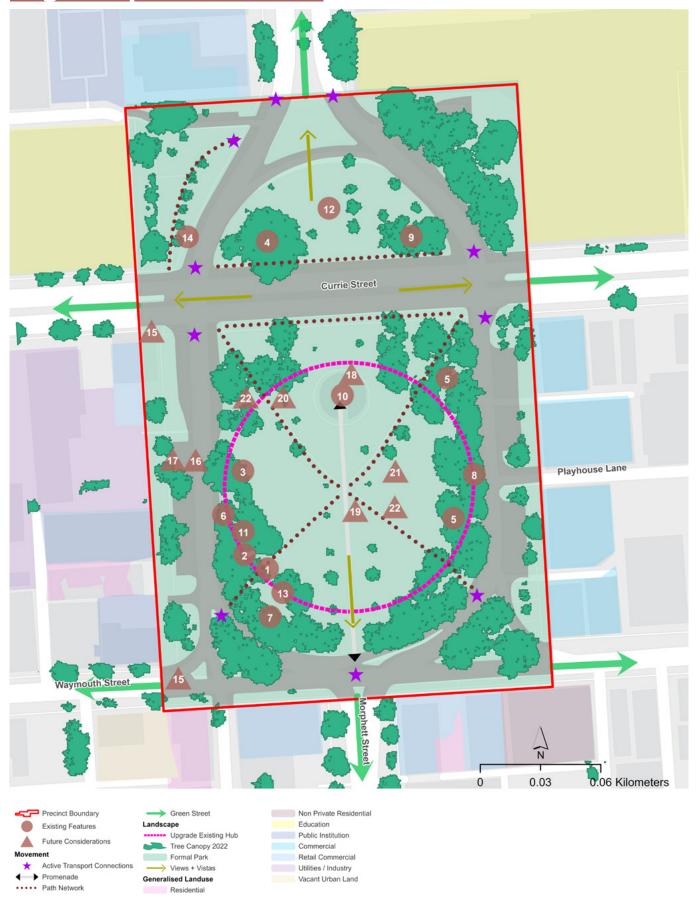


Improve comfort throughout the seasons and resilience to climate change through increased tree canopy and passive design principles.



Interpret and reflect a diversity of cultures including Kaurna and Historic Heritage.

# Light Square/Wauwi



## **Hurtle Square/Tangkaira**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

#### Size

1.83 hectares

#### **Tree Count**

27% tree canopy cover provided by 434 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- Artworks
  - The Forest of Dreams Anton Hart
  - Ceramic Birdbath Stephen Bowers
  - · Hurtle Square sign and plinth

## **Context**

Located within the south-east of the city, Hurtle Square/Tangkaira is surrounded by predominantly residential uses yet experiences low visitation. Hurtle Square/Tangkaira is heavily dominated by throughtraffic running north-south along Pulteney Street and east-west along Halifax Street.

The impact of this traffic adds to the disconnection between residents and workers and the open space offerings of the Square, despite its formal garden character and magnificent trees.

## Kaurna

The Precinct has also been referred to as 'Memory Square' by Kaurna people. It was a central meeting place for Indigenous peoples from the 1920s and 1960s but not as popular as Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga, Light Square/Wauwi or Whitmore Square/Iparrityi due to higher number of Aboriginal residents in the west end of Adelaide.

Tangkaira was named to commemorate the wife of Ityamai-itpina, Tangkaira or 'Charlotte, from the Clare District'.

## **Historic Heritage**

Hurtle Square/Tangkari was named after Sir James Hurtle Fisher, the first Resident Commissioner and pioneer founder of the colony of South Australia. The South Australian Commissioners appointed Fisher to organise the local constitution. In 1837, Fisher saved the Adelaide Park Lands from land speculators. Fisher was elected the first Lord Mayor of the City of Adelaide (1840–1842).

### Landscape

The original layout for the Square was compromised in 1909 when electric tram tracks were laid, dividing the Square into its current four quadrants.

Hurtle Square/Tangkaira has been a focus for public art, with the inclusion of a pigeon fountain and 'The Forest of Dreams' art installation.

## **Drivers for Change**

As the south-east sector of the city continues to grow its resident population, the potential for Hurtle Square to host community events and provide more contemplative spaces away from a heavily trafficked environment will increase. Providing amenities, improved access to the Square and attractive vistas into and out of the Square will be essential if this potential is to be realised.



The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Square contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 Captain Cook Pines
- Desert Ash Lines
- 3 Pepper Trees
- 4 Morton Bay Figs
- 5 The Forest of Dreams artwork by Anton Hart
- 6 Untitled sculpture by Stephen Bowers
- 7 Hurtle Square sign and plinth

### **Future Considerations**



Reimagine the east, west and southern perimeter roads to manage car parking and deliver pedestrian spaces



Investigate treatments to the Halifax Street intersection to better integrate it into the Square and visually connect the northern and southern areas



Provide opportunities along the northern edge to encourage activation and connection with surrounding commercial activities



Support opportunities to improve the connection of the Square with the Adelaide Park Lands



Minimise parking around the Square



Consider the inclusion of local play opportunities including water play and climbable artworks



Develop a master plan for the Square including a strategy for succession planting, investigate opportunities to reconfigure the surrounding roads and identify opportunities to return Adelaide Park Lands roads to Park Lands Purpose.





# Hurtle Square/Tangkaira



## Hindmarsh Square/Mukata



## **Precinct Snapshot**

#### Size

1.4 hectares

## **Tree Count**

29% tree canopy cover provided by 201 trees

### **Key Precinct Uses**

- Untitled Paul Trappe Statue
- Hindmarsh Square/Mukata Playspace

## **Context**

Surrounded and bisected by wide roadways which effectively cut the Square into four discrete sections, Hindmarsh Square/Mukata is dominated by 125 car parks that encircle the southern sections of the Square. Nonetheless the Square offers a beautiful gardenesque and cultural heritage landscape featuring large Moreton Bay Figs, Jacaranda tree planted in memory of Margaret Tobin, Hackberry, Silky Oaks, Captain Cook Pines, Golden Ashes and Desert Ashes. The addition of the Hindmarsh Square/Mukata Playspace and Paul Trappe Statue have enhanced the usability of the Square and broadened its appeal to residents, workers and visitors to the city.

### Kaurna

History held by members of the Aboriginal community indicate that the Precinct was an important meeting place for Aboriginal Elders prior to colonisation.

Mukata was King John's wife, a prominent member of the Kaurna community.

## **Historic Heritage**

Anecdotal evidence suggests this is the most heavily-used Square reflecting its proximity to Rundle Mall, the East End and surrounding office buildings. The original layout of the Square has changed. When established by Light, the Square was one large grassed area, curved to the north to accommodate the tram and the roads. It is now comprised of four quadrants divided by Grenfell and Pulteney Streets.

## Landscape

The Hindmarsh Square/Mukata Master Plan commenced implementation with removal and replacement of trees as part of the upgrade of Pulteney Street, and removal of the toilet and gardeners' facility. Since then, the Hindmarsh Square Playspace has been installed with subsequent landscaping of the north-west quadrant, and landscaping of the north-east quadrant.

## **Drivers for Change**

The Hindmarsh area will continue to see mixed-use growth. Hindmarsh Square/Mukata is well placed to contribute to the significant surrounding green space of the Eastern Adelaide Park Lands and Adelaide Botanic Gardens while being uniquely positioned to provide a green refuge for visitors to Rundle Street and Rundle Mall and neighbouring workers and residents.

Through future master planning, the investigations into the narrowing of roadways and a reduction in car parking and prioritising pedestrian access would help the interface of the Square with surrounding land uses and provide a more enticing environment for people.



The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Square contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 Moreton Bay Figs
- 2 Row of Hackberries
- Group of Silky Oaks in north-eastern quadrant
- 4 Captain Cook Pine
- 5 Desert Ash Avenues
- 6 Untitled sculpture by Paul Trappe
- 7 Hindmarsh Square/Mukata Playspace

### **Future Considerations**



Reduce or remove car parking to the eastern and western edges



Consider more structure to the park including tree planting, seating and shelter



Support opportunities to integrate adjoining uses and businesses to add vibrancy and improve urban environment



Develop a strategy for succession planting and investigate opportunities to reconfigure the surrounding roads and identify any opportunities to return Adelaide Park Lands roads to a Park Lands Purpose



Explore upgrading to services to accommodate a range of small and medium-sized events.





# Hindmarsh Square/Mukata



## Whitmore Square/Iparrityi



## **Precinct Snapshot**

#### Size

2.05 hectares

## **Tree Count**

26% tree canopy cover provided by 305 trees

## **Key Precinct Uses**

- Artworks
- Community spaces
- Community basketball court and table tennis table

## **Context**

Nestled within the south-west of the city, Whitmore Square/Iparrityi has traditionally served the open space needs of the community. Characterised by a gardenesque landscape containing magnificent trees including Moreton Bay Figs, Arizona Cypresses, Pepper Trees, Desert Ashes, Camphor Laurels and Holm Oaks, Whitmore Square/Iparrityi has been identified as a place providing a range of play opportunities for local residents.

Amenities such as the table tennis tables and 3-on-3 basketball courts have reinforced the role of the Square as an important focal point for active play, local events and community gatherings for the south-west city community.

The Whitmore Square/Iparrityi Master Plan establishes a high-level vision for the future of the Square, and a plan for improvements to achieve that vision. The Master Plan is a framework for planning and design that will:

- Help to guide future works
- Help the public visualise the Square's potential
- Enable the City of Adelaide to plan and implement staged improvements.

Delivery of the Master Plan will be progressed over a number of years through asset renewal and succession planting.

#### Kaurna

In 2003 the Square was renamed Whitmore Square/ Iparrityi to honour Iparrityi, a Kaurna ancestor born in the 1840s and recognise its significance as a meeting place for Aboriginal peoples, particularly in the 1930–1940s.

Ipparrityi was a principal female Kaurna informant, sharing her knowledge about Kaurna culture and language including place names and important sites throughout Adelaide. Iparrityi died in 1929 and is referred to as 'the last woman of the Adelaide Tribe'.

## **Historic Heritage**

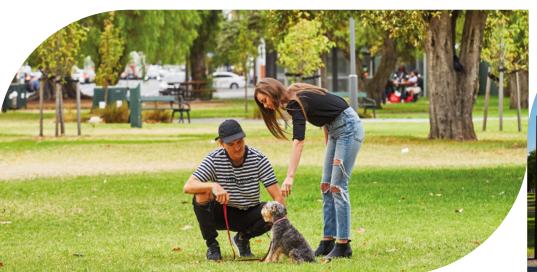
Whitmore Square/Iparrityi was named after Mr William Woolryche Whitmore, one of the Colonisation Commissioners for South Australia and a member of the House of Commons. The original layout of the Square has remained remarkably intact from when first laid out in Colonel William Light's Plan. The only changes are the reduced angles of the corners of the Square, leaving some small traffic islands.

## Landscape

The Square provides a large open space, surrounded by mature exotic trees and is well used by residents. The Square has also become a focus for public art initiatives in the city, including the Shaun Kirby sculpture 'Voyagers'.

## **Drivers for Change**

As the resident population in the south-west sector of the city is forecast to grow there is a significant opportunity to build on the range of facilities available in the Square to enhance its role as a place that the local community values. Its accessibility to the Adelaide Central Market adds to the Square's appeal as a dynamic open space catering for an increasingly diverse population.





The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Square contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 Moreton Bay Figs
- 2 Arizona Cypresses
- 3 Pepper Tree Avenue
- 4 Desert Ash Lines
- 5 Holm Oak
- 6 Voyagers artwork by Shaun Kirby
- 7 John Ednie Brown Memorial

## **Future Considerations**



Provide new path networks that are located as part of a master planning exercise that considers broader movement patterns and any changes to road alignments and vehicle movements



Reduce bitumen in and around the Square and integrate possible services or transport systems



Consider a central promenade that addresses key movement patterns across the Square and provides a central spine from which the Square's spatial arrangements can be developed

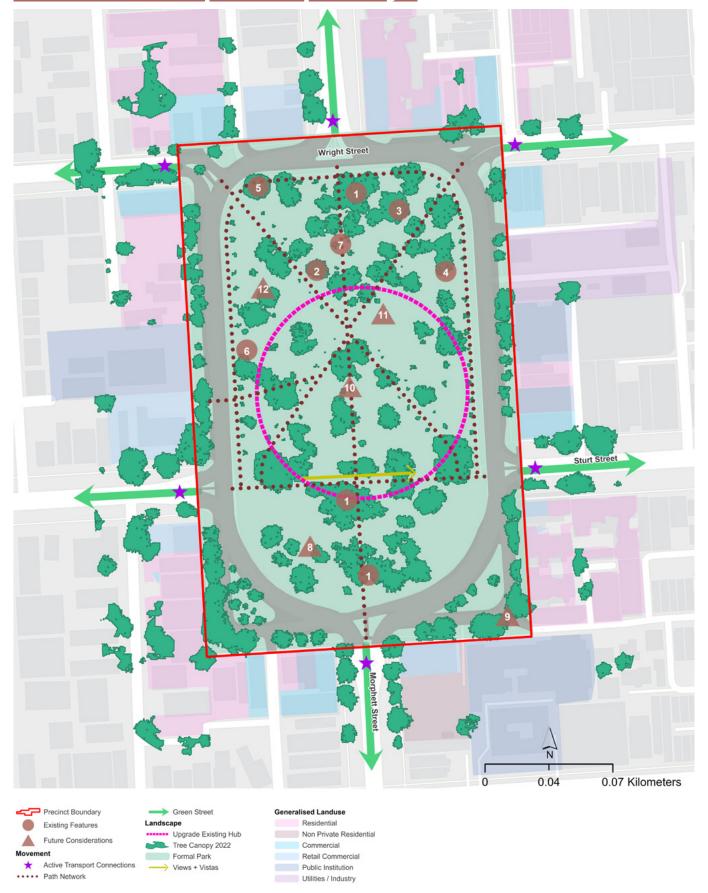


Expand on the community basketball court and table tennis to create a hub which may include a central plaza and additional opportunities for community activities, including children's play

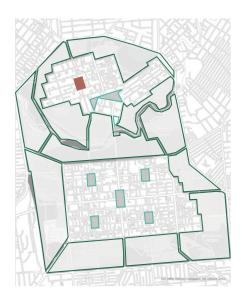


Consider more structure to the park and the creation of outdoor rooms including tree planting, seating and shelter.

# Whitmore Square/Iparrityi



## Wellington Square/Kudnartu



## **Precinct Snapshot**

#### Size

2.74 hectares

#### **Tree Count**

29% tree canopy cover provided by 276 trees

### **Key Precinct Uses**

Gardens

## **Context**

As a key focal point for the residents and workers of North Adelaide, Wellington Square/Kudnartu has been identified as providing opportunities for additional play and nature play elements as well as more contemplative spaces for the community.

## Kaurna

Knowledge held by members of the Kaurna community indicates that the Precinct used to connect what is now the golf course, as part of a travelling and hunting area used by Aboriginal peoples.

The Kaurna name for the Square commemorates Kudnartu, a Kaurna woman from the Crystal Brook area in the northern-most region of Kaurna country. Her marriage in 1848 to Thomas Adams, a shepherd, was the first official marriage between a settler and an Aboriginal person in South Australia. She became known as Mary Anne Adams.

## **Historic Heritage**

Wellington Square/Kudnartu has Historic Heritage significance as an integral part of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout, and it is also the only Square located in North Adelaide. The spatial arrangement and plantings are substantially the same as when the city was laid out by Colonel William Light in 1836. The Square was named after Field Marshal the Duke of Wellington, who recommended the appointment of Light. The layout of the Square (according to the Smith Survey of the 1880s) has altered little since it was established, with the same path pattern and style of Victorian tree plantings.

## Landscape

Featuring a range of exotic and native tree species set within an open, semi-natural and gardenesque landscape, Wellington Square/Kudnartu displays a distinct 'village green' character complemented by highly structured plantings and pathway alignments.

## **Drivers for Change**

Wellington Square/Kudnartu will increasingly become a place for communities to engage in a diverse range of recreational activities.

Improving pedestrian connectivity and safer crossing points should be the main focus whilst retaining the Square's historical layout of pathways and continuing to provide a high quality formal garden landscape.



The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Square contains cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.

- 1 Kurrajongs
- 2 Arizona Cypress
- 3 Canary Island Pine
- 4 Carob
- 5 Elms
- 6 Bluestone kerbing and bollards

### **Future Considerations**



Minimise parking around the Square



Seek opportunities to reduce bitumen in the Square



Investigate traffic changes, pedestrian crossings and road surface treatments to improve pedestrian and cycle connections



Support opportunities to improve the connection of the Square with the Adelaide Park Lands



Provide play opportunities for local residents



Create more structured outdoor spaces through tree and garden planting that offer areas for relaxing and contemplation.

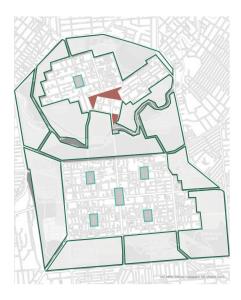




# Wellington Square/Kudnartu



## **Gardens Precinct**



## **Precinct Snapshot**

### **Gardens included in Precinct**

- Palmer Gardens/Pangki Pangki (Park 28)
- Brougham Gardens/Tantutitingga (Park 29)
- Pennington Gardens

#### Size

7.6 hectares or 0.8% of the total area of the Adelaide Park Lands

## **Tree Count**

21% canopy cover provided by 539 trees

### **Key Precinct Uses**

- Formal gardens
- Lawn areas
- Notable plant specimens
- Women's War Memorial Garden, Cross of Sacrifice and Stone of Remembrance

## **Context**

Brougham Gardens/Tantutitingga (Park 29) and Palmer Gardens/Pangki Pangki (Park 28) are formal gardens providing attractive and high quality open spaces within the most densely populated areas of the city. Both gardens have largely retained their original shape and form and are characterised by substantial tree planting, including a significant palm collection, reinforcing a Victorian gardenesque landscape. The Gardens also accommodate a distinctive axial pathway system dating from the 1870s which complements the nineteenth century character of the surrounding Victorian mansions, churches and slate kerbing.

#### Kaurna

In 1972 an Aboriginal Tent Embassy was set up in the Precinct in support of the national tent set up on the lawns of Parliament House.

The Kaurna translation of Tantutitingga is Native Lilac Place (Hardenbergia violacae). Pangki Pangki was a Kaurna tracker and guide.

#### **Historic Heritage**

Overall, the Precinct retains the original shape and form of the Parks as devised by Colonel William Light.

Palmer Gardens/Pangki Pangki (Park 28) and Brougham Gardens/Tantutitingga (Park 29) do not contain any State or Local Heritage Places.

The Women's War Memorial Garden, Cross of Sacrifice and Stone of Remembrance are located in Pennington Gardens East and a State Heritage Place. This garden, dating from the early 1920s is a tribute to the women of South Australia and their contributions during the First World War.

#### Landscape

Brougham Gardens/Tantutitingga (Park 29) has vegetation and natural elements of merit including:

 Palm (Phoenix species) collection dating from 1890s arising from a donation from Sir Samuel Way

- Italian Cypresses (Cupressus sempervirens) act as a frame to the entry path on the northern flanks of the Garden.
- Carob (Ceratonia siliqua) on eastern triangle of the gardens.

Palmer Gardens/Pangki Pangki (Park 28) contains the following vegetation and natural elements of heritage value:

- Camphor Laurel (Cinnamomum camphora) located in the north-west corner of the gardens dated around the 1920s is of medium significance visually and botanically.
- The palm collection dating from 1890s arising from a donation from Sir Samuel Way. Four date palms are still evident and these have some historic and botanic significance.

Pennington Gardens was designed by Pelzer in the gardenesque style, with formal paths and garden beds. The redevelopment of Adelaide Oval has changed the layout but it retains its formality set with historic statues and a fountain.

## **Drivers for Change**

Surrounded by growing resident and worker populations, Brougham Gardens/Tantutitingga (Park 29) and Palmer Gardens/Pangki Pangki (Park 28) will continue to provide appealing places of respite for local residents and visitors alike. The relocation of the Women's and Children's Hospital may change visitation to this area. Future uses of the Women's and Children's Hospital site will influence considerations for the Gardens Precinct. However, residential colleges adjacent Brougham Gardens/Tantutitingga (Park 29) and Palmer Gardens/Pangki Pangki (Park 28) will continue to see a need for informal recreation spaces for students and members of the public. Enhancing both Gardens with attractive planting regimes comprising a mix of exotic and native trees will provide residents and visitors with an appealing setting for a range of enriching outdoor activities and relaxation. The Gardens Precinct will continue to be attractive and well-designed oases in dense parts of the city, with high quality formal gardens, open vistas across playing fields, to the southern horizon, and towards the city centre.





The following considerations will provide guidance for planning at the Precinct level and should be considered along with the Adelaide Park Lands wide planning considerations.

## **Existing Features**

The Gardens contain cultural heritage landscape and contributory features such as exotic species, avenues and corridors.



Maintain and reinforce the structure and formal landscape character

### **Future Considerations**



Improve path connections generally and increase the number of through routes



Improve connections between Palmer Gardens/ Pangki Pangki (Park 28) and Brougham Gardens/ Tantutitingga (Park 29)



Improve connections with Montefiore Hill and Light's Vision



Provide more places and spaces for relaxing and socialising along the northern interface



Provide more strategically located seating within the gardens and to its edges

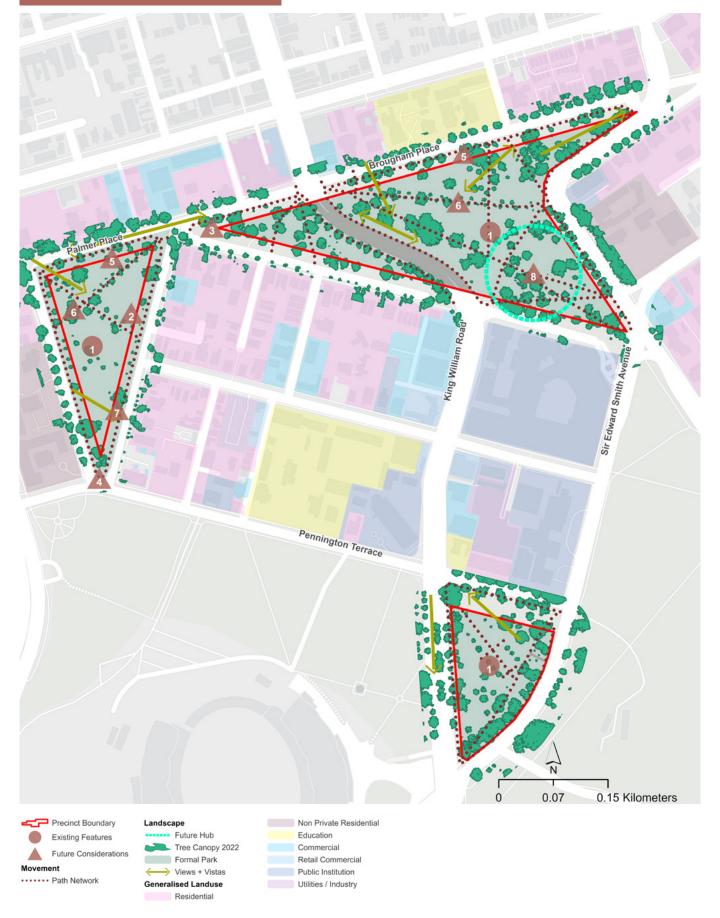


Investigate potential locations for a significant piece of public art



Provide a hub with shelter, seating and opportunities for congregation and investigate opportunities for pop-up/plug in catering.

### **Gardens Precinct**



### Partnerships, Planning and Investment

In planning for the future of the Adelaide Park Lands, the following planning policy documents are relevant.

### **Strategic Planning Context**

### **Management Plans for Adelaide Park Lands**

The Government of South Australia and City of Adelaide are required to prepare Management Plans for the Adelaide Park Lands.

The City of Adelaide Community Land Management Plans (CLMP) for the Adelaide Park Lands set out objectives, policies and proposal for management of the Adelaide Park Lands, states performance targets and measures, provide information on any restrictions to public use or movement through the Adelaide Park Lands, and include specific information on relevant policies for the granting of leases and licences.

The CLMP must be consistent with the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy.

The state government's Management Plans for the Adelaide Park Lands outline the management for the Adelaide Park Lands under state government or Agency/Authority ownership.

### Planning and Design Code – Adelaide Park Lands Zone

Development in the Adelaide Park Lands is assessed against the state government's Planning and Design Code.

The Adelaide Park Lands Zone provides the legislative planning framework and regulations for development within the Adelaide Parks Lands. The Zone covers all of the Adelaide Park Lands, and includes an Aquatic Centre subzone for part of Denise Norton Park/Pardipardinyilla (Park 2).

### Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (GARP)

The Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (GARP) provides the overall planning framework for the growth and development of the Greater Adelaide Region.

The GARP recognises the need for the protection of the Adelaide Park Lands as an important historical, cultural and environmental significant state asset whilst providing a range of recreational and sporting facilities for the community and surrounding statesignificant strategic infill developments.

The GARP sets principles for connecting people with nature and places, creating quality open spaces for everyone and increasing climate resilience through green open spaces, biodiversity, increased tree canopy and reducing heat island impacts.

The GARP will allow for a holistic view of growth for the Greater Adelaide Region which must be considered in the planning for the Adelaide Park Lands, as an open space system for all South Australians.

### City of Adelaide - City Plan

City Plan is an urban design and strategic planning process that outlines the spatial vision, goals, and strategies for future sustainable growth and development across the City of Adelaide into the next decade to achieve a target population of 50,000 residents by 2036.

The City Plan links with the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy through Strategy 2 – Open Space at Your Doorstep. This City Wide Strategy outlines the need for The Adelaide Park Lands and the City Squares to provide places for active and passive recreation and social engagement with a mix of urban uses around the Squares.

City Plan contains data and insights for the Adelaide Park Lands through a range of spatial data layers. These layers provide contextual strategic planning information to assist in evidence-based decision making for the Adelaide Park Lands.



### **Greater Adelaide Open Space System**

Much of what makes Adelaide such a unique and beautiful city is its open spaces and landscapes, including the Adelaide Park Lands.

The underpinning strength of open space for Greater Adelaide is the Greater Adelaide Open Space System (formerly the Metropolitan Open Space System) which is a network of parks and open spaces located throughout Greater Adelaide.

The Adelaide Park Lands and the River Torrens/ Karrawirra Pari are at the heart of the Greater Adelaide Open Space System.

The Adelaide Park Lands are a unique, National Heritage Listed landscape that require a holistic approach to increased greening, water sensitive urban design, stormwater management, water quality and climate resilience. The Adelaide Park Lands will be responsive to the needs of a growing population in the city, and continue to support the Greater Adelaide Open Space System.

### **Population Growth**

The importance of enhancing and protecting the Adelaide Park Lands will increase as Greater Adelaide grows. As will the need for the expansion of the Greater Adelaide Open Space System with quality open green spaces in surrounding metropolitan Adelaide areas.

The Adelaide Park Land's surrounding suburbs of Bowden, Brompton, Thebarton, Kent Town, Keswick and Glenside are experiencing or anticipating significant population growth. They are identified as State Significant Infill areas in the Greater Adelaide Regional Plan.

Further growth along and south of Greenhill Road and selected locations in Burnside, Walkerville and Prospect Local Government Areas will increase demand for use of the Adelaide Park Lands and local open space provisions.

Prioritising works in the Adelaide Park Lands serving the largest population concentrations and areas of largest population increase will become important over the next 5 to 10 years.

### Comparison of Open Space Systems

In South Australia there is a legislative requirement for new developments to contribute 12.5% of land toward public open space. A population-ratio standard is a method which can be applied to describe the provision of open space relative to the level of population.

12.5% of open space applied to 35 hectares of a low density development area equates to around 4 ha per 1,000 people (based on 15 dwellings per hectare and 1.9 persons per household). This figure is consistent with benchmarks used in the Australian Capital Territory (4 ha) and Queensland (4–5 ha) but greater than the New South Wales benchmark.

Forecast population increases vary from 3% in City of Unley to 43% in the City of Adelaide. Projected growth on the western, southern and northern boundaries of the Adelaide Park Lands is likely to have a significant impact on demand for quality and accessible open space.

As Greater Adelaide's population grows the proportion of open space per 1,000 people will reduce. It is imperative that there is shared investment in the Adelaide Park Lands and increased investment in open space provision through the expansion of the wider Greater Adelaide Open Space System. This public open space is required to support communities and is essential to the physical and social health and wellbeing of the community.

The following table outlines the allocation of open space for the City of Adelaide (Adelaide Park Lands) and the adjoining councils. The table highlights the adjoining councils that currently meet the benchmark of 4 hectares per 1,000 people.

Adjacent Council Comparison	Open Space (Hectares)	Ha per 1,000 people
City of Adelaide (Adelaide Park Lands - Community Land)	691	26.5
City of Norwood, Payneham and St Peters	180	4.85
Town of Walkerville	33	4.32
City of Burnside	190	4.18
City of Charles Sturt	403	3.39
City of West Torrens	173	2.84
City of Prospect	23	1.15
City of Unley	30	0.76

Figure 9 Adjacent Council Open Space Comparison

Source: Relevant Council Websites

The following table outlines the allocation of open space for four capital cities in Australia. The comparison highlights the significance of the open space provision in the capital city, which is one significant factor to the liveability of the City of Adelaide.

Capital City Comparison	Open Space (Hectares)	Ha per 1,000
City of Adelaide (Adelaide Park Lands - Community Land)	691	26.5
City of Melbourne	555	7.38
City of Perth	547	3.18
City of Sydney	377	2.36

Figure 10 Capital City Open Space Comparison

Source: Relevant Council Websites

### Adelaide Park Land's Investment

Through the Strategy, the City of Adelaide and the Government of South Australia will investigate amendment of the Planning and Design Code, to introduce an Adelaide Park Lands Open Space Offset Scheme or Adelaide Park Lands Overlay to unlock investment in the Adelaide Park Lands. This initiative would apply to future developments that will rely on the Adelaide Park Lands for open space provision.



### **Return Areas**

Continue to identify land within the Adelaide Park Lands that does not meet the definition of a 'Park Lands Purpose' and offers limited or restricted public access. It is a key priority that this land be returned to a 'Park Lands Purpose'.

### **Notable Return to Park Lands Areas**

Outlined below are notable return to Park Lands Areas by the City of Adelaide and the Government of South Australia.

Road from Mills Terrace and Barnard Street to North Adelaide Station in Possum Park/ Pirltawardli (Park 1) in 1980	0.5 ha
Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Racecourse built form and car park in 2008	1.6 ha
Fitzroy Croquet Club building in Reservoir Park/Kangatilla (Park 4) in 2004	121 m <sup>2</sup>
Veale Gardens Conservatory in 2016	51m2

Figure 11 Adelaide Park Lands return areas by City of Adelaide

SA Water land in Gladys Elphick Park/Narnungga (Park 25) in 2015	5.4 ha
Hackney Bus Depot to Botanic Garden (not including the Tram Barn or Goodman Building) in 1988	5.46 ha
Land West of Morphett Street bridge – (Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli) in 1992	3.2 ha
Former Royal Adelaide Hospital car park in Frome Park/Nellie Raminyemmerin in 1990	1.8 ha
E&WS depot in Rundle Park/Kadlipina (Park 13) in 1984	1.3 ha
Old Bureau of Meteorology in Ellis Park/Tampawardli in 1979	0.3 ha
Post-tel Recreational Institute in Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24) in 1990	0.8 ha
Land either side of North Adelaide Station Road (including woodyard site) in Mary Lee Park Tulya Wardli (Park 27B) in 1990	1.1 ha
North Adelaide Railway Station in Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) in 1989	0.2 ha

Figure 12 Adelaide Park Lands return areas by Government of South Australia and Australian Government

### **Return Areas Schedule**

A review has been undertaken to identify opportunities to return areas of the Adelaide Park Lands. The following assessment criteria has been used as part of this review.

The transfer of any land from the Government of South Australia to the City of Adelaide would be dependent on a case being made to the relevant registered custodian of the land.

- Land that is currently under the care, control or management of the Crown or a state authority that could be transferred to the care, control and management of the City of Adelaide to allow for increased public access.
- Hardstand areas that no longer meet their intended use (eg sports courts that are no longer used for sport), and could be returned to a Park Lands Purpose.

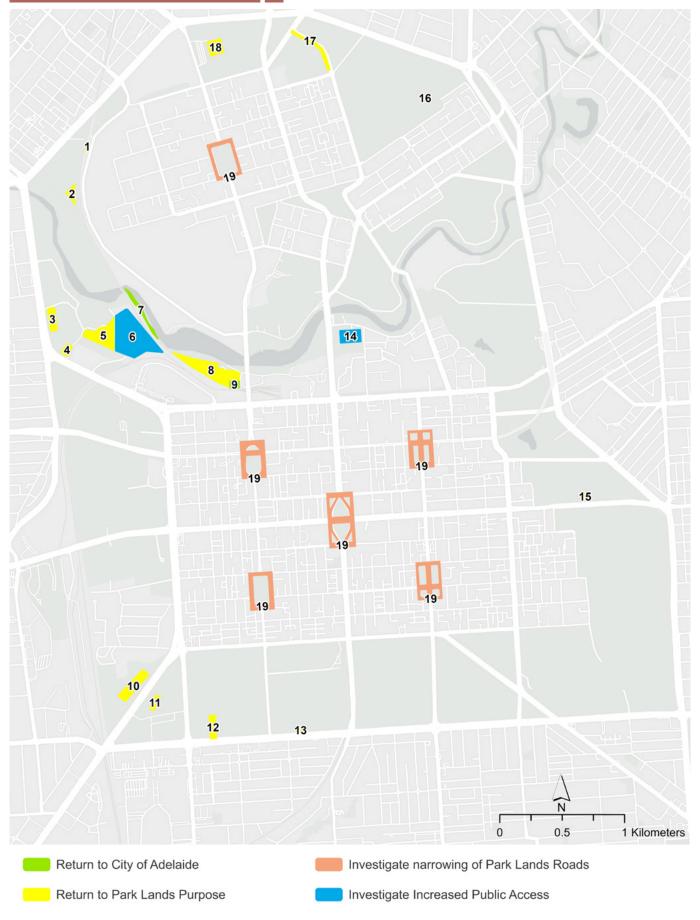
Consultation with stakeholders will be undertaken to further investigate the opportunities outlined in the Return Areas Schedule.



Site No.	Park No.	Custodian	Current Description	Opportunity	Priority/ Timing
1			Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose	Medium 5–10 Years	
2	27	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Vacant land	Vacant land Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose	
3	27	27 Corporation of the City of Adelaide Courts Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose – removal of hardstand surface		High 1–5 Years	
4	City of Adelaide Safety Centre Roadway or return to Park Lands		Undertake feasibility to maintain Mock Roadway or return to Park Lands Purpose following the relocation of SAPOL facilities in 2024	High 1–5 Years	
5	27	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	SAPOL – horse agistment area	Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose post the new Women's and Children's Hospital completion	Medium 5–10 Years

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No.	Park No.	Custodian	Description	Opportunity	Timing
6	27	Minister for Climate, Environment and Water	Adelaide Gaol, Powder Magazine and Roma Mitchell Garden	Investigate opportunities to increase public access to the Adelaide Gaol Precinct	Medium 5–10 Years
7	27	Minister for Climate, Environment and Water	Linear strip of land on edge of River Torrens Trail	Investigate opportunities to return to City of Adelaide	Medium 5–10 Years
8	27	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Helen Mayo Park/ Tulya Wardli (Park 27)	Through master planning, return to Park Lands Purpose and increase public accessibility	High 1–5 Years
9	27	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	Car Park	Investigate opportunities to return to City of Adelaide and return to Park Lands Purpose	High 1–5 Years
10	23	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Former sports courts	Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose	High 1–5 Years
11	22	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Former sports courts	Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose – removal of hardstand surface	High 1–5 Years
12	21	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Access driveway	Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose – removal of hardstand surface	High 1–5 Years
13	21	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Former sports courts/club room	Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose	High 1–5 Years
14	12	Minister for Climate, Environment and Water	Torrens Parade Ground	Investigate opportunities to increase public use of this space	Low 10–20 Years
15	15	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Temporary skate park	Investigate opportunities to formalise the temporary skate park or remove hardstand areas and return to a Park Lands Purpose	High 1–5 Years
16	6	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Sports courts	Investigate opportunities to return to a Park Lands Purpose – removal of hardstand surface	High 1–5 Years
17	4 and 5	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Lefevre Road	Undertake traffic modelling and consultation with community and Department for Infrastructure and Transport to investigate the closure of Lefevre Road and return to a Park Lands Purpose	Low 10–20 Years
18	2	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Adelaide Aquatic Centre	Post completion of the new Adelaide Aquatic Centre – return existing Adelaide Aquatic Centre to a Park Lands Purpose	High 1–5 Years
19	Victoria/ Tantanyangga, Hindmarsh/ Mukata, Hurtle/ Tangkaira, Light/Wauwi, Wellington/ Kudnartu, Whitmore/ Iparrityi	Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Adelaide Park Lands roadways	Through master planning, investigate opportunities to return portions of Adelaide Park Lands roadways around the Park Lands Squares to a Park Lands Purpose through the narrowing of Park Lands roads	Low 10–20 Years

### Return Areas Map



### Return Area Priorities to 2036

### Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)

Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C) is an underutilised park with little amenity offered for community benefit. A master plan is required to guide the strategic improvement of the site and integration with the city and surrounding built and natural form.

### **SAPOL Horse Agistment Area**

The relocation of the South Australian Mounted Police Unit provides an opportunity to return the former horse agistment area to a Park Lands Purpose and to integrate with the surrounding open space, recreation and health precincts.

### Former Hard Courts (Tennis, Netball, Basketball) and Carparking

Hard court spaces that are no longer in use provide an opportunity to increase permeable surfaces, water retention and tree canopy in the Adelaide Park Lands.



### **Investment Framework**

To achieve the Strategy's outcomes, clear pathways for investment are required.

### **Investment Opportunities**

The following are identified as the key funding sources for investment in the Adelaide Park Lands.

- Capital City Committee
- Government of South Australia
- City of Adelaide
- Adjoining councils
- Lease/licence holders in the Adelaide Park Lands

In addition to the City of Adelaide's annual investment in the maintenance of the Adelaide Park Lands and ongoing infrastructure maintenance and improvement program, the City of Adelaide has committed to a program of annual investment to upgrade or redevelop community buildings in the Adelaide Park Lands.

The City of Adelaide's substantial capital investment in the Adelaide Park Lands enhances and protects the Adelaide Park Lands as a highly valued green space, ensuring its ecological integrity and providing vital recreational opportunities for the community.

### Partnerships/Co-Investment (all or combination of)

- City of Adelaide and Government of South Australia
- City of Adelaide and Lease/Licence holders
- City of Adelaide and adjoining councils
- City of Adelaide and community organisations
- City of Adelaide and Australian Government
- Philanthropy
- Community organisations Sporting Clubs
- Volunteering

### **Partnerships**

The implementation of this Strategy will be overseen by Kadaltilla in conjunction with the City of Adelaide and the Government of South Australia. It involves the participation of many delivery partners, including Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation, Government of South Australia departments, agencies, adjoining local councils, volunteers and the broader community.

### **Investment Pathways**

### Investment in delivering this Strategy will be pursued as follows:

Asset renewal or improvements

- City of Adelaide/Government of South Australia/ Australian Government
- Partnerships/Co-investment

### Environmental/Natural System

- City of Adelaide/Government of South Australia
- Partnerships/Co-investment
- Volunteering
- Philanthropy

### **Community Sports**

- Partnerships/Co-investment
- Community organisations/Sporting clubs
- Philanthropy

### Tourism and Heritage

- City of Adelaide/Government of South Australia/ Australian Government
- Partnerships/Co-investment
- Philanthropy

### Major public infrastructure

- City of Adelaide/Government of South Australia/ Australian Government
- Partnerships/Co-investment

### **Investment Assessment Criteria**

### Future investment in the Strategy seeks to:

- Reflect growth in the city and adjoining council areas
- Provide trail, path connectivity and improving active transport access to the Adelaide Park Lands
- Resolve gaps in the quantity, quality, mix and type of open spaces
- Provide opportunities to enhance connectivity through waterways and biodiversity corridors
- Protect and enhance Aboriginal and Historic Heritage

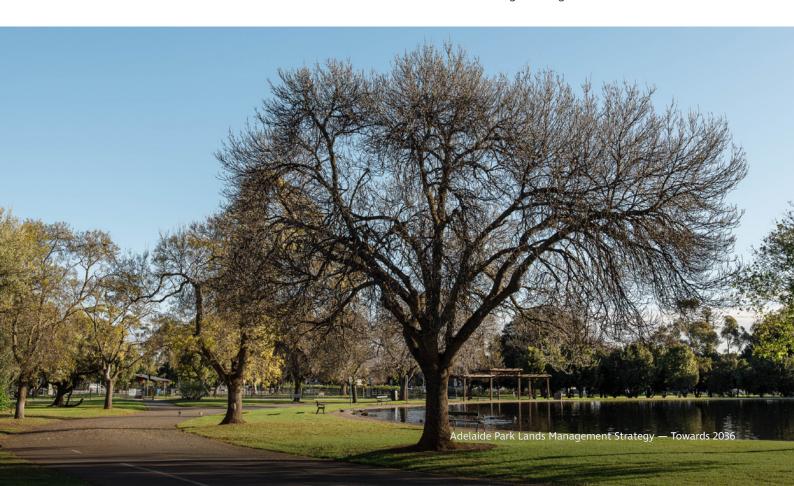
- Improve Connection to Country and reconciliation
- Protect and enhance National Heritage Values
- Service the South Australian community
- Acknowledge current trends and future population and demographic projections
- Improve climate resilience
- Meet conservation and biodiversity priorities, based on comprehensive biodiversity survey data
- Improve vegetation quality and increase tree canopy coverage
- Reduce and mitigate urban heat effects
- Improve water quality and flood mitigation
- Align with state and federal strategic open space objectives.

### **4-Year Investment Priorities**

Priority projects have been identified to guide future investment in the enhancement and protection of the Adelaide Park Lands. Projects should leverage state and federal investment in community infrastructure to address societal change, population increase and the need for climate resilience.

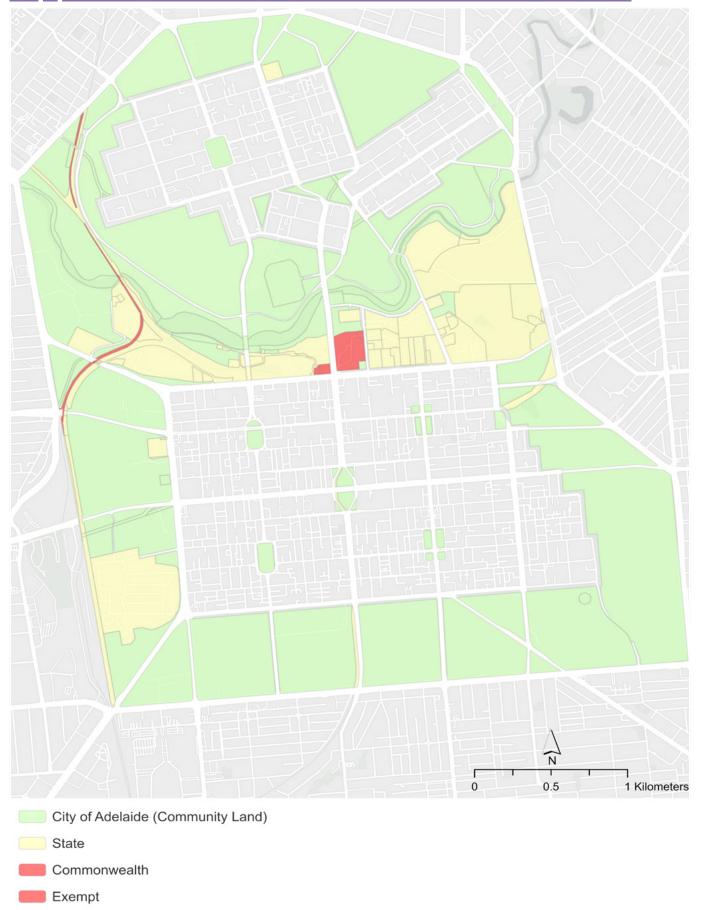
### **Projects**

- Strategic Water Resources
- Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)
- Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16) Master Plan implementation
- Adelaide Aquatic Centre Development
- Adelaide Park Lands Trail improvements
- New Women's and Children's Hospital
- Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) Master Plan including Kate Cocks Park/Port Road Development
- Golden Wattle Park/Mirnu Wirra (Park 21 West)
   Community Building Redevelopment
- Mary Lee Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27B) Community Building Redevelopment
- Increasing greening and canopy cover
- Light Square/Wauwi event infrastructure
- Greenhill Road Corridor
- Northern Park Lands Master Planning
- Whitmore Square/Iparrityi Stage 2
- River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari Restoration
- Establish and implement a biodiversity monitoring program
- State Heritage Listing of the Adelaide Park Lands



# Appendices

### Appendix A – Adelaide Park Lands Tenure



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In accordance with Section 18(3)(a) of the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 the following table outlines; (i) the occupation, tenure and existing use of the land; and (ii) provides information about the State Government's or the Council's (as the case may be) plans for the use and management of the land into the future; and (iii) identifies any plans or feasible options for increasing public access to the land for recreational purposes (taking into account the existing or proposed use of the land); and (iv) if the land is owned, occupied or under the care, control or management of the Crown or a State authority—provide information about its suitability for use as park lands under the care, control and management of the Adelaide City Council, or through transferring the land to the Council, and, if appropriate, a program for its future use as park lands.

The Land Tenure list is current as at August 2024.

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
D24125Q1	CR5667/595	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	G S Kingston Park/ Wirrarninthi (Park 23)	Continue existing use
D24125Q2	CR5667/595	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23)	Continue existing use
D28392A33	CR5739/885	Minister for Environment and Water	Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) Linear reserve and olive grove adjacent to the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari and rail corridor and between the weir and rail bridge	Potential transfer to City of Adelaide for care, control and management subject to resolution of potential contamination concerns.
D28393A1	CR6245/913	Minister for Education	Adelaide Botanic High School	Current use to continue
D30327A51	CR6102/709	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	Mary Lee Park/Tulya Wardli (27B)	Current use to continue
D30327A53	CR5260/214	Transadelaide	Railway corridor between the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari and North Adelaide Railway Station. Vested for railway purposes pursuant to the Railways Act 1878.	Current use to continue
D33772A102	CL6185/34 OM021309	Riverside Rowing Club Inc.	Riverside Rowing Club – west of Morphett Street bridge	Current use to continue. Transfer to City of Adelaide as part of Adelaide Botanic High land swap – Future consideration of site as part of master planning for Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
D33772A103	CR5220/707	Minister for Environment and Water	Pulteney Boat Club – west of Morphett Street bridge	Current use to continue. Transfer to City of Adelaide as part of Adelaide Botanic High land swap – Future consideration of site as part of master planning for Helen Mayo Park/ Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)
D34345A5	CT5320/362	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Railway corridor north of North Adelaide Railway Station.	Continue existing use
D34345A6	CR5373/132	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	North Adelaide Railway Station	Opportunity to repurpose North Adelaide Railway Station building and return southern portion of allotment to an Adelaide Park Lands Purpose
D35577A100	CR5220/421	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	Unley High School and Norwood International High School Rowing Shed	Continue existing use
D35577A101	CL 6229/569	Adelaide Rowing Club Inc.	Adelaide Rowing Club	Current use to continue  – Potential transfer to City of Adelaide for care, control and management
D35577A102	CR5220/422	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	Adelaide Riverbank Lawns	Continue existing use
D38136A104	CT6260/649	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	Car park	Opportunity for transfer to City of Adelaide as part of master planning for Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)
D51367A11	СТ6077/8	The University of Adelaide	The Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences, University of Adelaide — Helen Mayo North Building	Continue existing use
D51367A12	CT 6203/478	Urban Renewal Authority	Hanson Institute. Dedicated as a reserve for the purposes of the Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science pursuant to s.5 of the Crown Lands Act 1929.	Continue existing use
D51367A13	CT 6203/493	Urban Renewal Authority	EziPark Car Park. Dedicated as a reserve to be used for the purposes of car parking pursuant to s.5 of the Crown Lands Act 1929.	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
D51367A14	CT 6203/582	Urban Renewal Authority	Lot Fourteen development	Innovation Precinct
D51367A22	CT5696/850	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	Frome Park/Nellie Raminyemmerin	Portion of allotment for Adelaide Botanic High expansion
D56872A51	CR6166/588	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) – vacant land east of SAPOL Barracks	To form part of the New Women's and Children's Hospital Site (car park)
D56872A54	CR6166/588	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	Gladys Elphick Park/ Narnungga (Park 25)	Continue existing use
D56872A62	CT5999/487	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Railway land under Port Road bridge	Continue existing use
D56872A63	CT5999/494	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Railway land under Port Road bridge	Continue existing use
D56872A72	CT6171/219	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Railway land under Port Road bridge	Continue existing use
D56872A74	CR6112/377	The Corporation of The City of Adelaide	Gladys Elphick Park/ Narnungga (Park 25)	Continue existing use
D56872A80	CR5999/489	The Crown	South Australian Police Barracks	To form part of the New Women's and Childrens Hospital Site (Main Building)
D59055Q101	CT 6260/651	Urban Renewal Authority	Roadway east of Montefiore Road	Continue existing use
D59055Q102	CT 6260/651	Urban Renewal Authority	Roadway east of Montefiore Road	Continue existing use
D66751A101	CR5943/442	Board of the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium	Botanic Garden of Adelaide	Continue existing use
D73209A60	CT6181/304	Minister for Education and Child Development	Adelaide High School	Continue existing use
D73209A65	CT6102/724	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24)	Continue existing use
D73209A66	CT6181/304	Minister for Education and Child Development	Adelaide High School	Continue existing use
D73209Q61	CR6102/722	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Ellis Park/Tampawardli (Park 24)	Continue existing use
D73209Q62	CR6102/722	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23)	Continue existing use
D73209Q63	CR6102/722	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23)	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
D73606A200	CR6161/289	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Helen Mayo Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27C)	Future master planning of site to determine opportunities
D73606A201	CR6102/700	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) – river bank	Future master planning of Helen Mayo Park/ Tulya Wardli (Park 27C) to determine opportunities
D73606A204	CR6102/701	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) – car park	Future master planning of Helen Mayo Park/ Tulya Wardli (Park 27C) to determine opportunities
D81642A100	CR6102/703	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) – Adelaide Oval surrounds and Pennington Gardens	Continue existing use
D81642A105	CR6102/711	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Mary Lee Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27B)	Continue existing use
D81642A106	CR6102/711	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) – Golf Course	Continue existing use
D81642A107	CR6102/710	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) – Golf Course	Continue existing use
D81642A108	CR6102/710	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Denise Norton Park/ Pardipardinyilla (Park 2) – Adelaide Aquatic Centre	New Adelaide Aquatic Centre – Future master planning of broader site to consider opportunities
D81642A109	CR6102/710	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Yam Daisy Park/Kantarilla (Park 3) – Key Biodiversity Area	Continue existing use
D81642A110	CR6102/713	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Bragg Park/Ngampa Yarta (Park 5)	Continue existing use
D81642A111	CR6102/713	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Lefevre Park/Nantu Wama (Park 6) – Horse depasturing	Continue existing use
D81642A112	CR6102/713	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	The Olive Groves/Kuntingga (Park 7)	Continue existing use
D81642A113	CR6102/713	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	The Olive Groves/Parngutilla (Park 8)	Continue existing use
D81642A114	CR6302/315	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Bundey's Paddock/Tidlangga (Park 9)	Continue existing use
D81642A115	CR6302/315	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Mistletoe Park / Tainmuntilla (Park 10)	Continue existing use
D81642A119	CR6182/535	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Victoria Park/Pakapakanthi (Park 16)	Continue existing use
D81642A120	CR6102/704	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Josie Agius Park/ Wikaparntu Wirra (Park 22)	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
D81642A121	CR6102/705	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Light Square/Wauwi (Northern section)	Continue existing use
D81642A122	CR6102/705	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Light Square/Wauwi (Western section)	Continue existing use
D81642A123	CR6102/706	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Hindmarsh Square/Mukata (all parts)	Continue existing use
D81642A124	CR6102/706	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Hindmarsh Square/Mukata (North East Corner)	Continue existing use
D81642A125	CR6102/706	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Hindmarsh Square/Mukata (South West Corner)	Continue existing use
D81642A126	CR6102/706	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Hindmarsh Square/Mukata (South East Corner)	Continue existing use
D81642A127	CR6102/702	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Whitmore Square/Iparrityi	Continue existing use
D81642A128	CR6137/492	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Hurtle Square/Tangkaira (South West Corner)	Continue existing use
D81642A129	CR6102/703	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Adelaide Oval Precinct	Continue existing use
D83004A8 (PART)	CT6145/130	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt,	Rail Corridor – West of Cemetery	Continue existing use
D85638A11	CR6166/588	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Southern section of New Royal Adelaide Hospital (open space)	Continue existing use
D85638A12	CR6112/475	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Gladys Elphick Park/ Narnungga (Park 25) – Urban Forest	Continue existing use
D85638A13	CR6166/588	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27)	Portion of allotment will accommodate New Women's and Children's Hospital
D85638A14	CR6112/473	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Karrawirra Pari - River Torrens - North Western Section	Continue existing use
D85645A20	CT6238/315	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Australian Bragg Centre for Proton Therapy and Research (SAHMRI 2)	Continue existing use
D85645A30	CT6229/257	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	SAHMRI (South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute)	Continue existing use
D85645A60	CT6072/231	Minister for Health and Wellbeing	South West section of New Royal Adelaide Hospital (open space)	Continue existing use
D86067A17	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	John E Brown Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27A)	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
D86132A200	CR6074/282	Treasurer	National Wine Centre – Leased to Adelaide University	Continue existing use
D86132A201	CR6074/283	Board of the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium	State Herbarium of South Australia – First Creek Wetland	Continue existing use
D88232A51	CR6159/446	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga – North west corner	Continue existing use
D88232A52	CR6159/446	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga – Northern portion	Continue existing use
D88232A53	CR6159/446	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga – North-eastern corner	Continue existing use
D88232A54	CR6152/729	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Tram corridor	Continue existing use
D88232A55	CR6159/446	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga – South-west corner	Continue existing use
D88232A56	CR6159/446	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga – Southern portion	Continue existing use
D88232A57	CR6159/446	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Victoria Square/Tarntanyangga – South-east corner	Continue existing use
D88232A58	CR 6152/729	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Tram corridor	Continue existing use
D88255A50	CR 6161/905	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Closed roadway (Deviation Road) form part of Narnungga Urban Forest	Continue existing use
D90434A23	CT 6145/121	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Rail Corridor - West of Cemetery	Continue existing use
D90434A24	CT 6145/122	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Rail Corridor - West of Ellis Park / Tampawardli	Continue existing use
D90434A25	CT 6145/123	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Rail Corridor - Section over Glover Avenue - Ellis Park / Tampawardli	Continue existing use
D90434A28	CT 6145/128	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Rail Corridor - Section over Glover Avenue - Ellis Park / Tampawardli	Continue existing use
D90434A31		The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Rail Corridor - Section over Glover Avenue - Ellis Park / Tampawardli	Continue existing use
D90434A30	CT 6145/126	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Rail Corridor - West of Narnungga Urban Forest	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
D90661A100	CT 6125/317	Adelaide Cemetery Authority	Adelaide Cemetery	Continue existing use
D90661A101	CR 6125/318	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Linear strip in front of Adelaide Cemetary	Continue existing use
D92795A2	CR 6132/226	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
D111983A100	CT 6274/622	Minister for Transport and Infrastructure	Adelaide Medical School - North Terrace	Continue existing use
D111983A101	CT6274/623	Minister for Transport and Infrastructure	University of SA Bradley Building/MOD	Continue existing use
D111983A102	CT 6280/799	Minister for Health and Wellbeing	Royal Adelaide Hospital	Continue existing use
D111983Q103	CT 6260/652	Minister for Transport and Infrastructure	Rail Corridor - North of Health Precinct	Continue existing use
D111983Q104	CT 6260/652	Minister for Transport and Infrastructure	Rail Corridor - North of Health Precinct	Continue existing use
D121055A50	CR6302/307	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	O-Bahn Corridor	Continue existing use
D121055A51	CR6302/308	Minister for Transport and Infrastructure	O-Bahn Corridor	Continue existing use
D121055A52	CR6302/309	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
D121055A53	CR6302/317	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
D121055A54	CR6302/311	Board of Botanic Gardens & The State Herbarium  Botanic Garden - Buildings and wetlands		Continue existing use
D121055A55	CR6302/312	Board of Botanic Gardens & The State Herbarium	Botanic Park	Continue existing use
D121055A56	CR6302/313	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Karrawirra Pari - River Torrens - section between Frome Rd Bridge and Hackney Road	Continue existing use
D121055A57	CR6302/314	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Karrawirra Pari - River Torrens - Bullrush Park/Warnpangga (Park 10)	Continue existing use
D128908A601	CT 6283/654	Adelaide Festival Centre Trust	Adelaide Fesitval Centre	Continue existing use
D128908A602	CT 6277/532	Urban Renewal Authority	Festival Plaza/Festival Tower	Continue existing use
D128908A603	CT 6283/655	Urban Renewal Authority	Portion of Festival Plaza/ Adelaide Casino	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
D128908A607	CT 6277/535	Urban Renewal Authority	Portion of Festival Plaza	Continue existing use
D128908Q604	CT 6277/534	Urban Renewal Authority	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
D128908Q605	CT 6277/534	Urban Renewal Authority		
D128908Q606	CT 6277/534	Urban Renewal Authority	Adelaide Convention Centre/ Riverside Centre/ InterContinental Adelaide	Continue existing use
F11089A23 (PART)	CT5722/148	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Small section of railway corridor under Anzac Highway	Continue existing use
F218068A100	CR5779/242	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Wellington Square/Kudnartu	Continue existing use
F218072A109	CR6137/492	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Hurtle Square/Tangkaira - North-West Corner	Continue existing use
F218072A110	CR6137/492	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Hurtle Square/Tangkaira - North-East Corner	Continue existing use
F218072A114	CR6137/492	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Hurtle Square/Tangkaira - South-East Corner	Continue existing use
F219636A50	CT6141/463	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Small section of railway corridor - West of G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23)	Continue existing use
F38386A23	CT5948/489	Minister for Environment and Water	Torrens Parade Ground and Buildings	Investigate opportunities to increase public use of this space
F38386Q20	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12) - Torrens Parade Ground surrounds	Continue existing use
F38386Q21	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12) - Torrens Parade Ground surrounds	Continue existing use
F38386Q22	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12) - River Bank north of Adelaide University	Continue existing use
F41835A2	CR5807/962	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Karrawirra Pari - River Torrens - section between Lightning Bridge/Karntu Waadlakatha and Torrens Wier	Continue existing use
F41835A3	CR5807/963	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Karrawirra Pari - River Torrens - section between Torrens Wier and Montefiore Rd Bridge	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
F41835A4	CR5807/964	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
F41835A5	CR5807/965	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
F48969A100	CR6166/587	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Tramway adjacent Peacock Road	Continue existing use
F58800A10	CT6141/289	Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Govt	Small section of railway corridor under Port Rd Bridge	Continue existing use
H105100S1007	CR5754/513	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Carriageway Park/Tuthangga (Park 17) - Glenelg Service Reservoir Historic Site	Continue existing use
H105100S1008	CR5754/514	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) - linear strip south of Torrens Wier	Continue existing use
H105100S1009	CR5765/293	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Bonython Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27) - linear strip south of Torrens Wier - part of River Torrens trail	Continue existing use
H105100S1018	CR5737/419	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12) - Jolley's Boathouse, Adelaide High School Rowing Club, Torrens Rowing Club	Continue existing use
H105100S1187	CR6043/263	Royal Zoological East end of Adelaide Zoo Society of South Australia Inc		Continue existing use
H105100S1198	CR5766/798	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
H105100S1203	CR5760/638	Minister for Environment and Water	inister for Part of Old Adelaide Goal site	
H105100S1204	CR5761/141	Minister for Infrastructure	Portion of former Powder Magazine	Current use to continue. Investigate opportunities to increase public access to the Adelaide Gaol Precinct post completion of the new Women's and Children's Hospital

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
H105100S1205	CT6129/107	The University of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	Continue existing use
H105100S1206	CT6129/107	The University of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	Continue existing use
H105100S1207	CT6077/7	The University of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	Continue existing use
H105100S510	CR5759/861	Libraries Board of South Australia	State Library	Continue existing use
H105100S519	CR5754/509	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Small portion of Adelaide High School - North East corner	Continue existing use
H105100S549	CR5756/336	Minister for Environment and Water	linister for Old Adelaide Goal. Declared C	
H105100S561	CR5759/681	South Australian Museum Board		
H105100S562	CR5759/863	Art Gallery Board	State Gallery	Continue existing use
H105100S590	CR6043/263	Royal Zoological Society of South Australia Inc	Adelaide Zoo	Continue existing use
H105100S591	CR5754/510	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Mistletoe Park/Tainmuntilla (Park 11) - Karrawirra Pari riverbank (Southern side)	Continue existing use
H105100S592	CT6129/107	The University of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	Continue existing use
H105100S593	CR5251/900	University of South Australia	University of SA - City East Campus	Continue existing use
H105100S6017	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Carriageway Park/Tuthangga (Park 17)	Continue existing use
H105100S6018	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Peppermint Park/Wita Wirra (Park 18)	Continue existing use
H105100S6019	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Pelzer Park/Pityarilla (Park 19)	Continue existing use
H105100S6020	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Blue Gum Park/Kurangga (Park 20)	Continue existing use
H105100S6021	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	·	
H105100S6023	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	G S Kingston Park/Wirrarninthi (Park 23) - Edwards Park	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
H105100S6026	CR6102/717	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) - Elder Park	Continue existing use
H105100S6028	CR5754/517	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
H105100S610	CR6257/171	Minister for Education	Minister for Education Migration Museum and Chapel Café	
H105100S614	CR5756/657	Minister for Health and Ageing	Institute of Medical & Veterinary Science	Continue existing use
H105100S693	CT5685/768	The University of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	Continue existing use
H105100S694	CT5685/769	The University of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	Continue existing use
H105100S695	CT6077/7	The University of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	Continue existing use
H105100S737	CT6129/107	The University of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	Continue existing use
H105100S745	CR5759/682	South Australian Museum Board		
H105100S756	CR5754/511	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	National War Memorial	Continue existing use
H105100S762	CT6205/154	Urban Renewal Authority	· ·	
H105100S769	CR5754/512	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) - Pembroke, Unley High and Norwood High Rowing Club		Continue existing use
H105100S771	NA	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
H106100S1191	CR5766/849	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) - unmade roadway through Golf Course	Continue existing use
H106100S1192	CR5744/254	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Brougham Gardens/ Tantutitingga (Park 29)	Continue existing use
H106100S1193	CR5896/254	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Brougham Gardens/ Tantutitingga (Park 29)	Continue existing use
H106100S1194	CR6142/421	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12)	Continue existing use
H106100S1604	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Reservoir Park/Kangatilla (Park 4)	Continue existing use
H106100S1611	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Mistletoe Park/Tainmuntilla (Park 10)	Continue existing use
H106100S1612	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12)	Continue existing use

Parcel Identification	Title	Occupation	Existing Use	Future Plans or Feasible Options
H106100S1627	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) - Golf Course	Continue existing use
H106100S1628	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) - Golf Course	Continue existing use
H106100S1630	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
H106100S1631	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Mistletoe Park/Tainmuntilla (Park 11) - Karrawirra Pari riverbank (Northern side)	Continue existing use
H106100S1633	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12) - Norther portion	Continue existing use
H106100S1634	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Brougham Gardens/ Tantutitingga (Park 29)	Continue existing use
H106100S1635	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Brougham Gardens/ Tantutitingga (Park 29)	Continue existing use
H106100S1636	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Brougham Gardens/ Tantutitingga (Park 29)	Continue existing use
H106100S1637	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
H106100S1638	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide Palmer Gardens/Pangki Pangki (Park 28)		Continue existing use
H106100S1639	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide		
H106100S1640	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) - Par 3 Golf Course	Continue existing use
H106100S1641	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Mary Lee Park/Tulya Wardli (Park 27B)	Continue existing use
H106100S1643	CR6059/925	Minister for Infrastructure	SA Water Reserve	Continue existing use
H106100S1644	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Possum Park/Pirltawardli (Park 1) - Golf Course	Continue existing use
H106100S1648	CR6144/507	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Red Gum Park/Karrawirra (Park 12) - North West portion	Continue existing use
X1		Minister for Transport and Infrastructure	Forms part of Morphett Street Bridge	Continue existing use
X2		The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	Forms part of Morphett Street Bridge	Continue existing use

Figure 14 Adelaide Park Lands Tenure Schedule

### Appendix B – Excluded Land

Parcel Identification	Title	Registered Proprietor/Custodian	
D112570A1	CR6183/88	Minister for Environment and Water	
D112570A2	CR6183/89	Minister for Environment and Water	
D128908A608	CR6277/536	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	
D128908A609	CR6277/537	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	
D15497A29	CT5432/944	Australian Rail Track Corp Ltd	
D56872A61	CT5999/486	Australian Rail Track Corp Ltd	
D90434A26 (PART)	CT6148/335	Australian Rail Track Corp Ltd	
D90434A29	CT6145/125	Australian Rail Track Corp Ltd	
F14185A22	CT5803/625	Australian Rail Track Corp Ltd	
F22072A23	CT5444/119	Australian Rail Track Corp Ltd	
F22072A24	CT5444/119	Australian Rail Track Corp Ltd	
F22072A25	CT5444/119	Australian Rail Track Corp Ltd	
D90434A23 (PART)	CT6145/121	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	

Figure 15 Adelaide Park Lands Excluded Land



# Appendix C – Adelaide Park Lands Leases Exceeding Five Years

In accordance with section 18(3)(b) of the *Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005* the following table identifies any land within the Adelaide Park Lands that is, or that is proposed to be (according to information in the possession of the Authority), subject to a lease or licence with a term exceeding 5 years (including any right of extension).

This table is current as at August 2024.

Lessor	Lessee	Term	Details	Comment
City of Adelaide	Prince Alfred College	21 years	Commenced 1/10/2021	Park 9
City of Adelaide	The University of Adelaide	42 years	Commenced 1/07/2013	Parks 10 and 12
City of Adelaide	Adelaide High School	21 years	Commenced 1/09/2013	Park 12 Rowing Club
City of Adelaide	Prince Alfred College	21 years	Commenced 1/03/2011	Park 12 Rowing Club
City of Adelaide	Jolley's Restaurant	3 + 5 + 5 + 5 years	Commenced 1/08/2021	Park 12 – east of King William Street bridge
City of Adelaide	Lounders Boatshed Café	15 years	Commenced 1/01/2023	Park 12 – east of King William Street Bridge
City of Adelaide	Popeye Motorboats	9 years 11 months	Commenced 1/01/2017	Park 12 – east of King William Street bridge
City of Adelaide	Adelaide Bowling Club	15 years	Commenced 1/01/2014	Adelaide Park 14 (Rymill Park/Murlawirrapurka) – Dequetteville Terrace
City of Adelaide	The Velo	9 years 11 months	Commenced 1/10/2015	Park 16 – Basement Grandstand Building
City of Adelaide	Victoria Park Social Club	9 years 11 months	Commenced 1/01/2017	Park 16 – Old Bookmakers and Entrance Building
City of Adelaide	Kiosk on 16	9 years 11 months	Commenced 12/01/2017	Park 16 – Victoria Park Kiosk
City of Adelaide	Adelaide Pavilion	4 + 6 + 5 years	Commenced 7/01/2019	Park 21
City of Adelaide	Bureau of Meteorology	42 years	Commenced 1/01/2017	Park 24
City of Adelaide	Comets Football Club Inc	21 years	Commenced 1/01/2019	Park 24
City of Adelaide	Adelaide High School	42 years	Commenced 7/01/2015	Park 24 – to facilitate the extension of Adelaide High School over Adelaide Park Lands
City of Adelaide	South Australian Cricket Association	21 + 21 years	Commenced 1/01/2017	Park 25
City of Adelaide	War Memorial Drive Tennis Club	50 years	Commenced 1/01/1999	Sublease to David Lloyd Leisure (Next Generation) – also for 50 years
City of Adelaide	SA Tennis Association	21 + 21 years	Commenced 7/01/2015	Park 26 – War Memorial Drive

Lessor	Lessee	Term	Details	Comment
City of Adelaide)	Minister for Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI)	80 years	Expires 16/11/2091	Park 26 – Adelaide Oval East and West. Subleased to Stadium Management Authority (SMA)
City of Adelaide	Minister for Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI)	80 years	Expires 16/11/2091	Park 26 – Adelaide Oval #2
City of Adelaide	Minister for Police (SAPOL)		Expires 28/02/2030	Park 27 – SAPOL mock roadway
City of Adelaide	Minister for Health	42 years	Commenced 1/01/2016	Land in front of the New Royal Adelaide Hospital
Government of South Australia	Adelaide Rowing Club – east of Morphett Street bridge	5 x 7 years extensions	Expires 1/03/2026	
Government of South Australia	Adelaide Festival Centre Trust	20 years plus 10 year extension	Expires 30/06/2038	Adelaide Festival Centre (Festival Theatre, Dunstan Playhouse, Amphitheatre, Space Theatre)
Government of South Australia	Pon Choung Law or Nominee	5 year term plus 2 x 5 year extensions	Expires 30/06/2038	Elder Park Kiosk
Government of South Australia	Commercial Operations Pty Ltd	10 year term plus 2 x 5 year extensions	Expires 30/12/2037	Malt Shovel Taphouse
Government of South Australia	Royal Geographical Society of South Australia	10 year term plus 3 x 10 years extensions	Expires 1/11/2056	State Library (within Mortlock wing)
Government of South Australia	Writers SA	5 year term plus 3 + 2 years extension	Expires 1/01/2028	State Library (within Institute Building)
Government of South Australia	National Archives of Australia – Adelaide office of the Australian Government agency	5 year term plus 5 year extension and annual renewal from 2023	Commenced 4/08/2014	State Library (within Mortlock wing)
Government of South Australia	ARTKW Pty Ltd (trading as AGSA Eats)	5 year term plus 3 + 2 year extensions	Commenced 1/06/2021	Art Gallery
Government of South Australia	RSL, Vietnam Veterans Association, RAAFA	5 year term plus 5 years extension (each lessee)	To commence in 2024	Torrens Parade Ground building

Figure 16 Adelaide Park Lands Leases Exceeding Five Years

## Appendix D – National Heritage Values for the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout

(as gazetted on 7 November 2008)

Criterion A: the place has outstanding heritage value to the nation because of the place's importance in the course, or pattern, of Australia's natural or cultural history.

The Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout is the physical expression of the 1837 Adelaide Plan designed and laid out by Colonel William Light. It has endured as a recognisable historical layout for over 170 years retaining the key elements of the plan; encompassing the layout of the two major city areas separated by the Torrens River, the encircling Park Lands, the six town squares, and the grid pattern of major and minor roads. It is substantially intact and reflects Light's design intentions with high integrity.

The Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout is of outstanding importance because it signifies a turning point in the settlement of Australia. It was the first place in Australia to be planned and developed by free settlers, not as a penal settlement or military outpost. The colony of South Australia was established by incorporation as a commercial venture supported by the British Government, based on Edward Wakefield's theory of systematic colonisation. To be commercially successful, there needed to be contained settlement to avoid speculative land sales and this settlement needed to be designed and planned to attract free settlers and to provide them with security of land tenure. The city layout with its grid plan expedited the process of land survey enabling both rapid settlement of land and certainty of title. The wide streets, public squares and generous open spaces provided amenity and the surrounding park lands ensured a defined town boundary while still allowing for public institutional domains. These elements are discernible today. The Adelaide Park Lands is also significant for the longevity of its protection and conservation. The Adelaide Municipal Corporation Act (1840) established the city council as the 'conservators' of the city and park lands. The establishment of the Park Lands Preservation Society in 1903, along with

successive community organisations marks a continuing pattern in community support for safeguarding the significance of the Park Lands for the Adelaide community.

The Adelaide Plan was highly influential as a model for planning other towns in Australia and overseas. It is acknowledged by town planners and historians as a major influence on the Garden City Planning movement, one of the most important urban planning initiatives.

Criterion B: the place has outstanding heritage value to the nation because of the place's possession of uncommon, rare or endangered aspects of Australia's natural or cultural history.

The Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout is rare as the most complete example of nineteenth century colonial planning where planning and survey were undertaken prior to settlement. The historical layout as conceived in the 1837 Adelaide Plan remains clearly legible today. The place is also the only Australian capital city to be completely enclosed by park lands and is the most extensive and substantially intact nineteenth century park lands in Australia.

Criterion D: the place has outstanding heritage value to the nation because of the place's importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of: (i) a class of Australia's natural or cultural places; or (ii) a class of Australia's natural or cultural environments.

The Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout is an exemplar of a nineteenth century planned urban centre. It demonstrates the principal characteristics of a nineteenth century city including a defined boundary, streets in a grid pattern, wide streets, public squares, spacious rectangular blocks and expansive public open space for commons and public domains. The expression of these features with their generous open space reflects the early theories and ideas of the

Garden City movement of an urban area set in publicly accessible open space with plantings, gardens, designed areas and open bushland.

Criterion F: the place has outstanding heritage value to the nation because of the place's importance in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a particular period.

Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout is regarded throughout Australia and the world as a masterwork of urban design. Elements of the Adelaide Plan that contribute to the design excellence are the use of the encircling park lands to define the boundary of the development of the city and to provide for health, public access, sport, recreation and public institutional domains, thereby meeting both economic and social requirements. Designing the city layout to respond to the topography was highly innovative for its time with the northern sections of the city located and angled to take advantage of the rising ground while retaining the Torrens River as a feature within the Park Lands. The judicious siting and wide streets maximised views and vistas through the city and Park Lands and from some locations to the Adelaide Hills. The plan features a hierarchy of road widths with a wide dimension to principal routes and terraces and alternating narrow and wide streets in the east-west direction. Light's planning innovation is supported by substantial historical documentation.

The formal organisation, delineation and dedication of the Park Lands space was a pioneering technical achievement of William Light in the Adelaide Plan.

The overall landscape planting design implemented by several successive landscape designers/managers incorporated designed vistas, formal avenues, plantations, gardens, use of specimen trees, botanically important living plant collections particularly at the Adelaide Botanic Garden and the strategic placement of buildings and statuary in their settings.

The creativity of the city and parkland design is clearly legible in the contemporary landscape viewed from the air or from the Adelaide Hills. The civic design of Adelaide was used as a model for founding many other towns in Australia and New Zealand and it is cited in later seminal Garden City planning texts including Garden Cities of Tomorrow by Ebenezer Howard.

Criterion G: the place has outstanding heritage value to the nation because of the place's strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons.

The Adelaide Park Lands has outstanding social value to South Australians who see it as fundamental to the character and ambience of the city. The Park Lands with their recreation areas, sports grounds, gardens and public facilities provide venues for individual and group activities and events, meetings and passive and active recreation. The Park Lands also have significant social value due to the range of important civic, public, and cultural assets and institutions within it.

The present Adelaide Parklands Preservation Society is the latest in a long history of community groups dedicated to protecting the Adelaide Park Lands. These have included the Park Lands Defence Association (1869-87), the Park Lands Preservation League (1903, 1948) and the National Trust of South Australia. The longevity of the involvement of community groups in campaigning for the protection and safequarding of the Park Lands is exceptional.

Criterion H: the place has outstanding heritage value to the nation because of the place's special association with the life or works of a person, or group of persons, of importance in Australia's natural or cultural history.

Colonel William Light is most famously associated with the plan of Adelaide. He bore the ultimate responsibility, as recorded in his surviving publications and letters.

### **Glossary of Terms**

### In the context of the Adelaide Park Lands, the following explanation of terms apply:

#### **Accessible**

Removing barriers to enable all people to participate in their communities.

### Activation / Activity / Activated

Activation of the Adelaide Park Lands refers to a diverse range of people feeling welcome and invited to use the spaces for a variety of purposes.

Places can be activated by inviting people to use them on a permanent or temporary basis.

### **Active transport**

A physical activity undertaken as a means of transport and not purely as a form of recreation. It generally refers to walking, cycling and wheeling for travel, but may also include other activities such as the incidental activity associated with the use of public transport.

#### Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout

The physical expression of the Plan designed and laid out by Colonel William Light in 1837 which remains substantially intact.

### **Adelaide Park Lands Precincts**

Individual parks within the Adelaide Park Lands that are grouped together to form Precincts for the purposes of the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy.

### **Building Footprint**

The area of a building measured to the outside wall line, not including hardstand areas.

### **Concept Plan**

A concept plan shows design ideas in a drawing. The concept should outline the proposed development and the potential use of a site. A concept plan will not generally contain detailed drawing of a proposal and may be for a whole Park, Precinct or single element (eg playspace).

#### Destination

A destination in the Adelaide Park Lands is a high quality place that has a distinctive landscape, design features, facilities and activities that respond to the needs of the public. These destinations form the basis of an Adelaide Park Lands hub.

#### **Drivers for Change**

Drivers for change refer to external factors that may affect the Adelaide Park Lands as a whole network or at a Precinct level, including population growth, climate change and societal changes.

#### Hardstand

Areas of impervious surfaces, not including building footprint.

#### Hub

A hub within the Adelaide Park Lands refers to destinations and centres of activity that respond to community needs and may be permanent, or temporary. Hubs contain a combination of publicly accessible amenities, such as picnic settings, shade structures and play spaces.

### **Key Biodiversity Area**

The Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA) in the Adelaide Park Lands are a management boundary that prioritises high value native biodiversity. At least one Key Biodiversity Area is in each of the five recognised pre-European vegetation communities across the Adelaide Park Lands.

### **Landscape Typology / Character**

Landscape Typology or Character of the Adelaide Park Lands refers to the interplay of vegetation, water bodies and other natural features, combined with the effects of land use and built development, which makes one landscape different from another.

#### **Master Plan**

A master plan is a long-term planning framework that presents a vision for the future and sets out priorities for change and planning principles for a defined Park or Precinct of the Adelaide Park Lands.

#### **Open Space**

Areas of grass, trees, or other vegetation, riparian areas, or hardstand set apart for recreational or aesthetic purposes in an otherwise urban environment that are freely accessible to the public.

#### Open Shelter/Pavilion

An open shelter/pavilion refers to a structure that is not enclosed, publicly accessible and not under lease or licence. The size of open shelters/pavilions will be a design response to the landscape typology/character and prioritise the use of natural materials.

#### **Planning Considerations**

Planning considerations both Park Lands wide and at the Precinct level provide future guidance for master plans or concept plans for parks or Precincts of the Adelaide Park Lands. Planning considerations are developed based on societal changes, population growth or where opportunities have been identified.

### **Regenerative Planning**

Focusing on restoring the natural environment and encouraging long-term sustainability, increased biodiversity, and enhanced climate resilience.

#### **Tree Canopy**

Tree canopy in the Adelaide Park Lands as green infrastructure (trees and shrubs) identified at 1 metre and above.

### Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD)

Water Sensitive Urban Design is an approach to the planning and design of urban environments that supports restoration of the natural water cycle and integrates more sustainable use of water resources such as stormwater and wastewater to protect water quality.

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