

Adelaide Park Lands Community Land Management Plan

ADELAIDE OVAL PRECINCT

Part of Tarntanya Wama (Park 26)



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Figure 1: Identification of the Adelaide Oval Precinct in Tarntanya Wama (Park 26)

About this part of the Adelaide Park Lands - Community Land Management Plan

This part of the Adelaide Park Lands Community Land Management Plan (CLMP) outlines how the City of Adelaide (CoA) will manage the land in the Adelaide Oval precinct within Tarntanya Wama (Park 26).

The Adelaide Oval Precinct has been separated from the remainder of the Adelaide Park Lands CLMP due to the precinct being predominantly under a Ministerial Lease and requiring further consideration and alignment to the *Adelaide Oval Redevelopment and Management Act 2011* (SA).

The CLMP is consistent with the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy – Towards 2036 (APLMS), which sets a vision for the future management, enhancement and protection of the Adelaide Park Lands.

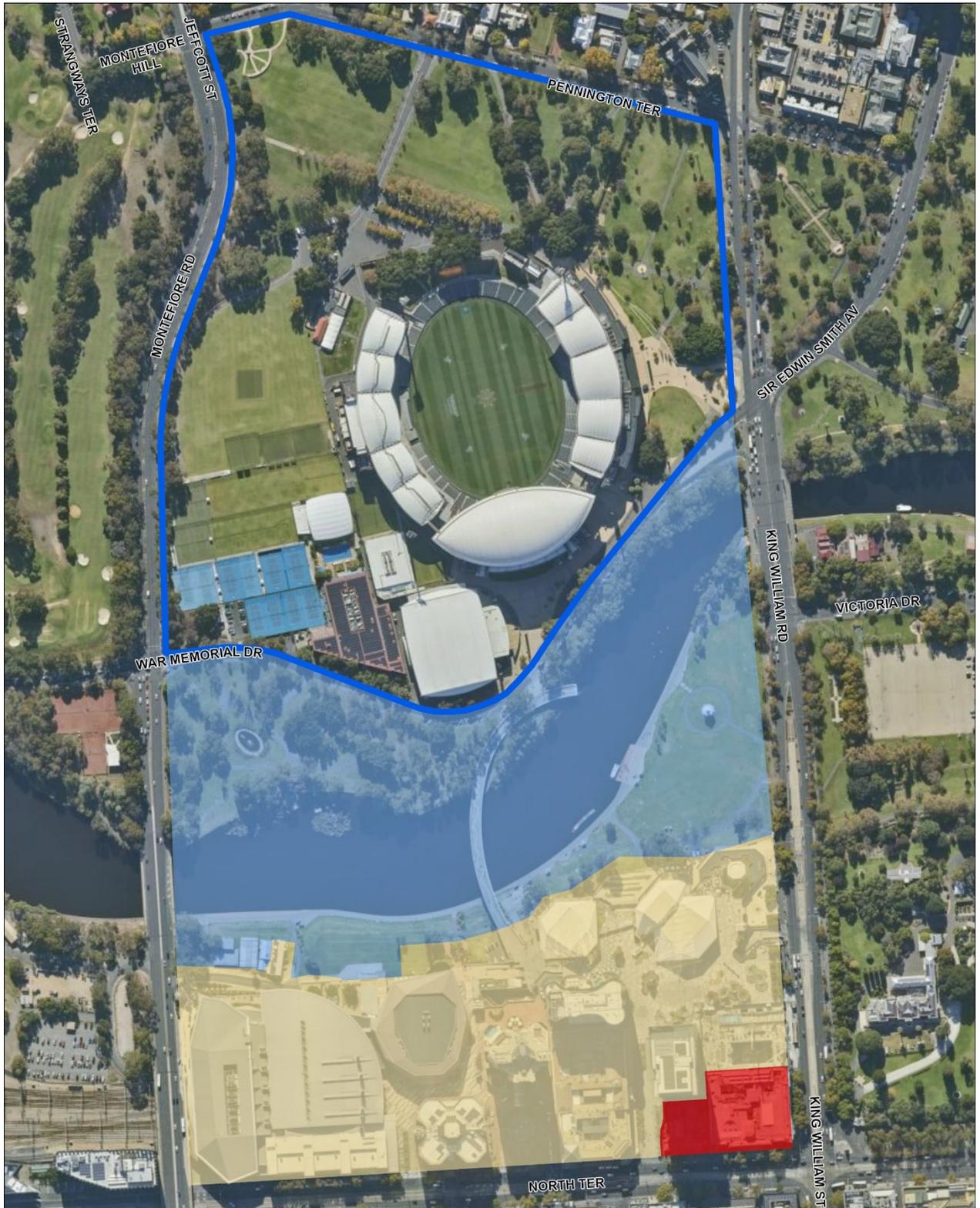
The CLMP meets the statutory requirements of section 196 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA) and section 19 of the *Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005* (SA). This part should also be read in conjunction with the *Adelaide Oval Redevelopment and Management Act 2011* (SA) (AORM Act) and the relevant leases and licences described herein.

Identification of the Land

This part applies to the area bounded by War Memorial Drive, King William Road, Pennington Terrace and Montefiore Road, in the park known as Tarntanya Wama (Park 26), as shown in Figure 2.

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- Adelaide Oval Precinct
- Subject to Adelaide Park Lands CLMP
- Subject to State Management Plans
- Exempt

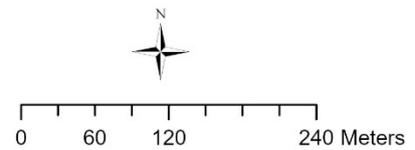


Figure 2: Adelaide Oval Precinct in context of Tarrtanya Wama (Park 26)
 (Aerial image September 2025)

1. ADELAIDE OVAL PRECINCT GOVERNANCE

A number of special provisions apply to the governance of Adelaide Oval and surrounds (Figure 3). In particular, the AORM Act imposes a range of provisions and conditions.

Pursuant to section 7 of the AORM Act, any new or amended CLMP that changes the provisions relating to the Adelaide Oval Licence Area must be agreed to by the Minister. Until the Minister agrees, the Management Plan in place before the amendment will continue to apply.

Key Governing Legislation

<p><i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservations Act 1999 (Cth)</i></p> <p>National Heritage Listing applies to Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout</p>	<p><i>Adelaide Oval Redevelopment & Management Act 2011 (SA)</i></p> <p>- Core / Leased Area - Licenced Area</p>	<p><i>Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)</i></p> <p>S. 21 does not apply to Core / Leased Area</p>	<p><i>Local Government Act 1999(SA)</i></p> <p>Chapter 11 does not apply to the Core / Leased Area</p>
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Governing Bodies

<p>Minister for Planning (SA)</p> <p><i>Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005 (SA)</i></p>	<p>Minister for Transport and Infrastructure (SA)</p> <p>- Core / Lease and License Areas only - sublet to Adelaide Oval Stadium Management Authority</p>	<p>City of Adelaide</p> <p>- Custodian of all land in the Precinct: - Adelaide Oval - leased area - Stella Bowen Park & Oval No. 2 (Adelaide Oval licenced area) - Pennington and Creswell Gardens - Areas occupied by Tennis SA, War Memorial Drive Tennis Club and Next Generation</p>	<p>Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority</p> <p>Advisory to State Government and City of Adelaide</p>
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Plans, Policies, Leases & Licences

<p>Gazetted Values of the National Heritage Site</p>	<p>Adelaide Oval License Area - City of Adelaide / Minister for Transport & Infrastructure</p>	<p>Lease for Core Area - City of Adelaide / Minister for Transport & Infrastructure</p>
<p>Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy - Does not apply to the Core / Leased Area - applies to all other areas of the Precinct</p>	<p>Sub Licences to Adelaide Oval Stadium Management Authority, South Australian Cricket Association and South Australian National Football League</p>	<p>Sub-let to Adelaide Oval Stadium Management Authority</p>
<p>Community Land Management Plan - Does not apply to the Core / Leased Area - applies to all other areas of the Precinct</p>	<p>City of Adelaide Lease for War Memorial Drive Tennis Club Sub-let to David Lloyd Leisure as Next Generation</p>	<p>City of Adelaide Lease - for Tennis SA Area</p>
<p>National Heritage Management Plan for the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout</p>		

Figure 3: Governance summary for Adelaide Oval precinct

Precinct components

Section 3 and Schedules 2 to 4 of the AORM Act define two areas of the precinct that are subject to differing provisions: the Adelaide Oval Core Area and the Adelaide Oval Licence Area. These are shown in Figure 3.

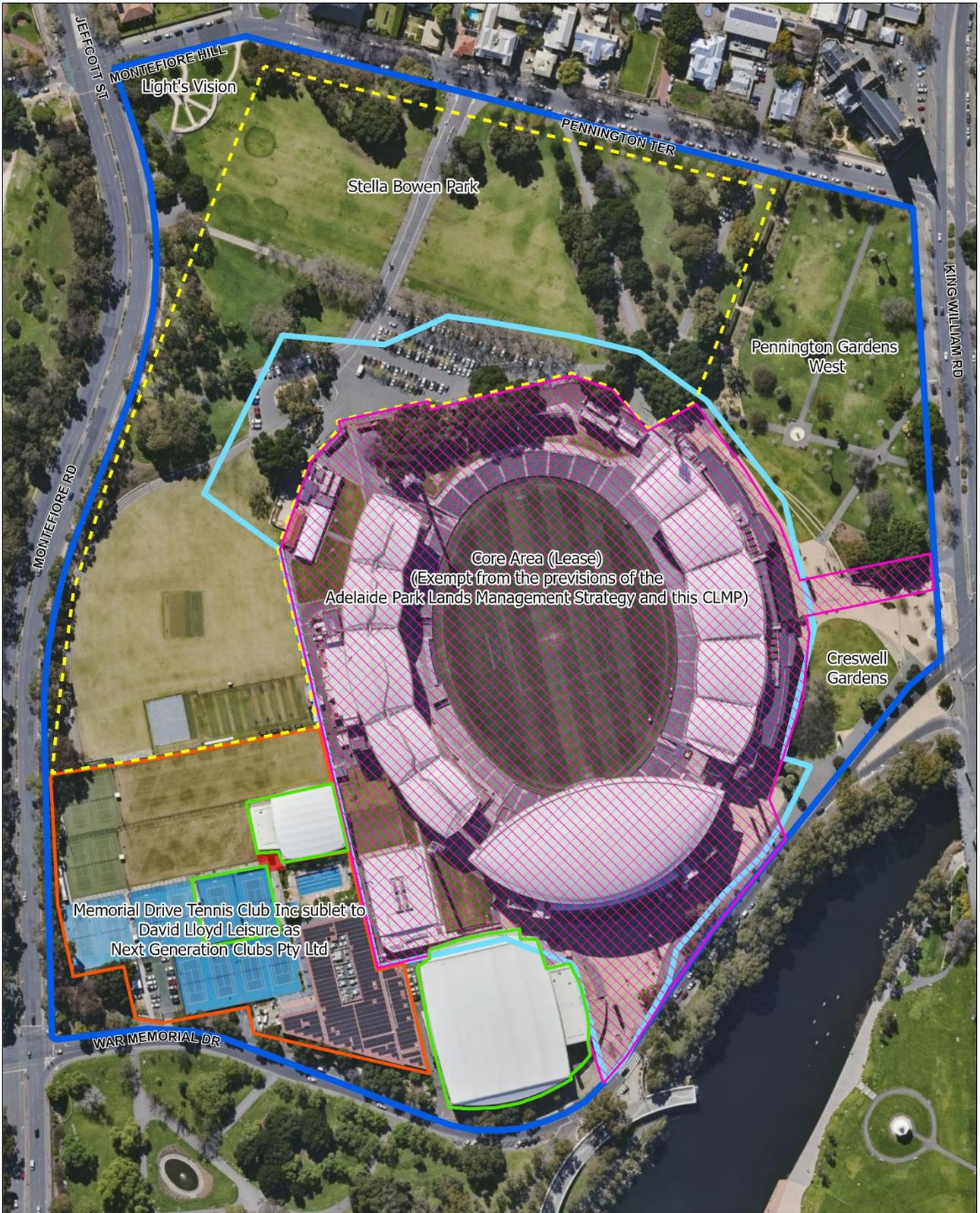
The precinct comprises the following components (Figure 4):

- Adelaide Oval Core Area
- Adelaide Oval Licence Area, in turn comprising:
 - Stella Bowen Park
 - Adelaide Oval No 2
- Light's Vision
- Pennington Gardens West
- Creswell Garden
- Memorial Drive Tennis Centre (leased to Tennis SA Inc.)
- Memorial Drive Tennis Club Inc. (sub-let to Next Generation Clubs Australia Pty Ltd)
- small areas adjacent to the tennis facilities (on south and west sides)
- peripheral land along War Memorial Drive, Montefiore Road and Pennington Terrace.

These components are contained within allotment numbers D81642AL100 (CR6102/703) and D81642AL129 (CR6102/703) which are included in the Adelaide Park Lands Plan.

The AORM Act does not apply to areas of the precinct that are outside the defined Core Area and Licence Area. Victor Richardson Road is closed and forms part of the Core Area shown on map below.

The Adelaide Oval Core Area is exempt from the provisions of this CLMP and of the APLMS, under section 11 of the AORM Act.



- Adelaide Oval Precinct
- Tennis SA Lease
- Memorial Drive Tennis Club Inc
- Right of Way (Memorial Drive Tennis Club)
- Adelaide Oval Liquor License Area
- Adelaide Oval Licence Area

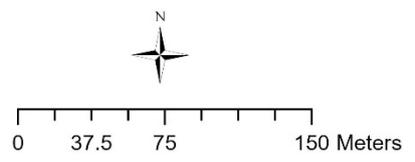


Figure 4: Adelaide Oval Precinct in Park 26 (Aerial Image – September 2025)

Status of land as Adelaide Park Lands

The Core Area and Licence Area both remain Adelaide Park Lands under the AORM Act and as defined by the *Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005* and Adelaide Park Lands Plan.

The Core Area is not subject to the provisions of the APLMS or this CLMP.

Regarding the Licence Area, section 13 of the AORM Act states that:

“Except to the extent that is reasonably required in connection with the operation of Part 2 [the Core Area] and Part 3 [the Licence Area], the Minister should, in managing any part of the Adelaide Oval Licence Area, seek to protect and enhance the area as park lands for the use and enjoyment of members of the public”.

Further, section 7(10) of the AORM Act states that any use of, or any associated works on, the Licence Area “will be subject to the provisions of the Council’s management plan [CLMP] ... that relate to the Adelaide Oval Licence Area”. This provision is subject to further provisions relating to possible arbitration by the State Commission Assessment Panel.

Custodianship of Adelaide Oval Precinct

Owner: The Crown in the right of the State

Custodian: The Corporation of the City of Adelaide (CoA)

In the Core Area, the CoA has granted a lease to the Minister (as required under Part 2 of the AORM Act) and the Minister has granted a sublease to the Stadium Management Authority (SMA).

In the area northwest and adjacent to the Core Area, the CoA has granted a licence to the Minister (as required under Part 3 of the AORM Act).

3 (b) Purpose for which the land is held by the City of Adelaide

The purpose for which the Adelaide Park Lands is held is to provide benefit to the people of South Australia by being publicly accessible and supporting a diverse range of environmental, natural heritage, cultural, recreational and social values and activities, providing a defining feature to the City of Adelaide, and contributing to the economic and social well-being of the city.

Each park’s purpose is to be a park within the overall open space network of the Adelaide Park Lands.

The Adelaide Park Lands support biodiversity and play an important role in the recovery of pre-European native planting associations according to the topography and natural systems of each park.

The Adelaide Park Lands provide a green open space buffer that visually and physically separate the urban form of the city to the surrounding adjacent suburbs.

The Adelaide Park Lands provide a connection to nature for the community to improve health and wellbeing.

The Adelaide Park Lands retain trees and understorey that contribute to overall canopy cover and biodiversity according to their landscape typologies and character. Trees should be retained and replaced with succession planting over time to maintain canopy targets and planting associations.

In addition to this, the Adelaide Park Lands surrounding Adelaide Oval are held under the care, control and management of the CoA to:

- Serve the general social, recreational and sporting (particularly at the elite level) needs of the community

- Contribute to the health and well-being of the community by hosting activities and events of both a formal and informal nature, with the Oval surrounds serving as a place of quiet respite
- Provide public benefit with the Oval surrounds being generally available as freely and publicly accessible open space with minimal built form.

The purpose also recognises the uses and activities permitted in the areas surrounding Adelaide Oval under the terms of the Adelaide Oval Licence Area Licence Agreement provided by the CoA to the Minister for Transport in order to manage Adelaide Oval as a world class sporting facility, as follows:

- Parking on grassed areas within a park-like setting in association with events at Adelaide Oval or Adelaide Oval No 2
- Providing reasonable access (including vehicular access) to any part of the Adelaide Oval Core Area
- Activities that are ancillary to the use of Adelaide Oval or Adelaide Oval No 2 and take place on a temporary basis for a period not exceeding 1 month
- Providing facilities for the playing and watching of sport
- Activities provided for by regulation (there are currently no regulations associated with the Act).

National Heritage Listing context

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

The Adelaide Oval precinct is an integral component of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout as listed on the National Heritage List. The Adelaide Oval precinct sits between the City and North Adelaide and is part of the Torrens Valley landscape vista which forms the transition between the two parts of the City.

The Adelaide Park Lands that frame the Adelaide Oval support, complement and showcase the facility, serving as important aesthetic entrances.

For this reason, all activity, development and alterations within the precinct must be consistent with the values that provide the basis for the listing, within the operation of the AORM Act.

3 (c) CLMP objectives for management of the Adelaide Park Lands

The objectives for the area of Adelaide Park Lands within the Adelaide Oval Precinct managed by Council are:

1. To protect the National Heritage values of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout.
2. To hold the Adelaide Park Lands for public benefit, freely available to the people of South Australia for their use and enjoyment.
3. To ensure a balance of environmental, cultural, recreational, economic and social uses of the Adelaide Park Lands.
4. To recognise, protect, enhance and interpret cultural heritage sites of Kaurua and European significance.

3 (d) Performance targets and measures

The following performance targets and measures are established for the CLMP objectives defined above.

Objective	Target	Measure
1. To protect the National Heritage values of the Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout.	<p>T1.No impact on National Heritage values.</p> <p>T2.No loss in the spatial extent of the Park Lands.</p>	<p>M1.Any potential impacts to the National Heritage Values are assessed through a referral process to the Federal Government agency responsible for the <i>Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>.</p> <p>M2.Any changes to the spatial extent of the Adelaide Park Lands are managed through variations to the Adelaide Park Lands Plan which require consideration by Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority and Council.</p>
2. To hold the Adelaide Park Lands for public benefit, freely available to the people of South Australia and visitors for their use and enjoyment.	T3.Retain free and open access to all (with the exception of areas for which access restrictions are in place in accordance with this CLMP and Legislation).	M3.Any changes to existing public access areas or to the temporary restrictions imposed by the Adelaide Oval Licence Area Licence would require the consideration of Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority and Council.
3. To ensure a balance of environmental, cultural, recreational and social uses of the Adelaide Park Lands.	T4.Maintain the diversity of environmental, cultural, recreational and social activities.	M4.Any significant proposals for changes to the existing landscape typology or use arrangements would require the consideration of Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority and the Council.
4. To recognise, protect, enhance and interpret cultural heritage sites of	T5.No negative impacts on cultural heritage sites of Kaurna and European significance.	M5.Any potential impacts to Kaurna or non-Kaurna cultural sites or values as assessed by an

Kurna and Non-Kurna significance.		expert inspection by CoA or where relevant the Kurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation (KYAC) will be considered through reports to Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority and the Council. Any impacts will be reported
5. To reduce impervious surfaces and improve the landscape character of the Adelaide Park Lands.	T6. Through asset renewal work with lease/license holders to reduce designated car parking by 5% and minimise impervious surfaces.	M6. Undertake regular car parking and hard stand review and report any changes to Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority

2. KAURNA STATEMENT OF CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Together with Pinky Flat (Pingku) and River Torrens / Karrawirra Pari, the site of Adelaide Oval is part of the Red Kangaroo Dreaming and was an extended campsite used by Kurna people (Miyurna) for ceremonies, games, religious observances and burials. Consequently, Adelaide Oval and surrounds are of spiritual and cultural significance for Kurna Miyurna.

After the arrival of Europeans and before Adelaide Oval was established, Kurna Miyurna and other Aboriginal groups continued their traditions of public performance for visitors to the 'country'. Kurna Miyurna were displaced from the area along the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari as the City and Adelaide Park Lands were established and progressively developed.

Following the establishment of Adelaide Oval as a sporting venue, Kurna Miyurna staged two corroborees at the Oval.

Some Aboriginal participation in sport at the Oval occurred during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries; however, this was limited due to the attitudes of settlers and the racist practices in place at the time. Aboriginal involvement was most notable in Australian rules football.

The Oval is a forum in which Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people can interact through sport and other events, contributing in part to the improvement of cultural relations between non-Aboriginal and Aboriginal people.

The Adelaide Oval Precinct is within the Kurna Determination Area.

3. HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Pre-settlement cultural significance

The CoA has developed the Kurna Voices Cultural Mapping which explores many of Kurna Miyurna's sacred connections to the land now known as Adelaide including places and stories within Tarntanya Wama. Mapping highlights the significant historical experiences and events that have occurred from early colonisation times.

The CoA will continue to work closely with Kurna Elders and community to undertake cultural mapping across the Adelaide Park Lands. The outcomes of this mapping will ensure

that sites of Kaurna cultural heritage significance in Tarntanya Wama are documented, recognised, promoted and understood where culturally appropriate.

Post-settlement cultural significance

Adelaide Oval has been a focal point for major sporting and cultural events since it was first established. The site has been used as a sporting venue consistently since the 1840s. The earliest formal uses of the site for cricket date from the period 1859 to 1865, when the SA Cricket Club leased six acres on the current site and installed fencing and planted a cricket pitch. The South Australian Cricket Association (SACA) was formed in 1871.

The 2007 Cultural Landscape Assessment for the Adelaide Park Lands notes that the precinct “contains considerable meanings and features of historic, aesthetic, social, geographical, design, and cultural associations and merit”.

The precinct includes the following significant features which will continue to be managed as State Heritage Places or where appropriate, investigate future State or local heritage listing. Some of these are listed as a State heritage place under the [Heritage Places Act 1993](https://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/LZ/C/A/Heritage Places Act 1993.aspx) (SA). <https://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/LZ/C/A/Heritage Places Act 1993.aspx>

1. Light's Vision and Memorial to Colonel William Light (State heritage place)

Light's Vision is a prominent lookout and monument on Montefiore Hill, commemorating Colonel William Light. Created in 1936, the site previously provided a striking and distinctive view of the City, although this view is now largely obscured by the new Adelaide Oval structures; nevertheless, the view down to the Oval itself remains important. The vantage point remains a popular tourist attraction and is frequently used for public occasions and announcements.

Montefiore Hill was identified and integrated into Light's original Plan of Adelaide. Its geographical significance was re-awakened with the State centenary in 1936, when it was re-created as a formal lookout and designated as 'Light's Vision', with the creation of a small northern Italian landscape on its crest. At the time, the Council and architect Walter Bagot recognised the geographical importance of Montefiore Hill, designed and planted significant features on its crest, and kept its flanks clear of vegetation to heighten its prominence.

2. The George Giffen, Sir Edwin Smith & Mostyn Evan Grandstands, Adelaide Oval (State heritage place)

“The George Giffen (1882, 1889, 1929), Sir Edwin Smith (1929) and Mostyn Evan (1929) Grandstands are directly associated with the history and development of the Adelaide Oval and are the main viewing structures on South Australia's principal sporting venue. The scale, detailing and alterations to the grandstands reflect the continual growth and changes required to satisfy the demands of sports spectators over a period of more than a century.

3. Adelaide Oval Scoreboard (State heritage place)

The Adelaide Oval Scoreboard, completed in 1911, is an excellent example of an architect's solution to a potentially mundane commission. Manually operated over four storeys, the Scoreboard incorporated new features including a novel approach to the layout of information which gave unparalleled detail on the progress of cricket matches, only surpassed with the advent of modern electronic scoreboards.

4. War Memorial Oak (State heritage place)

The War Memorial Oak in Creswell Garden was the first tree planted in Australia to memorialise the outbreak of World War One. The oak was planted on 29 August 1914 by the then Governor of South Australia, just 25 days after the declaration of war between Great Britain and Germany. Its purpose was not to commemorate the War, but to inspire patriotism.

5. Statue of Hercules (State heritage place)

The Statue of Hercules was a gift to the City by philanthropist William Austin Horn in 1892 and is a copy of the Farnese Hercules excavated in Naples. The statue was relocated to Pennington Gardens West in 1930 following renovations to Victoria Square / Tarntanyangga.

6. Memorial to Captain Ross Smith (State heritage place)

This memorial in Creswell Garden was unveiled on 10 December 1927 to commemorate the anniversary of the landing of Sir Ross Smith after his flight from England to Australia in 1919. The statue carries four bronze reliefs depicting the events of the flight. The flight by the South Australian-born aviator is considered a symbolic challenge to the perceived isolation of Australia from the rest of the world.

7. Pennington Gardens West and Creswell Garden

From about 1900, these gardens served as meeting points and important aesthetic entrances to Adelaide Oval as sporting events became more formalised and attendance numbers increased. This prompted the crafting in the early 1900s of a gardenesque landscape setting which, although modified during the Oval redevelopment between 2012 and 2014, retains essential elements of its creation and planting.

8. Pennington Gardens Fountain (previously known as the Creswell Garden Fountain)

This is a large Victorian-style cast-iron fountain created for the 1885 Adelaide International Exhibition and relocated to Creswell Garden in 1909. It was then relocated from Creswell Garden to Pennington Gardens during the redevelopment of Adelaide Oval in 2014. The 2007 Cultural Landscape Assessment described the fountain as having high significance and recommended it for inclusion on the State Heritage Register.

9. Remnant White Cedar Pathway

Immediately west of the entrance roadway from Pennington Terrace are four white cedar trees (*Melia azedarach* var. *australasica*). These are the remnants of White Cedar Avenue, which was established by the City Gardener, August Pelzer, in 1907 and which stretched diagonally from Pennington Terrace to Adelaide Oval. The avenue was considered the oldest remaining White Cedar Avenue in the Adelaide Park Lands north of the River Torrens / Karrawirra Pari, until it was removed in 2012 as part of the Adelaide Oval redevelopment.

10. Creswell Garden sign

This arched sign consists of two cast-iron columns, partially fluted, with stylised Corinthian capitals topped by scrolls and spiked finials. The sign was installed in October 1910 with restoration works by Council in 1989.

Cultural Assessment

The 2007 Cultural Landscape Assessment described the sign as having high significance and recommended it for inclusion on the State Heritage Register.

Sir Donald Bradman Statue

A statue commemorating the internationally renowned cricketer Sir Donald Bradman (1908–2001) is located near the eastern entrance to the Oval. Designed by Adelaide artist Robert Hannaford and standing 2.5 metres high on a 1.5 metre stone plinth, it was unveiled in February 2002.

Other memorials and plaques

Other memorials and plaques present in the precinct are:

1. Bereaved Through Suicide Support Memorial
2. The Compassionate Friends Memorial

3. Homicide Victims of South Australia Memorial
4. Light's Vision Sundial (originally located on Montefiore Hill lookout prior to erection of the Colonel Light Statue)
5. Jack Reedman Memorial Drinking Fountain (erected in 1929 to honour J. C. Reedman, an outstanding player of both Australian rules football and cricket in the late 19th century).
6. Jason Gillespie sculpture - the sculpture commemorates Jason Gillespie's contribution to Australian and South Australian cricket.

Changes

The redevelopment of Adelaide Oval between 2012 and 2014 resulted in significant changes to the built form of the Oval, Creswell Garden, Pennington Gardens West and the area to the north now known as Stella Bowen Park. These include:

- removal of Laffer Gardens from Pennington Gardens
- contraction and redesign of Creswell Garden
- loss of most of White Cedar Avenue from the northern area
- demolition of the ticket house on the eastern side of the Oval.

Expansion of Oval No 2 occurred in 2015 and consequent changes to the pathway adjacent to Montefiore Hill and to the landscaping of the Montefiore Hill embankment.

The Memorial Drive Tennis Centre Stage 2 Redevelopment in 2022 resulted in the construction of new northern and eastern stands, upgrades to the existing southern stand; court platform upgrades including new centre court rebuild, reconfiguration of site entry/exit areas, upgrades to existing roof works, and additional site provisions to cater for enhanced communications and visual display.

4. DRIVERS OF CHANGE

Redevelopment of Adelaide Oval and Memorial Drive Tennis Centre and the associated changes to the precinct have been completed. No further major redevelopments are planned or envisaged for the precinct. Forecast population growth identified in the City of Adelaide – City Plan and in the Greater Adelaide Regional Plan indicates the need for the Adelaide Park Lands to prioritise and maintain publicly accessible open space.

5. POLICIES AND PROPOSALS FOR THE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF THE ADELAIDE OVAL PRECINCT

General

The Adelaide Oval precinct sits within the River Torrens valley and the natural topography of the site should be respected. The rising and falling Park Lands setting either side of King William Road serves as an important entry to the City.

Adelaide Oval, the tennis facilities and Next Generation Fitness Centre are to retain their open, formal, high-quality Adelaide Park Lands setting. In general, the areas of soft landscaping should be irrigated turf and planting beds with large ornamental trees providing shade and a high level of natural amenity.

The existing extent and spatial arrangements of gardens, trees, paths and open grassed areas will be maintained to a high standard as a formal park setting.

The precinct's significant cultural and landscape heritage and Victorian character will be recognised, reinforced and interpreted in a contemporary manner. This character includes:

- considered placement of statues, memorials and fountains
- formal axial pathways
- the first tree planted as a war memorial in Australia
- a European landscape of large, long-lived shade trees, grass and herbaceous borders.

The existing structure of the gardens and open Park Lands will be preserved; this includes existing roadways, pathways and mature trees (including eucalypts, elms, oaks, figs and white cedars).

Monuments should be retained in their current locations.

Permanent built form and further provision of designated car parking is inconsistent with the purpose, design and use of the landscape.

Areas of hardstand and existing designated car parking will be reviewed as part of the asset renewal program with the intent to reduce impervious surfaces within the precinct.

Existing open grassed spaces are to be retained and framed by large shady trees.

New tree species will be long-lived, tall shade trees including *Araucaria*, *Ficus*, *Platanus*, *Quercus*, *Pinus* and *Ulmus*. Both deciduous and evergreen species are acceptable, consistent with existing trees.

Herbaceous shrub and garden beds will continue to be predominant in Creswell and Pennington Gardens, including preservation of the existing garden bed between Pennington Gardens and Stella Bowen Park. The locations and design of beds should be consistent with crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED) principles. The planting character of the beds should be colourful and favour species that flower and display seasonally.

Species selection and replacement is to be agreed upon with CoA.

Periodic reviews should be undertaken with landscape experts and qualified arborists; this should be undertaken at least annually.

Periodic turf review should be conducted with CoA.

The water that is used will be predominantly from the Glenelg to Adelaide Park Lands recycled water scheme and the Torrens Lake.

Future planning of the areas outside of the Core Area will consider relevant Park Lands wide strategies and the 'Future Considerations' outlined in the Riverbank Precinct Plan within the APLMS – Towards 2036.

Creswell Garden and Pennington Gardens West

The integrity of Creswell Garden and Pennington Gardens West as formal park landscapes will be retained and reinforced.

The Creswell Garden sign will be retained.

Events are appropriate in Creswell Garden and Pennington Gardens West in accordance with the City of [Adelaide Event Guidelines](#).

Stella Bowen Park

Stella Bowen Park will continue to be managed as a formal park landscape including being grassed, irrigated, versatile and open with large shady trees.

The Adelaide Oval Licence permits the SMA first rights in Stella Bowen Park for activities specified under section 7(6) of the AORM Act (refer to Policies for the Granting of Leases or Licences, Section 6, p 18).

To facilitate the use of this area by the public, when the SMA is not using the Park:

- Events can be held at the location in accordance with the City of Adelaide Event Guidelines.
- CoA will consult with the SMA to ensure the Park is available when considering applications for such events.

All proposals would be assessed by the City of Adelaide's City Events & Business Centre teams.

Light's Vision

The open, ornamental and historic characteristics of Light's Vision and Montefiore Hill, with the associated unimpeded views to and from the Oval, will be retained. The characteristic Tuscan-style balustrading will be retained.

Generally, events are not appropriate within the Light's Vision garden area, given the small size of the area, its formality and design, and frequent visits by tourists. However, some events may be acceptable, with proposals being assessed by the CoA's events teams in line with the City of Adelaide Event Guidelines.

Events of a commercial nature are not appropriate.

Oval No 2

The "village green" character of Oval No 2 will be retained, by:

- perimeter plantings of large, ornamental shady trees
- the absence of built form
- the optional inclusion of modest scaled seating to accommodate up to 100 people, which may be covered for shade and rain protection but must be unenclosed
- ensuring the picket fence allows for reasonable public access
- restricting the existing roadway to its current width and alignment.

The Adelaide Oval Licence permits use of Oval No 2 on an ancillary basis in conjunction with use of the Adelaide Oval Core Area. In addition to this licensed ancillary use, Oval No 2 is permitted to be used for standalone or multi-day events subject to the following conditions:

- No more than six (non-consecutive) single-day community, cultural or music events per calendar year.
- No more than 15,000 people in attendance / event tickets.
- All sound delivery equipment facing southwards / towards the city.
- No more than six community, cultural or music events per calendar year (not exceeding three consecutive days)
- Event attendance is limited to 15,000 people. Any increase requires a risk assessment and event planning review to ensure safety, traffic, and crowd management comply with City of Adelaide guidelines.
- Main stages face away from Noise Sensitive Receivers; if not, events must submit a Noise Management Plan that justifies the orientation and outlines mitigation measures, in accordance with the City of Adelaide Event Amplified Sound Management Guidelines and relevant EPA regulations.
- Demonstrated compliance with the COA's [Event Amplified Sound Management Guidelines](#)
- Provision of a copy of the proposed traffic management plan in accordance with the City of Adelaide's requirements for [Road Events](#).

- Effective scheduling to minimise there is no conflict with other city events, activities or projects and to minimise disruption to the daily life of the city.
- Compliance with the City of [Adelaide Event Guidelines](#)
- Approval from the CoA Chief Executive Officer.

Peripheral areas

The peripheral areas of the Precinct will be maintained as a formal park landscape. These areas will;

- reinforce the Park Lands character of the precinct through perimeter planting
- include formal paths to accommodate the large numbers of pedestrians moving to and from the Oval and Tennis Centre.
- Provide opportunities for interpretive signage to celebrate the cultural significance of the precinct.

Parking

Permanent designated and undercroft car parking will be limited to that identified in Figure 5 (with the exception of parking in the Core Area, which is not subject to this CLMP).

The time restricted public car parks adjacent to Light's Vision will be retained. As part of any future asset renewal process, a review of the designated car parking may provide opportunity for more efficient park layouts and result in the reduction of impervious surfaces or water sensitive urban design treatments into the future.

Event car parking, in association with events either at Adelaide Oval or Oval No 2, as approved by the SMA, may occur within any part of the Licence Area, which accommodates approximately 1,350 cars.

Parking on grassed areas must be managed in a sustainable manner including:

- use of robust grass species
- adequate resting of areas
- adequate watering
- coring, slicing and other measures to prevent compaction
- tree protection zones to protect root systems
- Returfing and protection during reestablishment.



- Adelaide Oval Precinct
- Temporary / Event Parking - Managed by SMA
- Designated Car Parking

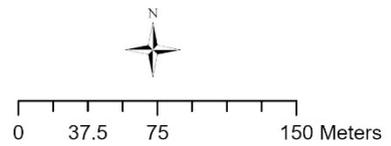


Figure 5: Designated, Temporary (event) and undercroft car parking in Adelaide Oval Precinct

Dog management

Dogs must be kept on-leash, which means that a person is controlling the dog:

- by means of a chain, cord or leash that does not exceed 2 metres in length, or
- by tethering it to a fixed object by means of a chain, cord or leash that does not exceed 2 metres in length.

Natural Systems and Climate Resilience

The Precinct is located in close proximity to the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari and must be sensitive to the surrounding natural environment. This includes by ensuring management and activities are designed to:

- Improve water quality of the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari
- Enhance biodiversity and green links to the river and surrounding corridors
- Contribute to developing a climate resilient city and ensure climate change risks and opportunities are assessed and integrated in decision making.

6. PUBLIC USE AND MOVEMENT THROUGH PARK 26

The precinct serves as an important pedestrian and cycling corridor between North Adelaide and the CBD, providing people with a relaxing and enjoyable landscape through which to move. The precinct also provides many important locations for people to enjoy the Adelaide Park Lands and engage with the heritage of the precinct.

Adelaide Oval Licence Area

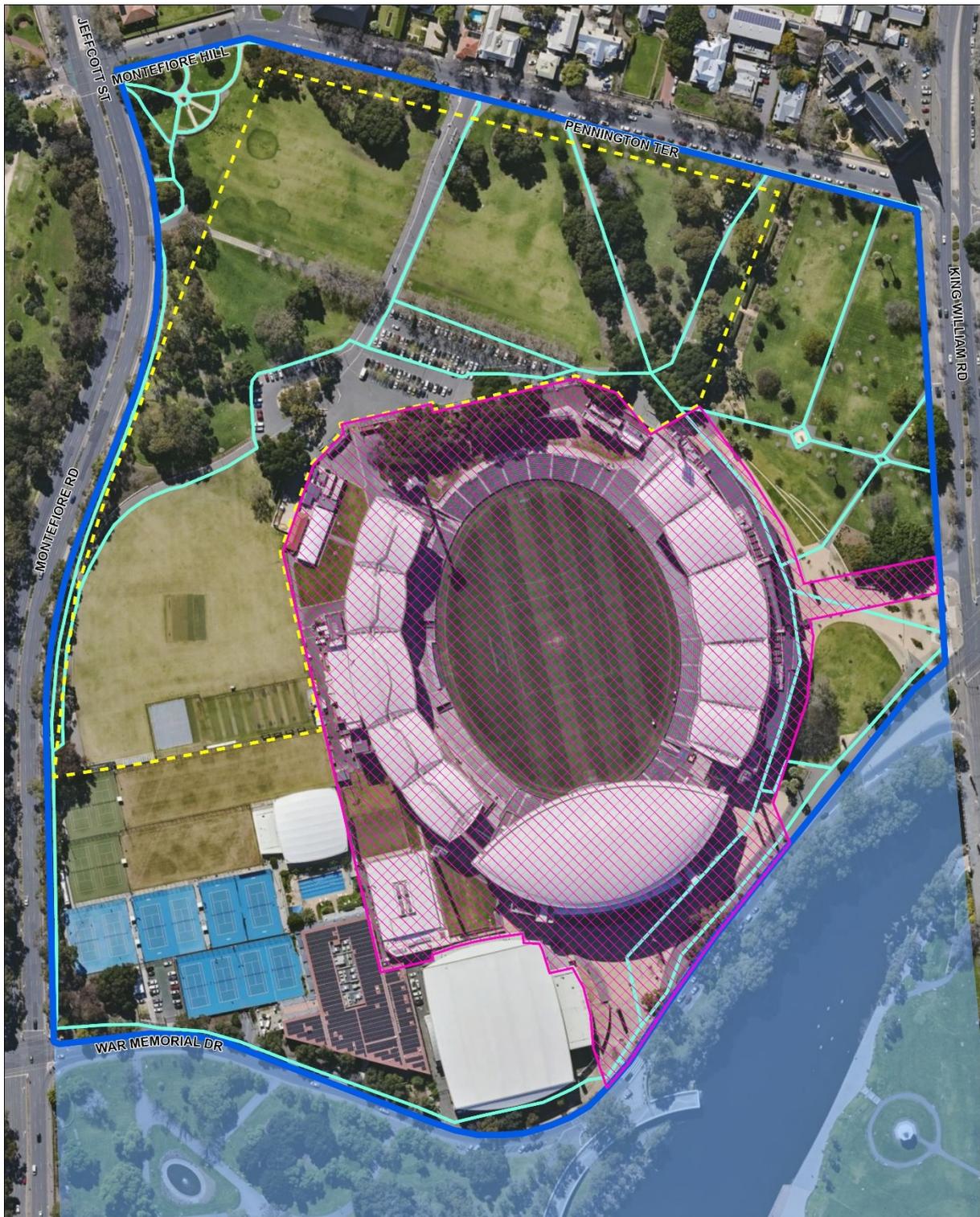
Under the AORM ACT, the Licence Area is to generally remain publicly accessible Park Lands.

In accordance with clause 6.2 of the licence for the Licence Area, the Minister or SMA must not unreasonably withhold its consent to any request from the public to use the Licence Area land if that use of the land would not interfere with any use of the land by the SMA, SACA or South Australian National Football League (SANFL).

The pedestrian and bicycle routes will be maintained as per Figure 6, except as limited by the provisions of the Adelaide Oval Licence, particularly those under clause 7 regarding fences or barriers.

Adelaide Oval Core Area

Public use and movement in the Core Area are restricted in accordance with the provisions of the AORM Act and the Lease; the provisions of this CLMP do not apply to that area.



- Adelaide Oval Precinct
- Adelaide Oval Licence Area
- Core Area (Lease)
- Pedestrian / Cycling Routes
- Subject to Adelaide Park Lands CLMP

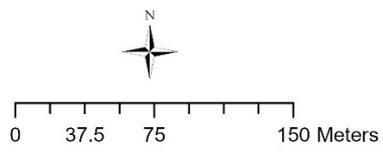


Figure 6: Pedestrian and cycling routes shown in aqua

7. POLICIES FOR THE GRANTING OF LEASES OR LICENCES

As outlined in Section 1 of this part of the CLMP, governance of the Core Area and Licence Area is guided by a lease and a licence respectively, which are required under the AORM Act. More detail on these is provided below, including information on provisions around other leases, subleases, licences and sub-licences in the Core Area and Licence Area.

Outside of the Core Area and Licence Area, leases and licences will only be granted by CoA where they support outdoor recreational activity. Event holders may be granted temporary leases and/or licences.

More detailed provisions can be found in CoA's Adelaide Park Lands Leasing and Licensing Policy, and the City of Adelaide Event Guidelines.

In the following subsections, the name "Council" is used synonymously with "City of Adelaide", for consistency with the language of the AORM Act.

Adelaide Oval Core Area Lease

Although the provisions of this CLMP do not apply to the Core Area, the following information is included because it is relevant to the management of the precinct and the protection of its cultural and heritage values.

Section 4 of the AORM Act relates to the granting of a lease for the Adelaide Oval Core Area by Council to the Minister, and section 5 relates to the granting of a sublease from the Minister to the SMA.

Pursuant to section 4 of the AORM Act, the Core Area (see Figure 3) has been leased by the Council to the Minister responsible for the AORM Act for a period of 80 years, expiring 16 November 2091.

Pursuant to the AORM Act, the Adelaide Oval Core Area must be used predominantly for the purposes of a sporting facility (including related uses and with recreational, entertainment, social and other uses being allowed on an ancillary or temporary basis from time to time).

The lease is not subject to Chapter 11 of the LG Act or section 21 of the APL Act.

Relevant provisions of the Core Area Lease

Some provisions of the Core Area lease that are of relevance to this CLMP are:

- The Adelaide Oval Core Area must continue to be named Adelaide Oval.
- The Adelaide Oval scoreboard must be maintained in good condition where it stands on the commencement of this Act.
- At least 1,200 square metres of grassed open space must be kept at the northern end of Adelaide Oval (between the scoreboard and the western stands). However, this does not prevent the placing of a building or other structure on that open space:
 - on a temporary basis for a period not exceeding 1 month, or
 - on a temporary basis for the purposes of a special event or activity prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this paragraph.
- The Minister (or any other person) must not remove or substantially alter any Moreton Bay fig tree (*Ficus macrophylla*) located within the Adelaide Oval Core Area without the approval of the Council (which approval must not be unreasonably withheld).
- Except to the extent of these specific provisions, the Minister is authorised to manage any part of the Adelaide Oval Core Area that is subject to a lease under this section in such manner as the Minister thinks fit.

- The Lessee acknowledges that the Adelaide Oval Core Area is, and is situated within, Park Lands (as defined in the APL Act).
- As a consequence, the Lessee shall use its best endeavours to appropriately activate and integrate the use of the Outer Core Area with the surrounding Park Lands, where:
 - Outer Core Area means the land within the Adelaide Oval Core Area other than Adelaide Oval
 - Adelaide Oval means the land on which the stadium within the Adelaide Oval Core Area is situated.

Sublease to the SMA

Under section 5 of the AORM ACT, the Minister is authorised to grant a sublease to the SMA over any part of the Adelaide Oval Core Area. The consent of the Council is not required before the Minister grants a sublease.

The Minister granted such a sublease to the SMA, which commenced on 15 March 2012 and will expire on 16 November 2091.

A sublease must be subject to the rights of SACA and the SANFL set out in licences granted by the Minister that provide certain rights to unrestricted and exclusive use of Adelaide Oval for the playing of cricket (SACA) and football (SANFL) during respective designated periods of the year.

The AORM Act permits further subleases or licences over any part of the area (subject to the consent of the Minister).

A sublease under section 5 of the AORM Act is not subject to Chapter 11 of the LG Act (Land) or section 21 of the APL Act (Leases and licences granted by Council).

Adelaide Oval Licence Area Licence

Section 7 of the AORM Act relates to the granting of a licence to the Minister for the Adelaide Oval Licence Area, and to related sub-licences.

Pursuant to the AORM Act, the Council must, at the request of the Minister, grant a licence to the Minister over all of the Adelaide Oval Licence Area (Figure 4), or any part of that area specified by the Minister.

The licence must:

- be for a term specified by the Minister (being a term of up to 20 years)
- at the request of the Minister, be extended or renewed for one or more periods of up to 20 years at a time, subject to the qualification that the total term of a licence must not exceed 80 years.

The first (and current) licence between Council and the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure commenced on 1 December 2011 and expires on 30 November 2031, with a further three terms of twenty years each to potentially be granted upon request.

Under section 7(16) of the AORM Act, a licence under section 7 of that Act is not subject to section 202 of the LG Act (Alienation of community land by lease or licence) or section 21 of the APL Act (Leases and licences granted by Council).

Adelaide Oval Sub-licences

Pursuant to the AORM Act, the Minister may, after consultation with the Council, grant a sub-licence over any land that is subject to a licence between the Minister and the Council.

Sub-licences exist between the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure and the:

- SMA, commencing 8 December 2014 and expiring 30 November 2031
- SANFL, commencing 8 December 2014 and expiring 30 November 2031

- SACA, commencing 8 December 2014 and expiring 30 November 2031.

Subject to review (on application by either Council or the Minister) by the State Commission Assessment Panel, the licence will only be subject to such terms and conditions as the Minister may specify after consultation with the Council.

The Minister may cancel a sub-licence if the Minister considers that the holder of the sub-licence is not managing any land in a manner consistent with maintaining park lands for the use and enjoyment of members of the public or with the provisions of the CLMP.

Licensed uses for the Adelaide Oval Licence Area

Under section 7(6) of the AORM Act, a licence or sub-licence authorises use of the land for the purposes of:

- a. providing car parking on grassed areas within a park-like setting in association with events at Adelaide Oval or Adelaide Oval No 2, or otherwise in accordance with the regulations (no such regulations currently exist); or
- b. providing reasonable access (including vehicular access) to any part of the Adelaide Oval Core Area; or
- c. activities that are ancillary to the redevelopment of Adelaide Oval or Adelaide Oval No 2; or
- d. activities that are ancillary to the use of Adelaide Oval or Adelaide Oval No 2 and take place
 - i. on a temporary basis for a period not exceeding one month, or
 - ii. on a temporary basis for the purposes of a special event or activity prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this paragraph; or
- e. providing facilities for the playing and watching of sport at Adelaide Oval No 2; or
- f. any other activity prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this paragraph.

There are currently no regulations in place for the Act.

Section 7(8) of the AORM Act stipulates that public car parking must be limited to the area designated in Schedule 5 of that Act, which corresponds with the Licence Area.

Adelaide Oval Redevelopment and Management Act 2011: Additional relevant provisions

Under section 7(10), any use of or any associated works on the Licence Area will be subject to the provisions of Council's management plan (this CLMP) that relate to the Adelaide Oval Licence Area (subject to subsections (11), (12) and (13) of section 10).

Under section 7(11), any new Council management plan (CLMP) requires the agreement of the Minister.

Under section 7(12), the Minister may apply for a review by the State Commission Assessment Panel if the Minister considers a provision of the management plan (CLMP) is unreasonable in connection with the use of any part of the Adelaide Oval Licence Area or that the Council is acting unreasonably in relation to the administration or implementation of the management plan.

Also under section 7(12), the Council may apply for a review by the State Commission Assessment Panel if it considers that the Minister is acting unreasonably in refusing to agree to an amendment or new management plan (CLMP).

Under section 7(14), the Minister, or a person authorised by the Minister, may carry out works on land subject to the licence (including by undertaking excavations, changing the form of any land, and forming paths or access roads).

Section 12 requires that Council must not grant a prescribed lease, licence or approval in relation to any part of the adjacent area without the consent of the SMA, where “adjacent area” and “prescribed lease, licence or approval” are defined in section 12(3).

There are currently no regulations in place for the Act.

Adelaide Oval No 2

Adelaide Oval No 2 is within the Adelaide Oval Licence Area (Figure 4) and is managed by the relevant provisions of this CLMP, that Licence and the AORM Act.

Adelaide Oval liquor licensing

The SMA was granted (14 November 2023) an On Premises Licence (57102633) to sell liquor in accordance with the *Liquor Licensing Act 1997* (SA).

The liquor licence refers to a Licensed Area (included in Figure 4) that was approved by the Liquor and Gambling Commissioner on 18 November 2019. This approved area sits both within and outside the Core Area Lease. The area of the Liquor License that falls outside of the Core Area Lease are subject to this CLMP.

Due to the potential impact on adjacent residents and businesses of serving liquor in areas external to the stadium, no further extension of the liquor licence areas should be considered.

The CoA is not the responsible authority for providing liquor licensing.

Tennis SA lease

CoA has granted Tennis SA Inc a 42-year lease (Figure 3) for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2057, for the following permitted uses:

- administration of tennis within the State of South Australia
- conduct of any international or local tennis tournament or tennis competition
- conducting of any tennis coaching
- conduct of other tennis-related activities
- conduct of such other sporting events as the Lessor shall approve in writing from time to time designed to achieve the optimum use of the Premises at all times during the year and for which the facilities of the Premises are suitable and which attract spectator interest
- use as offices or gymnasiums or treatment by sports-related person or organisations
- use for entertainment by way of concerts or similar functions.

The Lessee may also use the Premises for other uses (provided the Lessee obtains written consent via a decision of the Council), being:

- a use to be conducted on an ongoing basis, or
- a use to be undertaken in respect of a specific function or event.

Memorial Drive Tennis Club lease / Next Generation sublease

CoA has granted Memorial Drive Tennis Club Inc a 50-year lease (Figure 3) for the period 1 January 1999 to 31 December 2048. Memorial Drive Tennis Club Inc has granted David Lloyd Leisure Memorial Drive Pty Ltd a 50-year sublease for the period 1 January 1999 to 31 December 2048. The lease and sublease are for the following permitted uses:

- international or local tennis tournament or tennis competitions
- tennis coaching
- a sporting and leisure centre for the use of the members of the lessee

- sporting events, functions or events as the lessee shall approve.

Resurfacing of the outdoor courts should minimise the impact on the landscape character and visual quality and integrity of National Heritage Values of the Adelaide Park Lands.

Other leases or licences

The CoA will not grant further leases or licences for business purposes for the land covered by this part of the CLMP other than for events as provided for in this CLMP.

As stated above, in accordance with section 12 of the AORM Act, CoA will not grant a prescribed lease, licence or approval in relation to any part of the adjacent area (comprising the land area of this part of the CLMP) without the consent of the SMA.

8. CIRCUMSTANCES NOT PROVIDED FOR

This CLMP recognises that not all proposals for the management and enhancement of the Adelaide Oval precinct part of Tarntanya Wama Park 26 can be foreseen. Any significant change not provided for here should be considered within the broader planning framework provided by the *Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy – Towards 2036* and considered as an amendment to this CLMP.

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