

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

### Councillor Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

Could the Administration advise;

1. The total number of trees lost or proposed to be lost from the City of Adelaide's tree canopy by State Government's removal of trees from the site of the new Women's and Children's Hospital, trees regarded as likely to be removed associated with the new Women's and Children's Hospital development, the proposed loss of trees from the redevelopment of the North Adelaide Golf Course and the proposed loss of trees from construction of the MotoGP track and any other known tree removals, and
2. How the total number of trees removed or proposed to be removed by the State Government compares with the number of trees planted and proposed to be planted in this term of Council through City of Adelaide programs to increase tree canopy cover?

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## REPLY

1. In response to question 1 the following advice is provided:
  - 1.1. Administration is tracking the number of tree removals resulting from State Government projects in the Adelaide Park Lands.
  - 1.2. Based on information available to Administration, the total number of trees lost or proposed to be lost from the City of Adelaide's tree canopy as a result of the below State Government projects within the Adelaide Park Lands is currently estimated at 998 trees.
  - 1.3. A breakdown of tree removals as announced by the State Government and removals that Administration is aware of to date is provided in the table below.

Project	Announced	Removed to date
new Women's and Children's Hospital	365	357
North Adelaide Golf Course	585	0
MotoGP track	48	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>357</b>

2. It should be noted that the MotoGP numbers are preliminary and Administration anticipates that this number will increase once the final detailed planning and design has been undertaken.

3. The redevelopment of the Adelaide Aquatic Centre resulted in the removal of 325 trees, including 7 classified as significant and 15 as regulated.
  - 3.1. As part of the project, the State Government has planted 355 replacement trees, comprising a 3:1 replacement ratio for significant trees (21), a 2:1 ratio for regulated trees (30), and a 1:1 ratio for unregulated trees (303).
  - 3.2. The City of Adelaide is scheduled to plant a further 43 trees during the 2025/26 planting season (April to June), which are included in the total referenced in paragraph 3.1 below.
4. In response to question 2 the following advice is provided:
  - 4.1. The number of trees planted and proposed to be planted (street and Adelaide Park Lands trees) by the City of Adelaide in this term of Council through City of Adelaide programs is 2,542 trees.
    - 4.1.1. 1,703 trees in the Adelaide Park Lands and City Squares
    - 4.1.2. 839 trees in the urban realm
  - 4.2. A breakdown of trees planted and proposed per year is provided below.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Street Trees Proposed / Planted</b>	<b>Adelaide Park Lands Trees Proposed / Planted</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>2023/24</b>	34 planted	706 planted	740
<b>2024/25</b>	273 planted	809 planted	1,082
<b>2025/26</b>	243*	188 proposed**	431
<b>2026/27</b>	289 proposed**	TBC	289
<b>Total</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>1,703</b>	<b>2,542</b>

\* Subject to final designs and alignment with existing budget.

\*\* Additional tree planting was proposed in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi but on hold pending further details of MotoGP track re-alignment.

\*\*\* Subject to final design and future budget.

Staff time in receiving and preparing this reply	To prepare this reply in response to the question on notice took approximately 6.5 hours.
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