

**Council Member**  
Councillor Snape

Public

**Contact Officer:**  
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Operating Officer

## MOTION ON NOTICE

**Councillor Snape will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:**

'That in line with the City of Adelaide Carbon Neutral goals, Council prohibits companies which extract fossil fuels from hiring or leasing City of Adelaide premises and facilities.'

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## ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. The City of Adelaide supports inclusivity of use of all lease and hire spaces and encourages businesses and community groups to conduct their business within the city, which in turn supports the local economy. Community spaces such as libraries, community centres and the Town Hall all have spaces available to hire for the public generally. Hire agreements are managed by a set of conditions.
2. The CBD is home to a range of mining companies including ASX listed BHP, Santos, Cooper Energy and Beach Energy. Collectively the sector employs just under 3,000 staff in the City of Adelaide and this has increased by around 1,000 workers over the last five years. Analysis undertaken by the South Australian Chamber of Mines and Energy (SACOME) indicate a further 2,767 full time employees are employed in the mining supply chain (such as those in engineering, business and finance sectors) in the City of Adelaide. SACOME member companies express clear public statements of support for the Paris Agreement and many have committed to reaching emissions targets of net-zero by 2050.
3. The City of Adelaide has an ambition to be one of the world's first carbon neutral cities, and our programs aim to continually reduce carbon emissions. For our own operations we are driving direct emissions down, and this includes action in our facilities, fleets, procurement and more.
4. With regards to emissions by the community, Council is supportive of and advocates for pathways to carbon neutrality in a range of sectors. We acknowledge that all sectors need to play their part to meet the urgent needs to curb carbon emissions worldwide, and the exclusion of any particular sector from using our facilities would not be a productive measure towards this outcome.
5. Council is legally able to adopt a policy position such as that set out in the motion, however the policy position would not be in line with Council's educative environmental leadership approach and its shared strategic goal of attracting more businesses and community groups into the city.
6. Should the motion be carried, a report and draft policy position will be provided to Council in the new term for further discussion.

Should the motion be carried, the following implications of this motion should be considered. Note any costs provided are estimates only – no quotes or prices have been obtained:	
Public consultation	If a draft policy was adopted by Council, public consultation will occur
External consultant advice	Not applicable
Legal advice / litigation (eg contract breach)	Not applicable
Impacts on existing projects	Not applicable
Budget reallocation	Not applicable
Capital investment	Not applicable
Staff time in preparing the workshop / report requested in the motion	Staff from Governance, Legal Services, Community and Property will work together to develop a draft policy position for Council to consider. It is envisaged that a number of workshops will be completed with staff in order to provide council with a comprehensive report to consider the risks and opportunities.
Other	Not applicable
Staff time in receiving and preparing this administration comment	To prepare this administration comment in response to the motion on notice took approximately 4.5 hours.

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