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Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Master Plan

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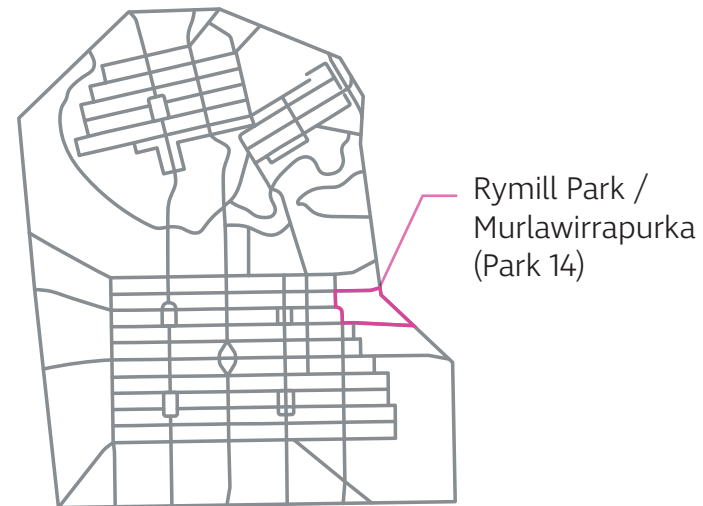
We look after the world's only city in a park, thoughtfully and purposefully designed with people in mind. Our Park Lands and squares are essential to our neighbourhoods and communities.

Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) provides both a place to relax and a place to celebrate. The strength of its landscapes make the Park a year-round attraction and places it at the heart of Adelaide's festivals and events.

Acknowledgement to Country

City of Adelaide tampinhi, ngadlu Kurna yartangka panpapanpalyarninhi (inparrinhi). Kurna miyurna yaitya mathanya Wama Tarntanyaku. Parnaku yailtya, parnaku tapa purruna, parnaku yarta ngadlu tampinhi. Yalaka Kurna miyurna itu yailtya, tapa purruna, yarta kuma puru martinhi, puru warri-apinhi, puru tangka martulayinhi.

City of Adelaide acknowledges the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past and present. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.



Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) in the eastern Park Lands (2019)

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Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Master Plan

Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) (the Park) has been identified as a place with great potential and ideal for 're-imagining'. Given the recent changes to the Park, a master plan presents the opportunity to build on its success as an engaging and activated city destination to attract growing numbers of visitors to the Park Lands.

The Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Master Plan (the Master Plan) is co-funded by the City of Adelaide and the State Government. Full implementation of the Master Plan will be dependent on future funding to the Park.

We acknowledge that development of this document has taken place over a number of years, and in this time a number of the actions outlined have been completed or are already underway.

Overview

Master Plan

Background

The 're-imagining' of the Park is identified as one of the ten 'Big Moves' of the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (APLMS) 2015-2025.

The Master Plan is required to address recent key changes within the Park and its surrounds, including:

- Growth of resident and worker populations in the city and inner eastern suburbs, requiring the continual provision and improvement of quality attractions and facilities within the Park to encourage greater visitation
- Major current and recent State Government investments in proximity to the Park, such as the redevelopment of Lot Fourteen and the tram extension along North Terrace, which will support increased visitation to the East End and the Park Lands
- The recent O-Bahn bus way through the north-west of the Park has changed the topography, views, circulation paths and vegetation within the Park, and the alignment of East Terrace separating the main park from the park adjacent Tandanya in the south-west corner
- A number of major attractions and facilities within the Park, such as the lake, public toilets, and playspace, are nearing the end of their asset life and in need of review and/or upgrade

The Park forms part of the Colonel Light's National Heritage Listed 1837 'Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout'. This Master Plan supports the values that underpin this heritage listing.

Refer to the Appendices for further details on the background of the Master Plan, as well as full community engagement results.

Vision

The Park is a welcoming, engaging and beautiful destination; a premium event space for the city during the warm seasons, while also offering a broad range of recreational opportunities all year round.

Principles

- Celebrate the entrances and connect beyond
- Reinforce a central hub
- Balance formal and informal structure
- Embrace events and activities night and day
- Respect Aboriginal culture and heritage
- Embed environmentally sustainable principles

Actions

1. Enhance the lake and surrounds
2. Create an inclusive playspace
3. Strengthen existing and create new event spaces
4. Improve entrances and paths
5. Reinforce the landscape character and features of the Park
6. Create a Place of Reflection



Overview

Strategic Alignment

Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015–2025

'Reimagined Rymill' is one of the ten 'Big Moves' to help transform the Park Lands. It recommends as the highest priority to:

- Re-imagine the centre of the Park as a large hub including a consolidated playspace in closer proximity to the existing kiosk and away from the O-Bahn
- Improve access and amenity surrounding the kiosk and re-configure it to address the Park, as well as the lake, including increased seating opportunities

The Master Plan responds to the themes of the Shape the Park Lands 2015 community consultation on the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy, with further consultation undertaken on the Draft Master Plan.

When the APLMS is reviewed in future, it is intended that it will be updated to reflect the approved Master Plan and updated Community Land Management Plan.

STATUS:
The APLMS is currently undergoing statutory review by the Kadaltilla/ Park Lands Authority.

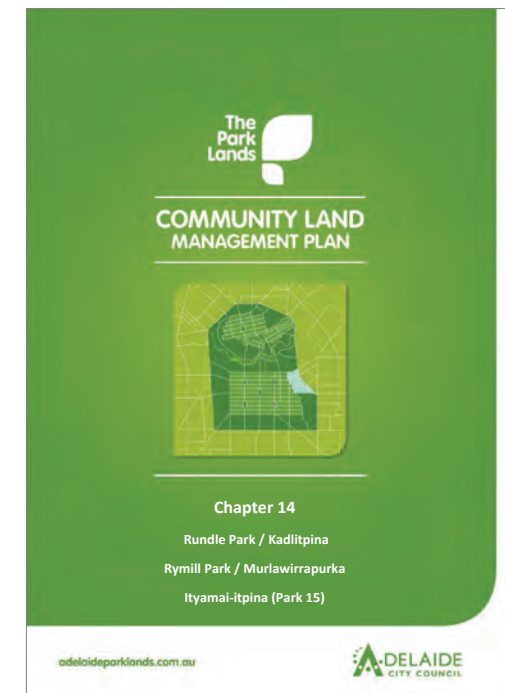


Community Land Management Plan 2013

The Master Plan addresses key challenges and opportunities outlined in the Community Land Management Plan, which include:

- Strengthening the quality and appeal of the Park Lands to attract park users
- Contributing to the open space needs and expectations of the growing residential communities in and around the city
- Minimising impacts on the Park associated with high usage and a wide range of events
- Maintaining and enhancing the formal garden settings in the Park
- Maintaining important views and vistas across the Adelaide Plains to the Adelaide Hills
- Ensuring tree avenues are conserved and strengthened
- Meeting demand for improved pedestrian and cyclist access for recreation and commuter purposes

STATUS:
The Adelaide Park Lands CLMPs are currently undergoing statutory review.



*Please note that the Master Plan and CLMP for the park were consulted together due to their linked relationship to the park. However, the approach to CLMPs has recently changed and as a result, the draft CLMP for this park will be addressed separately.

Please refer to the Appendices for the engagement results.

Overview

Key Milestones

11 April 2019, Adelaide Park Lands Authority Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Draft Master Plan

That the Adelaide Park Lands Authority:
Supports the Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Draft Master Plan (Attachment A to Item 8.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 11 April 2019) for key stakeholder and community consultation, including the vision, principles, actions and overall plan.

07 May 2019, Committee Decision 19300 Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Draft Master Plan

The Committee discussed and deferred the item.
Following this workshop, changes were made to the draft Master Plan to address advice and recommendations provided by APLA and the Committee. These specific changes are outlined in section 5 of the Council report COCO2019 1159 Report - Item 4.2.

23 July 2019 Council Decision 19484 Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Draft Master Plan

That Council:

1. Approves the Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Draft Master Plan, Attachment A to Item 4.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of The Committee held on 23 July 2019, for key stakeholder and community consultation, including the vision, principles, actions and overall plan.

Undertaking – Bus and Coach Drop Off Zones

In response to queries from Councillor Martin an undertaking was given to ensure that the bus and coach drop off zones would be located on street not in the Park Lands.

Community Engagement

Was undertaken between September and November 2019 in conjunction with the Draft CLMP.

Please note that the Master Plan and CLMP for the Park were consulted together due to their linked relationship. However, the approach to CLMPs has recently changed and as a result, the draft CLMP for this Park will be addressed separately.

Please refer to the Appendices for full community engagement results.

28 October 2021, Adelaide Park Lands Authority

That the Adelaide Park Lands Authority:

1. Supports the renewal of the Rymill Park Lake with a sustainable lake (Option C), as detailed in Attachment A to Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 28 October 2021.
2. Supports the finalisation of the Rymill Park Master Plan and the Community Land Management Plan to include the sustainable lake (Option C).

07 June 2022, Committee Decision xx

That Council:

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Overview

Community Engagement

Engagement Process

City of Adelaide undertook three separate engagement processes:

- Key stakeholder engagement for the Master Plan, between September to November
- Legislated key stakeholder engagement for the CLMP, between September and November
- Community engagement for the Master Plan and the CLMP, between 25 November to 15 December 2019.

The key stakeholder engagement was undertaken through email correspondences and face-to-face meetings with stakeholders.

A community day ("Re-imagine Rymill: Have Your Say") was held in the Park on 8 December 2019, and a drop-in session was held in the City Library on 11 December 2019.

Overall, we received:

- 102 survey responses (50% were locals, over 85% were South Australian residents)
- 4 direct email responses
- 2 phone call responses
- 34 informal comments on social media
- >100 people attended face-to-face sessions in the park and at the library.

Future detailed actions must be implemented in consultation with relevant key stakeholders to ensure a balanced and successful outcome.

Please note

**The Master Plan and CLMP for the Park were consulted together due to their linked relationship. However, the approach to CLMPs has recently changed and as a result, the draft CLMP for this Park will be addressed separately.*

**Feedback was not sought for Action 2. Create an inclusive playspace and Action 6. Create a Place of Reflection as these projects were underway with separate consultation processes.*

Engagement Results

There was strong support for the proposals in the draft Master Plan, with:

- 89% of the community agreeing with the Master Plan's vision
- 93% of the community agreeing with Action 1
- 71% of the community agreeing with Action 3
- 77% of the community agreeing with Action 4
- 88% of the community agreeing with Action 5
- 87% agreed that the changes would encourage them to use the park more often.

For the two lake options, the results were:

- 55% of the community preferred the vegetated wetland
- 45% of the community preferred the ornamental lake.

There was no strong preference between the options based on where people lived – those in the closest suburbs to the Park were evenly split, while for other parts of South Australia there was a slightly higher preference for the wetland over the ornamental lake option.

On the other hand, key stakeholders were mostly in favour of the ornamental lake option, due to its status as a feature in the park as a key attractor.

Key stakeholders were also interested in lighting, the kiosk, parking, facilities in the Park and pathway changes. They reinforced that ongoing conversation is needed for future actions.

Please refer to the Appendices for full community engagement results.



Part one

Rymill Re-imagined



The Master Plan

The Master Plan establishes an overall framework for the Park with four equally important parts: the vision, principles, actions and the overall plan.

Vision

A vision statement is the 'big picture' statement of what we want the Park's future to be.

The Park is a welcoming, engaging and beautiful destination; a premium event space for the city during the warm seasons, while also offering a broad range of recreational opportunities all year round.

Principles

The principles expand on the vision and further describe how the Park will perform.

Celebrate the entrances and connect beyond

- Attract people into the Park with paving, shelter, structures and planting
- Allow views in and out to the surrounding areas
- Encourage relationships with the surrounding city, suburbs and parks beyond by ensuring the Park remains open and inviting

Reinforce a central hub

- Provide a central focus with offerings, both permanent and temporary at the "heart" of the Park
- Ensure the elements and activities entice all, in particular families and children, on a daily basis
- Improve connectivity to key destinations

Balance formal and informal structure

- Strengthen the Park's existing landscape
- Ensure the Park retains its enticing Arcadian qualities as well as remaining a coherent part of the Park Lands

Embrace events and activities night and day

- Build on the success of the Park as a major public events venue, as well as a much-loved destination for private functions
- Create a flexible setting for bespoke and eclectic activities and events, both planned and spontaneous, throughout the year

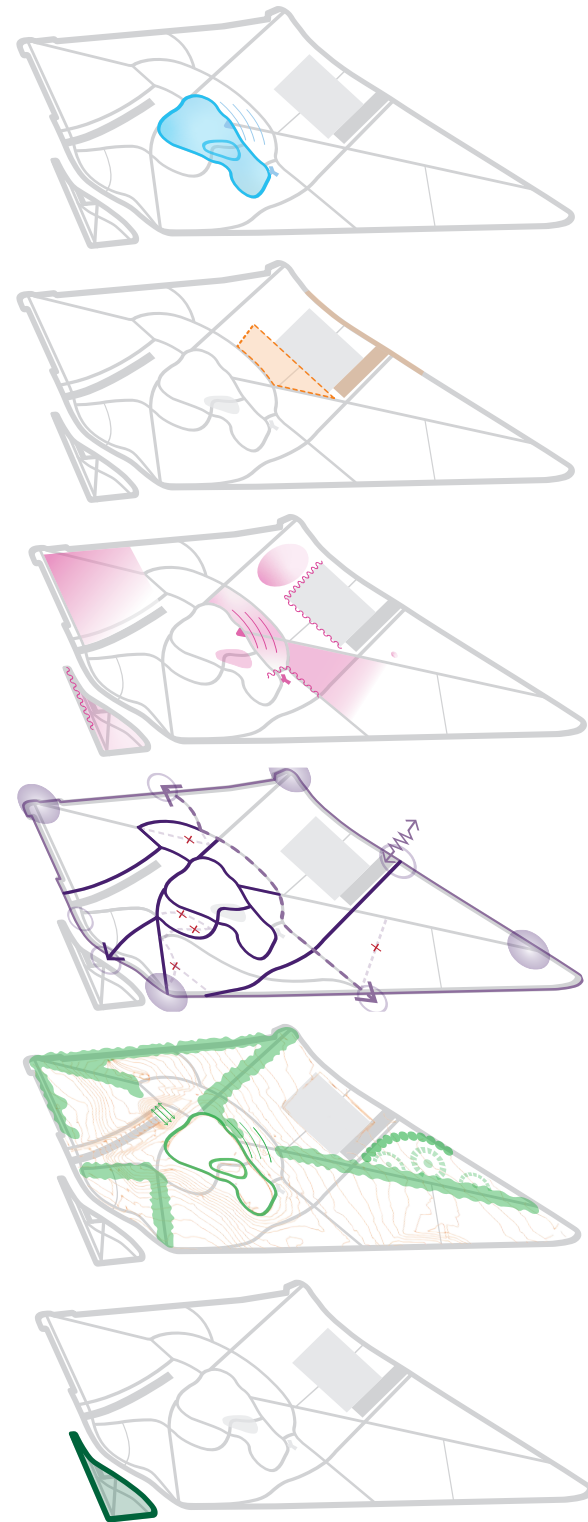
Respect Aboriginal culture and heritage

- Develop a Place of Reflection that promotes healing and encourages education to the wider community, and reinforces the important link of the Park to Tandanya

Embed environmentally sustainable principles

- Ensure that all design and outcomes include water and planting systems that are sensitive to the environment

Actions



These actions are the proposed physical changes that make the vision and principles a reality. Details relating to each action are provided in the following pages.

1 Enhance the lake and surrounds	1.1 Retain the existing form and footprint of the lake and island 1.2 Improve the water quality and sustainability of the lake	1.3 Upgrade the lake walk 1.4 Enhance the lake environment
2 Create an inclusive playspace	2.1 Create an inclusive playspace that is welcoming to all 2.2 Provide accessible paths to the playspace	2.3 Introduce flexible and appropriate parking 2.4 Improve access from public transport
3 Strengthen existing and create new event spaces	3.1 Upgrade event infrastructure 3.2 Create and enhance flexible event spaces	3.3 Improve connectivity between existing buildings, facilities and event spaces 3.4 Underground overhead cables
4 Improve entrances and paths	4.1 Celebrate the entrances to the Park 4.2 Reinforce and enhance the path structure	4.3 Improve access and circulation through the Park 4.4 Improve safety on paths and crossings
5 Reinforce the landscape character and features of the Park	5.1 Strengthen the Park's avenues and open spaces with tree planting 5.2 Take advantage of the Park's topography	5.3 Retain and enhance the existing landscape features
6 Create a Place of Reflection	6.1 Create a high-profile memorial to the Stolen Generations integrated in a welcoming and relaxed park setting	6.2 Forge stronger cultural ties between the Park and Tandanya

Overall Plan

The overall plan illustrates all actions in a proposed layout. The layout is like an 'artist impression', illustrating key moves, with the specific details to be developed at a future stage.

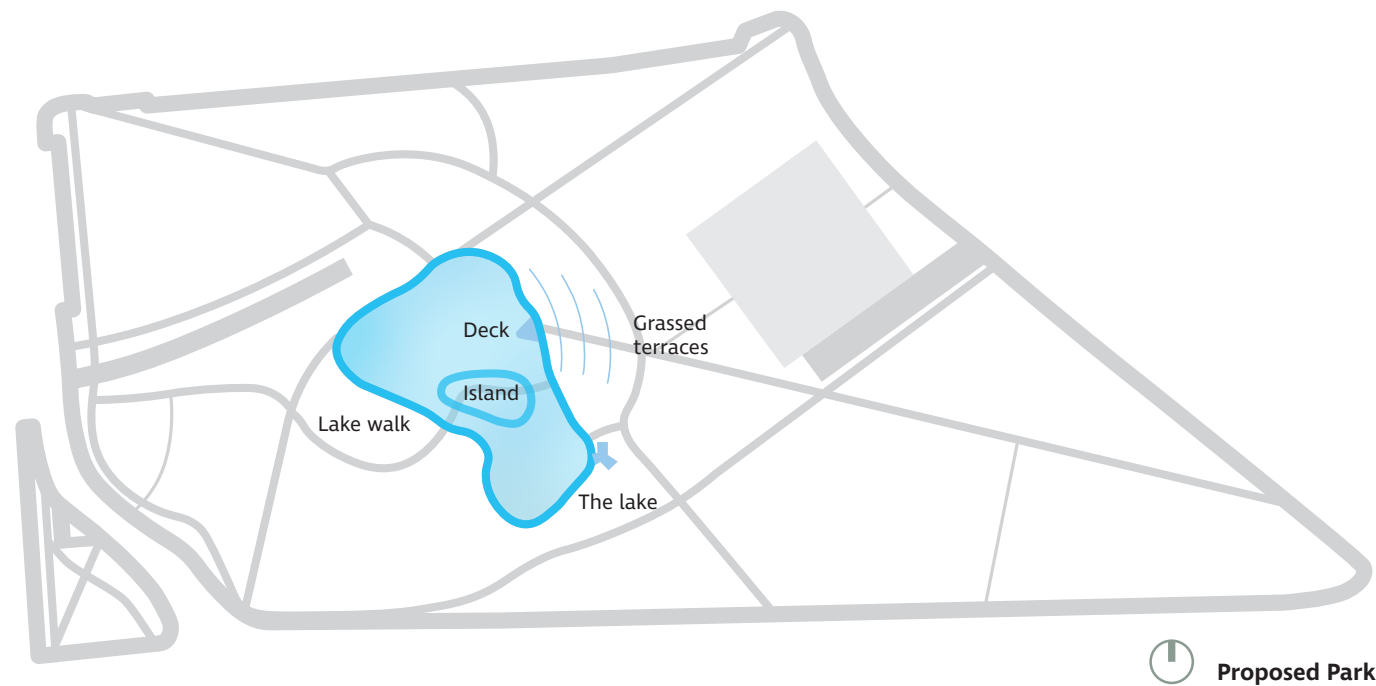
Existing Park (2019)



ACTION 1

Enhance the lake and surrounds

to optimise the Park's key central attraction



Note: At the time of this Master Plan's formation, the lake renewal project was underway.



The existing lake surrounds with its undulating topography

Action 1 addresses:

- The deteriorating structure and ongoing maintenance of the lake
- The degrading of water quality as a result of severe seasonal impacts on the lake and resultant public health concerns
- An increasingly unsustainable source of water for the lake, which is currently filled using Glenelg to Adelaide Pipeline (GAP) recycled wastewater

Key Actions

1.1 Retain the existing form and footprint of the lake and island

- Respect the historical and cultural significance of the lake by retaining its existing footprint

1.2 Improve the water quality and sustainability of the lake

- Retain the lake as a key asset and attractor to the Park, consistent with various policies and strategies
- Explore opportunities to access sustainable alternate water sources to mains water, such as harvested stormwater
- Explore options to improve the water filtration system
- Explore option to improve the water quality of the lake by incorporating natural systems
- Grade the lake walk away from the lake to capture and reduce nutrient runoff and litter from entering the lake
- Explore alternate opportunities to contribute to greater water conservation and quality initiatives for the city

1.3 Upgrade the lake walk

- Enhance the experience of the lake walk by creating a generous edge with paving, planting and furniture
- Enhance the lake walk to strengthen the Arcadian quality of the Park
- Incorporate lighting to the lake walk and island to encourage activation and improve relationships between all elements in the central hub

1.4 Enhance the lake environment

- Take advantage of the topography of the lake to create grassed terraces to provide informal seating, with tree planting
- Incorporate a deck on the lake to increase opportunities to engage with the water
- Explore opportunities with key stakeholders to express and interpret the shared Kaurna and colonial cultural significance of the Park, such as through integrated art work, sculpture, planting design, and wayfinding. Refer "A Shared History", p.57 for details.

Sustainable Lake

The Lake is a defining feature of the Park and anecdotally there is strong sentimental attachment towards it in the community. This popularity is largely due to the ornamental features of the park, the island, adjacent kiosk, playground, open grass area for picnicking and the opportunity to row boats in the lake. It is one of only a few ornamental water features in the Adelaide Park Lands.



Lake walk (Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve, ACT, Australia. Image credit: Ben Wrigley/TCL



Current lake

The new lake to address the deteriorating structure will be supported by a sustainable (harvested and treated stormwater) water source.

A sustainable lake with improved water quality will deliver a range of positive outcomes, achieving community satisfaction and broader strategic objectives for water sustainability, amenity and lake management.

Other benefits of this approach include;

- Retains the existing appearance and qualities of the lake, and reinforces the cultural, historic and social importance of the lake as a place of gathering of families and water-based recreation
- Extensive body of open water offers visual appeal for the general community and events as well as opportunities for existing water-based recreation such as boating
- Consistent with the City of Adelaide’s strategic goals to contribute to water efficiency and ecologically sustainable outcomes for the city
- Catchment-wide stormwater management, reducing flows of pollutants that would otherwise enter the riverways and St Vincent Gulf
- More resilient to climate change, drought and hot, dry seasons

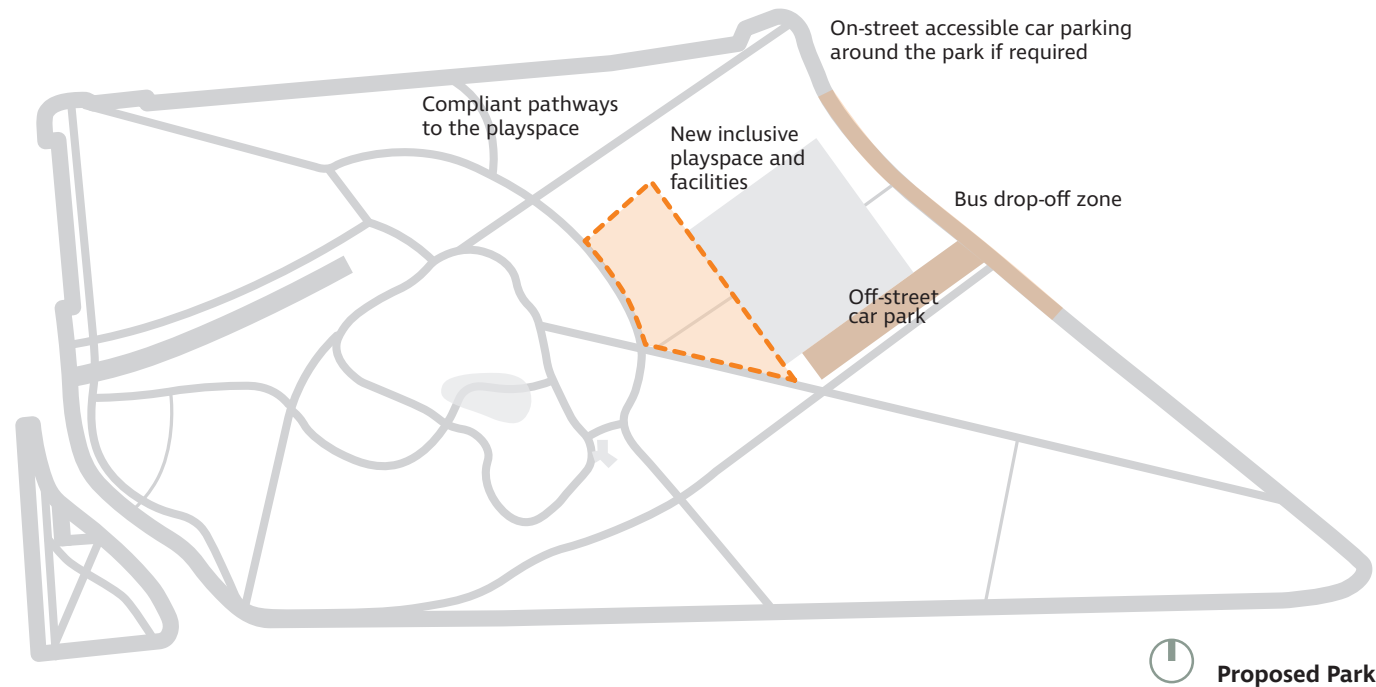


Rymill Lake renewal concept plan Image credit: TCL

ACTION 2

Create an inclusive playspace

that is imaginative and delights the senses



Note: At the time of this Master Plan's formation, the Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace project was underway.



The existing non-inclusive playspace in need of upgrade (2019)

Action 2 addresses:

- The current playspace is non-inclusive and in need of upgrade
- An insufficient number of compliant car parks and drop-off zones for buses in the area, if the playspace is upgraded and increases visitation

Key Actions

2.1 Create an inclusive playspace that is welcoming to all

- Design and deliver a high quality, inclusive playspace that incorporates principles and the goals of universal design
- Cater for all ages, abilities and cultures, including elements for a broad range of abilities (such as accommodating mobility, vision, hearing and spectrum disorders)
- Integrate accessible and multi-generational play equipment and amenities, including comfortable seating, passive areas, sensory and tactile play
- Install fully accessible amenities that are complementary to the surrounding environment and facilities, including accessible toilets and adult change facilities

- Reflect the Park's culture and history within the playspace, including its Kurna cultural significance, such as through the use of Kurna language. Refer "A Shared History" p.57 for further details

- Maintain public access to the playspace during events

2.2 Provide accessible paths to the playspace

- Ensure accessible paths to and from the playspace (from the north, south and east sides), to accessible car parking bays, bus drop-off zones and key facilities
- Ensure lighting of pathways to and within the playspace are compliant and meet the required standards
- Locate the playspace to support convenient and comfortable access to, in and around the playspace

2.3 Introduce flexible and appropriate parking

- Reconfigure and secure more on-street accessible car parking bays connecting to accessible paths
- Ensure that the off-street car park adjacent to the Adelaide Bowling Club is compliant with standards, including accessible car parking bays
- Explore options for additional car parking on adjacent streets to facilitate visitation to the Park and playspace
- Investigate options for a signalised pedestrian crossing south of Capper Street for safer access over Dequetteville Terrace
- Increase flexible bus and coach car parking options to facilitate visitation to the playspace

2.4 Improve access from public transport

- Explore options to lengthen the X1 bus stop to enable bus and coach drop-offs, or provide a new drop-off zone on Dequetteville Terrace
- Discourage bus and coach access into the off-street car park adjacent to the Adelaide Bowling Club to reduce vehicle congestion and conflicts

Playspace inspiration



Tidlangga Playspace and Pocket Orchard, Adelaide, Australia. Image credit: Deco Photography



Bonython Park Playspace, Adelaide, Australia. Image credit: WAX and Sweet Lime Photo



Children's Garden - Royal Botanic Garden Victoria, Melbourne, Australia
Image credit: Joyce Watts www.tothotornot.com

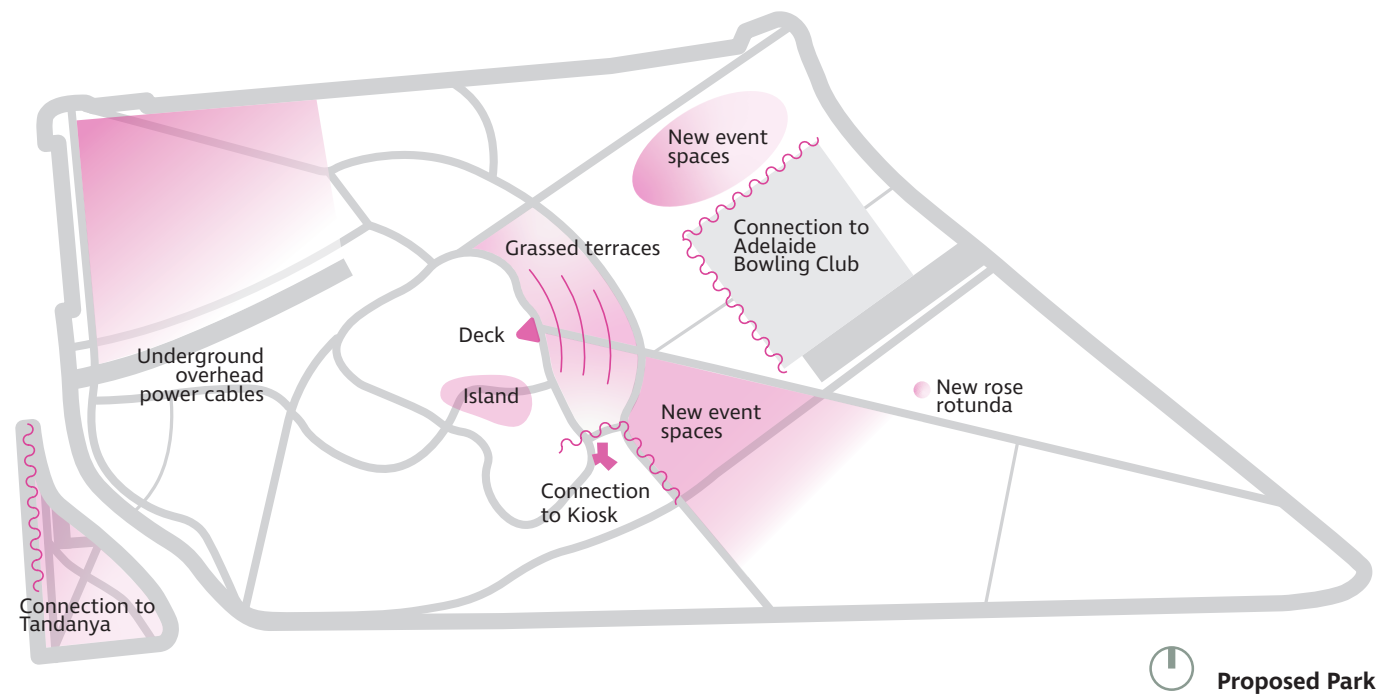


Immanuel College, Adelaide, Australia. Image credit: WAX and Sweet Lime Photo

ACTION 3

Strengthen existing and create new event spaces

to support the Park's role as a premium event venue



Note: At the time of this Master Plan's formation, the Event Infrastructure Upgrade project was underway.



Existing Stobie poles detract from the beauty and functionality of the Park

Action 3 addresses:

- The need to upgrade and expand on existing event infrastructure to address current and projected needs
- The desire to continue developing the Park as one of the city's premium open-air event spaces
- The dominance of overhead cables and associated Stobie poles in the Park restricts flexibility of event spaces
- A lack of connectivity and interaction between existing buildings and event spaces

Key Actions

3.1 Upgrade event infrastructure

- Engage with key stakeholders to identify the necessary facilities and service upgrades
- Improve utility service infrastructure such as electrical supply, potable and non-drinking water supplies and wastewater discharge points, in accordance with relevant standards, constraints and guidelines

3.2 Create and enhance flexible event spaces

- Take advantage of the slopes adjacent to the lake to create grassed terraces providing informal seating, with tree planting
- Install a contemporary open rotunda structure near the rose garden that allows for the growth of climbing roses as a draw-card for informal events

- Locate decks adjacent the existing kiosk and possibly on the island for small, informal events such as weddings and photo opportunities
- Remove aged, inappropriate or declining tree species and garden beds to open up areas in the Park for alternative uses

- Integrate playful and decorative lighting solutions to activate the Park at night and create a safer environment
- Retain views and access to the park for events, particularly from the north-western corner, as the main entrance for major events

- Consult with key stakeholders and event organisers for all event spaces, in relation to (but not limited to) new tree planting, access, circulation, set-up, footprint and configuration

- Investigate opportunities to work with key stakeholders and event organisers to, wherever possible, minimise visual and physical impacts to the park and its everyday users. This may include minimising duration of bump-in and out periods, considering attractive and semi-permeable fencing, and appropriately locating event toilets, waste and service areas away from key views

3.3 Improve connectivity between existing buildings, facilities and event spaces

- Improve the Adelaide Bowling Club's connections with the Park by lowering or removing hedging to the south-western boundary
- Enhance the existing kiosk to incorporate more shelter, seating and connection to its Park environment
- Explore opportunities with Tandanya to activate, facilitate events and improve connections to the adjacent park
- Explore opportunities with ElectraNet to enhance the evening experience of their building façade through creative lighting

3.4 Underground overhead cables

- Underground visually and physically dominant overhead power cables and associated towers to improve the Park's aesthetics and functionality
- Explore funding opportunities for undergrounding

Existing events in the Park



Refreshment Island (Small event on island) Image credit: Daniel Marks



Weddings (Informal small event)



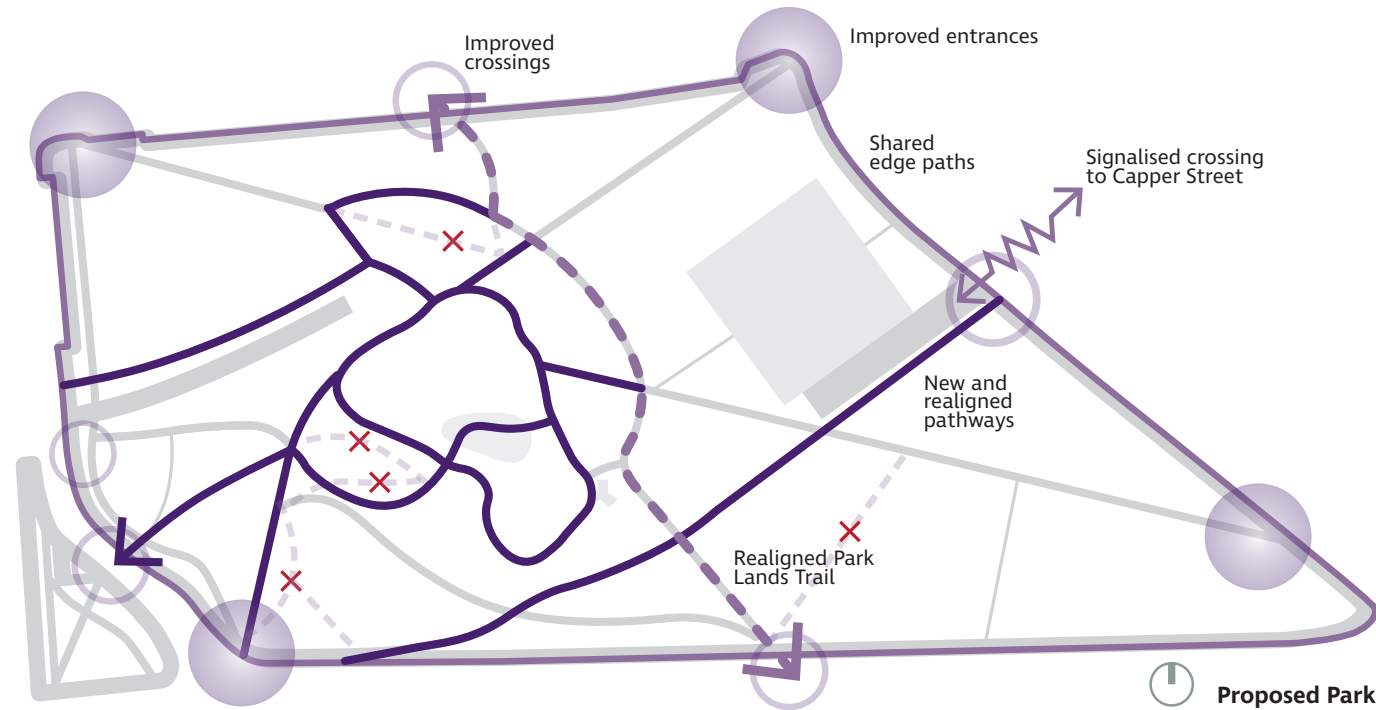
Gluttony, Adelaide Fringe Festival (Major event)
Image credit: Adam Davies



CheeseFest+FERMENT (Medium-sized event)
Image credit: CheeseFest+FERMENT & Nicole Corderio Photography

ACTION 4

Improve entrances and paths for better usability and better connections to the Park surrounds



Note: At the time of this Master Plan's formation, the Cycling Infrastructure project was underway.



Existing unsafe and uninviting connections and entrances

Action 4 addresses:

- Unceremonious traffic intersections at the Park edges
- Uninviting frontages at key gateway entrances to the Park
- A lack of safe pedestrian crossing from the Park to Kent Town across Dequetteville Terrace
- The current Park Lands Trail that traverses along the lake
- The off-street car park (adjacent the Adelaide Bowling Club) that creates potential conflicts between pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles

Key Actions

4.1 Celebrate the entrances to the Park

- Attract visitors into the Park by upgrading the entrances. This may include feature paving, seating, planting, signage, artwork, bike racks and bike repair stations
- Explore opportunities to express the Kaurna and colonial cultural significance and heritage of the park - refer "A Shared History", p.57 for details

4.2 Reinforce and enhance the path structure

- Enhance the identity of the Park by retaining and reinforcing historic avenues and promenades with new tree planting
- Enhance secondary pathways that encourage exploration through the Park
- Strengthen existing shared use paths

4.3 Improve access and circulation through the Park

- Realign the Park Lands Trail to a gentler gradient between the terraced seating area and playspace
- Realign and create new secondary pathways in the Park to allow for better circulation, particularly during events
- Formalise shared edge paths along the Park's perimeter with a minimum width of 3m

- Consider separated paths (minimum 4m width) for bike riders and pedestrians along the Park Lands trail and strategic key routes
- Review gradients on steep paths, where possible, realign localised portions of paths and integrate path gradients with the existing site topography
- Address steep grades of existing bridges to improve access to the island
- Remove under-utilised or redundant paths
- Improve links to existing mid-block crossing on East Terrace near fountain to reinforce desire lines across the Park

4.4 Improve safety on paths and crossings

- Incorporate lighting along paths to create safe and more appealing spaces
- Investigate options for a signalised crossing to connect the park to Kent Town, south of Capper Street, for safer access over Dequetteville Terrace
- Create a new shared use pathway to provide a direct and safer route linking Dequetteville Terrace to the rest of the Park
- Review access and resolve potential conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles at the entrance to Tandanya

Enhance entrances and paths



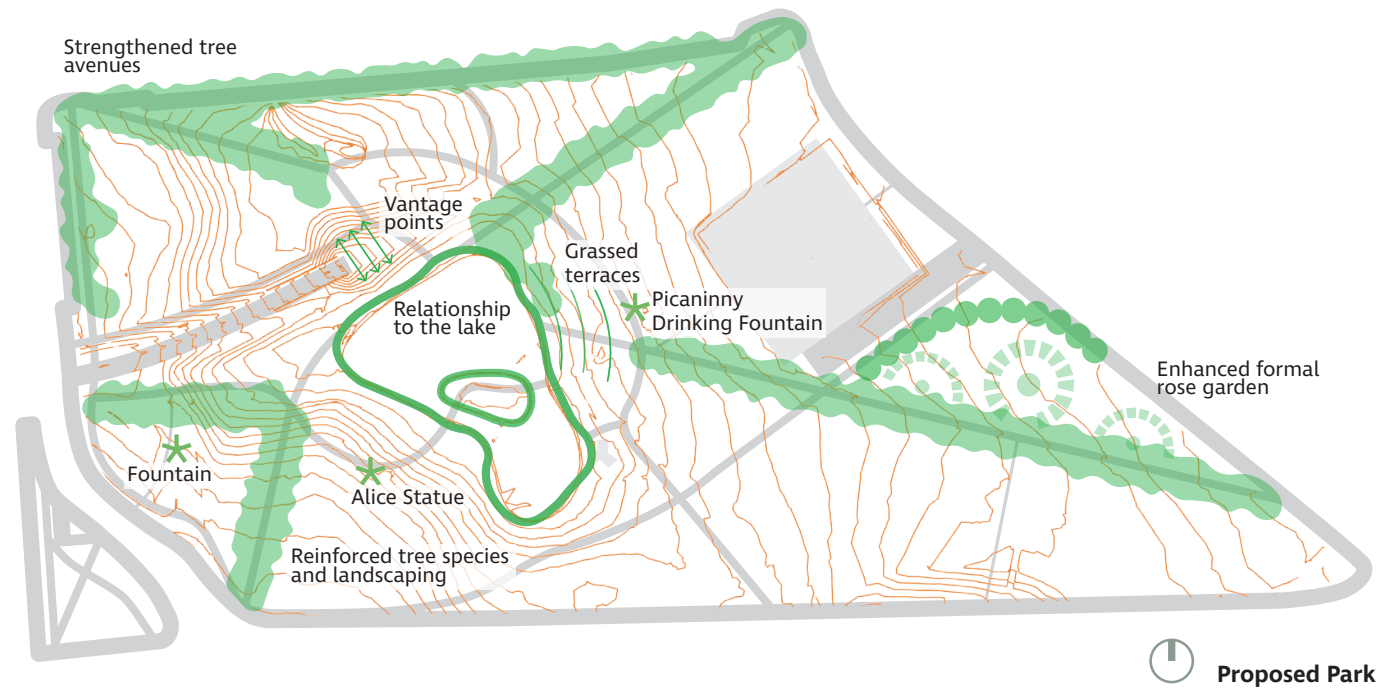
Existing pathways and entrances to be upgraded



Existing lake walk to be upgraded

ACTION 5

Reinforce the landscape character and features of the Park to ensure the enticing and attractive qualities are retained



Existing treed avenues to be reinforced

Action 5 addresses:

- The desire to retain and enhance the Arcadian character of the Park
- Using the formal gardens, in particular the rose garden, as a key attraction
- Using the slopes to take in views to the lake
- A lack of embankment and topography definition
- The negative noise and visual impacts of the surrounding traffic from streets into the Park
- The mixed tree planting in the Park without a strengthened sense of character

Key Actions

5.1 Strengthen the Park's avenues and open spaces with tree planting

- Strengthen the existing formal tree-lined avenues and create new tree avenues
- Reinforce the lake walk with further plantings of jacaranda, quality paving, custom furniture and the central focus with staggered rows of ornamental deciduous trees
- Remove aged, inappropriate and declining tree species to allow for realigned formal avenue plantings
- Remove or relocate lemonwood and olive trees to other areas of the Park Lands where these exist in more significant numbers
- Provide ample shade and shelter, as well as buffer noise through mature trees

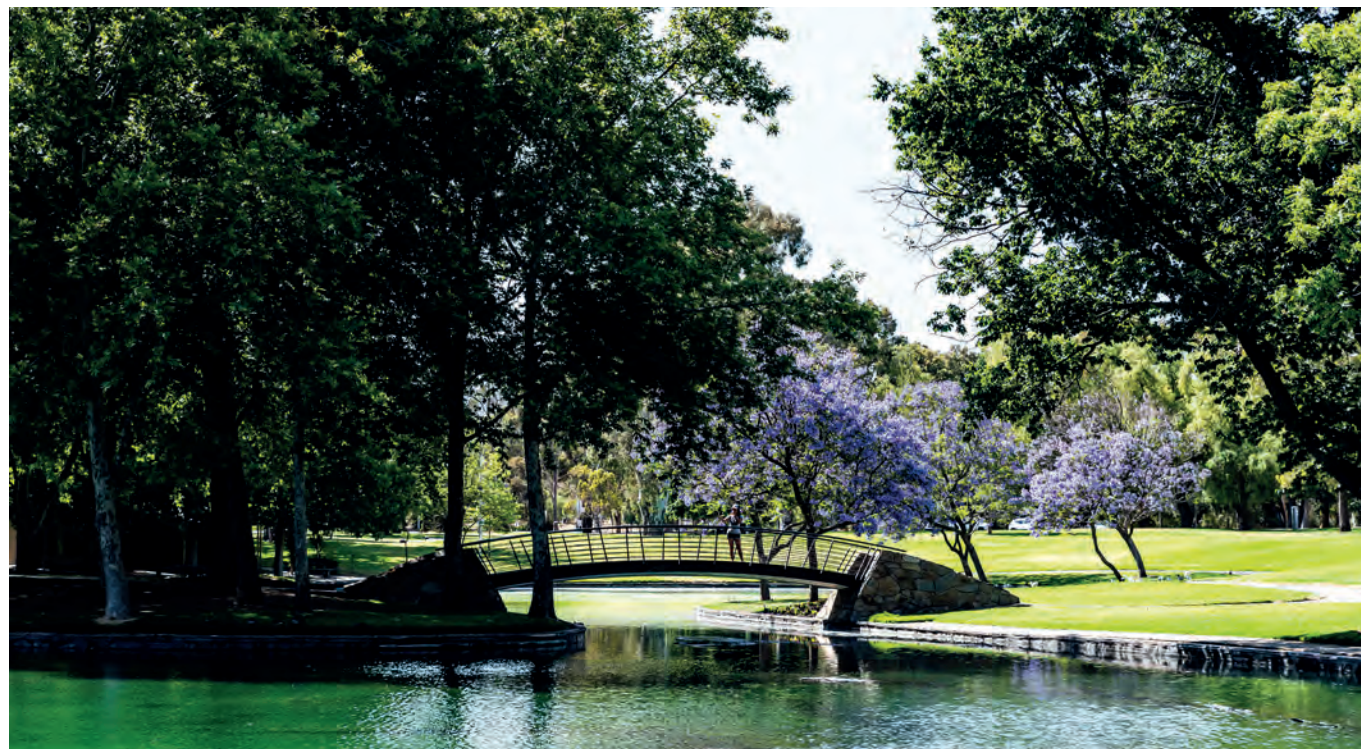
5.2 Take advantage of the Park's topography

- Create a terraced seating area with tree planting using the slopes adjacent to the lake
- Utilise and activate the newly created new vantage point over the O-Bahn tunnel
- Review recent planting to further enhance screening to the O-Bahn tunnel from the east
- Ensure the seating and slopes capitalise on the valuable views across the lake and Park

5.3 Retain and enhance the existing landscape features

- Celebrate the formal rose garden by enhancing the perimeter with ornamental trees, as well as rejuvenating the lower level plantings
- Reinforce the northern rose garden, substantially reduce maintenance, and allow for additional event space in the south by removing the existing southern garden beds
- Maintain the ornamental and seasonal garden beds across the Park
- Maintain and enhance the island's landscape features, including the trees, layout and turf
- Replace the island's paving with new stone paving and extend as necessary. Retain and extend the stone wall if required
- Install creative and functional lighting to highlight specific landscape features, such as the lake and island, and supply decorative lighting to event spaces
- Immerse the 'Alice' sculpture in a playful garden by incorporating elements from the site that encourage play and interaction
- Protect and retain the existing Rymill Park plaque, as well as other similar sculptures and features across the Park (such as *Piccaninny* and the fountain)
- Explore opportunities to include Kaurna language and indigenous/endemic plants where appropriate, and in consultation with key stakeholders

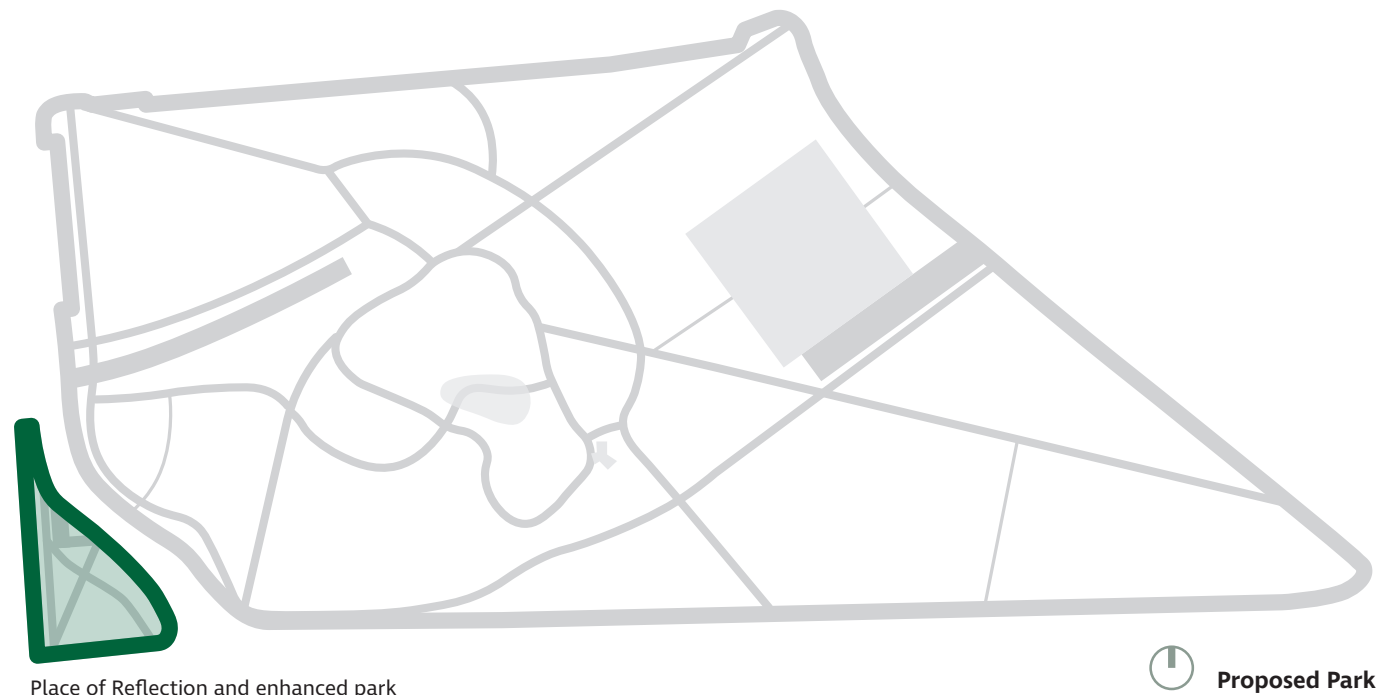
Landscape character and features to be strengthened



ACTION 6

Create a Place of Reflection

to commemorate the Stolen Generations



Place of Reflection and enhanced park

Proposed Park

Note: At the time of this Master Plan's formation, the Place of Reflection project is underway.

Key Actions

6.1 Create a high-profile memorial to the Stolen Generations integrated in a welcoming and relaxed park setting

- Demonstrate commitment to reconciliation with a Place of Reflection artwork to commemorate the Stolen Generations
- Use the space to promote healing and to educate the wider community
- Be a contemplative place for members of the Stolen Generations and their friends and families to visit
- Be suitable for use for community Sorry Day events or similar cultural events
- Integrate complementary lighting associated with the new artwork
- Maintain access and egress to emergency service areas for Tandanya and ElectraNet

6.2 Forge stronger cultural ties between the Park and Tandanya

- Reinforce the Park's connection with adjacent buildings, in particular Tandanya
- Work with Tandanya to create a welcoming space for the Kurna and broader Aboriginal community and the institutes's visitors
- Facilitate Tandanya's formal and informal events, exhibitions and gatherings in the park adjacent Tandanya
- Review access and resolve potential conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles at the entrance to Tandanya



Existing Park adjacent Tandanya and ElectraNet

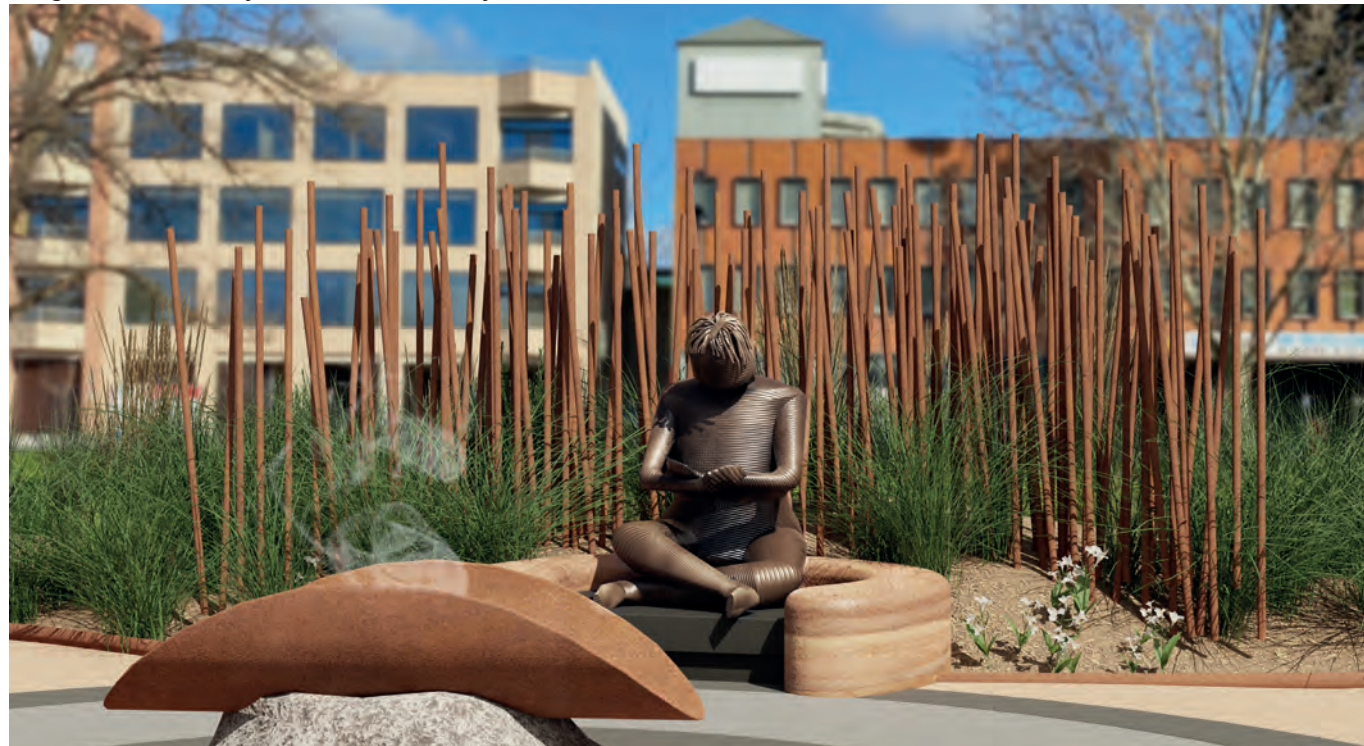
Action 6 addresses:

- The desire for increased recognition of Aboriginal culture in the Park
- The desire for a positive and respectful statement about the City of Adelaide and the State Government's commitment to reconciliation and acknowledgment of the Stolen Generations

Place of Reflection inspiration



Reko Rennie, *Remember Me*, 2018. Commissioned by Yarra City Council (Victoria).
Image credit: Yarra City Council/Nicole Gleary, Rachel See



Place of Reflection, by Yvonne Koolmatrice and Karl Meyer in association with Exhibition Studios (artist's illustration)
Image credit: Exhibition Studios



Image credit: NAIDOC in the Mall 2017

Detailed Overall Plan



Action 1

- 1. Enhance lake
- 2. Enhance lake walk

Action 2

- 3. New inclusive playspace and facilities
- 4. Improve car parking
- 5. Improve bus drop off zones
- 6. Upgrade paths to the playspace

Action 3

- 7. New grassed terraces
- 8. New deck
- 9. Underground power lines*
- 10. Upgrade event infrastructure*
- 11. Enhance and create new event spaces
- 12. New rose rotunda
- 13. Enhance kiosk

Action 4

- 14. Formalise and create inviting entrances
- 15. Realign Park Lands Trail
- 16. New vantage point, terraces and landscape over berm
- 17. New and realigned paths
- 18. New shared edge paths encircling the Park
- 19. New signalised pedestrian crossing to Kent Town

Action 5

- 20. Enhance formal treed avenues
- 21. Enhance garden beds, sculptures and other landscape features*
- 22. Enhance formal rose garden
- 23. Improve tree planting across the Park*

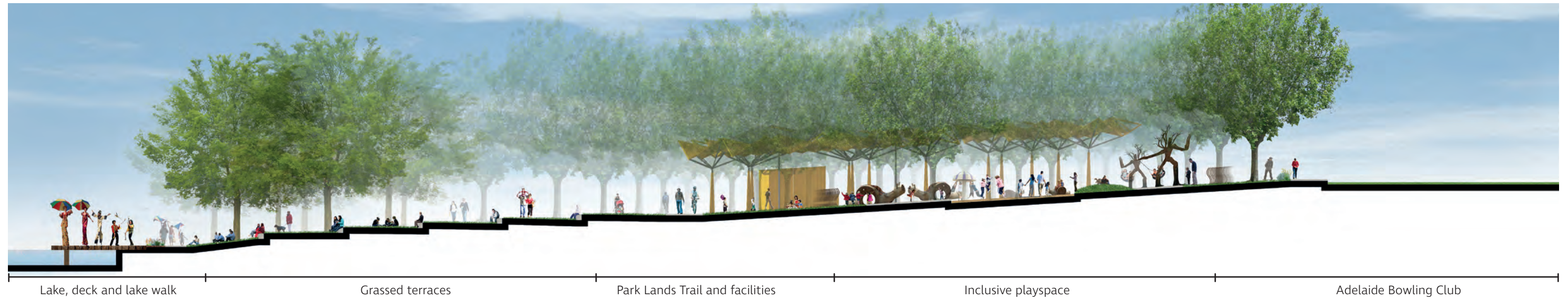
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- 24. Place of Reflection
- 25. Enhance park adjacent Tandanya

* Note: actions that apply to multiple or generalised areas are not located on the plan

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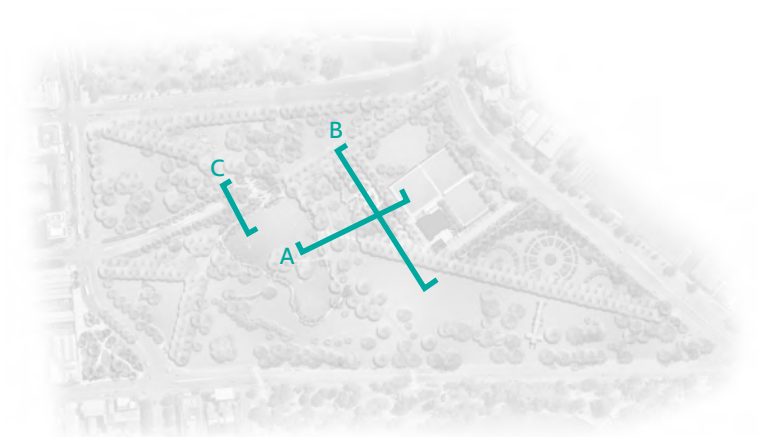
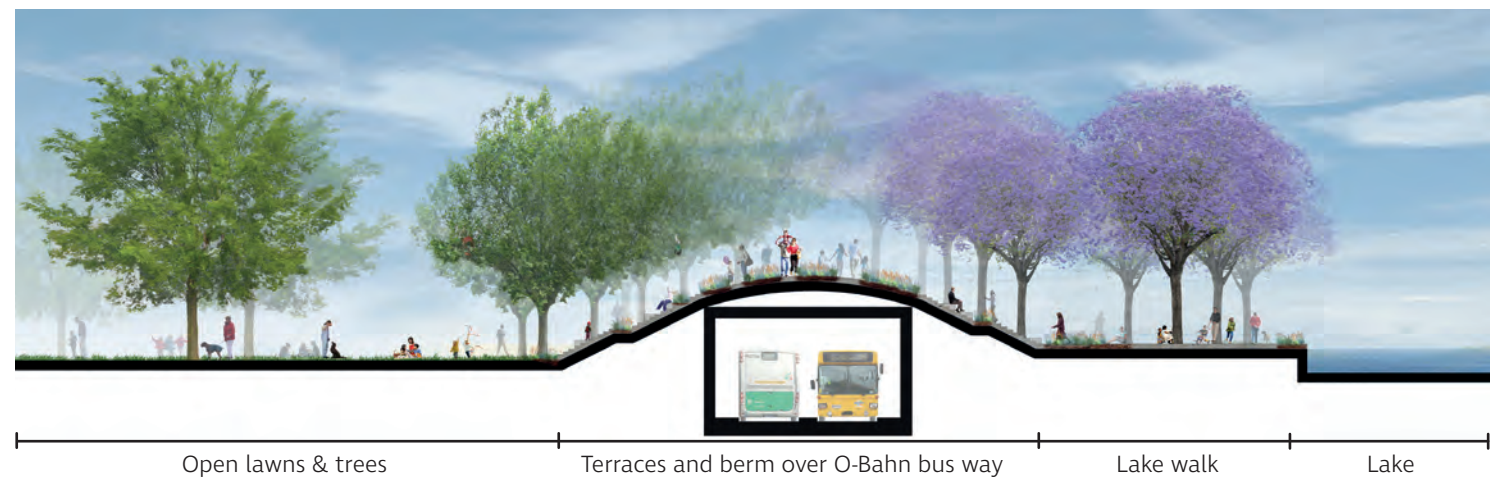
Section A, through the grassed terraces and inclusive playspace



Section B, through the inclusive playspace



Section C, through the O-Bahn bus way



Part two

Delivery

Delivering the Master Plan

There are a number of factors that influence how this Master Plan progresses. These will inform decision makers in determining future commitments to delivering the Master Plan. The below proposals for delivery are subject to Council and Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority's consideration and approval of the Master Plan.

Design stages

A number of structured design stages are undertaken to progress from a high level master plan to on the ground construction works; these typically include:

1. Detailed survey and services investigations
2. Detailed design and cost estimate
3. Documentation ready for tender
4. Finalising documentation for construction and awarding the construction works

Each stage requires an appropriate level of funding to ensure the appropriate level of investigation

and due diligence are undertaken. This process is likely to occur over a number of years to provide sufficient time to prepare documents and cost estimates before a commitment to funding.

Staging considerations

The timing and magnitude of funding commitments will inform staging. Other considerations that inform staging include:

- Logistics for each stage, particularly to reduce impacts to events, businesses, organisations and the playspace, as well as movement of pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles
- Achieving economy of scale and cost effectiveness
- Minimising disruption during construction
- Identifying small improvements that could be delivered as part of Council's 'business as usual' program
- Delivering visible benefits for the community in early stages



Delivering the Master Plan (cont.)

Funding options

The City of Adelaide’s Annual Business Plan and Budget (BP&B) approves the operational and financial planning for services and projects in the upcoming financial year. Inclusion of funding to progress the Master Plan will be considered as part of future annual BP&B’s.

Where possible, upcoming asset renewal planning and budgets will be proposed to align to relevant aspects of the Master Plan.

The City of Adelaide also liaises closely with the State Government to identify potential funding for projects that align with strategic state priorities. In recent years, public space upgrades have been achieved through funding partnerships.

In 2017, the City of Adelaide and the State Government co-funded the development of the Master Plan as one of the identified demonstration projects in the Park Lands.

The Master Plan aligns with the State Government’s objectives to support the conservation and enhancement of natural and cultural open spaces, and to create or revitalise public spaces that are important to the social, cultural and economic life of their communities.

In March 2019, the State Government announced their commitment of \$1 million to fund the inclusive playspace within the Park (the Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace) to commemorate the life and contributions of entertainer and disability advocate, Quentin Kenihan. This project is now complete.

In addition to the playspace, the City of Adelaide has also committed to the delivery of the Place of Reflection (artwork and surrounds) within the Park.

In 2021-22 and 2022-23, Council has committed to funding renewal of the lake, a shared path along Dequetteville Terrace as one of the Cycling Infrastructure projects (both in partnership with the State Government) as well as upgrades to event infrastructure in the Park.

The City of Adelaide continues to explore options for the broader Park Lands and city layout to be included as a recognised cultural site on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Maintenance implications

It is important to note that many of the actions listed in this Master Plan will result in an increase in maintenance service levels required across the Park due to enhancements and upgrades.

It is highly likely that additional resources will be required to effectively maintain the Park and its features.

Priorities for delivery

The Master Plan is proposed to be delivered progressively based on priorities and funding availability, subject to Council consideration.

Priority 1, short-term/current deliverables include:

- ✓ Design and construction of the inclusive playspace, including supporting facilities
- ✓ Further investigations into lake renewal options and a sustainable water source
- ✓ Design of the Place of Reflection
- ✓ Design of event infrastructure upgrades

Priority 2, medium-term deliverables include:

- ✓ Design and construction of toilets, path access and parking requirements for the inclusive playspace
- ✓ Confirmation and design of the lake, lake walk and its surrounds
 - Construction of lake
 - Construction of Place of Reflection
- ✓ Construction of shared perimeter path
- ✓ Construction of events infrastructure upgrades

Priority 3, longer-term/ongoing deliverables include:

- Design and delivery of the remaining Park elements, including ongoing improvements such as path upgrades and realignments, entrance upgrades, succession tree planting and selective removals to strengthen avenues and enhance event spaces

Stakeholder and community consultation

The draft Master Plan was approved by Council for engagement with key stakeholders and the broader community in July 2019.

Community members have an opportunity to provide feedback on the draft City of Adelaide’s Annual Business Plan and Budget, where projects are proposed for design and construction funding for the following financial year.

Once funding is committed for detailed design of the next stage, there will be opportunities for interested community members to be informed on how the detailed design is progressing and provide feedback.

Once projects are underway, the City of Adelaide keeps the community informed on any upcoming construction work across the city, particularly where it may directly affect business, resident access or operations.

Next steps

As consultation on the draft Master Plan is complete, the City of Adelaide will progress with design and construction of approved priority projects, subject to Council consideration.

✓ *Completed*

✓ *Underway*

Part three

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The Park Today

The Park is situated in the east Park Lands precinct, one of the most heavily visited precincts in the Park Lands, catering for both major events and informal community recreational use.

The Adelaide Park Lands Visitor Research Study 2014 estimates over 300,000 visits to the Park per annum.

The Adelaide Park Lands Events Management Plan 2016–2020 classifies the Park as a “premium event site”, with high demand for use by major events and community recreational activities. There is a high community expectation that these sites remain accessible for community use and continue to be maintained to a very high standard.

The Park and the surrounding areas have experienced recent changes and upcoming developments including:

- The inclusion of the O-Bahn bus way
- The tram extension in the East End
- The relocation of the Royal Adelaide Hospital
- The development of Lot Fourteen

The physical area and the people who use it will continue to change in the coming years with anticipated growth in residential and worker populations within the city and in the adjacent inner eastern suburbs of Kent Town and Norwood.

Land Use

Both the City of Adelaide and the City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters (NPSP) are zoned to allow for increases in mixed use and high rise residential developments which will increase populations of workers and residents in adjacent areas and visitor numbers to the Park.

The City of NPSP has very few parks or green recreational spaces within walking distance, making Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) and the Park Lands important green recreational assets.

The schools and within the area would also view the Park Lands as a valuable recreational asset.

- Predominantly Retail
- Educational
- Adelaide Park Lands
- Predominantly Residential
- Predominantly Commercial
- Cultural / Public Institution
- Mixed Use in NPSP
- Mixed Use Medium to High Density in NPSP



A Shared History

The Park is both a significant place to the traditional owners, the Kurna people, and the more recent colonists. Respecting, reconciling and celebrating this shared living history is vital to cultivate a rich and multi-layered place that will continue to serve its past, present and future communities.

The following section notes key themes, stories and artefacts, existing or with potential to be expressed, to recognise the history and living culture of the Park. An integrated and layered design approach is proposed with ongoing stakeholder consultation to ensure a holistic and balanced interpretation is expressed as the Park evolves.

Kurna significance

Kurna consultation on the Master Plan was undertaken from 2017 to 2020. Kurna elder, Uncle Lewis Yerloburka O'Brien was consulted during its development, and Dennis O'Brien reviewed and provided feedback on the draft Master Plan. Dennis O'Brien also sought guidance from Uncle Lewis O'Brien and Senior Kurna woman, Aunty Lynette Crocker during the review process. Based on Kurna consultation, provided below are the culturally significant stories and elements, and recommendations for their expression in the Park.

Red Kangaroo Dreaming Place

'This is the Red Kangaroo Dreaming place of the Kurna people. It was an important place for the Kurna long before the City of Adelaide was established. The Adelaide Park Lands and Squares are part of this place and hold special cultural significance for us – the Kurna people.'

— Dennis O'Brien, July 2020

Adelaide city and its Park Lands, part of which Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) forms, is the heart of the Traditional Country of the Kurna people.

Like other Park Land areas, this Park was managed and cultivated by Kurna people before colonisation in 1836. Some areas of the Park Lands were cleared by Kurna people as part of traditional practices (such as with fire), for living, camping, and hunting grounds.

While no specific associations have been recorded for this Park, it was likely to have been a meeting place and/or camping site associated with the natural creek line (now known as Botanic Creek). This creek fed a waterhole that exists on the site of the Main Lake / Kainka Wirra at the Adelaide Botanic Garden, and is likely to have provided a wealth of food and other resources for the Aboriginal people of the area.

In the late 1900s Aboriginal people who camped in the area, including Ngarrindjeri man, Poltpalingada Booboorowie (or Tommy Walker as he was known to the European settlers), were forced to move to the Adelaide Botanic Garden area, and then to Glenelg.

The subsequent development of a brewery and flour mills by European settlers near the Park suggests that a supply of good, fresh water was available in the area before and at the time of settlement.

Murlawirrapurka

Three parks constitute the east Park Lands precinct, Rundle Park / Kadlitpina (Park 13), Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) and King Rodney Park / Ityamai-itpina (Park 15). The parks are named after three Kurna 'warriors' or 'old gentleman' who were important community members at the time of colonisation: Kadlitpina, Murlawirrapurka and Ityamai-itpina respectively.

In 1997, as part of Council's Reconciliation Vision Statement, dual naming of parks and key city sites was established. In 2003, the name 'Murlawirrapurka' was applied to Rymill Park.

The Kurna name, 'Murlawirrapurka', literally translates as 'old man of dry forest'. Murlawirrapurka (1811–1845) was known to have been the more 'outspoken' and 'political' of the three warriors, while Kadlitpina was known as a great warrior and Ityamai-itpina was highly regarded for his grasp of language and learning.

To the colonists, Murlawirrapurka was also known as 'King John', 'Onkaparinga Jack' and 'Kua Kertameru' (meaning Crow first born male).

Murlawirrapurka was generally on good terms with the colonists. The European settlers recorded some of his words at the time and his words have also been passed through oral accounts over many generations.

Murlawirrapurka was 172cm tall, of stocky build, had 4 wives, 9 children and died aged 34 in the Onkaparinga area.

Piccaninny Drinking Fountain

The Piccaninny Drinking Fountain by sculptor John Dowie in 1960, is located east of the lake. Despite being small in scale, it is significant as the earliest representation of Aboriginal cultural in a public space in Adelaide. The sculpture was inspired by the artist's travels to the Northern Territory, and depicts an Aboriginal child with a coolamon-like vessel on her head.

Master Plan Recommendations

The following themes should be considered and developed through ongoing Kurna consultation during subsequent concept and detailed design stages of the Park:

- Retention of the Picaninny drinking fountain
- Expression of the Red Kangaroo Rock Dreaming story
- Kurna language and Rainbow Country in the playspace
- Stories, games or animals, such as with tree shields, wodlis or integrated artwork
- Karrawirra Pari (River Torrens) reflection of the Wodli Parri (Milky Way)
- Kurna expression at the area of the park fronting onto Tandanya
- Visual representation of Murlawirrapurka within the park, such as through interpretive signage, sculpture or artwork.

Additional themes that could also be represented in the Park (such as through sculpture, artwork, plaques, paintings or storyboards) are:

- Expression of 'Murlawirrapurka' as a dry forest
- Expression of 'King John' and 'Onkaparinga Jack'
- Red kangaroos, representing 'Red Kangaroo Dreaming Place'
- River red gums and other indigenous plants representing previous vegetation along the creek
- Stars (wodli parri) and planets, representing ancestors (people and animals)

A Shared History

Colonial history

The Park largely retains its original shape and form as devised by Colonel Light in 1837.

The low lying park was often waterlogged, and its western side was used as a rubbish dump from the 1850s.

The Park of today still shows evidence of the original substantial tree planting that was undertaken during the William Pengilly and August Pelzer (both City Gardeners) administrations, which reinforced a semi-formal Victorian 'gardenesque' style.

Two cross-axial pathways, historically evident since the 1870s, are lined with Oriental Planes (*Platanus orientalis*) and White Cedars (*Melia azedarach var. australis*). Various studies suggest that both avenues are important aesthetic and design elements in the Park.

Over time, the land use shifted from 'a despoiled grazing wasteland' to a park with the commencement of tree plantings in the late 1870s and 1880s. Following fencing in the late 1870s, the Park assumed the role and function of a semiformal garden, still apparent today.

By this time, the Park had been largely cleared of indigenous vegetation.

In the 1950s–60s, under Town Clerk William Veale, the Park was substantially transformed to accommodate an ornamental lake, picnic and recreation grounds, and a large rose garden, resulting in much of the present character and planting strategy.

In 1960 'Rymill Park' was named after Sir Arthur Rymill, Lord Mayor of Adelaide from 1950 to 1954, a long-standing council member and strong advocate for the growth and improvement of the Park Lands.

The Park is a distinct example of the re-crafting of the Park Lands by Pengilly and Pelzer, from an informal mixed species landscape into a semiformal 'gardenesque' park, characterised by tree-lined axial pedestrian pathways and feature memorials. Importantly, it is one of two major recreational parks created in Adelaide (the other being Veale Gardens) and today still retains much of its previous structure and character.

Statement of Cultural Significance

'[Murlawirrapurka]/Park 14/Rymill Park is a significant example of the re-crafting of the Adelaide Park Lands by William Pengilly and August Pelzer from an informal mixed species landscape into a semi-formal Gardenesque park characterised by tree-lined axial pedestrian pathways and feature memorials. More importantly, it is one of two major park facilities created in the 1950s-60s under Town Clerk Veale to serve as major recreational venue for Adelaideans. It still retains much of this 1870s-1930s structure and character although it was significantly renovated in the 1950s-60s to create a major park landscape with a feature lake.'

— Adelaide Park Lands and Square Cultural Landscape Assessment, Dr David Jones 2007



Lithograph dated 10th July 1875 showing extensive edge plantings



Map dated 9th February 1917 depicting the pedestrian and tram circulation systems.



Scene of the East Park Lands dated c.1905 depicting the extensive tree planting and intricate crushed rock pathway system in the Park.

Source: State Library of South Australia, B 26309

National Heritage Listing

The Adelaide Park Lands were first laid out in Colonel William Light’s 1837 plan for Adelaide. Adelaide is 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. It is also the oldest ‘dedicated’ public park lands in the world.

Light’s model of a city surrounded by park lands is recognised as a major influence of the Garden City Movement, one of the most important western urban planning initiatives of the time.

In recognition of its significance, the ‘Adelaide Park Lands and City Layout’ (The Layout) is included on the National Heritage List.

The Layout is a significant example of early colonial planning which has retained key elements of its historical layout for over 180 years.

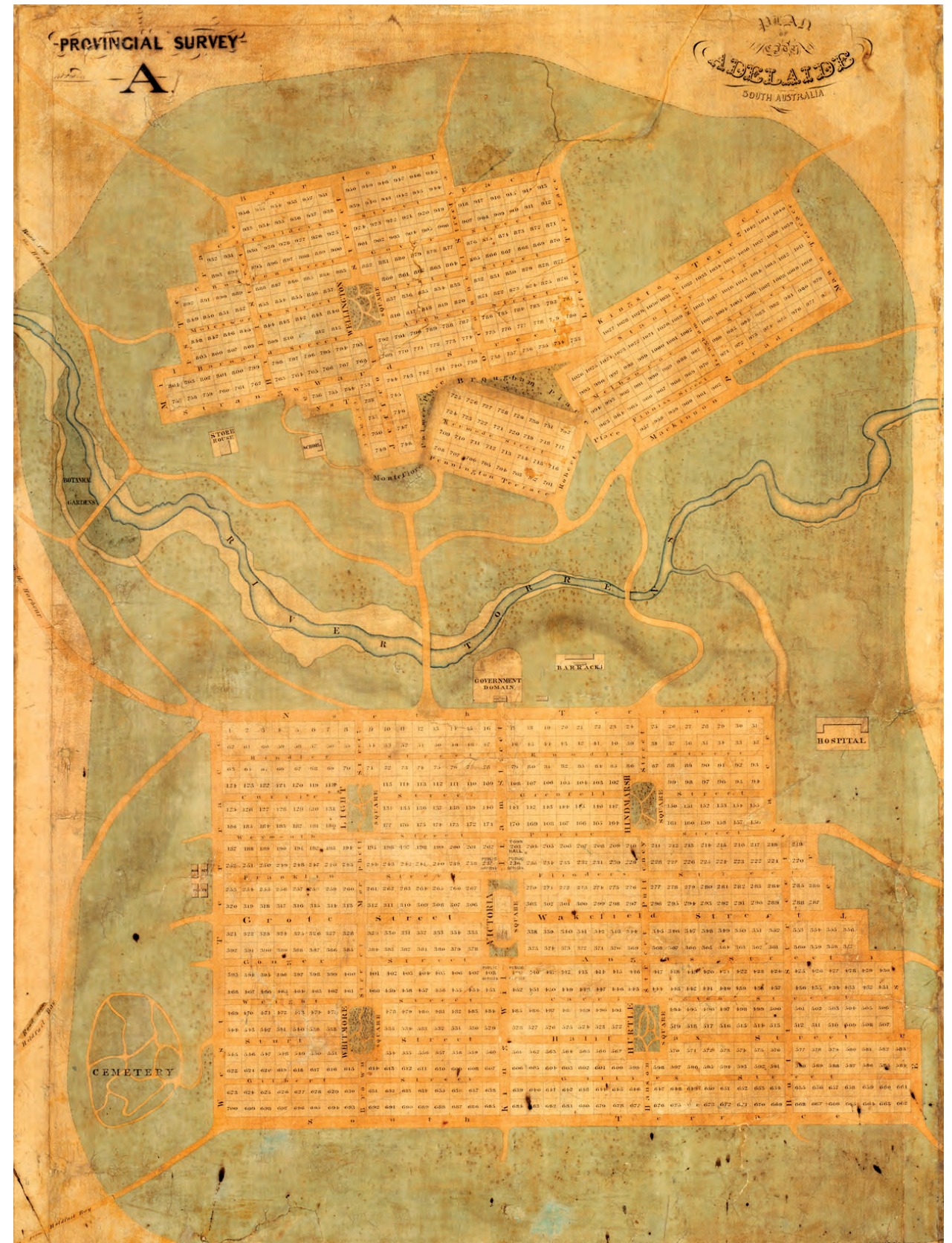
Being formally laid out prior to settlement with a grid pattern, wide streets and town squares, the Layout reflected new town planning conventions and contemporary ideas about the provision of common or reserved land for its aesthetic qualities, public health and recreation.

Comprising over 800 hectares, the Adelaide Park Lands have high social value to South Australians who regard them as fundamental to the character and ambiance of the city.

The National Heritage Listing recognises the historic layout and principal characteristics of the city and Park Lands at a macro level.

Changes at the scale anticipated by this Master Plan will not adversely affect the values which underpin the listing.

Information sourced from the National Heritage Listing, Department of the Environment and Energy








“William Light’s Plan of Adelaide, 1837”, surveyed and drawn by Colonel Light, drawn by Robert Thomas. Courtesy of History SA, HT2001.166

Existing Views and Topography

Historically, Botanic Creek ran from south to north across the Park, creating a natural valley grading down from the east and west. Human interventions have accentuated the topography of the Park - perhaps more than any other in the Park Lands system - giving the Park a striking point-of-difference, where sharp embankments and views down to low-lying water bodies are rare landscape features (albeit man-made) in Adelaide's flat plain landscape.

The slopes and plateaus, when combined with the tree-lined avenues and artificial boating lake and island, imbue the Park with a distinctly European romantic sensibility, suggesting future landscape gestures that potentially provide the Park with a unique character, all the while remaining an important link in the ring of Park Lands.



-  Contour Line, 500mm interval
-  Reduce Level
-  Flat Land
-  Embankment
-  View



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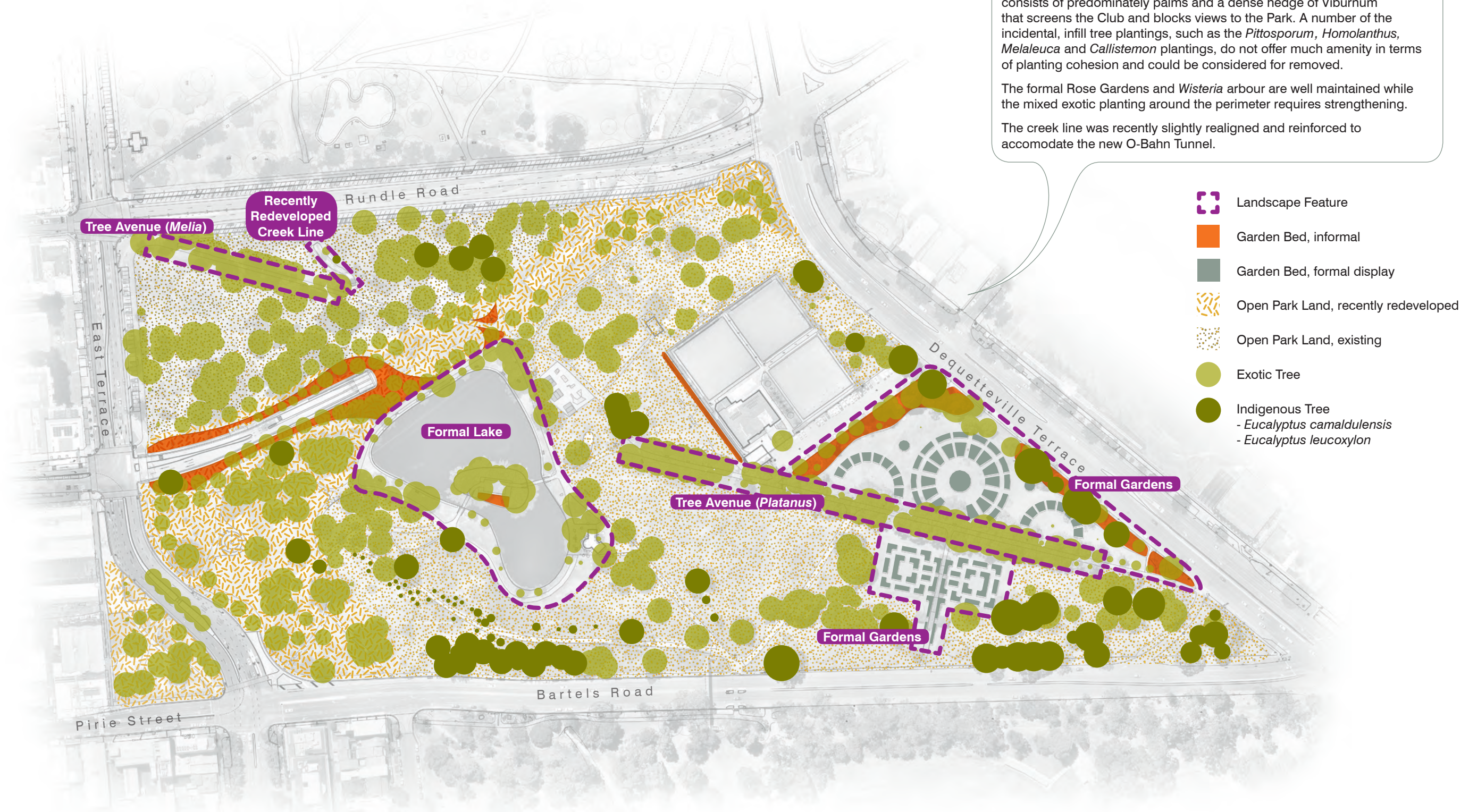
Existing Landscape Character

The Park's existing trees are a mix of formal avenues, majestic indigenous eucalypts, groupings of trees such as Peppercorns (*Schinus molle*), Pines, Flame Trees (*Brachychiton* sp.), Jacarandas lining the lake and scatterings of other mixed exotic and Australian native species.

The formal avenues of *Melia* are in decline and require replacement, while the *Platanus* avenue adjacent the Bowling Club and Rose Gardens retain a strong character and presence in the Park. The Bowling Club planting consists of predominately palms and a dense hedge of Viburnum that screens the Club and blocks views to the Park. A number of the incidental, infill tree plantings, such as the *Pittosporum*, *Homolanthus*, *Melaleuca* and *Callistemon* plantings, do not offer much amenity in terms of planting cohesion and could be considered for removed.

The formal Rose Gardens and *Wisteria* arbour are well maintained while the mixed exotic planting around the perimeter requires strengthening.

The creek line was recently slightly realigned and reinforced to accommodate the new O-Bahn Tunnel.



- Landscape Feature
- Garden Bed, informal
- Garden Bed, formal display
- Open Park Land, recently redeveloped
- Open Park Land, existing
- Exotic Tree
- Indigenous Tree
- *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*
- *Eucalyptus leucoxylon*



Existing Events Overlay



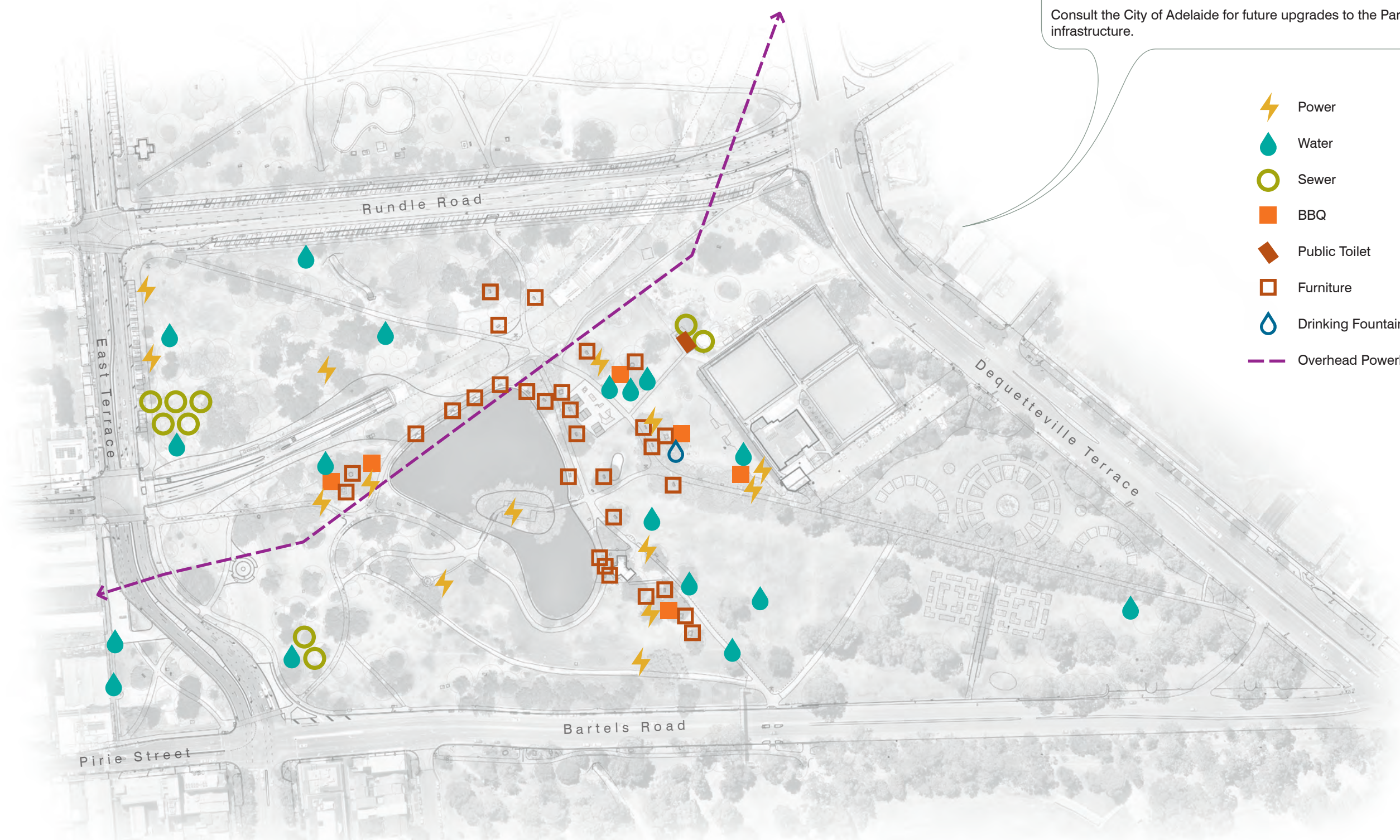
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Existing Services and Amenities

City of Adelaide has allocated funding in 2019-20 to undertake concept designs for upgrading event infrastructure in the Park to cater for the large number of events held here.

This upgrades utility service infrastructure to support events in both the Park and the adjacent Rundle Park / Kadlitpina (Park 13) ie. electrical supply, potable water supply and sewer / wastewater discharge points.

Consult the City of Adelaide for future upgrades to the Park's event infrastructure.



-  Power
-  Water
-  Sewer
-  BBQ
-  Public Toilet
-  Furniture
-  Drinking Fountain
-  Overhead Powerlines

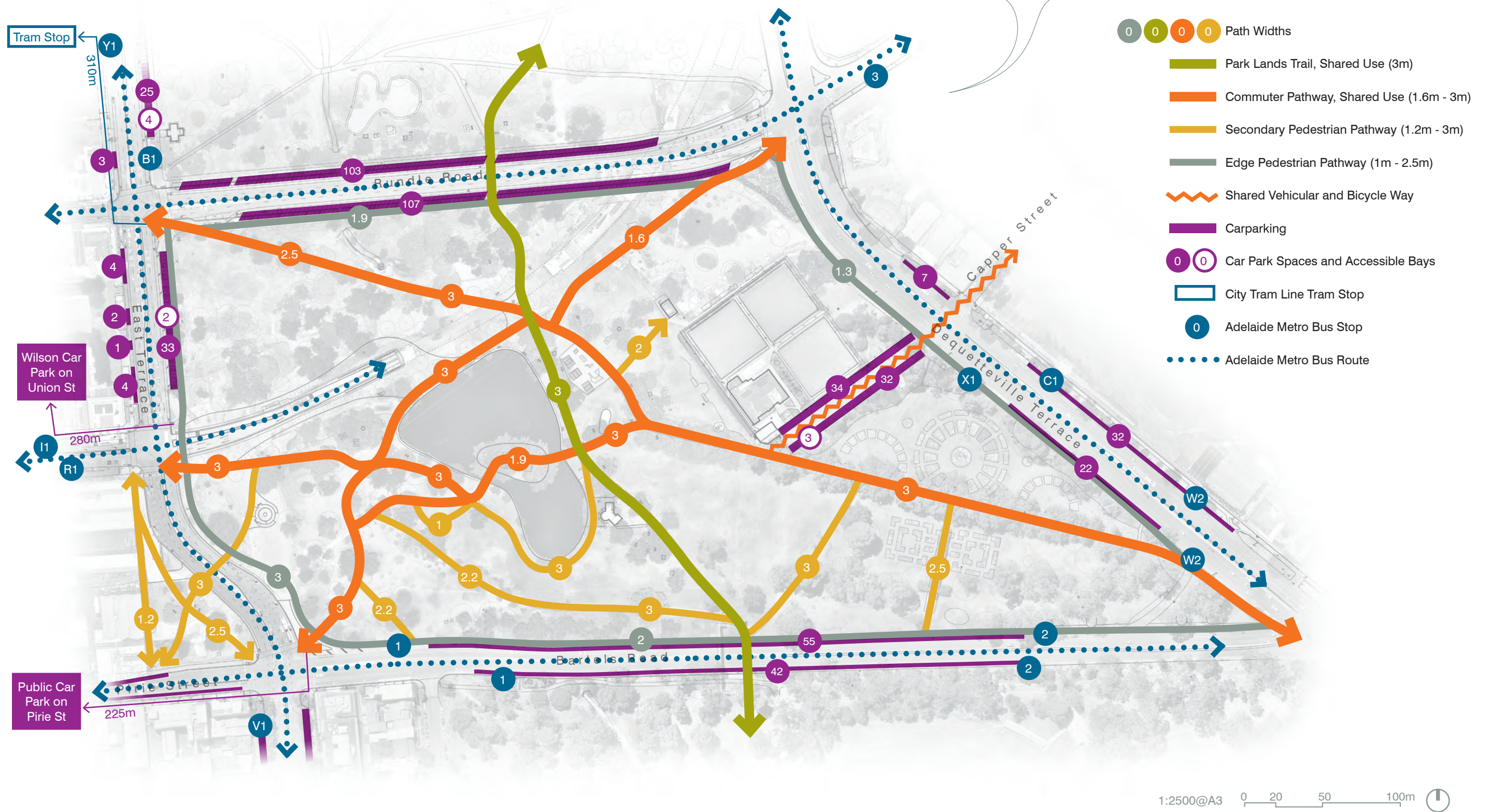


Existing Access and Circulation

The Park is bound on all four sides by highly trafficked city streets and on-street parking located on all four streets which greatly assists with park visitation but impacts strongly on the visual and noise environment quality at the Park's edges.

Adelaide Metro buses service all four sides of the Park and the new O-Bahn Tunnel delivers travellers from the north-eastern suburbs under the Park to the Grenfell Street intersection with East Terrace. The eastern-most stop in the new City Tram Line extension will terminate at the old RAH site on North Terrace, with plans to extend the line directly past the Park to Norwood and the city's east.

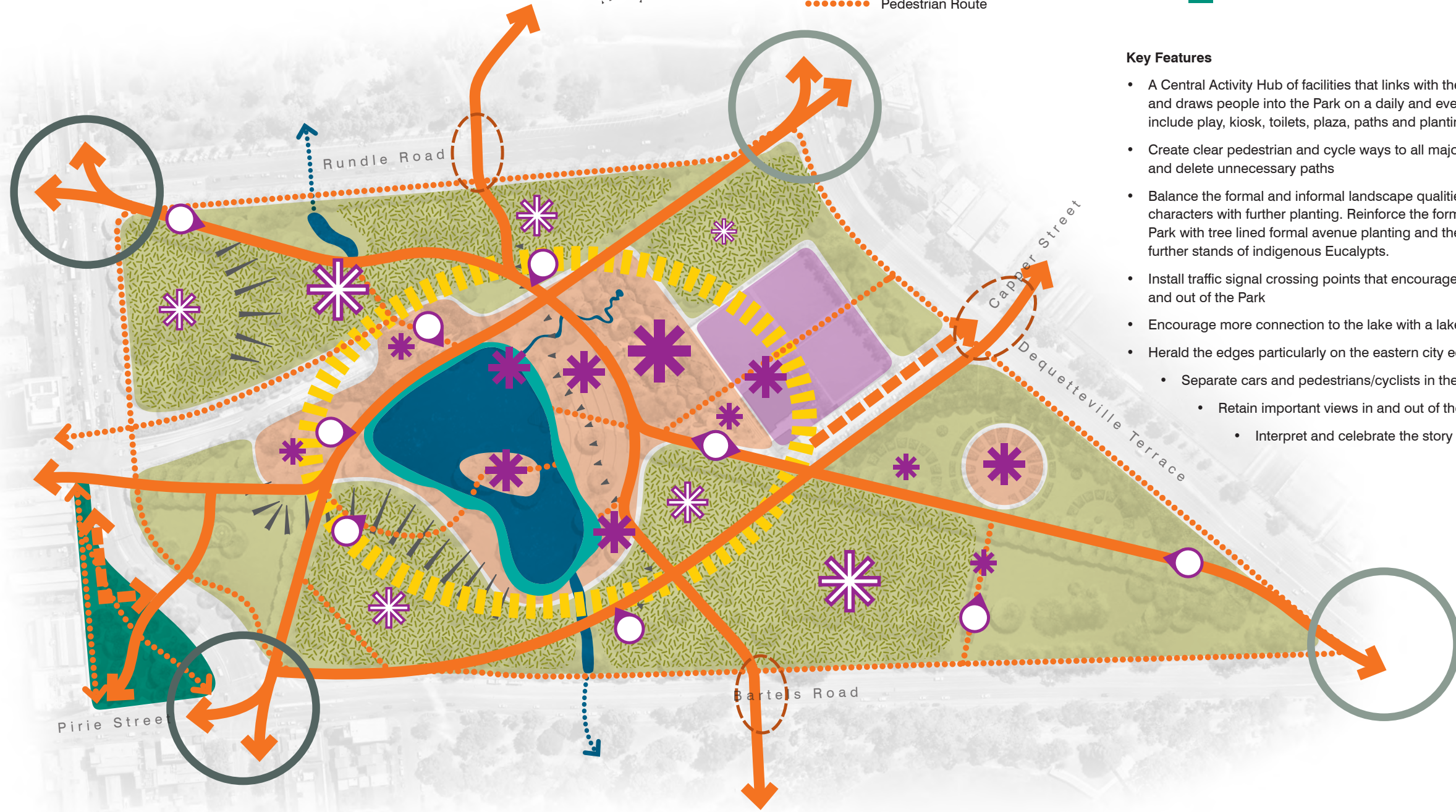
The current arrangement of pedestrian paths criss-cross the Park, loosely following historic alignments with subsequent ad hoc additions and deletions occurring as deemed necessary. The Adelaide Park Lands Trail crosses the centre of the Park linking with Rundle Park / Kadlitpina (Park 13) to the north and King Rodney Park / Ityamai-itpina (Park 15) to the south.



Proposed Spatial Framework

This spatial framework illustrates the fundamental gestures and strategies that create the Park's structure. This framework builds on the Master Plan's Guiding Principles.

	Activity Hub		Formal Sports / Active Recreation		Regular Year-Round Activity Hub
	Signalised Crossing		Entry to the Park from the City		Event-Based Activity Hub
	Key Views		Entry to the Park from Suburbs		Family and Community Orientated Activities
	Lake Walk		Vehicular Access / Parking		Passive Recreation
	Water		Main Pedestrian / Cycle Route (allows for occasional service vehicle access)		Passive Recreation with Seasonal Major Public Events
	Embankment		Pedestrian Route		Urban Edge



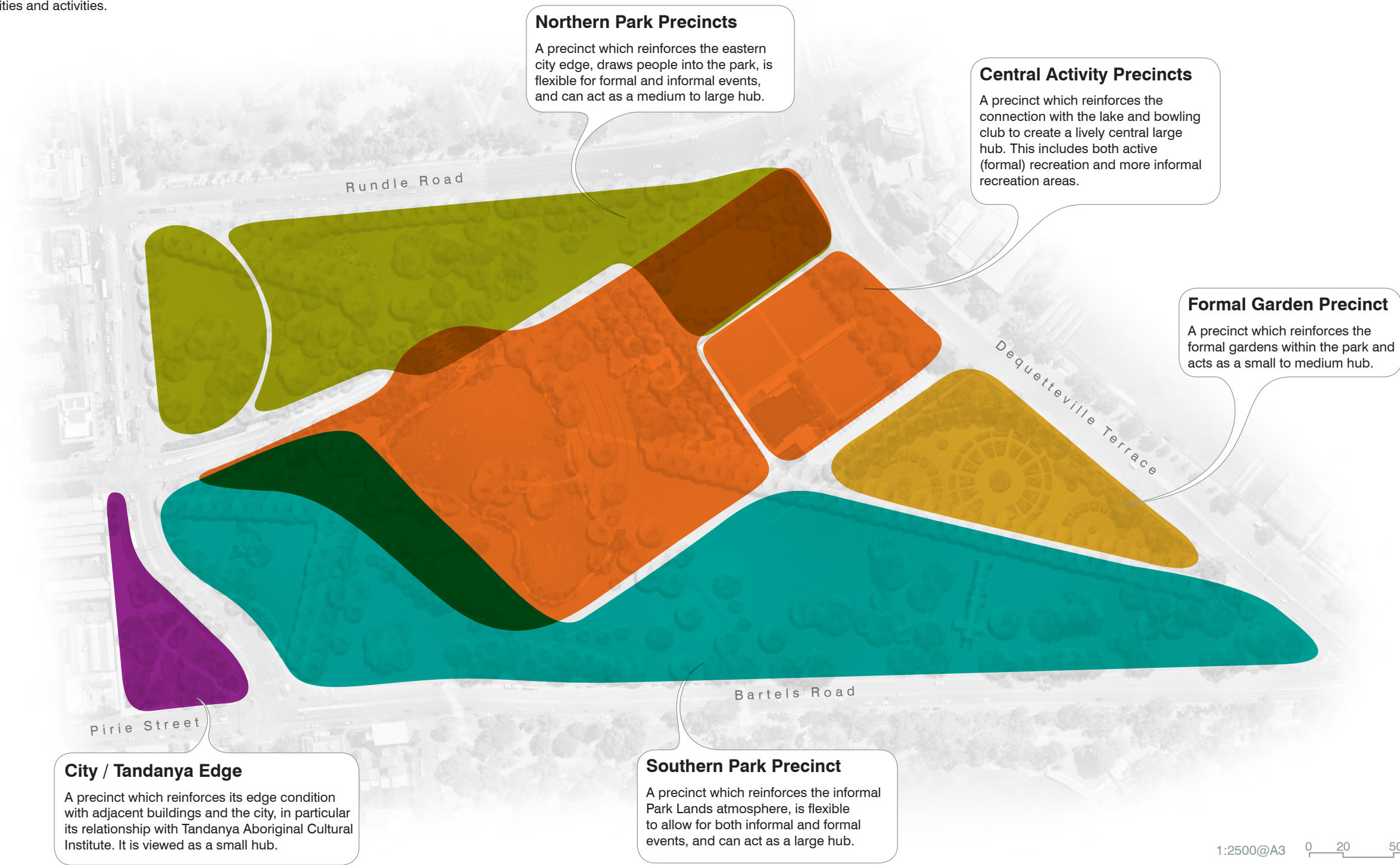
Key Features

- A Central Activity Hub of facilities that links with the Bowling Club and draws people into the Park on a daily and event basis. Facilities include play, kiosk, toilets, plaza, paths and planting
- Create clear pedestrian and cycle ways to all major perimeter points and delete unnecessary paths
- Balance the formal and informal landscape qualities reinforcing both characters with further planting. Reinforce the formal nature of the Park with tree lined formal avenue planting and the informal with further stands of indigenous Eucalypts.
- Install traffic signal crossing points that encourage safe movement in and out of the Park
- Encourage more connection to the lake with a lake walk
- Herald the edges particularly on the eastern city edge
 - Separate cars and pedestrians/cyclists in the existing car park
 - Retain important views in and out of the Park
 - Interpret and celebrate the story of water

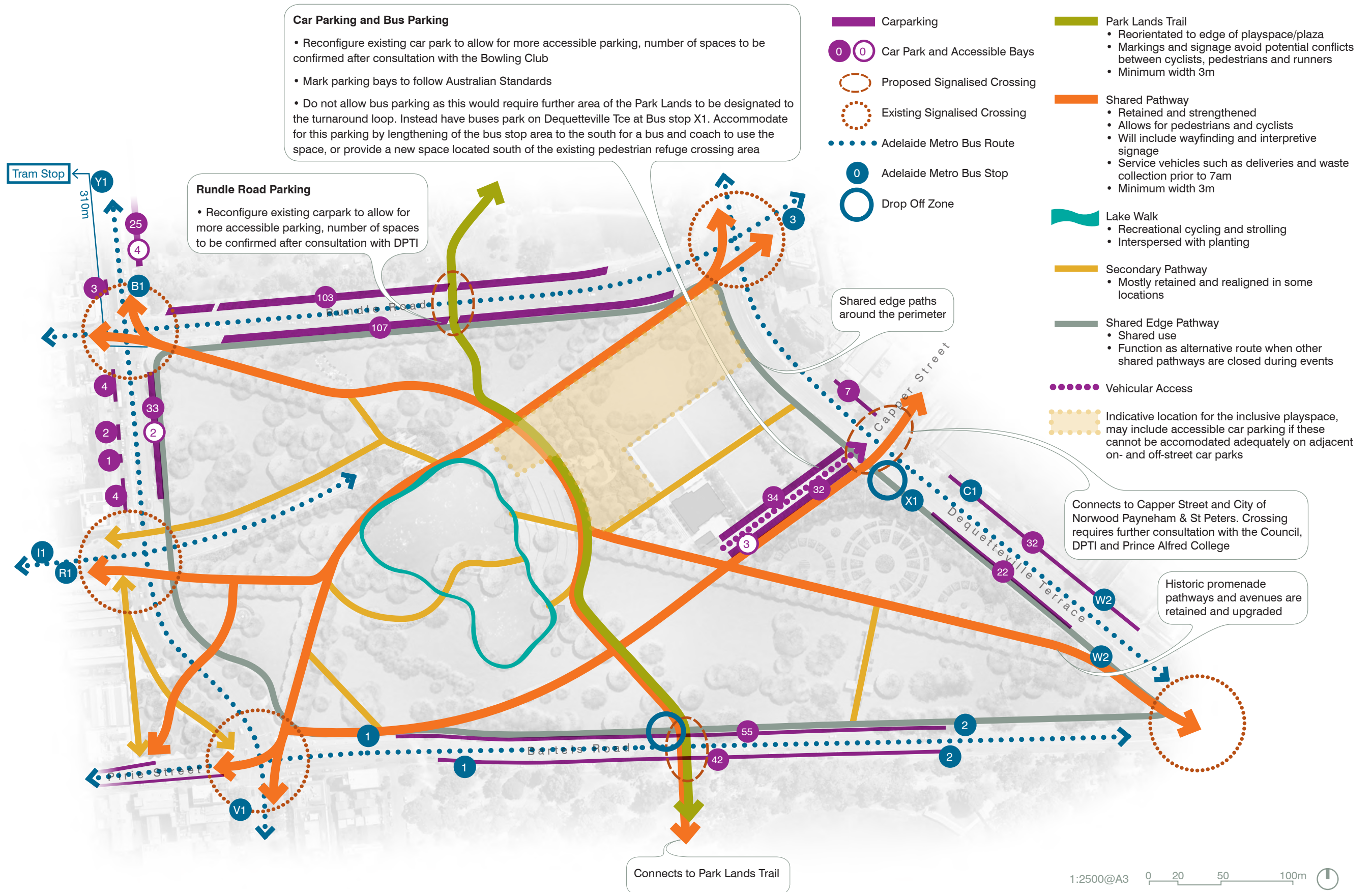
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Proposed Precincts

The Park can be divided into a number of precincts that respond to its physical landscape structure, its varied edge conditions and existing/proposed facilities and activities.



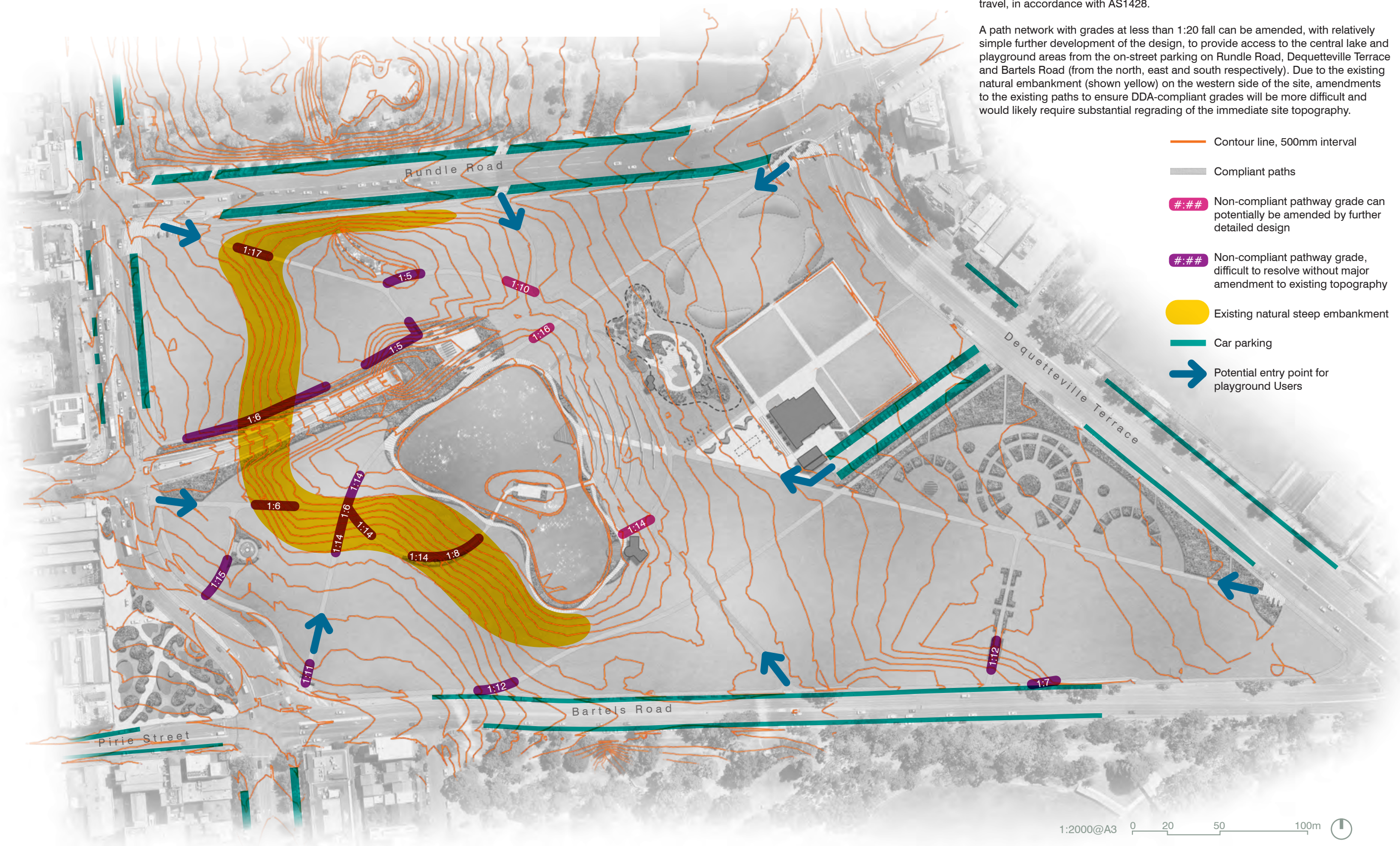
Proposed Access & Circulation



Proposed Pathway Compliance

All major pathways (existing and proposed) are a minimum of 2m in width, providing adequate space for two wheelchairs to pass in opposite directions of travel, in accordance with AS1428.

A path network with grades at less than 1:20 fall can be amended, with relatively simple further development of the design, to provide access to the central lake and playground areas from the on-street parking on Rundle Road, Dequetteville Terrace and Bartels Road (from the north, east and south respectively). Due to the existing natural embankment (shown yellow) on the western side of the site, amendments to the existing paths to ensure DDA-compliant grades will be more difficult and would likely require substantial regrading of the immediate site topography.



- Contour line, 500mm interval
- Compliant paths
- ### Non-compliant pathway grade can potentially be amended by further detailed design
- ### Non-compliant pathway grade, difficult to resolve without major amendment to existing topography
- Existing natural steep embankment
- Car parking
- ➔ Potential entry point for playground Users

Proposed Lighting

The Park is proposed to be sufficiently and beautifully lit in selected locations, to allow for increased safety and night time activation. The better lit and more people who use the Park at night, the safer it will be.

The Park's lighting is to meet the required P lighting levels, with use of City of Adelaide approved fittings, and by upgrading existing fittings as required.

- Formal Avenues
- Park Entrances
- Lake Walk
- Island
- Terraced Areas
- Playground
- Structures
- Pocket Park
- Pathways



Proposed Lighting



Formal Avenues

Tree lighting that is movement activated. Walking/riding along these avenues would be marked by a change of intensity/colour, marking a person's movement. These avenues could become night-time destinations for families and commuters alike.



Park Entrances

Linear high output LED would be recessed into the paving and vertical surfaces to act as entrance markers. Could also be flexible LED strips taking the shape of indigenous symbols.



Lake Walk

Lakeside furniture can be a source of light, transforming the Park at night. Custom made benches and stools could have perforated supports that allow light to spill onto the ground and apply the pattern of the perforation onto the ground.



Island

Custom festoon would span the island and bridges to create a romantic event destination. Could also be "chandeliers" of festoon hung amongst the trees.



Terraced Areas

Concealed underlighting will highlight the contours of the terraces.



Playground

The playgrounds inner spaces will be lit with bright soft lighting that will provide both decoration and safety. These lights will be housed behind frosted polycarbonate to protect them and diffuse the light.



Structures

The buildings will be lit with soft warm low recessed light. Low colour temperature frosted LED s will be used to make the timber surfaces glow. These structures should feel like lanterns.



Park adjacent to Tandanya

The lighting in this area will enrich the earthy tones of the rocks and pathways. The use of Sodium Vapour bulbs or LEDs attuned to the spectrum of sodium vapour will create a warm twilight atmosphere.



Pathways

The approach to the general pathways is to meet required P lighting levels, with use of City of Adelaide approved fittings, and by upgrading existing fittings as required.

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Draft Master Plan & Community Land Management Plan

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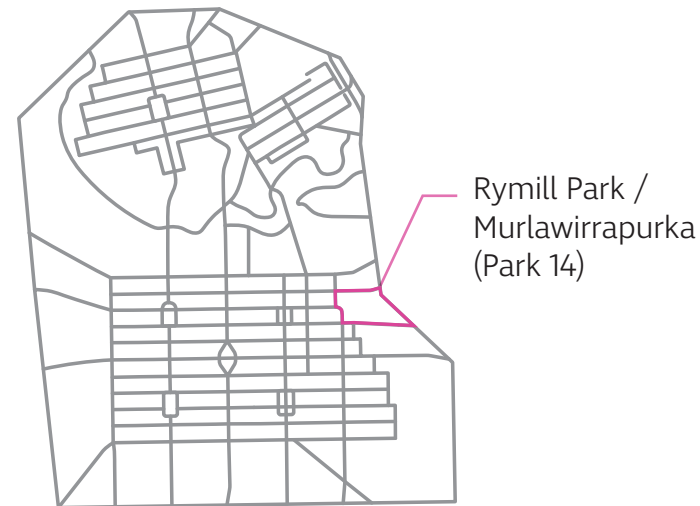


*The Draft Master Plan and Draft CLMP were consulted together due to their linked relationship - however, the approach to CLMPs was recently changed and as a result, the Draft CLMP for this park will be addressed separately. (May 2022)

Acknowledgement to Country

City of Adelaide tampinhi, ngadlu Kurna yartangka panpapanpalyarninhi (inparrinhi). Kurna miyurna yaitya mathanya Wama Tarntanyaku. Parnaku yailtya, parnaku tapa purruna, parnaku yarta ngadlu tampinhi. Yalaka Kurna miyurna itu yailtya, tapa purruna, yarta kuma puru martinhi, puru warri-apinhi, puru tangka martulayinhi.

City of Adelaide acknowledges the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past and present. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.

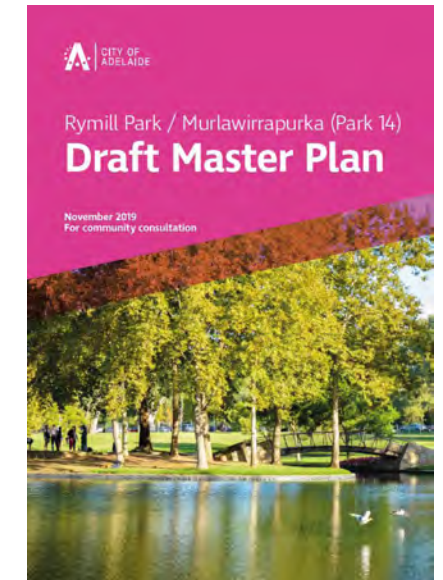


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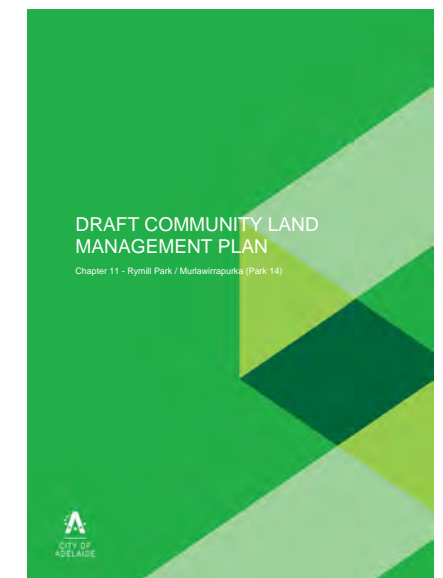
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Verbatim feedback is attached at the end of this report.



The Draft Master Plan



The Draft Community Land Management Plan

Executive summary

As a result of engagement on the draft Master Plan and draft Community Land Management Plan for Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14), valuable and detailed feedback was received from key stakeholders and the community.

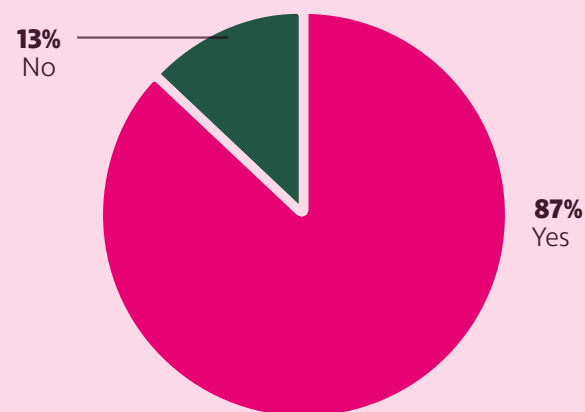
The strong interest in the project resonated in the comments, with many describing how unique and valuable the park is to them, as well as fond memories in the park.

Key Statistics

Several stages of engagement were undertaken in the last quarter of 2019 to capture feedback from key stakeholders and community members.

- **674** people visited the project website
- **>100** people attended face-to-face engagement sessions
- **102** survey responses
- **87%** agreed that the changes would encourage them to use the park more often

Will these overall changes encourage you to visit Rymill Park more often?



Who we heard from

60% of community members visited the park at least once a week, 56% walked to the park and 58 respondents described themselves as a local resident. The park was popular for "passing through", then "picnics and recreation" and "events".

Where were they from?

We heard from many locals, with 34% of people located within a 10 minute walk of the park, and 51% from the City of Adelaide and City of Norwood, Payneham St Peters. The wider community also showed interest in the plans, with 36% from South Australia outside of these neighbouring Council areas.

What did they have to say?

There was strong support for the proposals in the draft Master Plan and the CLMP, with 89% of the community agreeing with the master plan vision and 83% agreeing with the CLMP proposals overall. Support for the proposals are highlighted on the page opposite.

Some comments include...

"Love that this space is so enchanting during the Fringe season. It is truly unique and special to Adelaide."

"With a diverse age range from small children to the elderly, quality and safe paths are essential."

"I believe changes are good and probable, if approached in consultation with key stakeholders as they are slated to occur."

Refer to the Appendices for verbatim feedback from the community.

How many agreed with the draft Master Plan and CLMP proposals?

The Master Plan	
89%	The Vision
93%	Action 1. Enhance the lake and surrounds
71%	Action 3. Strengthen existing and create new event spaces
77%	Action 4. Improve entrances and paths
88%	Action 5. Reinforce the landscape character and features of the park
The CLMP	
83%	The CLMP overall
81%	The changes to dog management

Statistics include "strongly agree" and "agree", and reflect views of community members only. Feedback was not sought for Action 2 and Action 6 as these projects were underway with separate consultation processes.

Lake Option: Ornamental Lake or Vegetated Wetland?

Overall, more community members preferred the wetland option (55%) over the ornamental lake (45%). There was no strong preference between the options based on where people lived – those in the closest suburbs to Rymill Park were evenly split while for other parts of South Australia there was a slightly higher preference for the wetland.

On the other hand, key stakeholders were mostly in favour of the ornamental lake option.



Next steps

The Master Plan and CLMP will be reviewed and revised considering the engagement results, with the recommendations and final draft plans brought to Council for endorsement in 2020.

Glossary of terms

For the purposes of this document, the below terminology is used:

CoA — City of Adelaide

Council — The governing body of the City of Adelaide, represented by the Lord Mayor and 11 Elected Members

Rymill Park — Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14), in the eastern Park Lands

The Master Plan — The Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14) Draft Master Plan

CLMP — The Draft Community Land Management Plan for Rymill Park / Murlawirrapurka (Park 14)

QKIP — The Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace, a playspace in the park that will provide opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to play and connect with others. It is named after the late Quentin Kenihan, a disability advocate and ambassador for inclusive playspaces

APLMS — The Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025, a legislated planning document that describes future directions, actions and projects to be delivered in the Park Lands



Background

The Master Plan

The “re-imagining” of Rymill Park is identified as one of the “Big Moves” in the APLMS.

The Master Plan is co-funded and developed in partnership between the State Government and the City of Adelaide. It proposes a vision and principles, supported by key actions and an overall plan that respond to themes from the “Shape the Park Lands 2015” public engagement.

In July 2019, Council approved the Master Plan for key stakeholder and community consultation, including the vision, principles, actions and overall plan.

The CLMP

Under the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005, the CLMP is required to be reviewed at least every five years. This review is timely to align with the proposals of the Master Plan, to enable improvements to occur in Rymill Park.

In September 2019, Council approved the CLMP to be released for statutory consultation, including approvals from the Minister responsible for the Adelaide Park Lands Act 2005, adjoining Councils and relevant State agencies, key stakeholders and the community.



Consultation

CoA undertook several engagement processes:

- Key stakeholder engagement for the Master Plan, between September to November 2019
- Legislated key stakeholder engagement for the CLMP, between September and November 2019
- Community engagement for the Master Plan and the CLMP, between 25 November to 15 December 2019.

The key stakeholder engagement was undertaken through email correspondences and face-to-face meetings with stakeholders.

The community engagement comprised:

- An online survey available on the project’s Yoursay Adelaide website
- Hard copy surveys available at CoA libraries, customer service desk and community centres
- A community day (“Re-imagined Rymill: Have Your Say”) held in Rymill Park on 8 December 2019
- A drop-in session at the City Library on 11 December 2019
- Written submissions
- Email submissions
- Submissions by phone.

Methods for marketing included:

- A public consultation advertisement in the Advertiser newspaper
- A government gazette
- Media release
- Email via Yoursay Adelaide’s registrants and contact list
- Email to various CoA community newsletters (Sport & Fitness Connect newsletter, What’s On newsletter)
- Direct email to various key stakeholder individuals and organisations
- Targeted paid advertisement on Facebook
- Strategic and timed posts through CoA official media channels (Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn)
- Posters to shopfronts of cafes, restaurants and businesses along Rundle Street and the East End
- Large banners and corflute posters in and around Rymill Park
- CoA internal communications (CoA Daily, posters around the building)
- Through non-official channels, such as the publishing and exposure of the Master Plan through the Advertiser website and social media.

There was also some visibility due to the concurrence of other projects in the park:

- The Quentin Kenihan Inclusive Playspace
- The Place of Reflection
- The Rundle and Rymill Parks event infrastructure upgrade
- The Rymill Park car park trials.

Who we heard from

Key Stakeholders

Feedback was sought from the following¹:

Immediately adjacent stakeholders / surrounding businesses

- Adelaide Bowling Club
- Future kiosk operator
- Tandanya
- ElectraNet
- City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters
- Prince Alfred College
- Oromax
- Lasers in Medicine
- CoA Access & Inclusion Advisory Panel.

Major event organisers

- Adelaide Fringe
- Gluttony
- Adelaide 500
- Adelaide International Three Day Event
- South Australian Tourism Commission
- CheeseFest.

State Government Departments and Ministers

- Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure, including Stephan Knoll MP - Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Government, Minister for Planning, and the Office for Design and Architecture
- Department of Environment and Water
- Renewal SA.

Aboriginal and cultural organisations

- Council of Aboriginal Elders of South Australia
- Eastern Adelaide Aboriginal Specific Homelessness Service
- Kurna Yerta Corp.
- Kurna Heritage Committee
- Ramindjeri
- Kurna Cultural Service
- Reconciliation South Australia.

Community, resident and business precinct groups / accessibility and mobility organisations / others

- Adelaide Park Lands Preservation Association
- East End Coordination Group
- Hutt Street Traders Association
- South East City Residents Association
- Garden East Presiding Officers
- Maras Group
- Kent Town Residents Association
- Rose Society of South Australia²
- Walking SA
- Bicycle Institute South Australia
- Bicycle SA
- Heart Foundation
- Renewal SA.

The Community

For community consultation, feedback was sought from a broad range of interested community members and visitors to the park.

For the purposes of this report, a series of “catchments” have been identified based on proximity to Rymill Park as follows:

- Directly adjacent residents within 800m (along Kent Town and Hackney, the East End and Hutt Street north)
- Wider residents (City of Adelaide and City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters Council areas and surroundings)
- South Australian residents (non-inclusive of the above Councils)
- Interstate or overseas visitors.

Kurna

For findings from consultation with the Kurna community, please refer to the Master Plan report, pp57-58 "A Shared History".

¹ Not all stakeholders provided feedback. Refer to page 25 for details. Verbatim feedback from community engagement is attached at the end of this report. All percentages in this report have been rounded to nearest whole number for ease of reading. Manual calculation of these rounded percentages without the additional decimal data may result in totals other than 100%.

² Email bounced back.



Community catchments: 800m or approximately 10 minutes walk is the maximum walkable catchment for pedestrians to travel reasonably and comfortably to an open space (research from Active Healthy Communities).

Who we heard from

How many people were engaged?

The project received:

- **102** survey responses (44 online and 58 hard copy)
- **4** direct email responses
- **2** phone call responses
- **>100** people attended face-to-face sessions in the park and at the library.

In addition, via the Yoursay Adelaide website:

- **44** people were "engaged" visitors, who submitted a completed online survey
- **435** people were "informed" visitors, who learned more about the project by browsing through web information and downloading the content
- **674** people were "aware" visitors, who visited the project page
- **33** new registrations to Yoursay Adelaide
- **468** downloads of the Master Plan (full and short versions)
- **94** downloads of the draft CLMP (full and short versions).

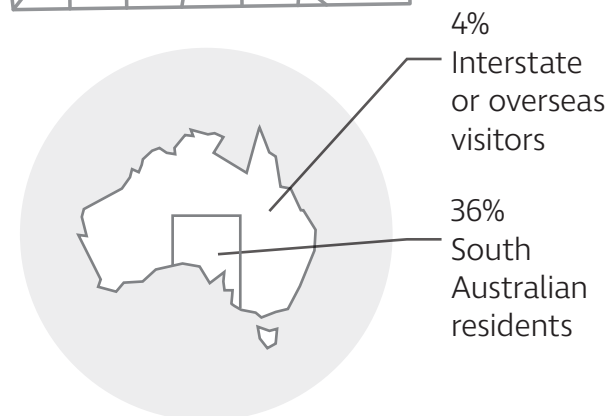
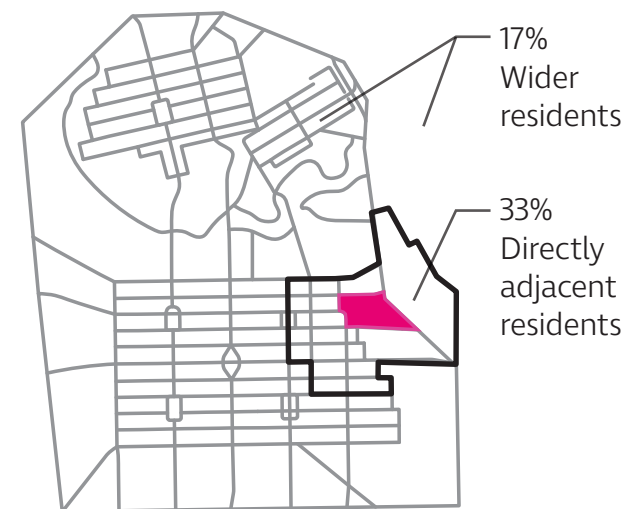
Informal interest and comments were also noted via social media:

- **31** comments captured on Facebook
- **3** comment captured on Twitter
- **21** likes on LinkedIn.

Where were the engaged people from?

From the survey responses received:

- **35** (33%) submissions were from directly adjacent residents
- **17** (17%) submissions were from wider residents
- **37** (36%) submissions were from South Australian residents
- **4** (4%) submissions were from interstate or overseas visitors
- **10** (10%) submissions did not provide location information.

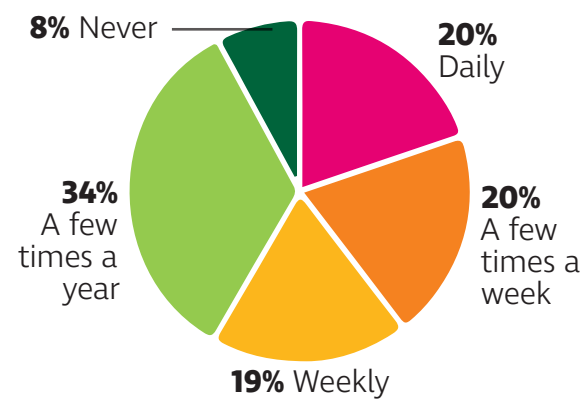


Findings from community consultation

General Questions

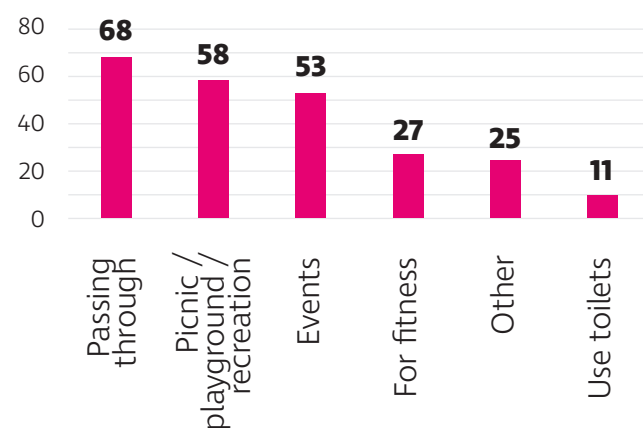
Q1. How often do you visit, use or travel through the park?

The survey respondents were regular users of Rymill Park with approximately 60% (59 people) reporting they visited Rymill Park at least once a week.



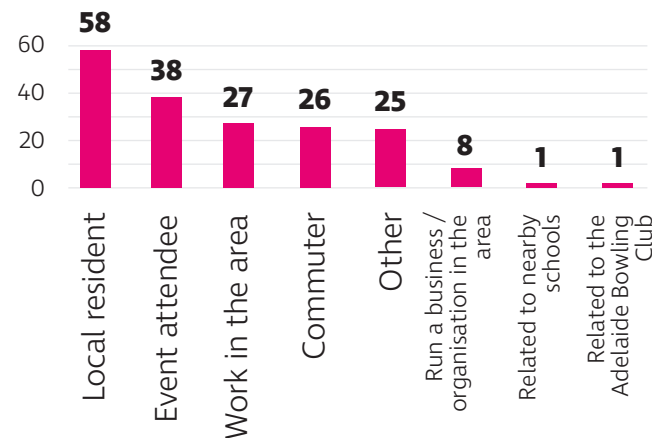
Q2. Why do you visit the park?

The most common reason to visit the park was 'passing through' (68), followed by 'picnic / playground / recreation' (58) and 'events' (53).



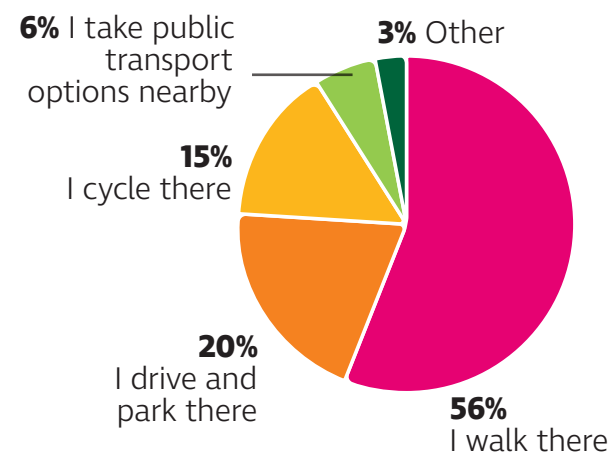
Q3. What is your relationship to the park?

Most people identified themselves as a 'local resident' (58) and around a third were 'event attendees' (38).



Q4. How do you usually travel to the park?

More than half of respondents walk to the park.

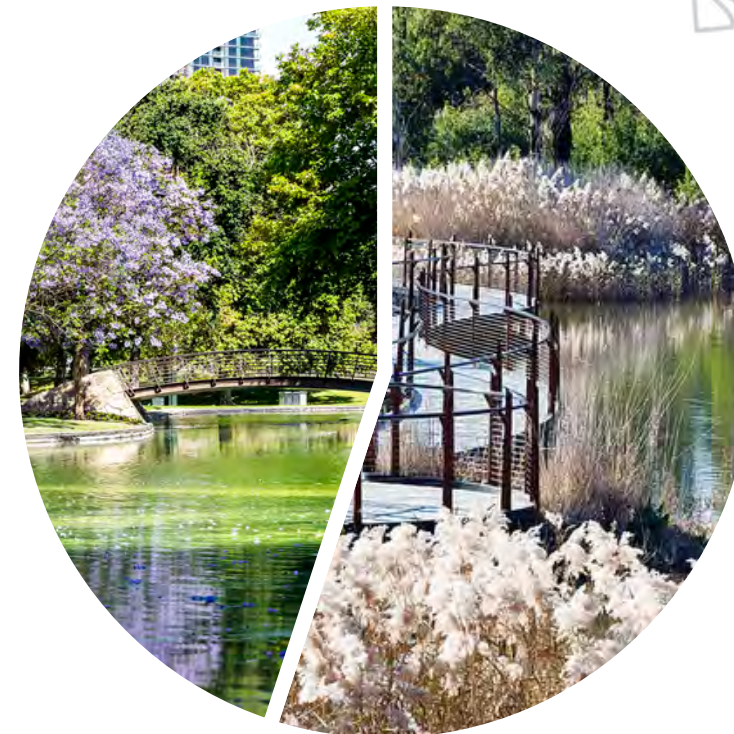


Action 1. Enhance the lake and surrounds

Q5. Which lake option do you prefer?



45%
Ornamental lake



55%
Vegetated wetland

Preference by where respondents live:

- The lake options were evenly split for directly adjacent and wider residents
- For respondents outside of the immediate suburbs, the wetland option was preferred (13% ornamental, 22% wetland)
- For respondents who did not specify their address, their preferences were evenly spread.

Respondent's residence	Option 1. Ornamental lake	Option 2. Vegetated wetland
Directly adjacent	18%	17%
Wider residents	8%	9%
South Australian residents	13%	22%
Interstate or overseas visitors	2%	2%
Unknown	5%	5%
Total	45%	55%

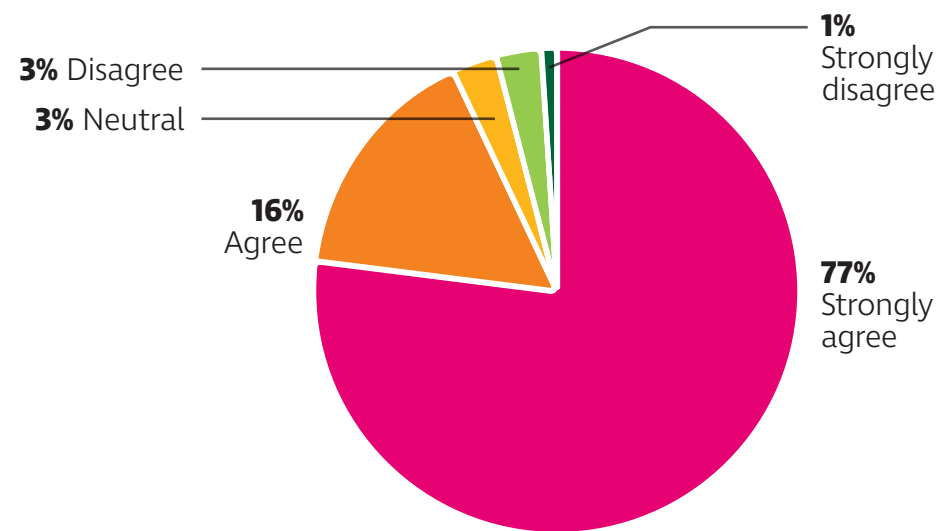
Findings from community consultation (continued)

Action 1. Enhance the lake and surrounds



Q6. How do you feel about Action 1?

93% of respondents supported Action 1.



Any other comments on Action 1?

Comments included:

"An ornamental lake that can be used for recreation (eg. swimming and paddling) would be wonderful... Could be a beautiful place for locals and tourists to cool down... This could also generate business (towel rental, bars etc)..."

"The [ornamental] lake is synonymous with Rymill Park, it draws folk from all over Australia and internationally. It is unique to Adelaide and must remain."

"I believe that an enhancement to the ornamental lake will increase the formality of the park and solidify the area as an urban/city park rather than a suburban park, especially in regards to it's proximity to East Terrace and other historical buildings."

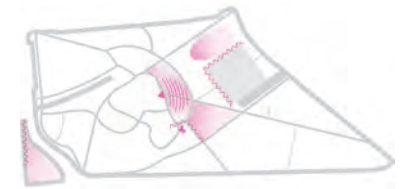
"I think this [wetland option] would be amazing for the environment. And I see my parents taking my children to explore it and learn about nature and ecosystems."

"Overall I would also support the wetlands lake option but I don't feel it fits with the other intended uses for the park. Noisy and bustling events don't feel compatible with the peaceful wetland environment."

"I am all for wetlands and bringing back biodiversity... which attracts birds and wildlife however it also attracts many mosquitos."

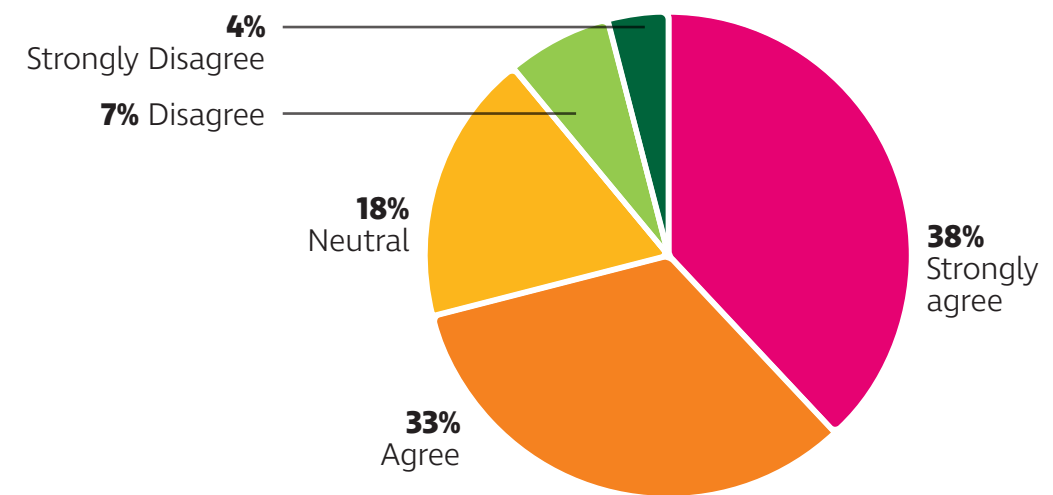
"There would be adequate space for both ornamental and wetland features"

Action 3. Strengthen existing and create new event spaces



Q7. How do you feel about Action 3?

71% of respondents supported Action 3.



Any other comments on Action 3?

Comments included:

"I like the idea of having more small events here, but not if it destroys the grass (the way [the] Fringe does)."

"I fear for the families who can't afford to participate in many of these events. Enough space has been allocated to events over the years."

"Love that this space is so enchanting during the Fringe season. It is truly unique and special to Adelaide."

"I think this fits with a wetland option to me, given the sort of funding required it is reasonable to expect a higher level/number of events, and more spaces for this - in fact I feel

the adjoining parklands to the north are getting more pressure from events, so it would be sensible to try and moderate/displace some of this to lesser utilised parts of the Rymill Park locality... I am a strong believer in minimising fixed/permanent buildings in the parklands in general, so hope this can be balanced."

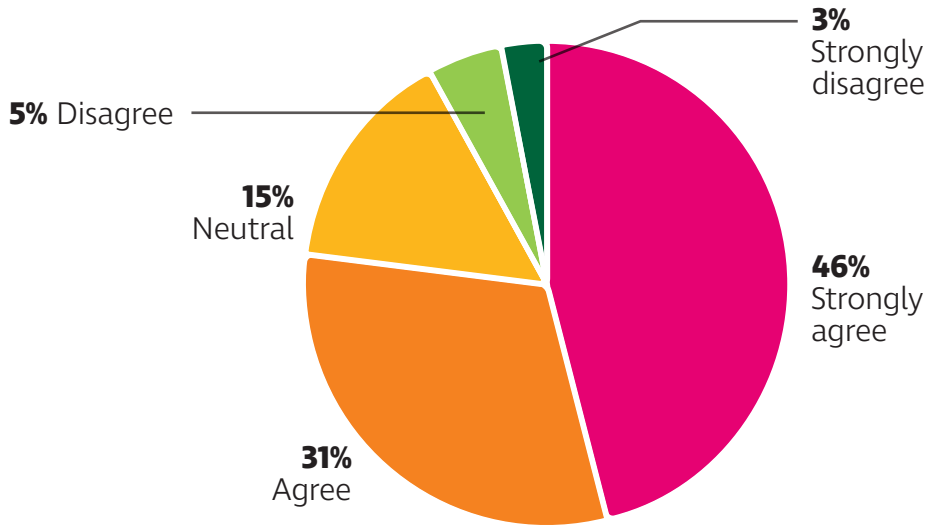
"When considering old trees to remove Australian natives should be retained, particularly those providing nesting and other habitat."

Findings from community consultation (continued)

Action 4. Improve entrances and paths

Q8. How do you feel about Action 4?

77% of respondents supported Action 4.



Any other comments on Action 4?

Comments included:

“Ensure a diverse and high quality lighting. Something that makes visiting the park at night an interesting experience.”

“Realigning the pathways is a brilliant action - particularly love the additional lighting proposed, as someone who walks through the park at night it would be great to have that added sense of safety. Also - lighting at night will mean people can use the park for fitness activities later into the evening with that added sense of safety too.”

“With a diverse age range from small children to the elderly quality and safe paths are essential.”

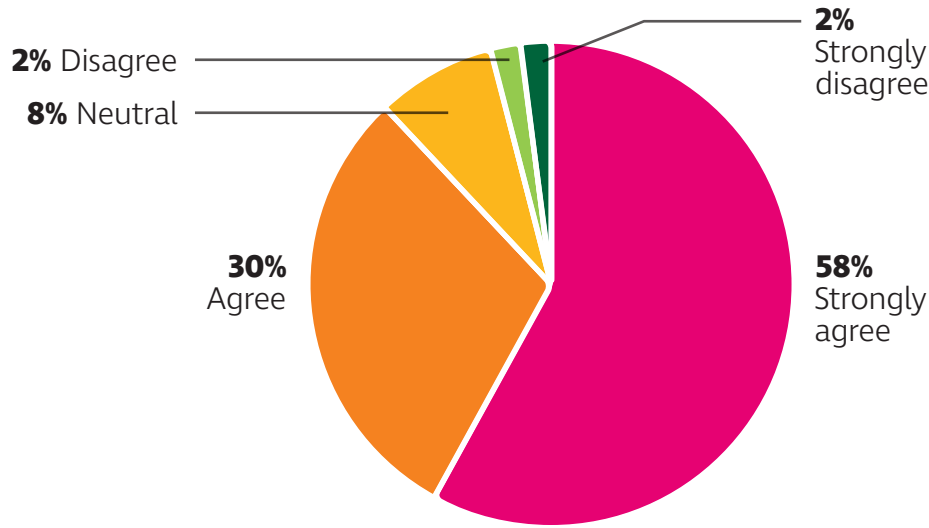
“Entrances and paths seem fine, I don't think access is a challenge.”

“Action 4 seems to be an exercise in spending money unnecessarily. The pathways are good, there is easy access to the park all around, there is an existing pedestrian crossing on Dequetteville Terrace and Rundle Street - installing another one would restrict heavy traffic flow adversely (especially during rush hour).”

Action 5. Reinforce the landscape character and features of the park

Q9. How do you feel about Action 5?

88% of respondents supported Action 5.



Any other comments on Action 5?

Comments included:

“Fix the lake lining as my boat gets stuck and I have to go into the lake to rescue it every time.”

“Please be very aware of the sensitivity of “removing aged or declining species to allow for realigned formal avenue plantings” - we have watched these older trees growing over many years and generations and should regard these as part of the park's heritage.”

“I also think [City of Adelaide] would do well to plant a lot more Jacarandas as, just like the cherry blossoms in Japan, this would become a go to spot in Spring for events.”

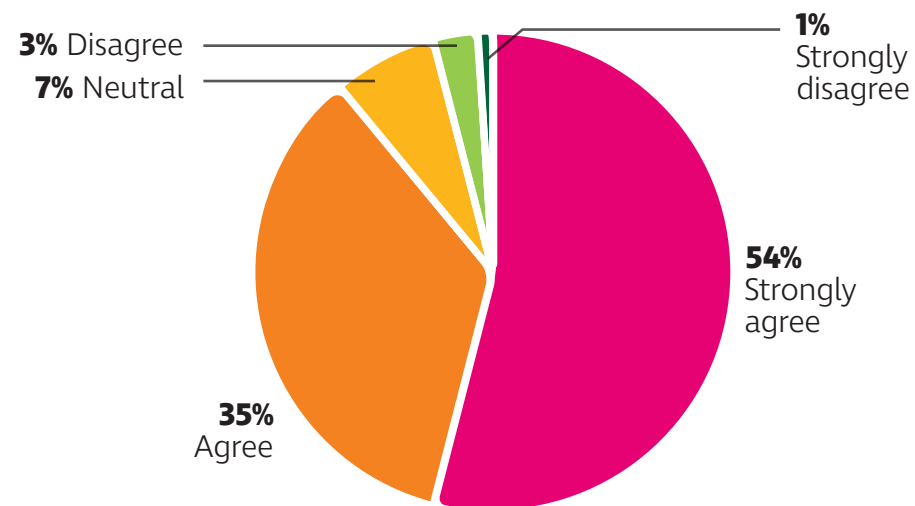
“The removal of trees needs to be a long-term transition - so that while they are still providing habitat for birds and other wildlife the new trees are growing. Very important to increase amount of shade on the grassy hills. I have no feelings about the rose garden. I would also increase the number of native trees, and especially if creating a more natural wetland situation - thinking about what kind of leaves / sediment will end up in the wetland.”

Findings from community consultation (continued)

On the Master Plan

Q10. How do you feel about the vision of the draft Master Plan?

89% of respondents supported the vision.



Please explain your choice

Comments included:

"I feel it can be achieved without going completely 'English Garden'."

"I'm not sure how all the elements will come together cohesively as one vision, especially having a play area, a place of reflection and event spaces. If it can be combined well I think it will be fantastic but I feel the event space criteria clashes."

"Please place the local residents first to enjoy the park. Do not place the tourists first to attempt growing numbers to visit the park."

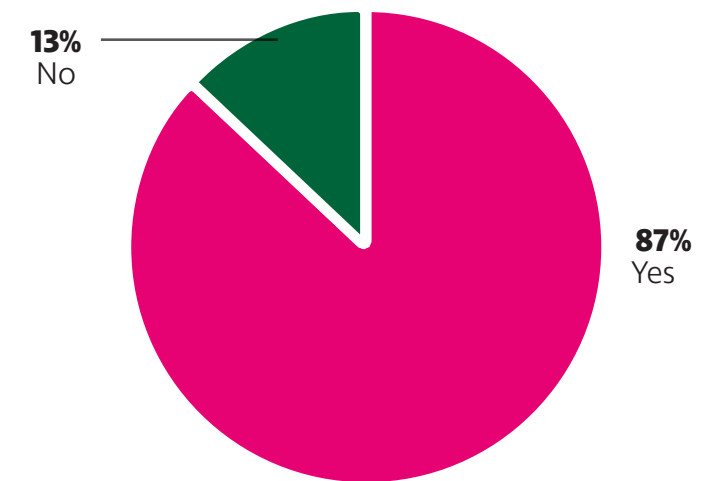
"It has a lot of components, and is trying to achieve so many things. I strongly advocate for the consideration of a wetland, for a wide range of reasons and benefits to be realised by the community and our environment. Also strongly advocate for keeping the island, as a key feature I love to spend time and pass through! I like the ideas for more interesting lighting as well."

"Only talks about activities. Also should touch on nature, accessibility, open to all people, much more than recreational activity."

"Although the options under consideration vary widely, I feel the directions being considered are generally a good balance of competing issues, and will watch with interest!"

On the Master Plan

Q11. Will these overall changes encourage you to visit Rymill Park more often?



Other comments

Comments included:

"I already visit twice daily however some renovation and upgrades might lead me to stay longer than just passing through..."

"I do appreciate the overall upgrade of the Park but for me it is not a question of yes/no. Park is an important, necessarily everyday environment for city dwellers."

"Making the lake more of a wetland will. But the rest is window dressing."

"Better new and improved park will make me want to visit through it more, probably encouraging more physical activity for myself."

"But only if the lake is maintained!!!"

"Reactivating the kiosk, improving the lake (which has been in poor condition and often algae affected for some time) and a new playspace will attract visitation - and is necessary because visitation declined significantly during O-Bahn construction and hasn't fully recovered."

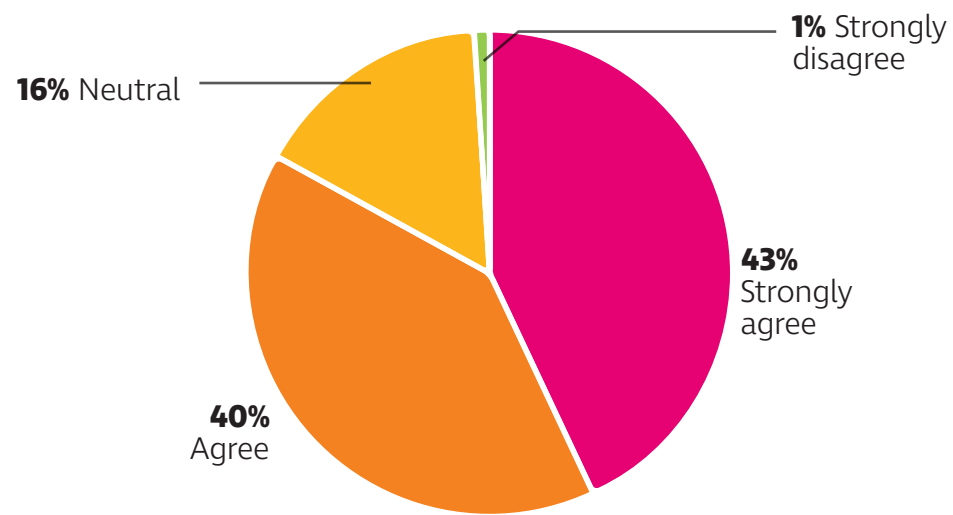
"Whilst I already commute through the park every day, these changes would make the park a destination, not just a thoroughfare."

Findings from community consultation (continued)

On the CLMP

Q12. How do you feel about the proposals and content in the CLMP?

83% of respondents supported the CLMP.



Please explain your choice

Comments included:

“Anything that seeks to benefit native wildlife would be appreciated greatly.”

“The dog restrictions being suggested are too extreme, by all means keep dogs away from the playground if not on leads, but the point is dogs need to be under effective control at all times, otherwise utilise the parkland's impressive dog parks if you can.”

“I feel that there could be a greater percentage of native species in the park while still retaining its 'character'.”

“I don't like what the Garden of Unearthly Delights does to the parklands. Gluttony is more spread out and seems to have less impact. I wish there was a way or a different location that could be used for these events that had less impact on nature.”

On the CLMP

Q13. Do you support the proposed changes to dog management?

Of the 80 people who responded to this question, 81% (65 people) supported the changes to dog management. 4 people suggested a fenced dog park be installed in Rymill Park. Some who disagreed with the proposals specified the on/off-leash times as too restrictive (5), while others said dogs should be on leash at all times (2).



Any other comments on dog management in the park?

Comments included:

“Agree dogs to be on leash in playground. Disagree with on-leash time - dogs controlled at all time dogs are quite self-regulated.”

“I disagree with the mandatory on-leash times. This is the one park close to home where we can play fetch without bothering anyone and I've found the other dog owners who use the park to be respectful when there are people/kids/events in the vicinity.”

“I am a dog owner and think that it is fair and suits my dogs requirements. My dog loves these [Park Lands] and so we are glad he can continue to enjoy them.”

Findings from community consultation (continued)

Q14. Do you have a favourite story or personal memory about the park to share?

"Me and my sister and her friend would visit it eat ice cream and climb trees and look at worms"

"My favourite part of the park is walking through daily and noticing how the leaves change with the seasons - something we can easily forget when consumed in the concrete heavy city surrounds. Connecting through the natural phases of the year in this way always brings a sense of calm and wonder to me."

"One day in summer (it was one of the really hot days!) my partner and I were walking our dog through the parklands in the early evening and the sprinklers were on. The 3 of us just ran through the sprinklers laughing and cooling down."

"On 23rd March 2002 we were married on the island in the lake on a beautiful sunny autumn day."

"Picnics, rowing and playing around the lake with my family. having a drink at the kiosk during cold winter days or hot summer nights."

"The period each year the roses are out in bloom makes relaxing there pleasant."

"Arnie [Rossi, a former founder of the kiosk] will be clapping his hands with joy from above at the news of the Quentin Kenihan legacy of an all inclusive playground being installed in [Rymill Park]."

"My husband and I had our wedding photos taken in Rymill Park in July 2004. We have some special memories of that day and photos taken with our friends on the bridge to the island are some of our favourites of that day."

"Attending the Fringe festival and Garden of unearthly delights and seeing the park transformed into a fantastic venue."

"On warm summer evening this is fully shaded and one of the best places to be working up a sweat dancing for Dancing Room! Surrounded by the cool breeze picked up off the water and through the trees, easy to get to and easy to be entertained on the other side of the banks if you happen to walk past."

"When I saw a Corella for the first time at Rymill park."



Findings from community consultation (continued)

Q15. Do you have any other comments or anything else you would like to share about the draft Master Plan or CLMP?

Comments included:

"[Adelaide Bowling Club] are permanent, should be more permeable. Fences are bad, temporary events are great. No parking in the Park Lands. Note the historical use of the ABC but see in the long term that it goes."

"As an overseas visitor (Scotland) I always visit the park when in Adelaide"

"Family friendly for water. Trashed need to be better managed, damaged turf."

"I think the O-Bahn tunnel has enhanced the park - the western exit is beautiful at night. I'd like to see the kiosk reopened and stay open more consistently (ie. more than 8 months) with more regular/predictable hours. I think the interior needs some work so that operators can move about and serve customers more efficiently. I strongly support the Quentin Kenihan Playgrounds concept - a bigger playgrounds, more trees, better toilets and a bit further away from the lake (for safety)."

"I would like to see safe entry points for cyclists, and well-maintained cycle paths. I love the rose garden, please keep that :)"

"It would be great to have families be able to access some water in the park in terms of a small play pond or something similar, as part of the proposed wetland (option 2)."

"More trees I would suggest bottle trees gum trees and other trees bushes and shrubs and native grass and native moss"

"Opportunity to trial pesticide free management of Park Lands. Eg Hobart city Council, Europe where studies show decrease in insect numbers from pesticides"

"Rymill Park has a functional and attractive kiosk in front of the lake which is enjoyed by many people. Unfortunately it is closed in the colder months. Can we not try and encourage this to be opened during these colder months another good reason to visit the park in the "off season""

"The lake must stay as it is the jewel in the crown of [Rymill Park]. It is used during the summer for families or friends to engage with each other, rowing together enjoying this unique space."

"Would just like to say that I think you do a wonderful job of maintaining the parklands. When there are events there is minimal disruption to local residents and the Team always have the parklands reverted to a beautiful standard shortly after events. Thank you for your commitment to making them a wonderful place to be."

"Don't do high end design, just practical. Already beautiful and well used."

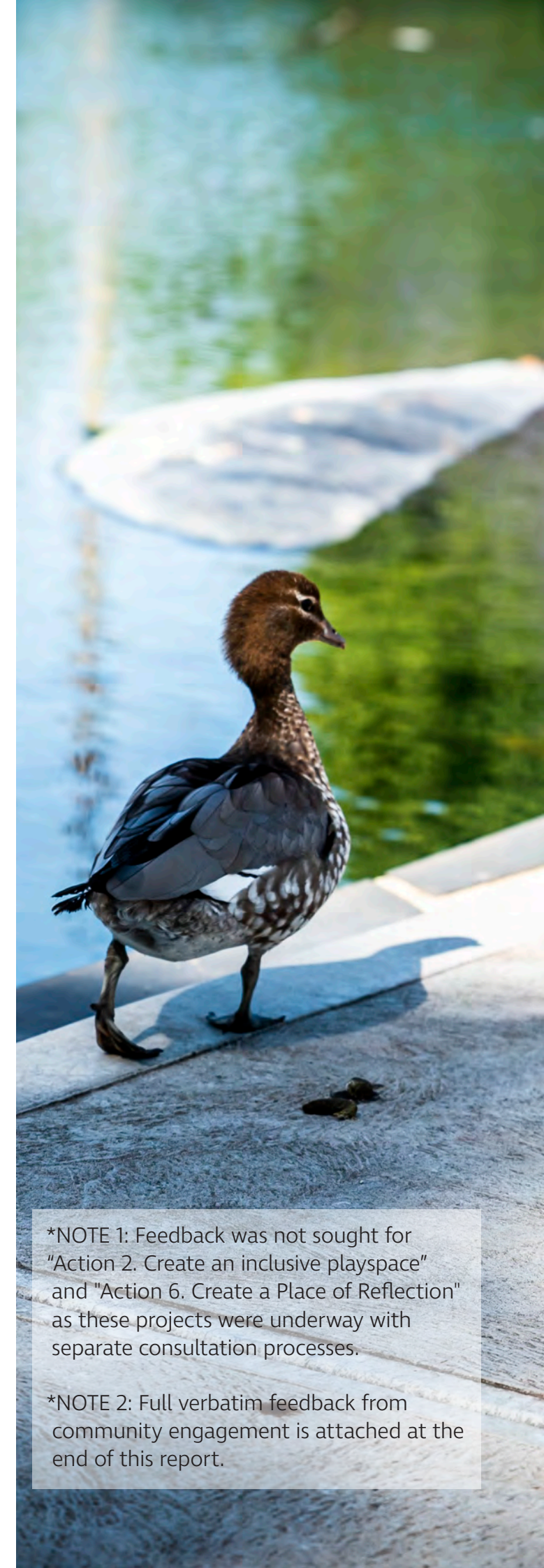
"I live close by (~100m away) with my dog and we visit daily as I love the combination of grass, trees, flowers, lake and fountain with accessible paths where she can run freely. I'd love to see a drink fountain near the fountain near the west BBQ area - the existing one near the east playground, while beautiful, is difficult to use to fill water bottle and dog bowls (and sprays you in the face). As a young(ish) person struggling with mobility, thank you for the beautiful and accessible park with good walkways. This park was a key influencer in my decision to live nearby and I appreciate the effort you put into making it both beautiful and functional."

"The park should basically be a place of daily relaxation and recreation for the residents. The City should not first attempt for attracting / growing tourists' numbers to visit."

"The two most important factors for me are shade during the day and safe space lighting at night."

"The park should basically be a place of daily relaxation and recreation for the residents. The City should not first attempt for attracting / growing tourists' numbers to visit."

"Would be nice to see pop up food trucks, coffee stands, ice cream etc on non- event weekends"



*NOTE 1: Feedback was not sought for "Action 2. Create an inclusive playspace" and "Action 6. Create a Place of Reflection" as these projects were underway with separate consultation processes.

*NOTE 2: Full verbatim feedback from community engagement is attached at the end of this report.

Findings from key stakeholders

Key stakeholders were consulted in a different way to the community. Initially face-to-face meetings were offered to brief stakeholders about the project.

Qualitative feedback was captured from these robust discussions and key stakeholders were encouraged to fill in a feedback survey to accurately capture their sentiments.

Key stakeholders who provided feedback include:

- Adelaide Bowling Club
- Future kiosk operator
- Tandanya
- ElectraNet
- City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters
- Adelaide Fringe
- Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure, including Stephan Knoll MP - Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Government, Minister for Planning, the Office for Design and Architecture, Planning and Land Use Services, Traffic Operations, Planning & Transport Development
- Department of Environment and Water, including Natural Resources Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges, Aboriginal Engagement Unit, Sustainable Water Resources Unit, Heritage South Australia
- South East City Residents Association
- Several members of the Garden East Presiding Officers

- Maras Group
- Rose Society of South Australia.

Key stakeholders who provided verbal feedback include:

- CoA Access & Inclusion Advisory Panel
- Gluttony
- Adelaide Park Lands Preservation Association.

For consistency, feedback from key stakeholders is categorised into themes (next page) that align with the feedback survey.

*NOTE: Feedback was not sought for "Action 2. Create an inclusive playspace", as engagement on the QKIP was undertaken separate to this consultation. One thing to note however, is that key stakeholders supported the need for the inclusive playspace to be fenced, which is already considered by the QKIP project team.

General comments on the Master Plan

The stakeholders generally agreed with the Master Plan and its proposed changes. They agree that the changes are "good" and reflect alignment to other strategic documents.

Many stakeholders appreciated that they were approached to discuss the plans, and reinforced that ongoing conversation is needed for future actions.

Comments included:

"The overall principles are good and reflect the aspirations of the APLMS."

"I believe changes are good and probable, if approached in consultation with key stakeholders as they are slated to occur."

"The actions are good and will work towards achieving the desired outcomes and vision."

"The documents are consistent with the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (2015-2025) and the State Government's vision for the Adelaide Park Lands – to create an urban park that is attractive, diverse, resilient and alive with activity."

"The Department is supportive of the management plan and offer the following suggestions for inclusion in the plan and general comments around the plan."

Lighting was a key theme for many parties. Some suggested contemporary and engaging light displays around the lake, tree avenues, the island, the pathways and even on the ElectraNet buildings.

Comments included:

"Create a strong focus on contemporary and engaging lighting displays around the lake to attract people to the area at night."

"... Lighting to highlight the landscape characteristics should be a priority such as the trees avenues or the trees on the island."

"... Pathway lighting in the area and adjacent to the lake..."

"Lighting on lake walk to be a feature of the park, with changing colour or light shows."

"Idea - look into lighting up the beautiful electrical buildings with contemporary aboriginal artwork or light displays similar to the Yabarra – Gathering of Light held on the Torrens River over fringe this year. Partner with SA Power Networks (who own the buildings) to deliver the project. Makes sense as they are a power company and it's a light display. Could be pitched as a positive community contribution and a good PR opportunity."



Findings from key stakeholders (continued)

General comments on the Master Plan (continued)

Another key theme was the **kiosk**. Many stakeholders stressed the need to have an operational and attractive kiosk to complement the lake, events and the park. A lively, serviceable and compliant kiosk would attract visitors all year round.

Comments included:

“Supportive of the kiosk reopening and the social value it provides.”

“Very keen on deck outside kiosk on lake for customers to enjoy food & beverages.”

“An updated Kiosk (food and beverage) as well as activities to do around the lake... will further entice me into Rymill Park for fun.”

“Would like to see more than one [food & beverage] facility in the park (in addition to the kiosk).”

“Services that are needed in the kiosk as gas and sewer connections, so if any infrastructure is planned for the new plaza etc. that could simultaneously connect to the kiosk that would be ideal.”

Parking was also a prevalent theme. There is an understanding that the changes to the park, in particular the presence of the QKIP, will attract an increasing number of visitors. Management of on- and off-street car parks and ongoing consultation with stakeholders will be imperative in achieving a balance for all.

Comments included:

“... That the City of Adelaide take this opportunity to consider the management of on-street carparking that surrounds Rymill Park... welcome the opportunity to discuss the on-

street parking along Dequetteville Terrace and possible management options.

“We believe that close attention must be given to providing more public free parking within the area, without inconveniencing local residents and, of course the Adelaide Bowling Club members and guests.”

“Car park – should better facilitate public use.”

“Accessible parking needs to be considered for a number of side access ramped high-modified self-driving vehicles (with auto-side ramps, 1.5m wide).”

“Parking requirements to inclusive play space need to be demonstrated.”

“The investigations regarding parking need to be done to determine if accessible parking, drop offs etc are required and the impacts to the park and any traffic movement should be clearly identified and addressed...”

Some stakeholders also requested additional **signage** in and around the park to better inform visitors about accessibility and interpretation.

Comments included:

“Simple signage at relevant locations could be considered... relating to best practice stormwater management ... opportunities to build community understanding/awareness of ... best practice stormwater management...”

“Signage to warn visitors about steep embankments.”

Action 1. Enhance the lake and surrounds

Majority of key stakeholders were **in favour of the ornamental lake option**, due to its current status as a feature in the park, and concerns that a wetland would no longer serve the park as a key attractor. Many also liked the recreational activities that surround the lake, such as boating and picnicking.

One stakeholder who was in favour of the wetland option cited the opportunity to reduce chances of blue-green algae blooms, which will encourage more visitors. However, it is important to note that both lake options would improve water quality through a new filtration and recirculation system.

Stakeholders also recommended that the ornamental lake option suited the cultural heritage of the park better than a vegetated wetland.

Comments included:

“Ornamental lake... the only such lake in the parklands and should be protected... this unique asset must be kept and celebrated... allows the row boats [to] operate, which I believe is one of the park’s most loved features.”

“... The ornamental lake has better synergy with the design and extent of uses proposed within Rymill Park... make more sense to retain the lake as a recreational pond rather than a vegetated wetland... based on the understanding that the City of Adelaide is considering other options for larger scale wetlands, which would be more viable.”

“We strongly believe that [a wetland] will change the feel of the parklands instead of enhancing the place it already is... we understand water quality is currently the biggest ongoing issue

with the park so we would support the planting of some water species to help with diversity and water quality as long as it doesn’t subtract from the ornamental feel of the lake.”

There were also comments regarding the **lake walk**:

“The lake walk path [is] to be a high-quality material”

“Ensure the lake walk path in front of the kiosk allows enough room between the lake and the deck...”

Another stated that **Water Sensitive Urban Design** and connectivity to Botanic Creek would be useful to improve whole-of-catchment for the creek:

“... Supportive of the stated objectives for improving the lake, including exploring options for stormwater recycling... design will recognise the existing connectivity with Botanic Creek... [the City of Adelaide] as downstream catchment manager... ensure that the whole-of-catchment context for Botanic Creek is considered.”

“The prospect of exploring stormwater use and Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) is a good initiative.”

Findings from key stakeholders (continued)

Action 3. Strengthen existing and create new event spaces

Most stakeholders were favourable of events in the park, and would like **more facilities** to better service and enhance events in the park. Some were concerned about the length of events in the park (including bump in/out times) and the associated site remediation.

Comments included:

“Upgrading event infrastructure (access to power) in the parklands will aid future multi use, underground overhead cables that are easily located and marked for planning will increase the look of the area.”

“Concern over impact of events on Rymill - environmental impact, cost of remediation, park being unavailable for 25% of year, bump in and out is too long, the visual impact when the back end of event is presenting itself to the street.”

“Would like to see more than one food and beverage facility in the park (in addition to the kiosk)... more ‘plug and play’ services for a variety of food trucks, or ‘pop up’ kitchens’... supports an amphitheatre style space and night time activities.”

“We would like to see [the deck] relocated on the southern end of the lake so it could be used as a small stage for music.”



Action 4. Improve entrances and paths

Positive and constructive feedback was received on pathway changes to the park.

A common comment was regarding the proposed **signalised crossing on Capper Street**. Many parties supported this proposal and wanted further design details to be investigated (for example signal phasings, the look and feel, and its impact on traffic sequencing along Dequetteville Terrace).

Comments included:

“Careful consideration would have to be given as to placement and sequencing of the traffic lights on both Rundle and Bartells Roads.”

“... Supports the introduction of a signalised (pedestrian actuated) crossing to enable both pedestrians and cyclists to cross over Dequetteville Terrace. It is also something that the Kent Town community would strongly support...”

“Love the idea of a crossing to Capper Street to link the inner suburbs & [Prince Alfred College] to the park.”

Another theme was regarding the **pathway changes**. Most stakeholders agreed that the pathways need an upgrade due to age, compliance and safety, but some changes needed to be further evaluated in detail.

Comments included:

“Long noted that these pathways have been in need of repair, puddling adjacent, cracks and steep inclines/declines.”

“... Is there an opportunity to provide ‘secondary’ entrance treatments eg. to the new entry just south of the existing car park entry, where the signalised crossing is proposed?”

“Make the newly created entrances playful and contemporary.”

“Path network – review paths marked for removal, particularly ones recently installed as part of the O’Bahn works.”

“Footpaths – on the Rymill Park side of Dequetteville Terrace these are inadequate given the expected increase in use.”

“... That a mid-point formal entrance along Dequetteville Terrace also be included in the draft Master Plan.”

“Buttress roots are trip hazard on paths... have accessible paths to park furniture... emergency access to playspace to be considered... access to accessible toilet facilities.”

One stakeholder highlighted the park’s current use for access and as an evacuation assembly point:

“... Advise of the need to retain multiple points of access and egress from [ElectraNet’s] East Terrace frontage. The Rymill building reception area fronts the park along with a number of gates and doors which provide emergency evacuation routes for staff, access for ElectraNet and SA Power Networks maintenance vehicles and also access for Emergency Services vehicles. ElectraNet also utilises a small section of the park as an evacuation assembly point, generally two to three times a year.”

Findings from key stakeholders (continued)

Action 5. Reinforce the landscape character and features of the park

A majority of stakeholders **supported** this action, with some additional comments regarding events, tree species and paving.

Ongoing consultation will be required to work through additional trees or planting changes. Future edits to the rose garden will require consultation with the Rose Society of South Australia.

Comments included:

"Love the idea of more Jacaranda trees around [the] lake – it is a great feature in spring."

"Would love to see the island's paving upgraded."

"Changing plantings around [the Adelaide Bowling Club] to allow viewing from outside is fantastic."

"Apprehensive of tree planting with regards to the footprint of existing event sites that return to the parklands year on year."

"I appreciate tree planting is at the forefront of park improvement... by adding flora to this section of the event site both Adelaide Fringe and Gluttony stand to lose significant visibility for their event site entrances. Some flexibility should be considered here due to Fringe's long running association with the park and our commitment to maintaining the land on which our temporary site is built."

"... The current event use of the parklands and impeding access to Rymill Park from East End with additional tree planting..."



Action 6. Create a Place of Reflection

All key stakeholders **supported** this action. However, some had concerns about the Place of Reflection's positioning in the park adjacent Tandanya instead of the main park, while others were convinced and encouraged due to its proximity to Tandanya.

Comments included:

"Is there an opportunity to create a physical connection between Tandanya and the potential Place of Reflection via existing openings in the built form?"

"Would the Place of Reflection be better integrated into the main park, rather than being disconnected and isolated by East Tce? ... Appreciate the proximity to Tandanya though. However, this could also be an opportunity to extend the connection to Tandanya and draw it further in to the Park."

"Place of Reflection should be in the park beside Tandanya as it would be more tranquil there."

"I believe the location identified... is the perfect location for the place of reflection. As a "pocket park" it gives you the opportunity to really focus the design around first nation culture and history. Plus it is located next to the Tandanya National Aboriginal Culture Institute, giving the operators a great opportunity to engage and activate the site."

"The Place of Reflection really aligns with our commitment to Cultural / Traditional owners."

*Note 1: The location had already been consulted and agreed upon by stakeholders of the Place of Reflection project.

*Note 2: The community were not consulted on Action 6, as the Place of Reflection's consultation ran separately to this project.

Miscellaneous

Unique comments that were raised but were not prevalent were:

"... That consideration be given to the installation of cycling infrastructure within the Park (ie. bike repair stations, bike racks etc.) to encourage greater usage by cyclists."

"Fencing [to the Adelaide Bowling Club] – we understand that our current boundary security fences are to remain, and we are happy with that. Not that we want to keep people out, but the damage that can be created by dogs, people inadvertently walking over or inappropriate use of our "Greens" is a major concern and, for us, can prove very costly. We are happy to have un-interrupted views to the parklands and them to us, but not at the risk of damage to the "Greens"."

"O-bahn tunnel needs further consideration and screening."

Findings from key stakeholders (continued)

On the CLMP

The CLMP was **well received** by key stakeholders.

Key stakeholders who responded and provided feedback on the CLMP include:

- City of Norwood, Paynehan & St Peters
- Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure, including Stephan Knoll MP - Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Government, Minister for Planning, Planning and Land Use Services
- Department of Environment and Water, including Natural Resources Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges, Aboriginal Engagement Unit, Sustainable Water Resources Unit, Heritage South Australia.

The Department of Planning, Transport & Infrastructure (including Stephan Knoll MP) and the City of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters did not have specific comments regarding the CLMP, but were supportive of its intent and alignment with the APLMS.

The Department of Environment and Water also supported of the plan, and offered the following suggestions to be included:

- A few text changes and inclusion to the document, for sections pertaining to lake and water management
- Comments regarding water quality and holistic creek management
- Comments and background regarding the heritage significance and values of the Adelaide Park Lands.

No feedback was received on proposed dog management changes.



Next steps

Feedback received will be used to review and refine the final versions of the Master Plan and the CLMP, that will be presented to Council for endorsement in 2020.

The Master Plan

Key changes to the Master Plan based on consultation feedback include (but are not limited to):

- Inclusion of the consultation results
- Sensitivity of events and post-event site remediation
- Reviewing plantings, tree removals and screening of site elements
- Increasing creative and functional lighting around the park
- Upgrading amenities and other landscape features in the park
- Traffic management considerations around signalised crossings
- Access and egress considerations for emergency services and vehicle access
- Additional secondary entrances and reviewing pathway changes
- Managing path and service access to various features in and around the park
- Emphasising the importance of ongoing consultation and conversations with stakeholders.

The content will also be updated to reflect the QKIP concept design. Decisions on next steps, which may include detailed design and construction of staged improvements, will follow Council's endorsement of the final Master Plan and future funding to the park, with the actions likely be delivered in stages over several years.

The CLMP

Key changes to the CLMP based on consultation feedback include (but are not limited to):

- Recognising the diverted drainage line as a remnant water course
- Recognising the value of working with City of Burnside and Adelaide Botanic Garden to manage Botanic Creek as a whole-of-catchment approach (see suggested text)
- Updating the CLMP with relevant edits to the Master Plan – such as the recommended lake / wetland option
- Including the dog management changes to 2013 version.



Appendices

Appendix 1

Community engagement survey feedback

Appendix 2

Other feedback (social media & informal comments)

Appendix 3

Engagement material



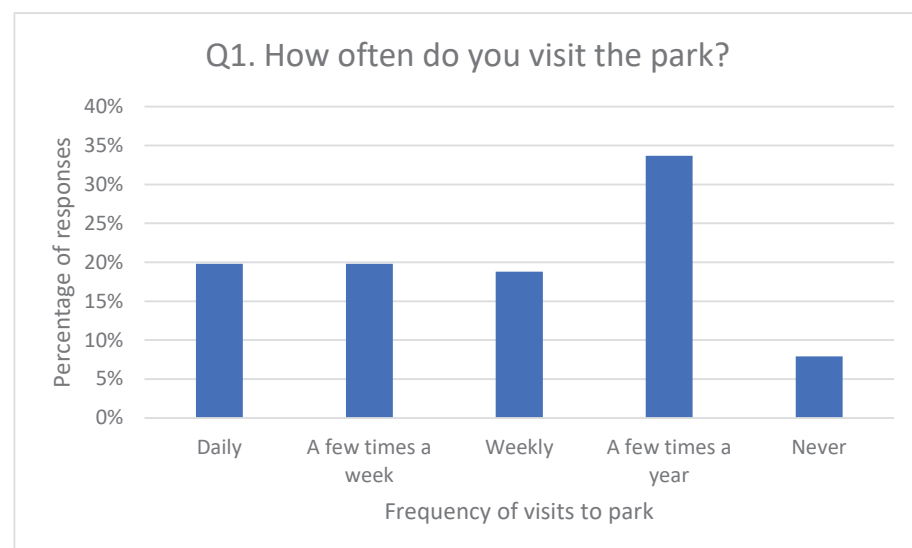
APPENDIX 1 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION SURVEY FEEDBACK

Detailed breakdown of all survey feedback by question.

Q1. How often do you visit, use or travel through the park? (tick one only)

101 people responded to this question.

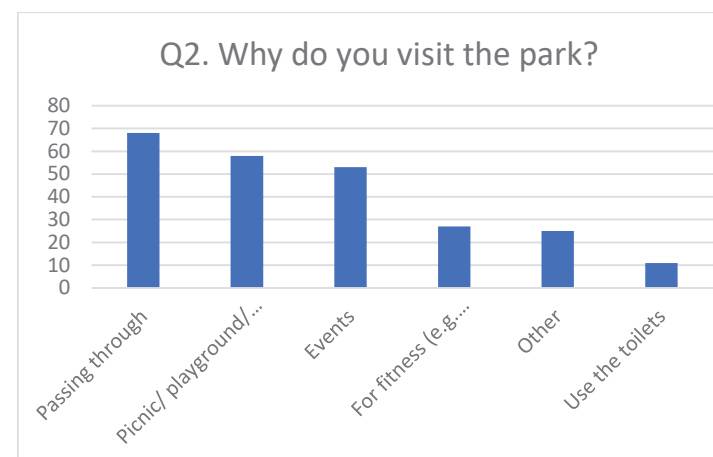
Frequency of visit	Percentage
Daily	20%
A few times a week	20%
Weekly	19%
A few times a year	34%
Never	8%
Grand Total	100%



Q2. Why do you visit the park? (tick as many as apply)

There were 242 responses to this questions, people selected multiple reasons to visit the park.

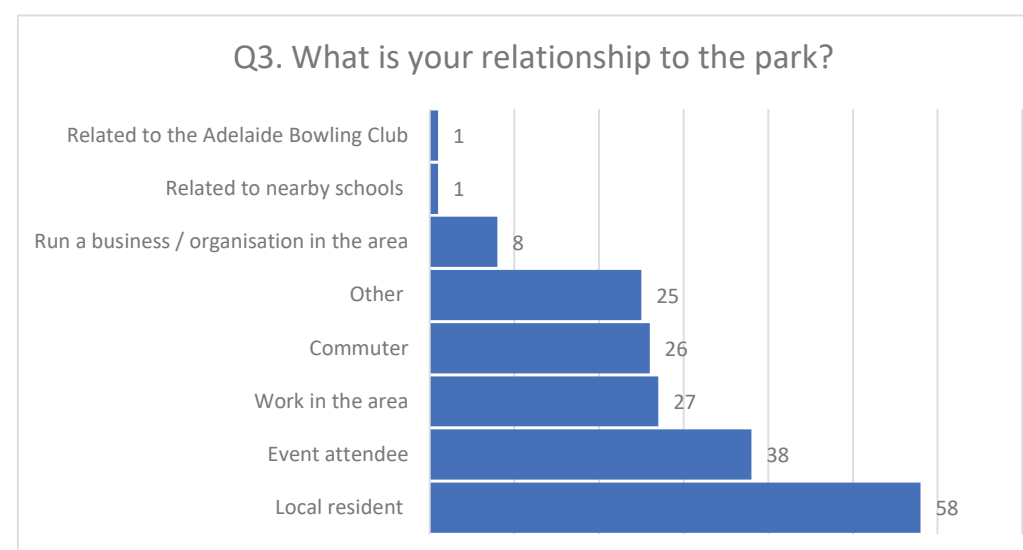
Reason to visit	Responses
Passing through	68
Picnic/ playground/ recreation	58
Events	53
For fitness (e.g. jogging)	27
Other	25
Use the toilets	11



Q3. What is your relationship to the park? (tick as many as apply)

There were 184 responses to this question, with people selecting multiple relationships to the park.

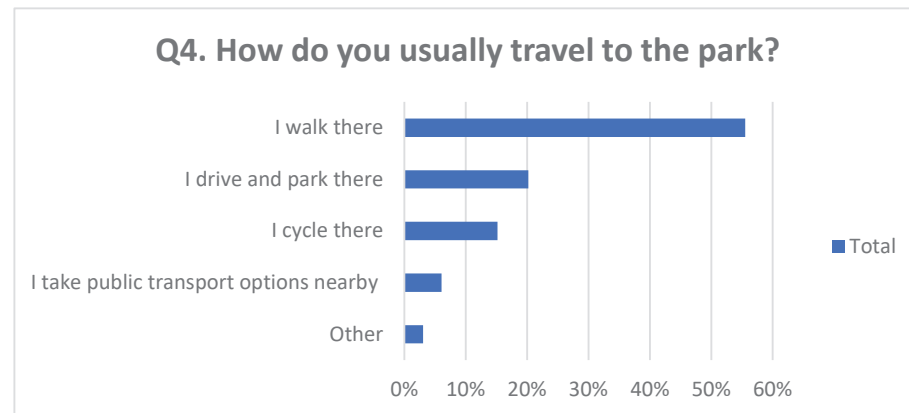
Reason to visit	Responses
Local resident	58
Event attendee	38
Work in the area	27
Commuter	26
Other	25
Run a business / organisation in the area	8
Related to nearby schools	1
Related to the Adelaide Bowling Club	1



Q4. How do you usually travel to the park? (tick one only)

99 people responded to this question.

Travel to the park	Percentage
I walk there	56%
I drive and park there	20%
I cycle there	15%
I take public transport options nearby	6%
Other	3%
Grand Total	100%



QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE DRAFT MASTER PLAN

Action 1: Enhance the lake and surrounds

Q5. Which lake option do you prefer? (tick one only)

102 people responded to this question.

Lake options	Percentage
Ornamental Lake	45%
Vegetated Wetland	55%
Grand Total	100%

Any comments on your preferred option?

Ornamental Lake comments
1. Good for wild birds like ducks, silver gulls, masked lapwings, willie wagtails, magpie-larks, white faced herons, etc.
2. The landscape with water reflects sunshine is beautiful with trees. (Need to improve water quality.)
3. To avoid mosquitos moths and even bats in the future from wetland planed.

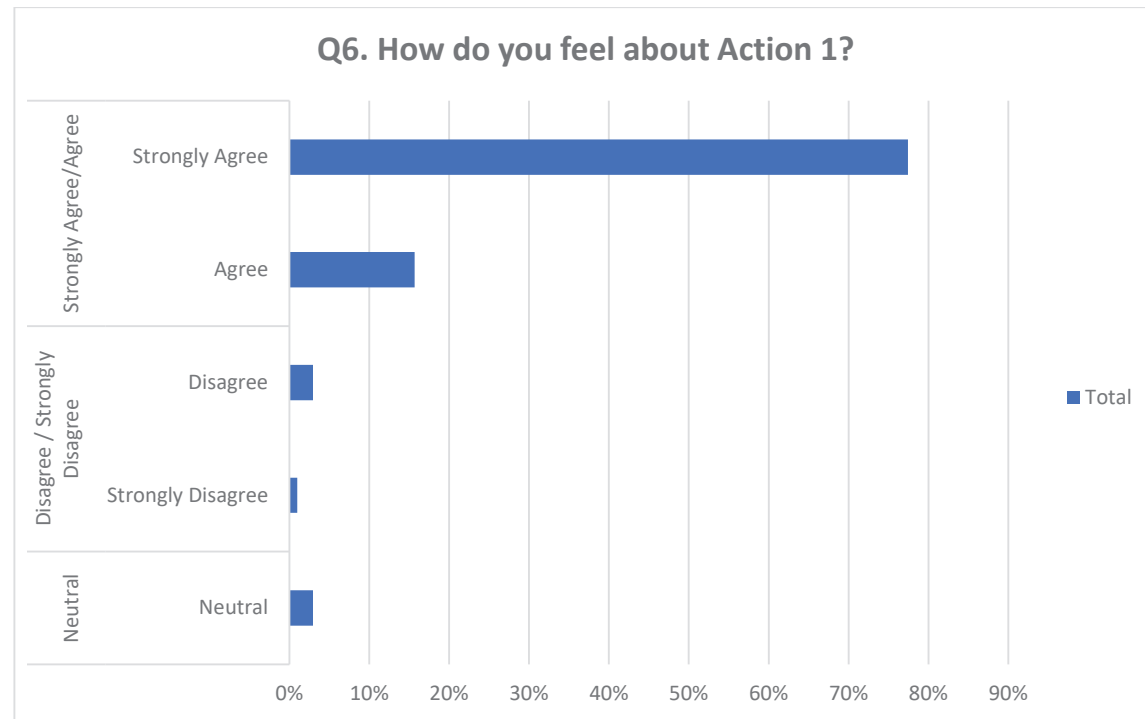
Allows the row boat activity to continue, which I believe is a key unique feature of the park, and what so many people remember when you ask about their experiences there.
An ornamental lake that can be used for recreation (EG swimming and paddling) would be wonderful. Adelaide can be so warm in summer so this could be a beautiful place for locals and tourists to cool down, similar to Cairns and Brisbane. This could also generate business (towel rental, bars etc) to the local area.
Combination of wetland and lake okay - see drawing of a vegetated wetland around outer edge of lake, around the bridges and island the water is kept clear of lilies and vegetation then kids can play with remote control toy boats.
I am all for wetlands and bringing back biodiversity. I live in the North and we have plenty of wetlands which attracts birds and wildlife however it also attracts many mosquitos. I prefer the ornamental lake option as this will attract some birds and some mosquitos but not in plague proportions. You don't want residents, event organisers or attendees complaining about mosquitos or ibises etc. What I love about Colonel Lights designs is the uniform layout of streets in a square and the open spaces that have lovely gardens and green grass. I think it is important to preserve and enhance these spaces for public use for future generations who live, work and play in Adelaide. New York city is a good example of a great city park.
I believe that an enhancement to the ornamental lake will increase the formality of the park and solidify the area as an urban/city park rather than a suburban park, especially in regards to it's proximity to East Terrace and other historical buildings.
I have a strong preference for a lake rather than wetlands, both for aesthetics and not wanting a mosquito breeding ground.
I have purchased boats to use on the lake
Lake being the main attractions in the park, it should be retained as lake with necessary upgrade. The lake provides an important habitat for the wild birds that give visitors (including children) to the park a great pleasure to watch.
much more 'park' and 'people' orientated...just use the new hitch smart digital sound devices from Norway that break down and prevent blue green algae from forming. https://www.ultrasonicalgaecontrol.co.uk/algae-types/blue-green-algae/ or https://www.lgsonic.com/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=lgsonic&gclid=EAlaQobChMI57WYlaKH5gIVCA4rCh1tpQwKEAAYASAAEgKCCPD_BwE
My preference is based my comment on Action 1 below. If the space is to be used as a general park I'd prefer the Wetland option to promote environmental care
Opportunity for wetland.
Not keen on horses going through the lake. Keep the boats.
Renovate/upgrade existing features and establish a Wetlands environment across the road in King Rodney Park / Ityamai-Itpina.
The existing lake is the "heart" of Rymill Park and is part of the history of the East End of Adelaide. Being able to take children on a lake so close to the CBD in a rowing boat or enjoy the tranquil open view of the lake is something we should not let go of.
There are already various wetlands within easy access - the almost next door Botanic Garden being the closest. The water maintenance and supply to the lake needs to be improved.
The cost of maintenance on the proposed wetlands may be lower than the lake, but that is the small price we need to pay for such beauty. If the cost side is a main driver then please cut the costs in other areas / actions - covered below.
The lake is so beautiful and tranquil - a true oasis next to the city. It gives great pleasure to families whether they are resident or visiting the city. Great appeal to interstate and overseas tourists. There are many wetlands in existence around the city and along the river, but Rymill Lake is unique.
The lake is synonymous with RP, it draws folk from all over Australia and internationally. It is unique to Adelaide and must remain.
There are many other places in the parklands with space for vegetated wetland - including Vic Park and others. The ornamental lake component is an important differentiator, and preserves an import

element of Adelaide's recreational and urban history. Maintaining recreational boating is important. While I am not a participant or member of such groups, it is good to see model boat clubs and the like use the lake too.
There are other semi-natural wetlands nearby including in the botanic gardens and along the river. The ornamental lake is a distinctive feature that should be maintained.
We strongly OPPOSE a wetland - it is inconsistent with the character of Rymill Park, which is more of a sculptured, planned and beautiful park environment. there are wetlands in the Botanic gardens and Victoria Park, where they fit the surrounding environments and are appropriate. Wetlands would be completely inappropriate in Rymill Park and the lake should be a major highlight.
Wetlands are for nature reserves and national parks City parks and gardens need to be practical, useable & manageable
Wetlands encourage feral pests from the city dwellings and bird life risk will increase
while I am supportive of wetlands the lake is very much part of family time where there is much interest in the birds and parents and children love the rowing on the lake. My own grandchildren have always loved being taken to the lake for the playground and ice cream at Arnies and a row around the lake.
Whilst the wetland option also sounds good I don't think it will be compatible with the other intended uses for the park, particularly for hosting events.
In reference to your survey on "Lake or Wetlands" We believe Rymill Park as a city park & garden, a lake is more practical, manageable and useable. Wetlands are better placed in natural bushland settings not city parks and gardens.
Vegetated Wetland comments
Boardwalk in the wetlands
Combining a wetlands for a better environmental outcome but still be able to use the area for the 3 day event would be best.
Go with Paris - got amongst the reeds
I am concerned about climate change and how Adelaide is responding to the (conservative) predictions, utilising more our water in the parklands better seems a far more forward-thinking strategy, and the vegetated wetland ticks this box.
I don't think you need to necessarily have one pitted against the other - there would be adequate space for both ornamental and wetland features as part of the lake. Ideally we would have a space where it was safe for families to come and keep cool in water throughout summer, as there isn't anywhere nearby to do this except in fountains, which are usually not shaded. This would help our community be climate ready. Currently I am unsure whether either of these options include this sort of space - boating is different.
To improve the water quality and sustainability of our water management the wetland proposal is superior. Wetlands can generate many benefits that can now be realised through monetary value in quantifying improved water quality, ecological health, neighbourhood character and human health.
I feel that this proposed plan prioritises human benefit over the needs of the native fauna of the area. I think a vegetated Wetlands would be a positive step in reducing the risk that was cause by the O - Bahn roadworks, through the park.
I think this would be amazing for the environment. And I see my parents taking my children to explore it and learn about nature and ecosystems
If it helps environmentally as well as ornamentally I think its the obvious choice given the current state of our environment
Look at Changguangxi Wuxi wetlands Park - Upo wetland Korea
Might bring bird life to city for children to experience that they might not be able to otherwise.
More cost effective. Better fit with the climate and natural environment

Much preferred option, good for wildlife and the environment, more sustainable, and can be enjoyed all year round, it will encourage children and families to enjoy nature and is free. A boating lake has weather restrictions and is not accessible to everyone. .
Not only is the vegetated wetland more environmentally friendly and water-efficient than the ornamental lake, but it also has the opportunity to act as a great educational area, as well as promote a greater variety of wildlife and birds in the area. It also will help save money with the cleaning of the water of the lake, so it is beneficial all round!
Relationship features to the lake tied
Salisbury wetlands, showcase to visitors
The wetland concept is also a wonderful idea - it would attract more birds and native reptiles/animals and make a safe environment for them. It is also much more sustainable and (I imagine) would be less costly for council to maintain. The only proviso would be that it doesn't preclude Adelaide from the Three Day Event across Vic Park, unnamed park and Rymill. The 3de is a fantastic family friendly and reasonably priced event and it's terrific to have it so near the city.
this choice should fit future sustainability goals.
This represents the modern way of city design. I'm sure our founders would have done it this way if they knew what we know now.
Vegetated Wetland will bring a more diverse variety of native waterbirds which I am very fond of
Wetlands filter there own water saving money put carbon in mud look amazing and it's harder to fall into the water because plants surround it and it looks better and is more natural and relaxing and improvs mood and environmental efficiency
While I am in support of the wetland I would not want to lose the whole lake and would enjoy seeing a water feature and kids water play area (this would support the kiosk)
While I love the history of the ornamental lake people can take part in similar activities along the River Torrens. I think the benefits to nature far out-weigh any other options for the park. It will also be a place of awareness and connection to nature

Q6. How do you feel about Action 1? (select one only)

Action 1	Percentage
Strongly Agree/Agree	93%
Agree	16%
Strongly Agree	77%
Neutral	3%
Neutral	3%
Disagree / Strongly Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	1%
Disagree	3%
Grand Total	100%



Any other comments on Action 1?

Strongly Agree/Agree
I live in the Brewery apartments across the road
I seem to have heard talk of doing something to capture more of the rainfall run off for several decades (meanwhile Urrbrae has actually seen this achieved somewhat locally), and really feel that it is long overdue addressing the issue of water in the south and eastern part of the parklands, so this - and specifically Option 2 of Action 1 - is for me THE priority.
I strongly agree to keep the lake as it is (albeit renovated or improved).
I think there's a strong case to use the lake and islands as a versatile open-air theatre space in conjunction with local arts groups, schools and the state theatre company.
Having the islands as a stage with the audience surrounding the lake could offer amazing directorial and stage design opportunities for local creators.
It will increase the power that the environment has on people's moods when they drive past it will bring them a release of relaxation and will increase the efficiency of the nature it's kind of an Adelaide thing because Adelaide is like one of those cities would like a lot of nature strips so it will be good because all those nature strips need to have some large body of water also increase evaporation and lower the temperature give shade helping people in summer and in winter
On the lake can include <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. row boats 2. very small sail boats with sails to enhance look 3. water fountains 4. guided boat ride (popeye) lunch included depending on size of lake 5. kiosk 6. shelter areas
Retain the ornamental lake
See above comment. A space the prioritises the benefit of native animals in the area

Sustainable environmental design with involvement from Kaurna and knowledge of how the land used to be is so important
The lake (and family use of same, and recreation on and near, and the former kiosk business) have all suffered across recent years due to "short termism" and poor decision making by Council. I strongly believe that in this location and for this area Council needs to commit funds and effort to maintaining the ornamental boating lake as a key part of the tapestry of the parklands and a part of Adelaide's vibrant history.
the ornaments lake was previously very popular especially with those who loved sailing model boats, and an ornamental lake can be more adaptive for other uses, such as the International Horse Trials.
Wetland - tourist
With climate change the more sustainable the better.
With the increase in residential apartments and population in the city any improvement in city facilities is essential.
Neutral
I feel strongly that we need the wetland
Disagree / Strongly Disagree
Just leave it as it is
Wetlands won't work due to evaporation. Leave it, move then.
Litter in wetlands is key, bad for wildlife.

Action 2: Create an inclusive playspace

Feedback was not required on this action, as engagement on the playspace was undertaken separate to this consultation. Please refer to the project's Your Say Adelaide page at: <https://yoursay.cityofadelaide.com.au/QK-playspace>

Action 3: Strengthen existing and create new event spaces

Q7. How do you feel about Action 3? (select one only)

101 people responded to this question.

Action 3	Percentage
Strongly Agree / Agree	71%
Agree	34%
Strongly Agree	38%
Neutral	18%
Neutral	18%
Disagree / Strongly Disagree	11%
Disagree	7%
Strongly Disagree	4%
Grand Total	100%

Any other comments on Action 3?

Strongly Agree
a more inclusive, tactical and sensory play space will be important for young families using the city, as well as modern and a community win
Music is good. Draws people. Grants for music, markets to be more grassroots. Markets, more public spaces. Move events around to other park lands, circulate. More incentives for public land - thinking outside the square.
We want lots of tourists
With the increase in residential apartments and population in the city any improvement in city facilities is essential.
Agree
Don't bite of parts of the park lands. Architecturally well designed. Have a tourist lens.
event spaces that can attract new events (with built in support technology such as power sources and pop up light sources, sounds systems can be plugged in easily, Adelaide Free WIFI works well with big crowds etc.)
I feel the current event spaces could be more clearly defined and facilities updated.
I think this fits with a wet land option to me, given the sort of funding required it is reasonable to expect a higher level/number of events, and more spaces for this - in fact I feel the adjoining parklands to the north are getting more pressure from events, so it would be sensible to try and moderate/displace some of this to lesser utilised parts of the Rymill Park locality. (I should also add I am a strong believer in minimising fixed/permanent buildings in the parklands in general, so hope this can be balanced as it has with the Victoria Racecourse.
Love that this space is so enchanting during the Fringe season. It is truly unique and special to Adelaide.
Not priority for undergrounding. Clear defined areas for events. Currently is a bit vague, hard to tell where the events part is, hard to recognise.
The negative noise and visual impacts from the park to the residents close to the park must be carefully evaluated especially at night time.
Upgrading infrastructure and undergrounding power line are great proposals, and improving the event spaces overall is obviously good. We accept that Rymill Park is and will remain and event space - and we support, and attend, many of the events. That said, the event s impact the park so that's why we only agree but not strongly. We make the following points: 1. There should be a Council policy about what event are approved for which parks 2. Set up and strike down times should be minimised 3. There should be strict design guidelines for how the events are set up - eg set back from East Tce to maintain a green perimeter; attractive fencing; no toilet blocks and dump bins creating an ugly park-front (there should be services areas hidden away inside the park)
When considering old trees to remove Australian natives should be retained, particularly those providing nesting and other habitat.
Neutral
I like the idea of having more small event here, but not if it destroys the grass (the way Fringe does). I also found that during Fringe, the bins with doggy bags were removed, so visitors who weren't prepared with their own supply couldn't pick up after their dogs - so please relocate this rather than remove it.
Rose garden rotunda structure - would be good if roses provided cooling and shade benefit.
The noise pollution from some events disrupts the surrounding environment. Enforcement of strong regulations and committed event management need to be installed as part of Action 3.
Wetland to take priority over event space in this instance

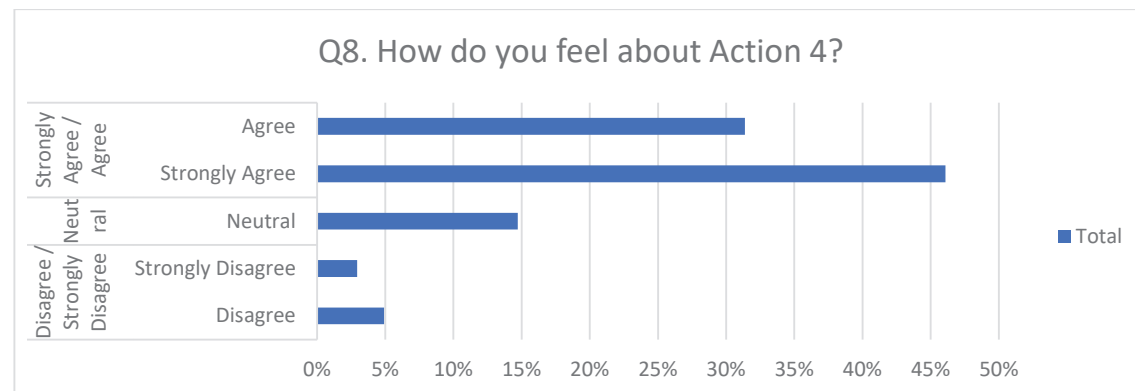
Would prefer to see less events in the park because of the damage they cause. Unless better protection can be provided
Disagree
Action 3 is OK EXCEPT for creating an events space on the corner of a very busy Dequetteville Terrace. Surely fencing around the Bowling Club is a necessary form of security and should be enhanced, not removed! Must, must renovate the Kiosk and encourage year-round usage.
Keep events open. Less bitumen than current.
regarding the rose garden. Letter attached
We need to keep the initial reason for the placement of RP. As stated earlier, I fear for the families who can't afford to participate in many of these events. Enough space has been allocated to events over the years, forever increasing.
Strongly Disagree
Adelaide already has an impressive event infrastructure. Rymill Park is already very well used for events - the Fringe and many others which must earn the C.O.A. a good income. These events are well run and logistically efficient, and most important is that they are "temporary" - the events are set up and dismantled and the park is left intact without destroying the original intention of the park's set up. It is a national heritage as a park, NOT as an event zone. It would be sacrilege to start erecting permanent structures or zones to just bring in even more events. We are very sensitive to "removing aged or declining species that impede on event spaces" - we have watched these trees growing over many years and generations - to remove them for increased event space would be totally wrong.. Many people I talk to see this as a money making project rather than conservation and care for this city heritage. I am particularly horrified to think that the C.O.A would even consider erecting a building in the corner of the park next to the Bowling Club - that would totally spoil the inward and outward views between the park and the city.
All it does is makes cheep places with small profits and will be dirt when there are no events
There is already a playground that already exists in the parklands. Funds that can improve the existing one should be considered.

Action 4: Improve entrances and paths

Q8: How do you feel about Action 4? (select one only)

103 people responded to this question.

Support for Action 4	Percentage
Strongly Agree / Agree	77%
Strongly Agree	46%
Agree	31%
Neutral	15%
Neutral	15%
Disagree / Strongly Disagree	8%
Disagree	5%
Strongly Disagree	3%
Grand Total	100%



Any other comments on Action 4?

Strongly Agree
Ensure a diverse and high quality lighting. Something that makes visiting the park at night an interesting experience.
Friendly paths, more accessible. Look at other park's pathways, bridges compliance.
I don't necessarily think most paths have to be heavily engineered, but would welcome more paths in general, or tracks to easily lead pedestrians and cyclists around more of the parklands. (Personally, my dream is to see the roadways intersecting the eastern parklands specifically, eventually be raised slightly higher if need be, in conjunction with pedestrian access by way of tunnels under them without involving steps or significant decent.) And while a big fan of the bus tunnel, note there is a bit of a dead space adjoining part of this near the city side, where there is no easy way across - even the long garden beds near there by the lake don't sufficiently allow passage through from north/south directions.
I hope that an improved entrance and path throughout the park will be of a higher visual quality than the current asphalt.
realigning the pathways is a brilliant action - particularly love the additional lighting proposed, as someone who walks through the park at night it would be great to have that added sense of safety. Also - lighting at night will mean people can use the park for fitness activities later into the evening with that added sense of safety too.
This is a no brainer!
Whilst the paths and entrances are ok, they could certainly use some updating.
With a diverse age range from small children to the elderly quality and safe paths are essential.
Agree
Access for all people very important using wheelchairs or strollers with kids.
Agree with tree avenues along paths, and the use of blonde bitumen as it is a more reflective surface and less likely to contribute to the urban heat island effect.
Needs to more engaging to attract more use
People need walk ways it looks welcoming once I was walking with my friends we didn't have a plan on where to go in for like a huge path and whenever we see use password just think why not go in because it's the past you can walk is open and it looks welcoming so we trusted and so to other people.
We have been told that trees will be felled, but we don't know how many trees will replace them. More lighting and bench seats needed to be added.
Neutral
entrances and paths seem fine, I don't think access is a challenge.
Paths that help not hinder Native wildlife.

Signalised crossing is important. Night time light on the ground on the path. More lights for cars to see pedestrians. By night be sure we can see where is the path. Having better edges is really good, having straight lines doesn't really matter.
Disagree
Action 4 seems to be an exercise in spending money unnecessarily. The pathways are good, there is easy access to the park all around, there is an existing pedestrian crossing on Dequetteville Terrace and Rundle Street - installing another one would restrict heavy traffic flow adversely (especially during rush hour).
Long crossing across O-Bahn for walking (East Tce)
Strongly Disagree
The vast majority of people do not see " unceremonious traffic intersections" - we see the efficient and practical management of traffic around the parks with some busy roads. Neither do we see "uninviting frontages" at key gateway places - we see a park that has open boundaries with no main entrances, but practical pathways - as was the original plan for the parks. I use Dequetteville Terrace entry to the park every day and I do not see " an unsafe shared road in the off street car park that creates potential conflicts" - where does this information come from?? Installing a "signalised crossing" to connect the park to Capper St would be a total waste of public money and would only slow down traffic on Dequetteville Terrace. There is very little pedestrian traffic and THERE ARE ALREADY CROSSINGS IN PLACE around a 100m away at the junction of Dequetteville and Rundle. PLEASE use all the money the C.O.A. may be budgeting on these unneeded actions to improve the quality of the lake water and maintenance and plant more trees and flowers !!!

Action 5: Reinforce the landscape character and features of the park

Q9. How do you feel about Action 5? (select one only)

101 people responded to this question.

Support for Action 5	Percentage
Agree / Strongly Agree	88%
Strongly Agree	58%
Agree	30%
Neutral	8%
Neutral	8%
Disagree / Strongly Disagree	4%
Disagree	2%
Strongly Disagree	2%
Grand Total	100%

Any other comments on Action 5?

Strongly Agree
adding more tree's to the park will make it a much more beautiful space to connect with. I'm not a particular fan of the rose garden but understand its importance in reflection of the era the park was established. I would love to see some native shrubs and bushes used for additional greening of the spaces as these options would be much more resilient to the changing climate as well as beautiful in honoring our country and land.
Fix the lake lining as my boat gets stuck and I have to go into the lake to rescue it every time

Mix in garden bed
Plant more trees. Trees and flowers that are bee friendly. Plane trees not suitable for allergy. More art in the park! SALA schools / art involved in the Park Lands - the Park Lands is an asset. Trees are a metaphor, don't cut trees because they look old.
Please be very aware of the sensitivity of "removing aged or declining species to allow for realigned formal avenue plantings" - we have watched these older trees growing over many years and generations and should regard these as part of the park's heritage. Please also see my comments under Action 3, making room for event areas, on the same subject.
Ramblings on the side, manicured in the middle for weddings. Rambling roses better than manicured
Same as Action 3 Question 7 answer.
The O-Bahn busway is obviously a complete contradiction to the landscape character of the park and needs to be "masked" by imaginative planting and landscaping. What Council's done is much better than what DPTI did, but it still isn't enough. Anything from dense planting to an arbour or other structure over the busway.
Agree
I also think ACC would do well to plant a lot more Jacarandas as, just like the cherry blossoms in Japan, this would become a go to spot in Spring for events.
Need to be in keeping with the landscape
Personally, the need for more trees, and avenues of them as well, appeal to me for shade, and as a refuge for wildlife. And the vantage point over the bus tunnel should be better utilised, ideally in such a way as to make traversing the eastern part of it easier.
plant more ornamental trees (not natives) and cluster the plantings o there is still plenty of open space.
The current character of the park is good but could use again some updating and the entrances could be more clearly defined and have nice signage.
Neutral
I already think it is beautiful and the Council do a wonderful job of maintaining it. But I guess there is always room for improvement :)
I don't know what the landscape was your ears so I don't know if it's good or bad so I'm just a bit neutral
Leave as much natural environment as possible and should not install decorative lighting.
The removal of trees needs to be a long-term transition - so that while they are still providing habitat for birds and other wildlife the new trees are growing. Very important to increase amount of shade on the grassy hills. I have no feelings about the rose garden. I would also increase the number of native trees, and especially if creating a more natural wetland situation - thinking about what kind of leaves / sediment will end up in the wetland.
Disagree
Preference should be given to native species of trees and other plants. With less seasonal and more long-term plantings.
regarding rose garden. Letter attached
Strongly Disagree
Why does the parklands need to be landscaped?! Surely this shouldn't hinder Native wildlife as a result of this.

Action 6: Create a Place of Reflection

Feedback was not required on this action, as engagement on the Place of Reflection project was undertaken separate to this consultation.

Q10. How do you feel about the vision of the draft Master Plan? (select one only)

101 people responded to this question.

Support	Percentage
Strongly Agree	54%
Agree	35%
Neutral	7%
Disagree	3%
Strongly Disagree	1%
Grand Total	100%

Please explain your choice

Strongly Agree
Although the options under consideration vary widely, I feel the directions being considered are generally a good balance of competing issues and will watch with interest!
I like the location of the Place of Reflection.
I think this is a really important move in making Adelaide a more inclusive place for all of our community and particularly the first nations peoples.
Need to recognize history
Same as Action 3 Question 7 answer
Agree
However, it seems to becoming more used for special events which excludes families. RP was initially aimed to create a peaceful safe environment for children and families to relax, play and picnic in.
Unfortunately the Fringe, Gluttony etc have increasingly used far more space almost making it difficult for families on a limited income to use this public space for which it was initially designed. We enjoy the events mentioned but I feel that for 3 months of the year it is not available to recreation for families.
I feel it can be achieved without going completely 'English Garden'
I have mixed opinions about various parts eg agree with Actions 1 and 5 and disagree with Actions 3, 4
I'm not sure on this project so don't have an opinion
I'm not sure how all the elements will come together cohesively as one vision, especially having a play area, a place of reflection and event spaces. If it can be combined well, I think it will be fantastic but I feel the event space criteria clashes with reflection and playspace.
Is upgrading Park for local (Adelaide) people or for enhancing the number of visitors?
It has a lot of components and is trying to achieve so many things. I strongly advocate for the consideration of a wetland, for a wide range of reasons and benefits to be realised by the community and our environment. Also strongly advocate for keeping the island, as a key feature I love to spend time and pass through! I like the ideas for more interesting lighting as well.

It will improve people coming because the main reason people don't come is kids fall in the water and the water is not relaxing it gross
The basic master plan seems to have the enjoyment of the park's visitors in mind. I do not agree on the event space in the parkland on Dequetteville Terrace, nor the proposed wetlands.
We agree but not strongly because there is an inherent contradiction between Rymill Park as a 'welcoming, engaging and beautiful' park and an event space. For some events, the park as a park is no longer welcoming, engaging or beautiful. In principle we support the event, so we are not opposed, hence we 'agree' but it does mean that the events have to be well managed (before, during and after)
Neutral
Please place the local residents first to enjoy the park. Do not place the tourists first to attempt growing numbers to visit the park.
Trying to do too much. Like stuff it full - extract the maximum value. Being more impressive to people on the O-Bahn.
Disagree
A Place of Reflection for the Stolen Generations, a 'Place of Reflection' may clash with the 'Place of Reflection' being proposed for somewhere in the Park Lands for the survivors of Domestic Violence. Can we explain the link between this site and the Stolen Generations? Would such a place of reflection be better incubated into Lot 14 and proposed Aboriginal Art and Culture Gallery, making a link between the Gallery and Botanic Gardens?
Only talks about activities. Also, should touch on nature, accessibility, open to all people, much more than recreational activity. Part of a network Opportunity for recreational.
Strongly Disagree
See above comment. Parklands that only exist for the human benefit instead of the benefits of native wildlife should be reconsidered.

Q11. Will these overall changes encourage you to visit the park more often? (select one only)

100 people responded to this question.

Encourage more visitation	Number
No	13
Yes	87
Grand Total	100

Please explain your choice

No
Even now I love to visit the park very often.
I already consider the park to be a good asset
I already visit at least twice a day
I already visit quite regularly.
I already visit the park every day.
I already visit twice daily however some renovation and upgrades might lead me to stay longer than just passing through...
I do appreciate the overall upgrade of the Park but for me it is not a question of yes/no. Park is an important, necessarily everyday environment for city dwellers.
I visit a lot anyway but to gain environmental benefits is very important.
Making the lake more of a wetland will. But the rest is window dressing.

unchanged
Yes
Better new and improved park will make me want to visit through it more, probably encouraging more physical activity for myself.
But only if the lake is maintained!!!
Depending on outcome
I often visit Rymill Park for recreational purposes and believe it has a lot of potential. An upgrade of the facilities and infrastructure could transform this area into a new destination.
I would love to engage in the vegetated waterways. It would encourage me to picnic there.
I'd love to take my kids to see a wetland! Amazing!
I'll take friends and family to race the boat
if it is a wetland
If the parklands exist for the betterment of native wildlife.
If there was the option to swim in the lake, I will be there every day in summer!
It is Adelaide's great resource and I would like to utilise it more.
It will be more pleasant environment
More often I don't know, I cross the park more than I stay in the park, Maybe a bit often.
Only if the lake remains. A wetlands is not appropriate for RP as it has a special ambience which should be retained. There is a superb wetlands close by in the Botanic Gardens and Victoria Park! Enough.
Reactivating the kiosk, improving the lake (which has been in poor condition and often algae affected for some time) and a new playspace will attract visitation - and is necessary because visitation declined significantly during O-Bahn construction and hasn't fully recovered.
Same as Action 3 Question 7 answer.
The new play space will be a great place to bring my children and I'm looking forward to viewing the new lake because my husband and I had wedding photos taken there 15 years ago.
They are good Changes
We have much more interest in seeing a wetland than a lake with people in boats.
we regularly walk around the Torrens and do a 6-9 km loop, so will incorporate the enhanced Rymill / Murlawirrapurka park as part of our circuit.
wetland would be nice to sit at
Whilst I already commute through the park every day, these changes would make the park a destination, not just a thoroughfare.

QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE DRAFT COMMUNITY LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN

Q12. How do you feel about the proposals and content in the CLMP? (select one only)

80 people who supplied their address details responded to this question. As the CLMP is a legislated consultation, only comments from people who supplied their location details can be included.

Support for CLMP	Percentage	Number of responses
Strongly agree	43%	34
Agree	40%	32
Neutral	16%	13
Strongly disagree	1%	1
Grand Total	100%	80

Any other comments on the CLMP?

Anything that seek to benefit native wildlife would be appreciated greatly.
I don't like what the Garden of Unearthly Delights does to the parklands. Gluttony is more spread out and seems to have less impact. I wish there was a way or a different location that could be used for these events that had less impact on nature.
I feel that there could be a greater percentage of native species in the park while still retaining its 'character'
No
Same as Action 3 Question 7 answer.
The dog restrictions being suggested are too extreme, by all means keep dogs away from the playground if not on leads, but the point is dogs need to be under effective control at all times, otherwise utilise the parklands impressive dog parks if you cannot (yet) control them. But keep dogs and their owners fully free to run and exercise off lead as much as possible.

Q13. Do you support the proposed changes to dog management (Page 15 of the CLMP)?

80 people recorded responses to this question.

Support for dog management changes	Number of responses	Percentage
No	15	19%
Yes	65	81%
Grand Total	80	100%

Any other comments on dog management in the park?

No – don't agree with changes
Agree dogs to be on leash in playground.
Disagree with on-leash time - Dogs controlled at all time dogs are quite self-regulated
Dogs on leash at all times.
Dog species - mindful of the dog's type. Give the dogs their own space - dog park, fenced areas. No dogs peeing on wedding dresses - don't want dogs running into brides
Kickabout that's where dogs can go.
Dog's should be on a leash when near native wildlife

Dogs should be on leash and under control at all times, especially in such an area where we are encouraging children to visit.
Either one blanket - all the time or not at all to better manage. Don't mind if on/off leash already.
I disagree with the mandatory on-leash times. This is the one park close to home where we can play fetch without bothering anyone and I've found the other dog owners who use the park to be respectful when there are people/kids/events in the vicinity.
I have found there is plenty of space for dog users, and other park users, and would be sad to see restrictions on the former - I don't personally believe either the owner nor the dog(s) get a great deal of exercise by only walking, and running is easier without leads. I should also add I am amazed how little much of the parklands is used much of the time, the biggest users all year round (regardless of weather) seems to be people walking their dogs, followed by sports etc.
I love dogs but too many owners don't pick up after their dogs.
I think dogs should be off-leash
I think owner discretion should be maintained throughout the park, there is a limited number of spaces that dogs can be free to run around within the city limits on the Eastern side, so I think having dogs able to be off lead when there is no one around is important
Yes – agree with changes
Dog parks - fenced
dogs should all be on a leash when formal event are being held in the Park.
Don't ban them butt make dogs kept on a leash
I am a dog owner and think that it is fair and suits my dogs requirements. My dog loves these park lands and so we are glad he can continue to enjoy them.
It would be good to have another dog park installed on this side of the city for dog walkers.
No dogs
No matter what dogs should be on leads at ALL times. But incorporate a fenced area where dogs can be let off the lead.
The park is large enough to incorporate a fenced dog park (my choice, backing onto the bowling club)

Q14. Do you have a favourite story or personal memory about the park to share?

Arnie Rossi a former founder of the kiosk in RP has a beautiful generous heart. Each morning a group of disabled folk, travelled from all across Adelaide to have coffee with Arnie. This was such a special thing to witness, seeing the compassion and care shown to this group by Arnie. One of these gentleman, in fact managed the hire of the row boats. The satisfaction that this job gave this person was heart warming.
Arnie will be clapping his hands with joy from above at the news of the Quentin Kenihan legacy of an all inclusive playground being installed in RP. This is definitely the home for this.
Arnie's is and was a very special place and needs to be preserved as a place for families to relax and have a bite to eat and coffee while children are playing.
Arnie loved the park and it needs to have a special place in his memory.
As I mentioned earlier my husband and I had our wedding photos taken in Rymill Park in July 2004. We have some special memories of that day and photos taken with our friends on the bridge to the island are some of our favourites of that day.
Attending the Fringe festival and Garden of unearthly delights and seeing the park transformed into a fantastic venue
Enjoy the International Three Day Trial. Especially the water jumps. As a child I do recall using the kiosk a lot...but that was perhaps way too many decades ago!
Great place for the following events. Fringe. Tour Down Under. Clipsal 500.

I walk through the parklands every day, (except when excluded by event closures) and would like to see the Adelaide's unique character and Colonel Light's vision preserved
Me and my sister and her friend would visit it eat ice cream and climb trees and look at worms
My favourite part of the park is walking through daily and noticing how the leaves change with the seasons - something we can easily forget when consumed in the concrete heavy city surrounds. Connecting through the natural phases of the year in this way always brings a sense of calm and wonder to me.
None in particular.
On 23rd March 2002 we were married on the island in the lake on a beautiful sunny autumn day. We've also had family gatherings, as well as pre-Christmas parties with our East End neighbours, around the BBQs. On the other hand we were among the leaders of the campaign against the O-Bahn extension through Rymill Park - and although we achieved a compromise so that it's not as bad as it was going to be, it remains a matter of regret.
On warm summer evening this is fully shaded and one of the best places to be working up a sweat dancing for Dancing Room! Surrounded by the cool breeze picked up off the water and through the trees, easy to get to and easy to be entertained on the other side of the banks if you happen to walk past.
One day in summer (it was one of the really hot days!) my partner and I were walking our dog through the parklands in the early evening and the sprinklers were on. The 3 of us just ran through the sprinklers laughing and cooling down.
Picnics, rowing and playing around the lake with my family. having a drink at the kiosk during cold winter days or hot summer nights
Rowing around the lake with my Dad
Sorry, I'm out of time to share any of these, but I do appreciate the parklands enormously thanks.
The period each year the roses are out in bloom makes relaxing there pleasant.
Too many write. Bring back paddle boats and I'll take my dates there
Very good memories sitting at the kiosk last summer with a pizza and glass of wine with friends...
When I saw a Corella for the first time at Rymill park.
Yes, mums ballet story.

Q15. Do you have any other comments or anything else you would like to share about the draft Master Plan or CLMP? For example, this could include facilities or activities that you would like to see, things that we have missed, or proposals in the draft Master Plan that you would like to change. Please include your additional comments below.

"Don Dunstan Park" Vogue festival - north Tce don't do it in Rundle Mall. Use government house. Think bigger, Needs to be more about fashion than retail. Focus on the culture and fantastic arts in the middle. Vogue - focus on the mature woman - empty shop?
ABC are permanent, should be more permeable. Fences are bad, temporary events are great. No parking in the Park Lands. Note the historical use of the ABC but see in the long term that it goes.
Another park comments - lighting or lines or cats eyes along the path running NW from Greenhill Rd/Fullarton Rd intersection please - it's completely dark during new moon and the park is hard to see even with a bike light.
As an overseas visitor (Scotland) I always visit the park when in Adelaide
Confusing Park - looks different, no cement.
Don't do high end design, just practical. Already beautiful and well used.
Everything is perfect :)

Family friendly for water. Trashed need to be better managed, damaged turf.
I feel very sorry for skateboarders etc who have lost a great facility in the city, and the existing one in the parklands seems a very poor substitute - they deserve more!
I live close by (~100m away) with my dog and we visit daily as I love the combination of grass, trees, flowers, lake and fountain with accessible paths where she can run freely. I'd love to see a drink fountain near the fountain near the west BBQ area - the existing one near the east playground, while beautiful, is difficult to use to fill water bottle and dog bowls (and sprays you in the face). As a young(ish) person struggling with mobility, thank you for the beautiful and accessible park with good walkways. This park was a key influencer in my decision to live nearby and I appreciate the effort you put into making it both beautiful and functional.
I think the O-Bahn tunnel has enhanced the park - the western exit is beautiful at night. I'd like to see the kiosk reopened and stay open more consistently (i.e. more than 8 months) with more regular/predictable hours. I think the interior needs some work so that operators can move about and serve customers more efficiently. I strongly support the Quentin Kenihan Playgrounds concept - a bigger playgrounds, more trees, better toilets and a bit further away from the lake (for safety).
I would like to see safe entry points for cyclists, and well-maintained cycle paths. I love the rose garden, please keep that :)
It would be great to have families be able to access some water in the park in terms of a small play pond or something similar, as part of the proposed wetland (option 2).
Kids water zone / splash zone, kids water area
Like the look of Paris
Maybe more covered (sheltered) with benches and tables Brass bands / cinemas Maintain as an alcohol free zone!
More bins / amenity along the walkway, rubbish dump - not opposite residents, thought of rubbish on Bartels Rd. Sounds management is a problem - don't face it to residential buildings. Truck management - better event management. Kiosk - better sun shade / protection - for constant activation.
More trees I would suggest bottle trees gum trees and other trees bushes and shrubs and native grass and native moss.
No.
only in regard to Arnie
Opportunity to trial pesticide free management of Park Lands. Eg Hobart city Council, Europe where studies show decrease in insect numbers from pesticides Increase biodiversity City would provide information on what residents (and councils) can plant to attract bees/insects biodiversity populations. Historical signage in park to provide information about past use.
Overall I would also support the wetlands lake option but I don't feel it fits with the other intended uses for the park. Noisy and bustling events don't feel compatible with the peaceful wetland environment.
Rymill Park has a functional and attractive kiosk in front of the lake which is enjoyed by many people. Unfortunately it is closed in the colder months. Can we not try and encourage this to be opened during these colder months another good reason to visit the park in the "off season" I have spoken to previous kiosk tenants who told me that the winter months obviously have less people using the park, and that it is simply not economic to keep renting the kiosk. The full rentals are simply too high during the leaner months to stay open with the number of customers. Many of us still use the park over the winter months and there is definitely a demand for the kiosk, even if reduced. Can the C.O.A not reduce the rent considerably during the winter months ? Some

income for the C.O.A. is better than none, and the place would be better maintained if there were permanent tenants - a win for everybody concerned !!
Strongly disagree with the increasing encroachment of buildings into the Adelaide parklands
The lake must stay as it is the jewel in the crown of RP. It is used during the summer for families or friends to engage with each other, rowing together enjoying this unique space. The place of reflection - strongly agree - Yes definitely a quiet, tree
The park should basically be a place of daily relaxation and recreation for the residents. The City should not first attempt for attracting /growing tourists' numbers to visit.
The two most important factors for me are shade during the day and safe space lighting at night.
This Park was once (and possibly still is) a designated emergency landing zone for helicopters departing the former ORAH helipad. Lot 14 may well again one day have a helipad and at the very least a drone pad. Drones for delivering freight and people is not far away and the Park Lands will play a roll as drop off and pick up zones and emergency go to zones if something goes wrong when operating over the CBD. Council should be thinking forward to ensure spaces exist to play this roll for drones.
Wait time not too long for pedestrians at lights
We don't support action 6 in the main part of Rymill Park - a place of reflection would be ok in the small park next to Tandanya but it is inconsistent with everything else in Rymill Park itself (i.e. events etc) so given we don't support Action 6, we can't say we support all proposals. WE do NOT support a Place of Reflection in Rymill Park itself as it seems totally inconsistent with other intended uses of the park (e.g. events). A Place of Reflection would fit well in the small park next to Tandanya and is more relevant there anyway given its theme. However we remain neutral about this - if it came to a choice in limited budget, we would prefer to spend the money 'masking' the O-Bahn in the main park. Rymill Park is fundamentally a family-friendly park and this should remain its focus. We would like to reinforce our strong opposition to the wetlands option for the lake - Rymill Park is a beautiful, sculptured park and should have an ornamental lake. This is also more 'family-friendly'. In respect to events we've been told that some of our issues are outside the scope of the master plan - however it's essential that ACC takes a 'whole of council' approach to this, and ensures that these issues are at least considered. What's the point of a master plan to design a beautiful park is you then allow event organisers to set up their events in such an ugly way - Rymill Park during the Fringe looks like a construction site with ugly fencing along East Tce and toilet blocks and dump bins immediately behind it. So all these interstate and international visitors instead of seeing our beautiful premium park, see something ugly instead. Just as Council has design guidelines for other things, there should be strict design guidelines for how events are set up. Secondly, since the Fringe was extended from 3 weeks to 4, the impact on the park lands has been much greater. Next year it's 14 Feb to 15 March (31 days) and yet usually Gluttony and the Garden extend beyond the official Fringe dates - this shouldn't be allowed. They also take too long setting up and striking down. Any measures that could minimise the impact on the park should be considered. Also, in creating new event spaces, there should be guidelines as to what types of events are approved in Rymill Park - Rymill Park is a premium park and should only have premium events that appeal to a wide, general audience.
Worried about mosquitos, water rats. focus on Torrens, urban farms to reduce transportation costs.
Would be nice to see pop up food trucks, coffee stands, ice cream etc on non- event weekends
Would just like to say that I think you do a wonderful job of maintaining the parklands. When there are events there is minimal disruption to local residents and the Team always have the parklands reverted to a beautiful standard shortly after events. Thank you for your commitment to making them a wonderful place to be.



APPENDIX 2 OTHER FEEDBACK

Details of informal comments made via social media, face-to-face sessions, email or phone.

Comments recorded at library drop in session

<p>Comments from one person who wished to remain anonymous.</p> <p>Include playspace – great The aerial looks busy. Prefer Ornamental lake option – this will attract families and reuse water. Adelaide is known internationally, for us to survive and thrive, need attractive option for young people. Engagement with water is important to attract young families. Tree planting good for people and cooling. Event spaces – better /improve access to fringe events Need a place for kids to be busy and safe. Focus on kid friendly, encourage people to stay. How do we support adolescent / youth space, consult with teens that will bring them into the park. Desire for a mix of people/ages.</p>

Email during consultation period

<p>In reference to your survey on "Lake or Wetlands" We believe Rymill Park as a city park & garden, a lake is more practical, manageable and useable. Wetlands are better placed in natural bushland settings not city parks and gardens.</p>
<p>I would prefer the Park to be left alone. The Park is a Council make-work area. Trees are mutilated for no clear reason other than there is a ladder & power saw presently unoccupied. The only tree of any interest to children was cut down because someone had the audacity to sleep under it. The mortality of young planted trees is high but then 16 young uprooted trees were left out in the hot summer sun for 2 weeks plus because it took too long with a mechanical digger to plant them before Christmas 2 years ago. The choice of trees is inappropriate but they have to be able to resist the liberal use of weed-killer ? Roundup so that the man on the lawnmower does not have to get off his machine to cut any grass growing close to the trunk. But then the Adelaide City Council countenanced the spending of many million dollars to slowly dig a ditch that on covering, became an access route to the Obahn track & yet not remove the Stobie poles & put the power cables underground despite a transformer box having been struck by lightning some months earlier. There was money to move the fountain. I have no confidence that whatever the Council does will improve the park but I have total confidence that nothing said will make any difference.</p>
<p>Fix Rymill Park Kiosk!!</p>
<p>Wetlands are a magnificent feature of many landscapes but existing configuration of Rymill Park is excellent in every way except toxic lake water. Suggest using EM1 - essential micro organisms to optimise water quality in lake. Water is a key feature of the lake, as are the two bridges linking the central island. blames failure of kiosk business is in part due to declining lake water quality, exacerbated by horse trials causing, stagnant ponding and rubbish build up. Lake lining is delaminating. Suggest using moving water / fountain to oxygenate water. Suggest a trial of EM1, referencing previous waste management improvements with Ebenezer Place in 2017/2018. Connection with first Australians and the water. Global warming is exacerbating lake water toxicity. Offer to assist with a trial of EM1 at Rymill lake.</p>

Phone calls

<p>In favour of a wetland</p> <p>Supports a stage or structure for an outdoor cinema near the lake and barbecue areas for local artists, musicians and comedians to perform</p>

Comments on social media advertisements and posts (LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter)

Noting that not all comments are recorded here, only those directly relevant to the project

<p>Facebook Ad "Wetland or a lake?"</p>	<p>31 comments Comments on wetland: "Council and consultants know which is more sustainable, environmentally friendly and in keeping with Australian culture so go with that"</p> <p>"Wetland!!! Come and see the felixstow wetland to see how beautiful it can be. So much better than what has been there."</p> <p>"I'd love to see a wetland in the city."</p> <p>Comments on ornamental lake: "A rejuvenated ornamental lake with paddleboats, ducks, umbrellas covering outdoor snacking, a young-family-friendly place"</p> <p>"An ornamental lake with a few fancy fountains"</p> <p>Other Comments: "I love it just the way it is with the little island. Please don't destroy something so beautiful and perfect."</p> <p>"You already have a lake. You had a great cafe too till the o Bahn construction site screwed them"</p> <p>"Just leave it alone, no need for it!"</p> <p>"Both please..plenty of space"</p>
<p>Facebook Posts "Wetland or a lake?"</p>	<p>Comments "An old one, but still valid - winter ice skating! - Make the whole park a winter park that can revert back to water in summer!"</p> <p>"Ornamental lake of course wetlands should be out in the suburbs and semi rural areas"</p> <p>"Rymill Park looks amazing they must have some very skilled employees working there"</p> <p>"Ornamental lake of course wetlands should be out in the suburbs and semi rural areas"</p> <p>"Wetlands if that is hydrologically and environmentally appropriate"</p> <p>"Whatever is best for the environment is best for us in the long term."</p> <p>"Neither just leave it alone"</p>
<p>LinkedIn Ad</p>	<p>21 likes</p>
<p>Twitter Ad</p>	<p>1 Comment, 7 Likes, 1 Retweet / 0 Activity / 8 Likes, 3 Retweets / 3 Likes Retweeted by Jane Reilly from 5AA (3 Dec 2019) - Two comments: 1. "lake with trees and plants, lights barbeque areas,table and seats little pergolas, with electricity solar power of course. bridges, paddle boats, miniature boats,so people can form a little club. for the kids a native trail,or a bike trail. water fountains for drinkingand in lake" 2. "Wetland! I love the lawns and benches in Rymill Park, but they're harder to enjoy when the lake looks like toilet water due to additives to deter algae blooms. A wetland is way better!"</p>

APPENDIX 3 ENGAGEMENT MATERIAL

Feedback survey

<https://yoursay.cityofadelaide.com.au/rymill-master-plan>

See the Yoursay page for full documents.

Survey questions:

Q1. How often do you visit, use or travel through the park? (tick one only)

Daily | A few times a week
Weekly | A few times a year | Never

Q2. Why do you visit the park? (tick as many as apply)

Passing through | Events
Picnic/ playground/ recreation
Use the toilets
For fitness (e.g. jogging) | Other

Q3. What is your relationship to the park? (tick as many as apply)

Local resident | Work in the area
Event attendee | Commuter
Related to nearby schools
Run a business / organisation in the area |
Event organiser
Related to the Adelaide Bowling Club
Other, please specify

Q4. How do you usually travel to the park? (tick one only)

I walk there | I cycle there
I drive and park there
I take public transport options nearby
Other, please specify

Q5. Which lake option do you prefer?

Ornamental Lake / Vegetated Wetland
Any comments on your preferred option?

For Q6 to Q12 (except Q11) survey asked for ranking of agreement on the following scale: Strongly disagree / disagree / neutral / agree / strongly agree

**Q6. How do you feel about Action 1?
Any other comments on Action 1?**

**Q7. How do you feel about Action 3?
Any other comments on Action 3?**

**Q8: How do you feel about Action 4?
Any other comments on Action 4?**

**Q9. How do you feel about Action 5?
Any other comments on Action 5?**

**Q10. How do you feel about the vision of the draft Master Plan?
Please explain your choice**

**Q11. Will these overall changes encourage you to visit the park more often? Yes / No
Please explain your choice**

**Q12. How do you feel about the proposals and content in the CLMP?
Any other comments on the CLMP?**

**Q13. Do you support the proposed changes to dog management (Page 15 of the CLMP)?
Yes / No
Any other comments on dog management in the park?**

Q14. Do you have a favourite story or personal memory about the park to share?

**Q15. Do you have any other comments or anything else you would like to share about the draft Master Plan or CLMP?
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Engagement Material

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