

Kadaltilla

Hutt Street Entry Statement Project

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Board Meeting**

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Purpose

At its meeting on 9 August 2022, Council approved the proposed key deliverables for the State Government's funding of \$3 million for Hutt Street with one of the key deliverables being the Hutt Street Entry Statement, which will connect and link residents and visitors from south and south-east of the city where there is significant residential growth and urban infill, and removes the perceived barrier, attracting people via different transport modes (pedestrians, cycling, e-scooters, mobility scooters) through the Park Lands and into Hutt Street.

This report seeks endorsement of the updated concept design plan and preliminary tree removal plan of the Hutt Street Entry Statement Project.

Recommendation

THAT THE ADELAIDE PARK LANDS AUTHORITY ADVISES COUNCIL:

That Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority:

1. Endorses the concept plan as detailed in Attachment A to Item 5.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of the Board of Kadaltilla held on 23 February 2023.
 2. Endorses the preliminary tree removal plan as detailed in Attachment B to Item 5.2 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of Kadaltilla held on 23 February 2023.
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Implications

<p>Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025</p>	<p>Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy 2015-2025</p> <p>Strategy 1.1 Create a network of activity hubs attracting visitors and tourists and supporting the recreational needs of people of all ages, abilities, and cultures.</p> <p>Strategy 1.3 Promote the Park Lands as visitor and tourist destination.</p> <p>Strategy 2.1 Improve the Park Lands Trail linking all parks and providing a pleasant and convenient cycling and walking route.</p> <p>Strategy 2.2 Establish shared walking and cycling paths with safe connections and crossing points linking the City and inner suburbs.</p> <p>Strategy 2.3 Connect the Park Lands with the hills, coast, and metropolitan open space network.</p> <p>Strategy 2.5 Install wayfinding signage enhancing the legibility of paths and connections across the Park Lands.</p> <p>Strategy 3.1 Develop an identifiable character for each Park Lands edge</p>
<p>2020-2025 Strategic Plan</p>	<p>Adelaide Park Lands Authority 2020-2025 Strategic Plan</p> <p>Strategic Plan Alignment – Environment</p> <p>Key Action 2.1 Define, protect and enhance landscape values and design qualities.</p>
<p>Policy</p>	<p>The Strategic Asset Management Policy and the Adelaide Design Manual may need to be reviewed to support the implementation.</p>
<p>Consultation</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report</p>
<p>Resource</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report</p>
<p>Risk / Legal / Legislative</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report</p>
<p>Opportunities</p>	<p>This project provides an opportunity to articulate priorities that support the city and to realign levels of service as guided by community and stakeholder expectations in a financially sustainable manner.</p>
<p>City of Adelaide Budget Allocation</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report</p>
<p>Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset</p>	<p>20 – 50 year asset life expectancy</p>
<p>Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)</p>	<p>Not as a result of this report</p>

Other Funding Sources

A grant agreement between the Department for Infrastructure and Transport, and The Corporation of the City of Adelaide. A total of \$3 million is allocated to undertake main street improvement works, public realm and placemaking upgrades to revitalise the Hutt Street precinct.

Discussion

Background and connection to Main Street Revitalisation

1. At its meeting on 14 December 2021, Council approved the Draft Master Plans and principles for Hutt Street, Melbourne Street and Hindley Street for community consultation ([Link 1](#), item 10.7). The feedback from the community and stakeholders is consistent and aligns with the draft vision, objectives and design principles supported by Council. Further investigations are in progress to support concept development and the short-term initiatives that can be implemented in the interim.
2. An opportunity has arisen to create a Hutt Street Entry Statement following the State Government's election commitment of \$3 million for Hutt Street to undertake improvements works, public realm and placemaking upgrades to revitalise the precinct.
3. At its meeting on 9 August 2022, Council approved the proposed key deliverables for the State Government's funding ([Link 2](#), item 10.9).

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4. The creation of a welcoming southern entry into Hutt Street will connect and link residents and visitors from south and south-east of the city where there is significant residential growth and urban infill, and removes the perceived barrier, attracting people via different transport modes (pedestrians, cycling, e-scooters, mobility scooters) through the Park Lands and into Hutt Street.
5. The entry statement will also link iconic destinations and recreational facilities (Marshmallow Park, Himeji Gardens, the new Wetlands) with activity nodes and businesses along Hutt Street.
6. The approved key deliverables include:
 - 6.1. Delivering an entry statement which will welcome residents and visitors to the city through Hutt Street, that echoes a similar treatment/ artwork piece in the village 'Heart of Hutt'.
 - 6.2. Wayfinding and lighting improvements between South Terrace and Halifax Street.
 - 6.3. Increasing greening and amenity through newly planted trees, entry statement plantings and landscape treatments.
 - 6.4. Creating a shared path along Hutt Road, formalising the Park Lands edge and increased amenity.
 - 6.5. Creating meeting places for locals and visitors.
7. The concept design as detailed in **Attachment A** features:
 - 7.1. Installation of public artwork sited within the focal pedestrian zone, marking the entry to Hutt Street precinct to all users of the space.
 - 7.2. A new shared path within Adelaide Park Lands along both sides of Hutt Road, between South Terrace and Park Lands trail crossing. The path will be constructed with permeable pavement, which allows a reduction of surface runoff by trapping and slowly releasing water into the ground. The material is proposed to ensure the existing stormwater management issue is not exacerbated and to also promote tree health by permitting water and oxygen to infiltrate into the sub-soil.
 - 7.3. Safe transition between the new path and the improved existing on-road cycling lane.
 - 7.4. Installation of new public lighting along the new path for improved access to Adelaide Park Lands. The public lighting infrastructure will be strategically placed to minimise impact to existing trees.
 - 7.5. Creation of a planted verge between the new path and the roadway.
 - 7.6. Planting of fourteen (14) street trees between on-street parking bays to increase greening and amenity along Hutt Road.
 - 7.7. Incorporation of various Water Sensitive Urban Design elements, such as re-using stormwater for passive irrigation for new and existing trees.
8. The design basis of the new path is to retain the maximum number and value of existing Park Lands trees. A total of fourteen (14) small trees and three (3) shrubs, which are generally in a compromised form and/or poor health, are proposed to be removed due to proximity to the new shared path. Refer to **Attachment B** for the location and details of the affected trees.
9. An arborist will be engaged to undertake a thorough assessment of trees within and immediately adjacent to the project site. Appropriate specifications will be developed to support ongoing tree health and ensure protective measures are implemented during construction.

Next steps

10. The design and the commissioning of the public artwork element are currently in progress for the project to be delivered in 2023/24.
11. The updated concept plans for the Main Streets Revitalisation Program will be presented to Council in April for endorsement ahead of public consultation.

Data and supporting information

Link 1 – Agenda, Council meeting, 14 December 2021

Link 2 – Agenda, Council meeting, 9 August 2022

Attachments

Attachment A – Entry Statement Concept Design

Attachment B – Map of trees