

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FEEDBACK REPORT

Port Noarlunga Driving Range proposal

November 2025

Introduction

We recently sought feedback on two key aspects relating to the proposed development of the Port Noarlunga Driving Range at WM Hunt Park:

- the proposed lease of community land for more than five years, and
- a proposed amendment to the Community Land Management Plan (CLMP) for a portion of the adjoining undeveloped reserve.

These steps are required under the Local Government Act 1999 before Council can consider entering into a long-term management arrangement for the site.

Following a strategic review of the opportunities for the site in early 2025, an expression of interest was undertaken seeking proposals for the further development and management of the site. GreenSpace Management has been identified as Council's preferred partner to deliver an exciting proposal to revitalise the Port Noarlunga Driving Range.

At its October 2025 Meeting, Council resolved to commence community engagement on the proposed lease of community land for more than five years and proposed amendment to the CLMP. These steps are required under the Local Government Act 1999 before entering into a long-term management arrangement for the site or amending a CLMP.

Should an agreement with Council be entered into, GreenSpace Management would then lodge a development application for the proposed works. That process will include a separate public notification period, providing another opportunity for the community to have its say — particularly on matters such as design, lighting, noise, and opening hours.

We recognise that the driving range is a valued community asset. The proposal aims to enhance the existing facility, making it more inclusive, accessible, and enjoyable for current users and new visitors alike.

Community engagement purpose

The purpose of the engagement was to gauge community support for the alienation of land for a long-term Development and Management Agreement of Greenspace of up to 20 years and the amendment of the Community Land Management Plan (CLMP) for the portion of Undeveloped Reserve.

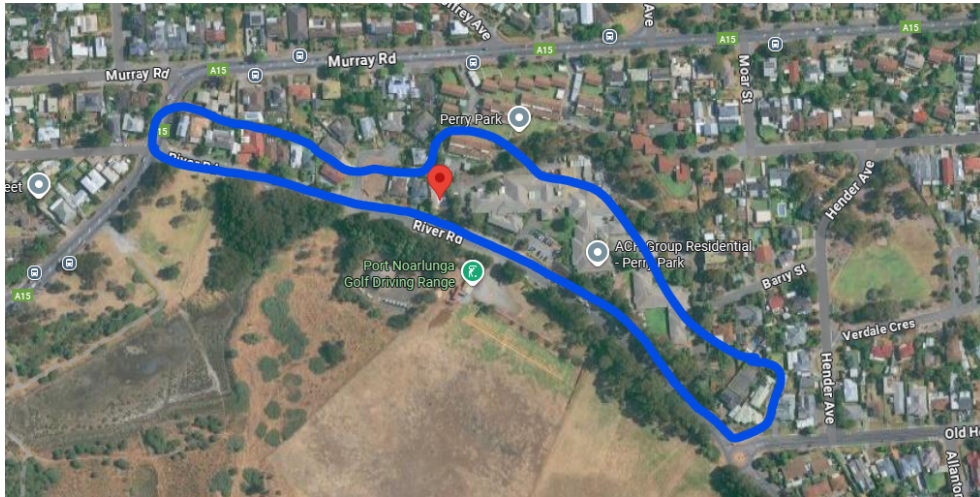
Engagement objectives:

- Door-knock nearby residents to share information, understand their level of support, and capture feedback and concerns.
- Ensure the wider community and stakeholders are aware of the project, know how to provide feedback, and understand what they can and cannot influence.
- Ensure we are open and transparent, sharing all information about the proposal, while respecting commerciality sensitive information and the probity of the EoI process
- For inclusivity, provide multiple ways for the community to engage.
- Meet our legislative requirements.

Engagement techniques

The following channels (techniques) were used to drive engagement and participation:

- Your Say Onkaparinga website page
- Door knocking



- Letter, brochure and map



- Emails to key stakeholders and registered members of Your Say
- On-site signage
- Public notice in the Advertiser (legislated requirement)
- Media release

Summary of community engagement outcomes

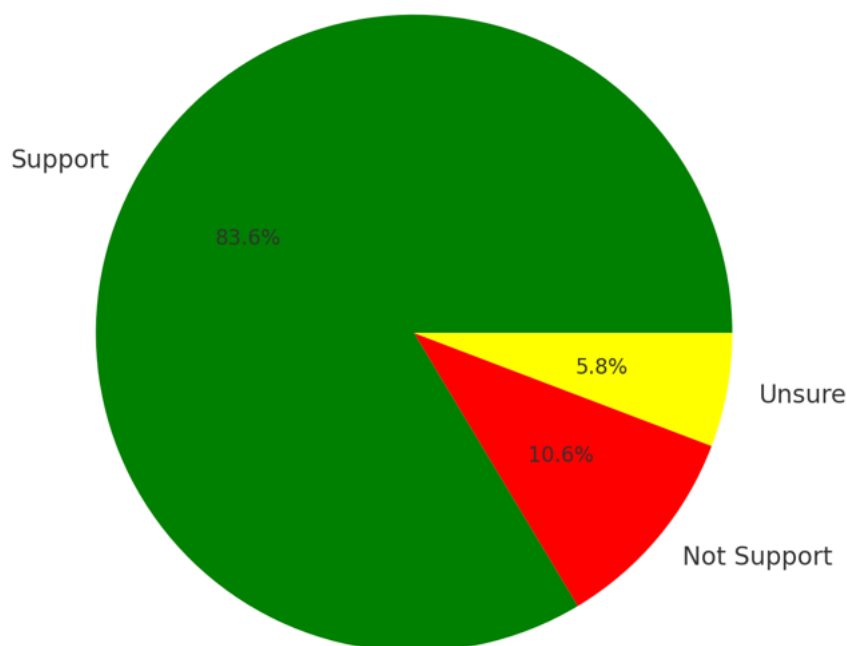
Consultation was open from 16 October 2025 to 10 November 2025.

During the consultation period:

- 1,353 people visited the Your Say Onkaparinga page that went live 16 October 2025
- 76 letters were delivered to the surrounding landowners on 25 March 2025
- Staff visited 18 residences on 23 October 2025 and attended an information session at Perry Park Port Noarlunga Residential Care Home
- 27 landowners that do not reside in the properties were notified by post
- 2,842 emails were sent to registered YourSay users.

In summary

- 433 contributed to the public engagement of which:
 - 362 in support of the proposal (83.6 %)
 - 46 not in support of the proposal (10.6%)
 - 25 were unsure of the proposal or (5.8%).

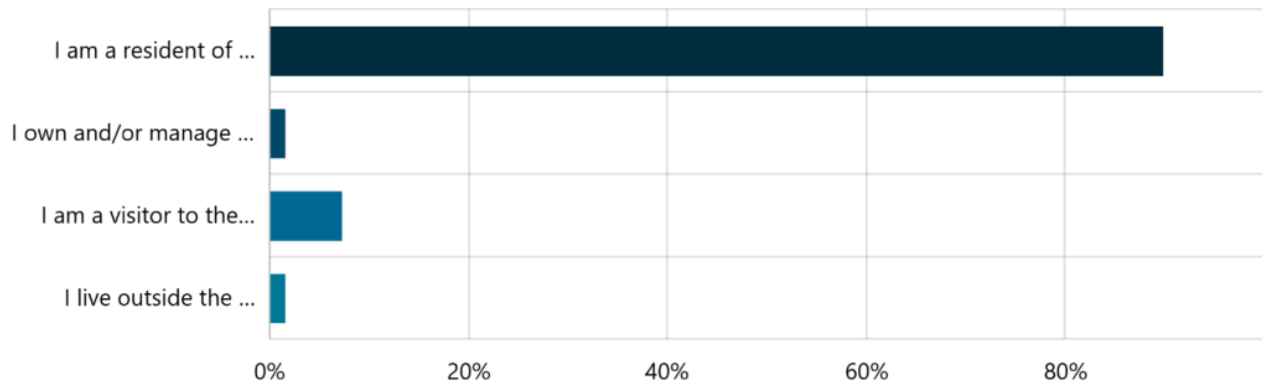


Breakdown of results

Survey results

Responses received from the engagement were;

- 264 contributions collected through the participation tools and that went on to provide feedback via the survey tool. (Refer to Appendix A for verbatim comments)
- 216 in support of the proposal (82%)
- 30 not in support of the Proposal (11%)
- 18 were unsure of the Proposal (7%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
I am a resident of the City of Onkaparinga	89.77%	237
I own and/or manage a business in the City of Onkaparinga	1.52%	4
I am a visitor to the City of Onkaparinga	7.20%	19
I live outside the City of Onkaparinga but work in the region	1.52%	4
Total	100.00%	264

Common themes emerging from the feedback

- The redevelopment would promote outdoor activity, healthy lifestyles, and community connection.
- Golf and recreational sport are growing rapidly and need better facilities in the south.
- Redevelopment could bring visitors, boost local business, and create jobs.
- Supporting local businesses and fairness in process
 - Concern that current local leaseholders were overlooked
 - Concern with interstate company involvement
 - Desire for affordability and accessibility for local families
- Concern about local environment, landfill legacy, loss of trees, dust and noise
- Increased traffic and insufficient parking
- Council's spending priorities and design scale

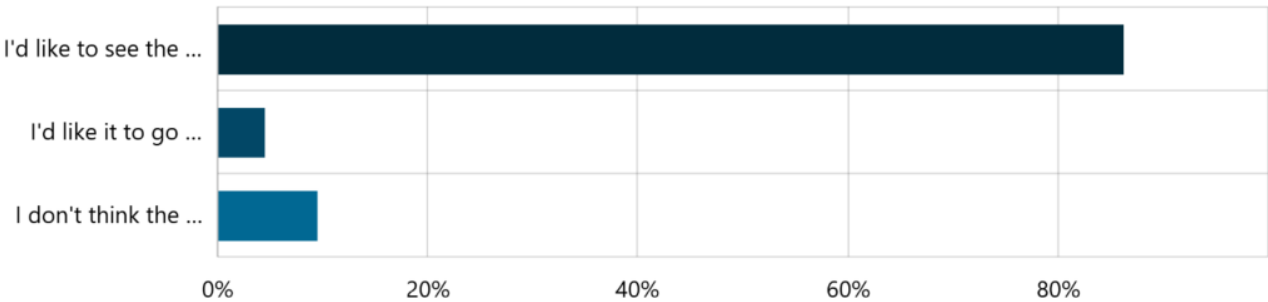
Of those Contributions:

- 237 were City of Onkaparinga Residents or Rate Payers (90%)
- Four (4) owned or managed a business with the City of Onkaparinga (1.5%)
- 19 were visitors to the City of Onkaparinga (7%)
- Four (4) live outside the City of Onkaparinga (1.5%)

Quick Survey results

Responses received from the quick survey were;

- 159 contributions collected through the quick survey participation tool
- 137 in support of the proposal (86%)
- 15 not in support of the Proposal (9%)
- Seven (7) were unsure of the Proposal (4%)



Answer choices	Percent	Count
I'd like to see the proposal go ahead	86.16%	137
I'd like it to go ahead, but I have some concerns	4.40%	7
I don't think the proposal should go ahead	9.43%	15
Total	100.00%	159

Direct feedback

Responses received via direct feedback were;

- 4 contributions collected through email. (Refer to Appendix B for correspondence)
- One (1) in support (50%)
- One (1) not in support (50%)
- Two (2) submission counted via the YourSay survey.

Doorknocking

On 23 October 2025 staff visited 18 properties in the are shown above. At 8 of the residences no-one was home and an engagement card left. Staff spoke to occupiers at 10 properties and the following responses were received:

- Eight (8) in support
- Two (2) submissions counted the Your Say survey.

Evaluation

The engagement met its objectives and purpose by:

- Providing clear, easy to read information on the YourSay page to ensure stakeholders, residents, and the community have a good understanding on what they can influence along with information on the revocation process and where the proceeds of sale will be going.
- Inform the community and invite feedback for Council's consideration with the large letter drop along with signage located at W.M. Hunt Park.
- Comply with legislative requirements.

Sign-off

All feedback reports are to be reviewed by the Engagement Unit
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Appendix A: Verbatim Your Say Survey Comments

Overall, how supportive are you of this proposal?

I'm supportive
health lifestyle options
I would use this facility
Nothing like it in the southern area. Golf is really taking off and loved by all ages. I currently travel to west beach at least once a week to use a similar facility.
The driving range is a local fun place to go on the weekend with family but it desperately needs an overhaul as is currently very run down. A redevelopment of the driving range would bring more people to the area and would bring tourism.
I find this concept extremely impressive, as it not only looks visually appealing but also offers a great opportunity for personal growth and social interaction. Having access to a space like this would motivate me to spend more time outdoors and engage more actively with others. In particular, I find it exciting because I am currently developing my skills in golf and would greatly benefit from having a high-quality practice area nearby. This would not only help me improve my technique and consistency but also allow me to connect with others who share similar interests, making the overall experience both enjoyable and rewarding.
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On behalf of Golf Australia, we applaud the vision & proactive approach of the Coty of Onkaparinga for selecting Greenspace Management as the preferred contractor for a redeveloped Port Noarlunga Driving Range. Greenspace have a track record of identifying under-utilised golf venues, & through collaborative partnerships delivering genuine assets to the broader community. They are committed to ensuring all developments are inclusive, safe & maintain alignment to the Australian Golf strategies purpose, which is more Australians playing more golf.
Golf is good for the region. The webex event was good for the community
Great idea for the community

It is a good proposal that will bring additional people and opportunities to the area
I am supportive of any proposal which encourages more outdoor activity (particularly golf)
Golf is good for a region. Employment, tourism, enjoyment
Onkaparinga needs a driving range to support
This will bring great recreation and social opportunities for the community, as well as bring in visitors from surrounding areas.
I drive past this site each week but never went in, after looking at the brochure I'm now excited to see this go ahead and trying it out when it is done.
I believe more funding in these places will bring more and new customers take flagstaff hill golf club yes that was living choice paid for most but now they are in growth of people and family coming to there club
Only driving ranges with technology are at west beach or further north. This will help local and further south golfers and first timers/family fun
I think a local mini golf course is a welcome addition to the area. There are residents in Perry Park (across the road) whose families could take them out there for a group outing. With the harmful algal bloom in the area, we need a few more activities for people to do.
We need a new and updated driving range for the south and an additional mini golf course would be great
The area needs thus amenity and the current one needs upgrading
It's great for the community gets people out and about in our local community draws attraction from other suburbs and communities which overall supports our local businesses
It's an awesome idea and will be lots if fun, we went to one in Queensland recently in holiday ad a family and loved it.
This would be awesome port Noarlunga needs it! Add some pickleball courts and that will be complete!
Exciting new recreation option that will make good use of the reclaimed land and be more visually appealing. Also, no more dust bowl in summer! However, concerns about the increased traffic, especially when we have the traffic jams piling up and creeping along River Road when Expressway is blocked.

My husband and sons enjoy golf. The old driving range needed to be updated and I am all for new works to be done to make this a better facility for everyone to enjoy.
will give a lot more people access to the golf practice range car parking is being addressed but should be made priority to ensure enough is available for the local residents and ACH
We need more outdoor facilities and entertainment in our council area. SA as a whole is completely lacking compared to other states, so it is wonderful to see ideas like this. It will encourage our youth to be more active and give families things to do together. The current driving range is terrible and not well kept, so these plans will be a huge improvement and add to our beautiful area. Keep bringing more outdoor things like this down south and please prioritise this to happen given that we are now limited with things to do due to the algal bloom - this will drive people out of the area / relocated if it continues for years, however, more plans/upgrades like this will help keep people in the area...
The development will be a great addition to sporting venues and activities to people living in onkaparinga council.
This would be an amazing facility to have down South. It would be such a draw card for all different cohorts. We need a golf facility like this. It would bring so much tourism and needed revenue to this area.
Why not! Investment in sport and recreation. Should just happen.
Great for the community, so many exciting developments that takes the area into another dimension.
I think it's a great idea and would be very popular
The facility is a bit tired and in desperate need of an upgrade. I would be a keen user if these improvements go ahead, and with the mini golf I would get my kids involved as well.
It's a great initiative to introduce a great new sport into the community.
We really need a decent driving range facility in the south. Especially because the Majors road driving range shut down all those years ago. We've been made to drive all the way to West Beach for a decent driving range.
It will bring more people to Port Noarlunga and will be a fun activity for a growing number of golf tryers.
Brilliant way to drive people into the area and support small businesses . We have to drive into the city and spend our money their at present
I would utilise all those offerings, it sounds like an awesome idea

The current driving range is a waste of a great opportunity, poorly run and run down. Could be so much better. Since the O'Halloran Hill range closed Port Noarlunga is the only driving range in the area. I'm a member at Flagstaff Hill golf club and since the range there was developed my only option it to practice at Port Noarlunga and in it's currently in very poor condition

Great opportunity for down south, especially with the demographic.

Fantastic proposal! The south of city lacks any such decent practice facility for golfers - meaning the nearest non-private club range is at West Beach. Ever since the range at OHalloran Hill closed there has been a sore need for people to go for both serious practice, as well as fun and recreation. This proposal is a brilliant idea and I'm completely supportive. As a former resident of Onkaparinga of over 30 years, I think this is wonderful. I'd travel down to use it!

Will be a great asset for the community and will bring more people to the area

Looks epic get everyone's fat arses out and enjoying the sun and getting some exercise

Need a decent driving range existing range is a joke

Current facilities are terrible

This would be an incredible upgrade for the driving range and such a splendid addition to Port Noarlunga. The suburb is growing rapidly and something like this will bring people from all over Adelaide

I am originally from the south and do hope to move back out there to start a family. Recreational spaces like this encourage my intended decision, as padel is a form of recreation which is only increasing in popularity.

Golf is a really popular sport in Southern Suburbs, and whilst there is range facilities at local clubs, they are usually member exclusive meaning that closest facility is West Beach

Growth for the city is required and a fantastic facility would be great for the community.

Nice to upgrade facilities for families in the area

This is a great addition to improve the local area and attract more people into the southern parts of Adelaide. It will encourage more people to get outside and be active. This will in turn have benefits to local businesses in and around the area.

I love golf and generally have to travel to west beach for something like this, what a great idea for the area in a prime spot!

It looks like a well planned area that will add some much needed, wonderful entertainment and fitness options to the area.

Great idea to upgrade the current range it's definitely needed down south and the mini golf will be great for families to enjoy.
Great for the community
Great attraction for the area
Great idea!!! Newer facilities will bring more people and business to the community!!
I think that is the perfect idea for the area. Over the old dump. The golf range needs to be upgraded. Long over due. Great idea.
More entertainment for locals and tourists bringing them to the location and potentially more business for small business in Port Noarlunga and surrounding suburbs
Because I think it is a great proposal
It would be great use of the space and give us a quality driving range down south whilst still accommodating the family on a Sunday with the mini golf. Great idea and will attract people that will spend money in local business supporting our down south community
The southern area lacks quality golf practice facilities, there is the driving range, chipping and putting green at Willunga Golf Club, then you have to travel outside of the council area to west beach for publicly accessible practice facilities. The current driving range at that location while handy badly needs an upgrade and will make the area more user friendly.
I was one of the original owners of the Port Noarlunga driving range, was a family affair and low cost.
The more facilities that are upgraded for public use the better and more attractive our area becomes
The driving range is in awful condition and is a paddock with a shed. This new concept looks sensational, like a community hub that we can be proud of as a community.
It will be great for the surrounding suburbs and council area to have a driving range and mini golf. The sport is growing and having this for older golfers and new golfers coming through will be greatly accepted
I currently use the driving range every week. I think it would be a great improvement to the site to have a professional driving range in the southern suburbs
Current driving range is in need of an upgrade. Adding the mini golf course will attract more people to the area.

It sounds like an awesome idea and we need more things like this in the southern area
It give the community more to do in the area, it will bring visitors to the area which benefits businesses.
We need to be progressive as a council. There is a lot of support through other initiatives to bring people into the City of Onkaparinga, but with the growth of golf and paddle sports this only strengthens that. There are a host of junior golfers that don't have access to a training facility of this quality and to keep it in our council area is a good thing
I am excited to see the golf course be upgraded and modernised.
It is a brilliant opportunity to develop a regional facility in the City of Onkaparinga. The site is already used as a driving range; this project looks to enhance the existing offering. There is a shortage of this sort of facility statewide and will be quite the drawcard.
It would be great for the area
I think this space will be incredible for so many reasons. We currently don't have anything like this. Great for young family's, a space to connect and workout. Also build more footprint to help support local business's.
The existing range is a popular destination but this upgrade will make even more regular visits and also will entice people from outside the area an exciting place to visit
Just make sure it stays affordable
Not alot in the area for families to do i think this would be great
Sounds like a huge upgrade compared to what's currently there. I've never stepped foot in the current facilities however would love to take my young family to the proposed mini golf course
Opens the facility up to more users including families and other activities
Brilliant, we need it!!!
This is a fantastic idea bringing people to the area and providing more outside space.
So I don't have to drive to west beach and I can stay local
Would be a great opportunity to have something nice down here as I know the driving range has tended to be a bit dull compared to ones down north and would be a great place for some fun!

Golf has taken off running as a popular sport and South Australia has been supporting it with LIV
This driving range down south would be a hotspot for people like my self all year around
Keeps families local rather than traveling down to west beach. Would you a welcome idea.
We need more things to do down south :) very supportive of more attractions and entertainment available and local
I think it will be great for both families and adults for a fun place to go, it will also attract more people to the area
Sound's like a great facility. I'll certainly go there and check it out. Hopefully the price point will keep it accessible for families.
Port Noarlunga needs other attractions other than the beach
Huge growing sport especially amongst young people. The more things getting people off their phones the better
It's a huge improvement on the current poor quality and run down facility
Great option. that driving range has needed updating for a long time.
I am supportive because I go to the port Noarlunga driving range very often and the people are lovely and it a great place to practice and it would be great to see it improve as it's very popular
It would be a great addition, the proof is in the pudding when you look at the west beach driving range and how popular it is due to the lack of quality driving ranges around
I have used the current form of the driving range multiple times and believe the proposed upgrades will benefit the region
I have just started playing pickleball and I love it. My 14 year old son and his mates l9ve using the driving range. It would be great to bring more activities for people to do in Port Noarlunga.
We need to keep building up the beautiful area that we have and this is a good family friendly option
This will be awesome for families and visitors coming into the area. It will help driving tourism, create local jobs and make use of an old dump site that is otherwise dormant.
It will be a great asset to bring people to the area
It looks great for the whole family

I use the current one so an upgrade would be incredibly beneficial for our area.
Fraser opportunity
Good use of the land, will provide more opportunities for locals and bring money into the local town.
This area needs more activities for people. Especially teens!!
I live in trot park an the two closest ranges are west beach or port Noarlunga and the one that is currently at port Noarlunga is terrible. This would be a huge upgrade to our southern region
An upgrade is well needed
Need a facility like this down south nothing like it even remotely close.
Just make sure no back hands to Chinese business or Labor twats
Fantastic initiative for the southern suburbs. We don't have many attractions like this so it would be great to increase activity with in the area.
Would be great to have the facilities improved and mini golf closer to the south for kids and families, great idea!
We need more outdoor activity centres for all residents
We don't have anything like this ATM. It would encourage young people to spend more time in the outdoors.
We need a decent mini golf option in our area, like the West Beach one.
This will be great for our region and something for locals to participate in and be active, very supportive of this proposal
Amazing! Love the idea! Fully support these activities to get the community active outside and bring more business to the area!
Brilliant idea. Let's bring it home and get it done.
Looks fantastic. The south really needs more entertainment options especially for kids.
Much needed upgrades to improve the facilities and overall service of the facility

This council area lacks any decent recreational facility. If the proposal stays true to the artists impression then I see this as something that will be an asset and not another half arsed development.
Need more rec areas in this vicinity. Also need places for kids parties.
Its recreational use will suit all ages locally, within SA, interstate and overseas
Health and activity for the community
Pt Noarlunga driving range has long been an under performing and poorly kept asset. Greenspace Management have a strong track record of transforming these types of facilities into thriving facilities that benefit the community. They are a perfect fit for making this into a fantastic venue the Council and community can be proud of.
This council does not have a good driving range for the public. Closest range is at Drummond near airport. We need a driving range that will attract visitors and keep customers wanting to go back.
Golf is growing rapidly in popularity and the only other good driving ranges are 30 minutes away
Sounds like a fantastic facility to promote active lifestyle for residents and attract visitors to the area. Very important to have a driving range in the area since the golf clubs have been selling theirs off.
Increased activities Increased use due to all weather undercover bays and extended hours of use Upgraded facilities Catering to more users Premium facility in the South My son is a golfer and he would love this local facility and use often Increased local economic benefits
The area needs ongoing development to improve facilities and create jobs.
It's a good initiative for the area. It supports health & wellbeing Because Onkaparinga is a low socio-economic area it's excellent to have free activities for the residents. It will improve tourism
This area was a dump years ago and improvements to this driving range would be a good improvement
I love the Port Noarlunga driving range and think the new owners have done a fantastic job the past few years. However, it needs an overhaul and upgrade. Hopefully we can maintain some natural grass tee blokes as well as artificial
The current site is a perfect location but an imperfect driving range. It's great for those not interested in golf but for those who have an interest and have invested in equipment and clubs it's ill equipped to provide an adequate facility to practice on.

With the driving range at willunga golf course average at best - and Thaxted park selling the land for development at what was their driving range there isn't a decent public ally accessible outdoor driving range south of the airport. It's needed to train juniors and build a strong culture of junior golf in suburbs devoid of private facilities such as around the grange/glenelg/westlakes area.

I am a long-time resident of Port Noarlunga and an avid golfer, and I am writing to express my full and enthusiastic support for the proposed transformation of the Port Noarlunga Driving Range by GreenSpace Management, including the long-term lease of community land for up to 20 years and the amendment to the Community Land Management Plan (CLMP).

This proposal represents an exciting opportunity to revitalise a cherished local asset into a modern, inclusive recreation hub that will benefit our community for generations. At its core, it prioritises family accessibility and fun, entertainment-based activities right here in our local area, making it easier for families, young people, and social groups to enjoy active outings without travelling far. The integration of cutting-edge Trackman Range technology with 24 undercover bays and 6 premium grass bays will elevate the golfing experience, while keeping it welcoming and approachable for beginners and families alike—no prior skills needed to join in the fun.

I'm especially thrilled about the addition of Australia's second URBAN SHANX mini golf site and the initial 2 Padel courts (with plans for 2 more), which will provide diverse, light-hearted entertainment options designed for all ages and abilities. These features, combined with a central welcoming courtyard for gatherings, will create a vibrant space where families can spend quality time together, laughing over mini golf challenges or trying padel for the first time.

I particularly appreciate the environmentally sensitive design that harmonises with our beautiful seaside surroundings, using a natural colour palette and low-impact features. This ensures the site remains a sustainable, family-friendly spot that aligns with our coastal identity. As City of Onkaparinga CEO Phu Nguyen noted, this project supports community wellbeing and the local economy through high-quality, inclusive recreation—values that resonate deeply with me as a local parent/grandparent/resident keen on more entertainment choices nearby.

GreenSpace Management's track record of award-winning transformations gives me confidence in their ability to deliver a vibrant, welcoming facility that puts families first. Golf Australia's endorsement further underscores the proposal's forward-thinking approach to making golf and recreation entertaining and accessible for everyone.

I urge the Council to proceed with the lease and CLMP amendment in late 2025, paving the way for the development application and further community input. This transformation will strengthen our community bonds, boost local tourism, and provide endless fun activities for families in the area—let's make it happen!

I think it's a fantastic upgrade of the current site that will bring people from all over Adelaide. If they can keep prices affordable then it will appeal to a lot of people

I think it's a great idea. My adult son uses the driving range to get exercise and get him outside for fresh air.

From what I've seen over the years I have lived in the area, the golf driving range is very much under utilised. The proposed development would improve the facilities and attract more use. I support the proposal to lease the land for 20 years. To be a success, the expanded facilities must be widely advertised.

The remaining council land between the driving range, scouts club and tennis club could perhaps be put to further good community use, including as a community sports field now that the land next to the South Adelaide football club will never be developed with a sports field (as originally intended).

The current one is an absolute hole. Hate paying money to hit off of dirt.

Another recreational option for locals and visitors to the area and opportunity for local employment

Travel to West Beach to use their driving range. Usually support food businesses down there after. Would love to have a facility like this in the South

There's almost no recreation in southern Adelaide
My husband and friends love going to the driving range but it is in desperate need of some sun protection and improvement of facilities. Its an affordable place to practice but essentially a dirt paddock.
I think this is a great idea. Definitely needs a freshen up. It's great for kids to have something close by.
This would be a great upgrade to the existing site and there isn't anything similar in the area
It is a great idea and much needed revamp of a site that is currently under developed and subsequently underused.
Good for the community
This is a fantastic initiative. With the growing population in the southern suburbs, it's vital that we invest in infrastructure—particularly sporting facilities—to encourage and support younger generations to stay active and engaged. I'm very supportive of this proposal. Joanne Wood
This will be a positive area of activity and be a great use of land in the area
The south needs a range that is of a high standard as the game of golf grows
Although I value the driving range at porties, at times it's very hard to utilize due to poor grass to hit off and damaged balls. I play golf 2-3 times a week and everyone that I chat with share the same opinion. A new facility in this area will book.
Good for community doesn't impact on anyone
The facility needs a facelift
As a golfer, to practice currently in hitting golf balls on a range the City of Onkaparinga has substandard facilities - Port Noarlunga and Willunga. To provide a professional facility will encourage golfers and the sport overall. The proposed facilities will be used.
What a great use of the current space that provides high quality amenities to our community and encourages active participation in children, community. Getting people active in a state of the art facility and growing sport and golf
It's going to be a much better facility not just a driving range but mini golf too.

Sounds amazing! Kids keen for mini golf!

The redevelopment plans look fantastic, I only have two concerns / queries. Firstly, instead of putting Padel courts, it seems wiser to make the courts multi purpose to provide a diversified offering. This way the courts can be hired out to tennis and padel players as well as perhaps basketballers and netballers. Secondly, is it not possible to lease more of the land to create an 9 hole golf course? Though I imagine these considerations are undoubtedly entirely up to GreenSpace.

Miss the old driving range on Majors road and the improvement to the current driving range will see increased use and build numbers of members at most southern suburb golf courses..

I'm incredibly excited about the plan to transform the Port Noarlunga Driving Range into a dynamic, multi-sport hub. The addition of advanced Trackman technology, a modern URBAN SHANX mini golf course, and padel courts will create an inviting space for everyone, from avid golfers to families and first-time players. This aligns perfectly with the Community Vision 2034, promoting stronger community ties, healthier lifestyles, and economic growth through tourism and local jobs. It's a bold step toward making our region a standout destination.

I'm excited about the vision to transform the Port Noarlunga Driving Range into a vibrant, multi-sport destination. The inclusion of cutting-edge Trackman technology, URBAN SHANX mini golf, and padel courts will make the facility more inclusive, appealing to families, young people, and sports enthusiasts alike. This project aligns with the Community Vision 2034 by fostering community connection, promoting active lifestyles, and boosting the local economy through increased tourism and job opportunities. It's a forward-thinking initiative that will enhance the region's liveability.

We really need a decent golf practice facility down south that is not linked or part of a golf course or club.

Not everyone can afford to be a member of a golf club and use their practice facilities.

A range of other activities like Cray golf/putt would increase use and inclusiveness of the space.

Serious golfer have nothing like trackman in the area. Trackman is a up to date and cutting edge option that allows serious game improvement and fun for all.

The sooner the better for our area.

The proposed venue looks great for all residents and visitors. Something for everyone

We don't bother going to the current facilities as they are always run down and grass is terrible. To have an amazing venue down south like this would be great, me and my mates would use it often provided the cost is comparable to other venues

Mini golf will be an excellent addition opening up the space for more users

This would be great as I have going to this range for year and it look very run down.

My husband + 2 sons love golf, as do all the boys in our extended family

The current range is bad. And we don't have enough golf options near to us.

This is really great for the community and support the growing golf game.
Last time I visited the driving range it was sub-par, so any improvement would be a plus.
We need more activities like this in South. If the infrastructure gets upgraded more will come. It's a fun healthy activity.
Fantastic to see the opportunities this presents- benefiting residents and visitors alike
The area needs more modern facilities.
I think it is a good community resource
It would be great for the area we need something like this
I live close to the reserve and it's definitely under developed and underutilised.
I play golf and use the current driving range. An upgrade would be a positive development.
Activation of a site within a popular tourism area. Will likely encourage more business that have different offerings to the area.
This is a fantastic proposal and will be great for golfers, families and tourists.
I think investment into sports and activity-based enhancement projects, that improve accessibility and inclusivity, are extremely valuable for our local community
This area needs a golf driving range. I have used the existing range infrequently over 25 years. The development should add amenity and a higher quality of experience.
I'm extremely supportive of this decision. It will bring more people
Will be a much needed introduction of activities into the area.
The current facility is tired and in need of improvement. The addition of a multi use / purpose space is a good idea, not that I would use the Padel Tennis courts.
An upgrade with new facilities will benefit tourism as well as provide better facilities for constituents
As long as the public have access to the facilities, I am fully in favour of the design.

It's a major upgrade to the current offering
Looks terrific. Love it.
artist impression looks awesome, the old park looked outdated and poor
Better facilities as presently available
This looks like an amazing development and will bring much benefit to residents and visitors!
I am an avid golfer and make use of the existing facility, the planned upgrade would improve my practise and also offer an outlet for the whole family
Increased activities in the area is always a good thing
Adelaide is underserved for these kinds of facilities. The existing Driving Range is substandard and poor and requires upgrade to maximise it's potential.
I'm undecided
I have nothing against a driving range. Go for it. However, the condition of the immediately surrounding Recreation Park, in most immediate directions of the driving range, is an absolute disgrace, and a serious cleanup and rejuvenation of these areas should take priority. It would be wonderful if a good driving range brings new people to the area. And a huge embarrassment if those then decide to take a bit of a stroll around the surrounding areas between the range and the river. There are still remnants of the old dump, bricks, and bits of asbestos still evident in the surrounding areas.
Undecided due to the fact that port noarlunga bowling club has applied for a dome to be placed over one of our greens, and council is not coming forward with any suitable answers. If this driving range project goes ahead, then what are the comments you cant dig any where due to different reasons all about. There will be lots of digging if this goes ahead
Cannot make a decision without my questions below answered.
Hi my name is Michael. Thank you Ben for visiting us yesterday at our property. We live extremely close to the proposed project. I love the idea of renovating the existing golf course into something more modern. However, my concern is how noisy it will get. As next to us is a nursing home we value the peace and quiet our area holds. My next concern is the expansion of the golf course closer to our house. As mentioned yesterday the green space Infront of our property is widely used by local residents to go on walks with their dogs. It would not be ideal if there is an open car parking area where people are walking their pets. I am also worried if the car park floor is dirt, how much dust will flow into our house from all the car movement.

The Port Noarlunga driving is pretty much the only grass driving range within miles. Many golfers especially the better players need a grass driving range to practice properly. I see in the proposal that there would only be 6 grass bays. This sounds insufficient. I would say you need at least 12.

Upgrades to the driving range facilities are needed however myself and many golfers prefer this driving range over other local ones due to being able to hit off of grass. Artificial turf does not give the same feel or feedback as grass. Additionally the current range is preferred over other ranges due to the price of balls. I frequent the range sometimes 3 times a week. This is affordable with cheap ball prices and multi-buy deals. If the price rises to pay for the Trackman software and expensive upgrades many golfers including myself will not be able to afford to frequent the range regularly.

I suspect that trees will be removed to facilitate a car park/access. I am definitely opposed to further decimation of our tree canopy. Also, I don't think bright purple Padel courts are a natural colour palette that harmonises with the natural environment.

I run around the river every week, including south of the driving range. Genuine open space for walking running and riding is needed and popular! Look after what you have and don't fence us out with a price tag.
New development on the roadside is OK.
I am a lifelong resident of the south with 4 children.

It is a highly noted fact that those living in close proximity to golf courses have higher levels of cancers including leukaemia due to the high levels of roundup used to keep the green weed free. This also affects any water it runs off into. As this is in close proximity to residential homes and a river what assurances can be given regarding how weed control will be implemented to preserve the health of nearby residents and all who use the nearby river for recreational uses.

I use the driving range a lot the reason is I get to hit off grass
Green Mats don't give you real feel

There looks to-be insufficient dedicated on site parking considering theres 24 driving bays, padel tennis and the fun golf. Parking on River road would be far from ideal due to the risks to all road users.

I am supportive with some reservations:
The flow of traffic along Old Honeypot Rd, River Rd, the main Road and bridge over the river has already increased significantly in recent years due to a growth in population and housing resulting in long queues in peak hour times and a significant increase in traffic in the local streets mentioned above. The addition of a Driving Range will add to the increase of traffic, noise and the congestion caused when leaving River Rd to access local main roads.
I am also wondering if this is going to mean the removal of the trees marked in orange ? If this is the case, in light of all our environmental knowledge, I would strongly oppose the Agreement.

Various concerns;
Traffic
I don't golf or wish to play padel etc.
Is this the best use of this public land?
Is this the best area to put this facility in?

I believe the current owners should not lose out on their investment, there's the environmental impact, I don't think there's enough additional investment to warrant it. It should include a rage cage playground equipment, public spaces, teenage/older kid focused equipment, pump tracks, etc, similar to what Murray bridge have. Outdoor chess (small tiled

tables) ping pong, etc. a more multiple use space with some paid activities but many free community activities too. Story book trails, fairy gardens, etc.
I am concerned about access to the venues. Will it be on River Rd.? The River Rd Gawler Street corner is very busy at all times of day.
Im supporotive in general but have concerns - road infrastructure in the general vicinity (in and out of the township of Port Noarlunga, the bridge etc) needs to be upgraded to support the volume of current motorists and residents, plus the additional visitors this will attract.
I do support this for recreation, sport and community engagement however I am very concerned about the ecological impact. If there was a way to invest and regenerate another area above and beyond what would be lost then I think that would be a win/win situation.
I'm not supportive
The driving range is a huge draw card for golfers as it's the only all grass tee area available at a public driving range , you should have supported the current lease holders not given to an interstate company . You are supposed to support locals
I'm not supportive because the surrounding reserve remain neglected and poorly rehabilitated. There's still exposed landfill material, uneven ground and little vegetation. Council should prioritise cleaning up and restoring this public land before funding or approving any new development.
River Road is clogged with traffic outside of Perry Park already and this will only make it worse. With all the new housing development going on close by we wre going to have so much traffic on Old Honeyplot Road. It is already busy enough. This project will add to the traffic congestion we already have here.
I don't think council should be paying any money for this project The area hasn't got enough parking now with the nursing home and the existing range
I am not totally against the idea, my main concern is pollution to the fragile eco-system and contributing to the current natural disaster "algal bloom" Issues *Floodlighting onto river *Earthworks pollution *Landfill disturbance (pollution) *affordability for locals *Other sites may have not been considered *traffic issues *disturbance to the nearby residences In regards to the proposed golf site update on the river, is there any info on restricting floodlights onto the river estuary. And also the location of the former landfill dump, if earthworks may disturb pollution underneath, also what environmental studies have been done regarding earthworks, causing sediment into the river. With the current algal bloom, it doesn't seem like a good time for earthworks to cause sediment into the river. No amount of promises of dust mitigation, will have me trusting or believing, i live across the road from the hickinbotham estate, even after complaining, the dust was not controlled. Also the new development closer to collonades, so much mud was being tracked onto the road from machinary, which goes down the storm water.

Why isn't the empty bunnings warehouse noarlunga site, being utilised? With the March For Australia anti immigration marches happening, misplaced hate towards immigration, due to 'perceived' housing shortages (simply not true) why is Bunnings allowed to hoard such a big area of land and let it sit vacant for so long? Turn that into a recreation /indoor play centre/ mini golf.
No. Leave it as it is. People want fancy crap? Go to West Beach, X Golf or any of the other clubs with indoor ranges like Flagstaff Hill.
What is wrong with the driving range already there? In a cost of living dilemma where are the ordinary people going to find extra money to pay the outlandish costs the new facility will charge? More of our rates going to help prop up a private enterprise?
It's my view that we as a community should recognise that the founders of the current venue have put in the hard work have brought this to our community- if we are going to capitalise on there hard work then let allow them the opportunity to have the support from the powers that be.
It's hard to support this when there is no dollar figure on how much it's going to cost the Council. While I support extra facilities being brought into the area how much will it cost Council. Also, you promote support local, so why are you getting an Interstate company to manage and benefit from it? It would be mush better if an SA local owned company leased and managed it keeping it within the community.
Living in one of the biggest councils is proving to have its disadvantages. Have been involved in sport for years at Morphetts vale Basketball Stadium and it's in desperate need of attention (falling apart, mould on walls etc). It's a growing sport for our youth but the facilities don't match anything that other council areas can offer. Work with Basketball SA to make improvements on things like this over an unnecessary \$10 million upgrade to a golf course that the current owners and community don't want or need. When will the basketball community feel the love? Shouldn't health and safety for our youth matter? We continue to have to play in sweltering stadiums not fit for the Australian summer and let's not mention the mould on the stadium walls that isn't safe for anyone. First it was the swimming centre, now the golf course, when is it basketballs turn?
You have treated local families that currently own the range terribly , you chose not to listen to what the community wanted and are spending rate payers money on a project that will never be financially viable
A perfectly good business already exists. It has all grass tee off areas, Is affordable and family friendly. I will be boycotting this new business as it was unethically established and simply will become unaffordable.
Bad idea. Massive overheads will increase the price & have it go broke.
The financial cost and risk of loss making is too great when we have years of deficit. The current facility provides a sufficient service and isn't too expensive for adults and kids to hit a ball. I imagine that the proposed facility would be more expensive.
The plans look amazing, but who is going to be able to afford to go! Yes, the current place is not fancy but we can afford to attend. Build the new place but in a DIFFERENT LOCATION and leave the current one as is.

Leave it with the owners and please stop making decisions that will continue to put the area in further debt.
Our group (including 3 residents of the CoO) put forward an EOI and did get past first base. Our proposal was no different to what is on offer by GreenSpace and we are local which we were told would hold us in good stead.
The driving range there is exactly what us locals love, no need for anything else
Don't need big flash buildings going up. It's nice and quiet at the range how it is it's natural. Keep something simple and cost effective for people to enjoy. I'm sure it will cost a lot more to hit a ball for practice or enjoyment.
Money spent could be better used elsewhere, reduce council debt or lower fees. It also seems like people enjoy the simplicity of the current facilities and given the location in regards to the river that land shouldn't be over developed.
This area is a flood risk, to develop the area to that extent is a massive liability. Part of the reason that land all went back to council was to mitigate flood risks and revive wetlands. If the area floods it can be rehabilitated quickly and cheaply. I live locally and as much as I love to see the area thriving I dont think over developing around the river is necessary. The basic and functional driving range that was there seems better suited to the area. Onkaparinga council could divert the funds to develop existing facilities and sites
I notice the expansion area adjacent the road will remove a number of significant well established trees. There is a lot of vacant land east of the range that has no existing trees, why cant that area be used instead and retain the roadside trees?
The driving range is currently well run, and used by a wide range of community members. Under the new plan, the price would undoubtedly go up, and make it inaccessible to many community members. It would be great to see this facility built in another suburb (perhaps Aldinga or McLaren Vale) as an alternate option to the current driving range
It takes away from local business, Greenspace are not a south Australian company and don't have a good track record
I am not supportive as it would mean the loss of large established trees. This road is visually nice to drive down due to the trees. There is other land that could be used bordering on the existing property that would not involve chopping down the minimal large trees we have in the area.
Waste of rate payers money
Needs to be open space for all communities to use

How supportive are you for the City of Onkaparinga to enter into a long-term Management Agreement?

I'm supportive

I selected "I'm supportive" because I believe a long-term Management Agreement would provide stability, consistency, and clear direction for the project's future. It would allow for better maintenance, planning, and community engagement over time. Establishing this kind of agreement ensures that resources are used effectively and that the facilities remain accessible and beneficial to the local community. I also think it would help strengthen partnerships between the City of Onkaparinga and local groups, creating more opportunities for residents to participate and enjoy shared spaces.

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By providing a long term lease it ensures the level of investment proposed can be maintained & that a genuine & symbiotic relationship can be formed among all stakeholders.

Logical play

Creates certainty for the community

A long term agreement will allow resources to be allocated for its development

Future proofs the game of golf

Security for the region

A long term management agreement will give the operators the time to commit to the development and investment, create meaningful connections with the community.

Long term sounds good

As long as plan is future proof and not half ass

Because the council gets to keep the land and the facility.

The agreement is obviously essential for success and a long term agreement could attract the right applicant

Get more people engaging in physical activity!

So that it can be looked after and managed correctly.
Long term is better for the community
It will create more jobs for people living in onkaparinga council.
Long term, sustainable agreements are what's needed to fully support a plan such as this.
Best way to manage expenses whilst still delivering outcomes
Good investment, but roads and infrastructure must support this.
Obviously for them to invest in the facility the business needs an assurance that they will have ongoing use of the site, so a long term agreement is essential.
Council backing will ensure that it stays maintained and in business.
It would be financially advantageous I'd assume
Gives someone an opportunity to invest and make it their own
Best way to proceed
If the business spends the money on the upgrades it's only fair that they recoup the money and have the opportunity to build a stable business.
Makes sense
Something like this can continue to grow and have more sports/courts added to continue growing south Adelaide and health and fitness as a whole
Council having oversight of long term management of the space should ensure that the space remains accessible for a wide range of potential participants - and I hope will mean that it keeps it from becoming exclusionary like some types of golf courses in Adelaide.
As above
Need to be long term for this to work

If a management agreement of a reasonable term is required to support the development of the project this is acceptable
If that's one needed to get the project to go ahead, I don't have any issues with it.
Help small business with their 5 & 10 year plans same as council has their 5 & 10 year plan.
Improve tourism and good for families
This will give the investor certainty.
Because sometimes it is best to let the experts manage the venue
An upgrade like this won't happen without a long term management plan
Done properly should be a winner no real land around the place for opposition and a growing population.
Long term consistency
Long term management agreement leads to a much better partnership within the council
Will be great if the council manages it to great extent and doesn't let it lapse
this creates certainty and potentially more engagement from the operators and the community
Surely the council we be able to manage and maintain the area better.
For any new idea to thrive it needs to be given a decent amount of time to work through and remain sustainable and profitable.
As per previous respinse
I have played golf at other locations managed by GreenSpace and they do an excellent job of running these courses, I'm excited to see what they can do at Port Noarlunga.
An investment of this nature requires long-term security of tenure.
There is so much variety with this plan. Something for everyone.

The proposal is fantastic and the new structures and courts are a lot better than the current infrastructure. To invest in this amazing initiative a long term agreement makes more sense.
The proposal will make the area a more interesting place to live
👍
The range needs investment and a longer lease with an investment expectation clause would attract someone willing to put some money on the table.
Because it will be great for the community to ungraded and it's a very popular place
Can't expect business to invest in upgrades if no guarantee they will have a long enough lease to recoup their investment and make a profit
Ideally management are given the opportunity to implement a 5-year strategy and if deemed successful, be given the option to extend (i.e term 5 + 5).
Because I'm supportive
They would help guide it in the right direction
I don't mind as long as it is built and stays. It will add so much value
Gives security of the plan
It wouldn't be worth spending such a great amount for a short term investment.
This gives business owners certainty and ability to invest long term in our great growing region
To safeguard longevity
Businesses need time to establish and setup to be successful.
This has potential as a cashflow option for the council. Seeing as the aquatic centre and other rec centres are embarrassingly unwanted identities to the council area and don't see the amount of use they should be getting.
Ensure ongoing maintance and investment

No reason
Savvy business operators will respond appropriately to a show of trust that is a long term agreement. If managed appropriately, long term agreements open opportunities for both the operator and community (and Council) to unlock the true potential of a site.
Hopefully you can make an informed decision on behalf of the residents of your local area
A 20 yr agreement seems fair
I am supportive in the hope that the local Council of Onkaparinga will consider carefully the above possible traffic problems and the environmental need to keep the trees.
I figure this will be necessary in order to justify the investment in upgrades and new facilities.
If tax payers money is being used for this then it needs to be sustainable for the long term before some greedy (possibly Chinese) business person takes advantage of the scraps.
I think the more help to maintain the area the better. It's going to attract more tourists down to Port Noarlunga
As per above
For this to be a success it needs a long term commitment
It's important to know what is happening into the future.
The developers need a stable, long term agreement to get a return on their investment. At the end of the lease the council will resume control and have a continuing asset.
Anything is better than current one
To support the business to be financially viable
Secures long term for facility
As above
For the reasons above

Have no issue with the range.
Would make sense to give some long term stability for the project to ensure it's viable and done properly
As above
I believe long term investment in our community is necessary
Will help with community boost and keep people busy
I am very supportive of the City of Onkaparinga entering into a long-term Management Agreement. With the growing population in the south, it is crucial that we secure sustainable infrastructure—particularly sporting facilities—that will benefit the community and encourage younger generations to be more active. A long-term agreement provides certainty, stability, and the ability to plan properly for the future.
A long term option will give the owner more incentive to invest
The site is already a great spot that I use on a very regular basis but its absolutely begging for a proper business with some capital to develop it further.
Good for area to be developed and will take time hopefully other facilities will be built there also
Offers long term stability
Professional facilities will attract, will be used.
This sort of investment takes capital and we won't get this product or long term success without it
Govt funding and maintenance
I strongly back the 20-year partnership with GreenSpace Management. Their experience in running top-tier recreational facilities will ensure this project thrives as a sustainable, high-quality venue. A long-term commitment means reliable upkeep and ongoing enhancements, delivering lasting benefits for our community.
I fully support the proposed 20-year partnership with GreenSpace Management. Their expertise in managing recreational facilities will ensure the driving range becomes a sustainable, world-class destination. A long-term agreement provides stability, allowing for consistent investment in maintenance and improvements, which will benefit the community for years to come. I trust that this partnership will deliver on the promised economic and social outcomes while keeping the facility accessible and well-managed.

It will provide the opportunity for an organisation to take ownership of the space. This should lead to greater investment to enable long term return.
This will allow the company to properly invest in the venue
As above, to provide ongoing recreation activities for our family
There needs to be a management plan.
I don't really know much about them but I would love this driving range to stay around longer.
Need certainty
I think it is a good option
Can share the load so its not all out of Councils funds, but still get the community benefit in the longer term.
Onka deserves facilities like this. Big population, and it's growing. Lets see some infrastructure and things for people to do. This and the proposed wave pool - awesome!
A long-term management option allows for stability and security, enabling investment into the facility
However, the City of Onkaparinga should not sell off the land. It must retain control in teh long term. A long term management will help ensure that the managers invest for an optimum facility.
Allows stablity of services
Understanding the financial outlay requires security
I support long term arrangements
As long as operating is guided to allow the park to be affordable to the public
Long term benefits
The longer the lease the better as it will give those leasing it ownership and genuine investment in running the business.
I support local council and believe under the management plan the facilities will be kept at a high standard

I'm undecided

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See questions below

Not sure what that means

Require more understanding to be able to comment on this side of things

How long?

I dont mind as long as the council assist in the management of the golf course in cleanliness, noise and safety.

Unsure, just as long as onkapunga actually keep it maintained unlike a lot of our other community spaces which end up looking dead and weedy after some time.....

Same as above.

I only chose undecided as I don't know the ins and outs of this. Don't know what the difference would be but sounds like a good idea to keep it maintained.

I don't have enough information to make a judgement.

Not sure if the council or a private owner would do a better job of maintaining the grounds and promoting it well

The how matters less than the what.

Do not trust you to not stuff it up

I am unsure the impacts of a long term management agreement, 20 years is a long time but I hope it can be positive. I don't know enough about the topic.

It is a highly noted fact that those living in close proximity to golf courses have higher levels of cancers including leukaemia due to the high levels of roundup used to keep the green weed free. This also affects any water it runs off into. As this is in close proximity to residential homes and a river what assurances can be given regarding how weed control will be implemented to preserve the health of nearby residents and all who use the nearby river for recreational uses.

Hoping that the contract is managed effectively and the facility lives up to expectations.
Such partnerships aren't always successful. I am thinking of the takeover of the Noarlunga Recreation and pool when council had to take back management from a company that I can't remember the name of!
I am not completely across the agreement but generally supportive.
I'm not supportive
You wouldn't help the current lease holders at all so why should you help interstate company
The area is still in poor condition and hasn't been properly rehabilitated since the landfill was capped 40 odd years ago. Entering into a long-term management agreement now would lock the council into a commercial project before the surrounding land has been restored and made safe, accessible, and environmentally sound.
It's public land and should not be allowed to be used for an interstate company's profit
Leave it as it is.
The rate payers will be left holding the can when it all falls over
There is already a venue there that brought this to our community- they deserve the support .
Keep it a local company. Support local as you say and promote.
See above, so many other things that deserve attention over a golf course.
You would not give one to anyone else , you only want it because you are a partner
The City of Onkaparinga council is corrupt and broke.
Council hasn't shown sufficient evidence that it can conduct its affairs properly so I have reservations about any long term agreement.
Leave it with the owners and please stop making decisions that will continue to put the area in further debt.
As above

It's public gree space and should remain that way. A five year plus lease is over the top.
10 years with 10 years right of renewal would be more beneficial to ensure the facilities conditions are being 'met/maintained' as it should be.
These agreements with facilities like the noarlunga swimming and recreation centre have been poorly managed in the past.
See answer above
If the company do a bad job it is stuck for a large period of time, they can also drag out plans to suit them.
Are you able to outline what the benefit / justificaiton is for both parties to enter into a 20 year lease? Otherwise, I think a 20 year lease is too long. I understand this may seem more viable for GreenSpace's business planning however I think a 10 year lease is more than adequate.
Government at all levels need to fuck off and let the private sector do its thing. It always ends badly with too much government involvement.
Waste of rate payers money
Needs a bigger focus on land for all the community not just sporting facilities

How supportive are you for the City of Onkaparinga to proceed with an amendment to the Community Land Management Plan (CLMP)

I'm supportive
great use of open space
I'm supportive because I believe the amendment to the Community Land Management Plan would make positive use of the land and benefit the local community. It would allow for better planning, improved access, and more opportunities for recreation and social connection. Supporting this amendment also shows a commitment to developing spaces that encourage outdoor activity and community engagement.
By opening up the land, it allows greater innovation & increased opportunities for the broader community to enjoy the facility.
Makes sense

Good use of the land
Will be a great use of the land currently not being utilized
Location looks good
Makes sense
Makes sense and allows more room to create the other offerings like padel
I can't see any issues
If you knock down tree put two or three up in its place. I understand that its hidden that gold range so opening it up will present it more.
It looks like fun, and I'd like to see it go ahead because I want to be able to use it.
The area is currently in the summer a dust bowl of extreme proportion and needs upgrading
There is nothing else there it's not being used for anything
It will be good for the area
Would be awesome for the town
will allow for further carparking
This is what's needed to make a project like this come to fruition.
Do it right, do it once
Perfect location to utilise and modernise the area
Seems necessary for what is proposed.
Makes the range a better more rounded facility

This addition is not over bearing and will add so much value
The space is not used for much at the moment
This land addition looks to be used to ensure safe access and onsite parking for patrons of the proposed facility.
Nice big piece of land to develop some more sporting areas
It's an unused space and changes will benefit the community
You would need the extra land for car parking, especially if it brings extra traffic to a road that needs upgrading. River Road has no kerbs on the golf club side and is subject to flooding. And it's extremely hard to turn right from River Road onto Murray Road.
This is waste land, an old dump with clean fill on top. You can't build homes on contaminated soil so golf driving range is a good option.
Currently the area is under underutilised
Next the space between golf range and bowling club, nice garden open space.
The area is mostly unused so it makes sense to put it to good use
Having built the first one and see it last almost 40 years through thick and thin, the level of people using it these days , with the O Halloran hill closing and Thaxted park selling off theirs should be a winner.
There is plenty of land available
I think its a necessary amendment as well as possible future additions
This will be a great addition to an already good site.
Will add extra area for car parking.
There is already a driving range there - it's pretty basic. It's close to the cafes - that spot of land needs some upgrading esp for residents in river road.
As per first response

No reservations; also due to the past use of this site there are limited options as to what can be done with this parcel of land.
Yes, as long as there's plenty of room so the kangaroos and wildlife.
The southern suburbs are not only my place of residence but we also have our own business and we support the local community. This proposal just adds to what is already an amazing area of our state.
Feels like the area currently isn't being utilised
We need more progress like this, more activities. Let's get this happening!!!
There is space there that is not being used or of use.

Great for everyone
Something of this style is unseen in SA and with the growth of the sport shown through LIV golf goes to show that the investment is a must.
those trees arent a well maintained portion of conservation area they are unkept and unsightly. If you can pair up this leased land with a tidier frontage it will put maintenance of that area to the private sector.
A lot of people are getting into golf and we should be encouraging more and more people to join an activity that is good for their health and mental/physical wellbeing
Unused potential of the land will be a benefit to those who live in region and will bring business to local traders
Help build up the area
For the above mentioned reasons
Because I'm supportive
They have managed other parts really well so I'm confident they would make it look amazing
Sometimes we just need more for the kids.

We need business support of the right kind not Chinese or mussslems
Doesn't seem like it would have that big of an effect on anyone.
As above
It's a great use of that wasted space.
Yes same as reasons above
Makes sense for the growing suburbs
The required extra land is not being used.
The council area needs the development.
It's largely unused land and is subject to flooding so not suitable for housing development. Reduced bush fire threat if the area is managed correctly.
Provides increased interest
It a way to get things fone
Why not?? Show some boldness with this and you will be rewarded by strong community activation, reduced anti-social behaviour that comes with passive surveillance and a highly valued community recreation facility.
Needs some renovation
Above
Looks like as good a use of this land as anything I can think of.
Adjacent land should be converted into a caravan/holiday park. It would have excellent access to the river, the village and the coast, as well as providing more tourism for the McLaren Vale region.
It's a good area to put it and parking won't be a problem. Once Onkaparinga have sorted the big fat mess of access to the south...ie, widened the bridge and sorted salt fleet/Gawler St out so it doesn't bottle neck.
I support the change as I believe the land could be used for community improvements, if not for this facility.

There is nothing out there at the moment, not reason not to expand
As per above
It's a great use of the land, being wetlands there isn't much else that it would be good for and there's still plenty of land for wildlife
Usually this area on river Rd is not noticeable when driving past. Anything to enhance this area would be good. Maybe some trees need to come down to let people know what there is behind them
To help get the project approved
Bigger the better
The expansion is minimal compared to the total council area
As above
For the reasons above
The space needs to be utilised better, happy to see more golf go on in the council area.
I am highly supportive of the City of Onkaparinga proceeding with an amendment to the Community Land Management Plan (CLMP) for the proposed additional portion of land. With the population in the south continuing to grow, it's important to plan for infrastructure—particularly sporting and community facilities—that will benefit residents long-term. An amendment to the CLMP will provide the certainty and flexibility needed to maximise the use of this land for the community's future needs.
If this needs to happen for this to proceed then it should go ahead
I assume you have to do this to change the use of the land
The whole site is not currently activated for community access
You need space to provide golfers the opportunity to practice hitting all clubs. The space is currently not generating any money for the council - a revenue opportunity.
This compliments the whole project
Securing a long term lease will be good for all.

I think the redevelopment will generate more activity and tourism in the area which is a positive thing.
The area is mainly scrub... should be utilized!! I spent 15 years around the scout hall less than 1km from this area and a face lift is desperately needed... this area could be similar to west beach parks area
We need more facilities for the young and growing population in the region.
As above
The current range needs to be expanded.
It's good to have the land go to use. It's a great spot. Should bring people out and down south.
More is goos.
For the same reason as before it is a good community resource involving recreation and social involvement
Looks like a good use of underutilised council land.
It is activating a site that is not used to the best it can be.
Proposal needs space to do what is planned
I can't see any reason to not allow the additional portion to be used for the driving range improvement purposes. Fully supported!
Unused area
Community involvement in fresh air - what could be better?
It makes sense to add that small addition as it's collocated anyway.
It will be great to see additional facilities
I'm not supportive
Why weren't we given the same opportunity to put forward our proposal?

Appendix B: Feedback via Email

From: [REDACTED]
Sent on: Thursday, October 16, 2025 2:52:21 PM
To: Mail <Mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au>
Subject: PORT NOARLUNGA GOLF DRIVING RANGE FEEDBACK

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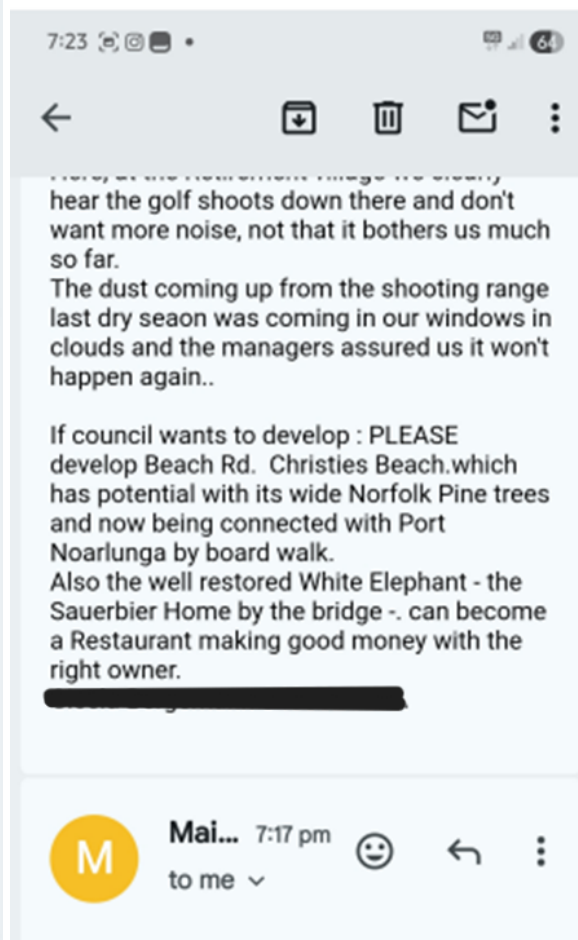
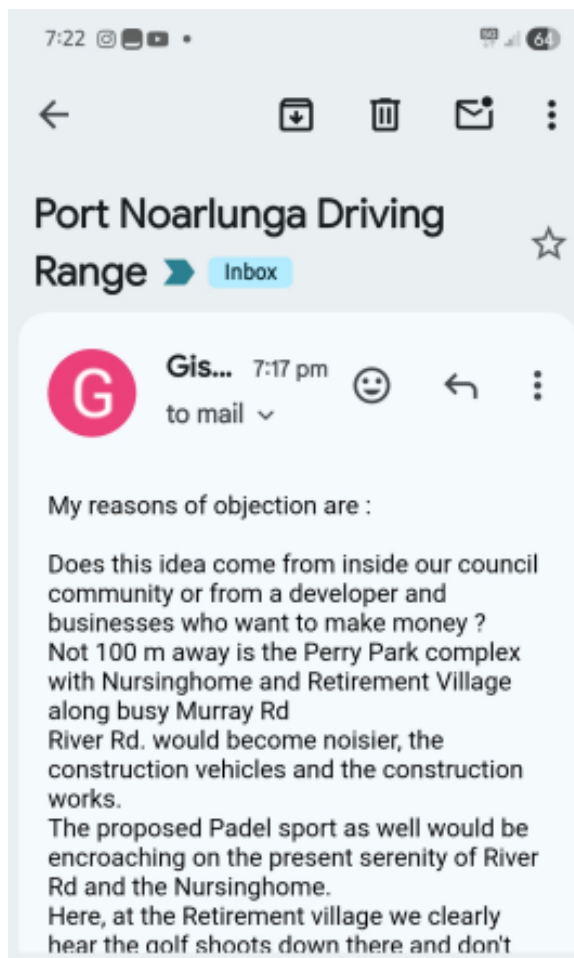
Re: PORT NOARLUNGA DRIVING RANGE

I have received information and a request for feedback on this potential new facility on River Road PORT NOARLUNGA. I am a local resident and fully agree with this new development. What a great opportunity for the local area!

- Upgraded facilities for golfers and other sports
- Improving the area by improving the landscape
- Providing greater opportunities for the protection of local wildlife – Rather than a dusty paddock in summer and a space that simply grows weeds in winter
- Better and safer venue for people to enjoy various sports
- Employment opportunities

I am genuinely struggling to find any kind of negative reason for this development not to go ahead. Congratulations on a great idea ONKAPARINGA Council.

[REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 30 Oct 2025 22:14:19 +1030
To: "Your Say Onkaparinga" <YourSay@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au>; "Mail" <Mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au>
Subject: Gday guys, couple of suggestions

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Hi Onka Council

DRIVING RANGE

I have emailed my thoughts about the driving range, via the your say page:

I think the driving range is a good idea. However, the immediate surrounding areas, in most directions of the range, are a disgrace to the area. There are still remnants of the old dump, bricks, and even traces of asbestos still in the area. A serious rejuvenation of the area should be an absolute priority. We don't want to attract new people to our lovely golf driving range, then have the embarrassment of them then go for a nice stroll in the surrounding lands along the river, only to find it in its present condition.

RIVER ROAD PATH

I have mentioned before that a cycle / footpath along River Road from Port Noarlunga to Perry's Bend should be an absolute priority for the area.

A pedestrian or cyclist will die on that road.

We have wonderful facilities at Perrys Bend, and wonderful paths and trails through the Recreation Park, but you cant safely get there from Port Noarlunga unless you travel by car. The road has a 70kms speed limit, with many vehicles traveling faster than that - but no cycle path or footpath. A safe path is desperately needed, especially from the New Road roundabout to Perry's bend.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 30 Oct 2025 22:54:47 +1030
To: "Mail" <Mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au>; "Your Say Onkaparinga" <YourSay@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au>
Subject: Feedback on Proposed Port Noarlunga Driving Range Redevelopment

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Dear Onkaparinga Council,

I am writing to formally express my opposition to the proposed redevelopment and long-term lease of the Port Noarlunga Driving Range site. I have also completed the online survey but want to ensure my concerns are properly recorded.

Today was my first time walking along the river in that section of W.M. Hunt Reserve, and it will likely be my last. I was shocked, saddened, and angry at the state of the land. The area is littered with exposed landfill material (bricks, concrete, tyres and who knows what else is underneath it all), and the ground is uneven and clearly neglected. It's been more than 40 years since the dump ceased operation, yet it still looks like a forgotten tip on the edge of the Onkaparinga estuary. It's hard to believe the council has put it in the too hard basket for so long.

This neglect dates back to the very period when W.M. Hunt was Mayor, remaining in office until 1985 which is around the time the dump was filled and capped. Naming the reserve after him feels inappropriate given that the site was disgracefully used as landfill during that era. Considering the rich Aboriginal history of the area, an Indigenous place name would be far more fitting and respectful.

Before any new development or lease is considered, Council should focus on genuine rehabilitation. Removing waste, restoring the soil, planting native vegetation, and creating a safe, healthy riverside reserve that reflects environmental care and community pride.

I urge Council to prioritise environmental repair and cultural respect before pursuing any new ventures.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

Appendix C –

Comments from doorknocking –from notes taken by staff

- Supportive - Not enough parking - Traffic issues/speeding/queuing - We keep adding more things, but don't improve traffic issues
- In full support - Throw in a dog park - Traffic issues, would like speed humps - Drainage across the road is a real issue - Stagnant water, not draining, floods during storm events
- Supportive - Traffic concerns
- In support
- In support
- In support - Worried about dust from construction - Talking to MP's about speeding on road - Says aboriginal bones were found on the site - All positive, great idea, tourist attraction, great for community
- In support - Traffic issues - Great for area and employment
- In support - Traffic issues, busy road - Lighting concerns - Cost will increase - Great for the area
- Concerned about how far the carpark encroaches out the front of his property. - Asked us to not extend this far and take the additional land. - This was mixed feedback, while he seemed positive about the project in general, he did not want the additional land to be utilised.

Note – includes commentary from two residents whose comments also included in Appendix A and one in Appendix B.