

MINUTES

Council meeting 19 August 2025

VENUE:	Council Chamber Civic Centre, Ramsay Place, Noarlunga Centre
MEETING COMMENCED:	6.30pm
PRESENT:	Mayor Were (Chair) Cr Bell Cr Davis Cr Eaton Cr Fisher Cr Greaves Cr Jew Cr Platten Cr Pritchard Cr Themeliotis Cr Wilkes Cr Yeomans
APOLOGIES:	Cr Stafford
LEAVE OF ABSENCE:	-
ABSENT:	-

PLEDGE

We recognise this City's considerable natural and cultural heritage, including thousands of years of traditional ownership by Kurna, and the more recent contribution from people either born here or who have migrated here. As we meet together, we build on this heritage by respecting and listening to each other, thinking clearly, being receptive to new ideas, speaking honestly, and deciding wisely for the current and future wellbeing of those we serve.

1. Opening of meeting

Mayor Were officially declared the meeting open at 6.30pm.

Members read the pledge.

2. Confirmation of minutes

MOVED Cr Fisher.

That the minutes of the proceedings of the Council meeting held on 15 July 2025 be received and confirmed as an accurate record of those proceedings.

Seconded by Cr Eaton.

CARRIED

3. Adjourned business

Nil.

4. Leave of absence

Nil.

5. Mayor's communication

5.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

City wide matters

The impact of climate change, warming our ocean and the subsequent algal bloom has demanded attention this past month. Everywhere I go people are telling me of their concerns, asking how they can help and expressing their grief and anxiety.

I am able to point them to our [Climate Emergency declaration](#), years of work in mitigation of climate risk and preparedness through our [Coastal Adaptation](#) plan and [Resilient South](#). We also have a seat at the table with elected representation and technical staff expertise at the Adelaide Coastal Councils Network which is chaired by Cr Gretel Wilkes, and I sit on as a representative of the Local Government Association (LGA). In this role, Cr Wilkes is also a part of the State Government's ministerial advisory group, Harmful Algal Bloom Reference Group, and is advocating in that forum on behalf of all the metropolitan beachside councils. This includes ensuring the council voice is included in decision-making, understood and the needs of our coastal communities are front and centre of deliberations and decision-making processes.

The advocacy work being done now builds on very solid foundations and we are grateful to staff, volunteers, citizen scientists and community groups who we work along, who we learn from and who we listen to as we do all we can to protect our coast, marine life, livelihoods and address this natural disaster.

The LGA is working with the state government to find out more about how councils access the \$1 million for local government clean-up. The clean-up task comes with many risks and uncertainties for councils, and we are working with LGA Mutual and the state government to provide clarity on this. As well as taking initiative, our council is also working with the Department for Environment and Water on beach signage. The LGA President, together with the Mayor of Holdfast Bay will be in Canberra at the end of the month to advocate for recognition of the algal bloom a National Natural Disaster. I have provided input to this

process through our membership of the LGA and in my role as chair of the Greater Adelaide Region of Councils.

Project updates

Witton Bluff Base Trail

The seawall repair works at Christies Beach are now complete — a key milestone for the project. Supported by Federal and State Government funding and delivered by Buttrose Earthmovers, the works have strengthened coastal defences to protect against erosion and the impacts of future climate events.

Neo Infrastructure is now delivering the final stage of the trail, which includes asphalt surfacing, fencing, and solar lighting. Temporary fencing and exclusion zones remain in place during construction to ensure public safety.

An official opening event is being planned for 23 August 2025 to celebrate completion of the new link from Christies Beach to Port Noarlunga.

The public art element of the project is currently being manufactured off-site and is expected to be installed later this year.

Hopgood Theatre

Upgrade of the theatre is currently in its final stages. Council's engaged contractor SHAPE Australia is finalising rectification of defects and minor works and the AV contractor is commissioning the new system. While these works are underway the project team is completing the last final touches, including replanting the garden beds in front of the theatre, and replacing the lecture theatre curtains.

Country Arts SA (CASA) are scheduled to begin relocating to the theatre in late August 2025. Training on the new systems will commence in September 2025 when CASA will also begin hosting private tours to potential hirers.

Planning is in full swing for an official opening event.

Murray Road

Reconstruction of Murray Road, Port Noarlunga commenced in early August 2025.

Works are proceeding in accordance with the Council approved scope which includes:

- installation of a new stormwater system
- reconstruction of road pavement
- streetscape improvements including tree plantings
- lighting improvements
- installation of new 1.5m wide paved footpath (on southern side)
- new pedestrian crossing on Witton Road.

Construction works are anticipated to take approximately four months to complete, subject to weather and any unforeseen latent conditions identified during works.

Achievements

Significant club achievements

Sporting clubs are a core part of how our city builds community and brings the experience of belonging. Out of the many examples I could share, this month I want to highlight two.

Cr Michael Fisher was number one cheer leader on our behalf at the fourth (and back-to-back) premiership for South Adelaide Football Club's women's team. This team is an exemplar in leadership on and off the field. It is an extraordinary achievement making them the most successful women's football team at their competition level in Australia. As President Geoff Baynes said in a message to players, coaches and staff: *Your commitment,*

grit, and sheer talent have culminated in a triumph that is being celebrated across the club and beyond. Behind every play was a network of people who believed in you, pushed you at pre-season, and cheered you on through mud, sweat, and even horizontal rain.

I would also extend our thanks to your families, friends and community supporters and club volunteers who are no doubt, equally thrilled with your success. The team's tenacity and commitment to excellence and teamwork is inspirational.

40 years of the Hub Gymnastics Club was celebrated this month and they are thrilled with their upgraded facilities. As the trusted delivery partner for the project, it was a delight to keep hearing the difference it is making to the club as they received their 1000th member this month. Co-Patron and club member Cr Marion Themeliotis was on hand to present life membership to three outstanding women noting their dedication, service and leadership over decades.

Citizenship

Wednesday 9 July, I had the privilege of welcoming 48 new Citizens from 13 countries at a Citizenship Ceremony at the Port Noarlunga Arts Centre. Katrine Hildyard MP was in attendance with, Cr Geoff Eaton, Thalassa Ward, Cr Kim Davis, Pimpala Ward and Cr Marisa Bell, Southern Vales Ward.

Susan Roberts welcomed everyone with a generous Greeting to Country, the VIP guest speaker was local CFS volunteer, Steven Douglas, and music was provided by Dave Hull.

Congratulations to Cr Michael Fisher for his ministerial appointment to the State Government's South Australian Boating Facilities Advisory Committee, as the representative for the Local Government Association of SA.

Elected Member Representation

Thank you to Deputy Mayor Cr Lauren Jew for representing me at:

- Bendigo Bank Community Bank Fleurieu: Community Investment Evening
- City of Adelaide Round Table - Partnering to Prevent Homelessness
- Operation Flinders Presentation

Thank you to Cr Gretel Wilkes for representing me at:

- Southern Amateur Theatre Company Inc Christmas in July Quiz Night

Thank you to Cr Dan Platten for representing me at:

- Almond Blossom Festival

This month the following invitations received an apology:

- Housing Summit for Shelter SA Members
- St Vincent de Paul Society Blessing of the 20th State Council
- 2025 Australian Coastal Councils Conference
- CEDA's SA Energy Outlook event
- Songs Inside Documentary screening
- Drought Breaker Lunch
- LGA Board dinner
- SALA exhibition opening at LandBar
- Yellow Gate Photovoice Exhibition
- Urban Development Institute of Australia (SA) Gala Dinner
- SA Energy Outlook 2025-2026 event
- ARENA Community Batteries project launch
- Tree planting at Woodcroft Primary School

Mayor's calendar 12 July to 15 August 2025

July	
14	LGA GAROC meeting
15	Council meeting
16	Met with stakeholder
17	Met with Athletics SA
	Opening of Fleurieu Food Festival
21	Storytime at Aldinga Library
	Met with resident
22	Met with Lord Mayor Jane Lomax-Smith and Mayor Holmes-Ross
	Elected Member session
23	LGA Audit & Risk Committee Meeting
	LGA ACCN Executive Committee meeting
	LGA Board of Directors Due Diligence Training
24	LGA Board of Directors Meeting
	LGA Mayor & CEO Forum dinner
25	LGA Mayor & CEO Forum
28	Storytime at Seaford Library
	Hackham West Community Centre Operations Manager farewell
	Radio Interview – ABC Radio
29	Met with residents
	Elected Member session
30	Babytime at Woodcroft Library
	Assessment Panel Meeting – ENCORE Summer Activations 2025/26
31	Met with McLaren Vale Lions, Rotary and Probus representatives
	ACCN Executive meeting
August	
1	She Leads Conference as panellist
2	Listening Post at Willunga Farmer's Market
	Hub Gymnastics 40 th Birthday celebration
3	Sellicks CFS AGM
	Girl Guides of SA Douglas Scrub Community Open Day, Blewitt Springs
	Open SALA event - Art among the Barrels, kay Brothers, McLaren Vale
4	Christies Beach High School Governing Council meeting
5	Met with residents
6	Storytime at Hub Library
7	LGA Supporting First Nations collaboration in local government meeting
	Met with the Hon Emily Bourke MLC, Minister for Recreation, Sport and Racing regarding Noarlunga Aquatic Centre
	Algal bloom - community information session
8	Radio Interview – ABC National
	LGA SA Board Strategic Plan Workshop
	SALA Opening address, Pt Noarlunga Arts Centre
9	Radio Interview – ABC Radio Adelaide
	Beach Vigil
11	Radio Interview – ABC Adelaide
12	Elected Member session

14	Radio Interview – Coast FM
	Babytime Willunga Library
	CEO Performance Management committee
	ALGWA National Masterclass Panel Participation
	Storytime Noarlunga Library
15	Bullying. No Way! Day Event at Reynella East College
	Maslin Beach SALA exhibition opening

Deputy Mayor's calendar 12 July to 15 August 2025

July	
15	Council meeting
29	Elected Member session
31	Bendigo Bank Community Bank Fleurieu: Community Investment Evening
August	
1	Radio Interview – Tribe FM
6	Aldinga Netball Club meeting
	Mid Coast Surf Life Saving Clubs Group meeting
7	Algal bloom - community information session
12	Elected Member session
14	City of Adelaide Round Table - Partnering to Prevent Homelessness
15	Operation Flinders presentation

Correspondence

Att 1	Professor Nicola Spurrier, Chief Public Health Officer	Local Government and public health
Att 2	Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board	Business Plan for 2025–26
Att 3	The Hon Nat Cook MP, Minister for Human Services	Response regarding volunteer participation in the City of Onkaparinga
Att 4	The Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP, Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	Response regarding Saltfleet Street, Port Noarlunga

Thank you.



Moira Were AM
Mayor

MOVED Cr Fisher.

- 1. That Council note the 19 August 2025 Mayor's Report.*
- 2. That the letter sent to members as an update from State Planning Commission re new Practice Guideline 3 (Historic Area Overlay) be attached to these minutes.*
- 3. That Council recognise the achievement of the South Adelaide Women's side Premiership 2025 win.*

Seconded by Cr Themeliotis.

CARRIED

6. Presentations

Nil.

7. Deputations

7.1 DEPUTATION – FLEURIEU PENINSULA TOURISM – ONGOING FUNDING SUPPORT

Matthew Hurley, Chair and Sondra Stewart, Regional Tourism Manager, gave a deputation and answered questions from elected members in relation to Fleurieu Peninsula Tourism and ongoing funding support.

7.2 DEPUTATION – SHANE REICHE, WILLUNGA AND DISTRICTS RSL SUB-BRANCH RE CONSEQUENCES OF WAR AND USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Shane Reiche gave a deputation in relation to the consequences of war, the 80th anniversary of Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings and the use of nuclear weapons.

7.3 DEPUTATION – PETER RAWLINS, LIONS CLUB OF SEAFORD & DISTRICTS RE ADDITIONAL SHED SPACE

Peter Rawlins and Jeffrey Hiscock gave a deputation and answered questions from elected members in relation to additional shed space.

7.4 DEPUTATION – SAMANTHA BOLTON, CROWEATERS NETBALL CLUB RE SUPERSHOT LINE MARKING

Samantha Bolton and Katia Rawlings gave a deputation and answered questions from elected members in relation to Supershot line marking at the club's courts.

Cr Fisher left his seat in the Chamber at 7.09pm.

Cr Fisher resumed his seat in the Chamber at 7.11pm.

7.5 DEPUTATION – VANESSA KALDEROVSKIS RE ALGAL BLOOM IMPACT

Vanessa Kalderovskis and Blaze Pilgrim gave a deputation and answered questions from elected members in relation to the Algal Bloom impact.

Cr Greaves left her seat in the Chamber at 7.54pm.

8. Presentation by Committee chairpersons and reports to Council by Council Committees

8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MEETING OF 2 JULY 2025 HELD ON 8 JULY 2025

MOVED Cr Eaton.

That Council note the minutes of the Chief Executive Officer Performance Management Committee adjourned meeting held on 2 July 2025 held on 8 July 2025 as attached to the agenda report.

Seconded by Cr Fisher.

CARRIED

Cr Platten left his seat in the Chamber at 7.55pm.

9. Reports of officers

9.1 FLEURIEU PENINSULA TOURISM FUNDING AGREEMENT 2025-2027

MOVED Cr Pritchard.

That Council authorises:

- 1. Entering into a new two-year funding agreement with Fleurieu Peninsula Tourism (inclusive of exit provisions) pending the formation of a new regional tourism structure.*
- 2. A contribution of \$45,217.51 per annum indexed by CPI (based on Australian Bureau Statistics CPI - All Groups Adelaide - for the quarter ending March) for year two of the funding agreement.*
- 3. The Chief Executive Officer to execute and administer the agreement on behalf of the Council.*

Seconded by Cr Fisher.

Cr Greaves resumed her seat in the Chamber at 7.56pm.

CARRIED

Cr Platten resumed his seat in the Chamber at 7.58pm.

9.2 HAPPY VALLEY AND COVE BMX CLUB USE OF HAPPY VALLEY BMX TRACK

MOVED Cr Themeliotis.

That Council note:

- 1. The lease for the Happy Valley Sports Park has been renewed, with the BMX Track area returned to Council control in June 2025, enabling direct licence arrangements with local user groups.*
- 2. Minor track improvements to the Happy Valley BMX Track were completed by the clubs in July, consistent with AusCycling recommendations with accreditation for the facility expected by 1 August 2025.*
- 3. Formal event licensing has commenced, with draft conditions currently under review by the CEO.*

4. *Community consultation was carried out from 26 June 2025 to 17 July 2025 with 44 submissions received, indicating 92% support for short-term use of the site by the clubs.*
5. *The City of Marion confirmed remediation of the Sam Willoughby BMX Facility will extend beyond winter 2025.*

Cr Davis left her seat in the Chamber at 7.59pm.

Cr Davis resumed her seat in the Chamber at 8.02pm.

Cr Wilkes left her seat in the Chamber at 8.02pm.

Cr Wilkes resumed her seat in the Chamber at 8.04pm.

Seconded by Cr Eaton.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 BUS SHELTERS

MOVED Cr Platten.

That this item be deferred until a response is received from the Department of Infrastructure and Transport to our Mayor's letter to Minister Koutsantonis sent on 18 June 2025.

Seconded by Cr Fisher.

CARRIED

9.4 UPDATE REPORT ON THE REVOCATION OF COMMUNITY LAND AT BRODIE ROAD HUNTFIELD HEIGHTS

Cr Fisher left his seat in the Chamber at 8.08pm.

MOVED Cr Platten.

That for the Council owned allotment comprising of allotment (reserve) 221 in Deposited Plan 19710 comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 5546 Folio 343 and bordered in blue in Attachment 1 to the agenda report, Council:

1. *Receives the Community Engagement Feedback Report in Attachment 4 to the agenda report.*
2. *Having considered the submissions received, resolves not to proceed with the process to revoke the subject land from its community land classification.*
3. *Acknowledges that Elected Members will work collaboratively with the Administration to explore disposal options that align with Council's strategic objectives and community needs.*

Cr Fisher resumed his seat in the Chamber at 8.10pm.

Seconded by Cr Fisher.

LOST

Cr Platten called a DIVISION and the decision was set aside.

For:

<i>Cr Davis</i>	<i>Cr Platten</i>	<i>Cr Themeliotis</i>		
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Against:

<i>Cr Greaves</i>	<i>Cr Yeomans</i>	<i>Cr Eaton</i>	<i>Cr Jew</i>	<i>Cr Wilkes</i>
<i>Pritchard</i>	<i>Fisher</i>	<i>Bell</i>		

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- 2. Having considered the submissions received, resolves to proceed with the process to revoke the subject land from its community land classification and approves that a request be forwarded to the Minister for Local Government seeking approval for the revocation of the subject land from its community land classification to enable sale on the open market*
- 3. That a final update report be presented to Council once the Minister's decision regarding the proposed revocation is received.*
- 4. Acknowledges that Elected Members will work collaboratively with the Administration to explore disposal options including a Land Management Agreement in relation to the significant tree, that align with Council's strategic objectives and community needs should the Minister approve.*

Seconded by Cr Fisher.

Cr Jew left her seat in the Chamber at 8.33pm.

CARRIED

9.5 UPDATE REPORT ON THE REVOCATION OF COMMUNITY LAND AT ALLOTMENT 461 THAMES DRIVE REYNELLA

MOVED Cr Greaves.

That for the Council owned allotment comprising of allotment (reserve) 461 in Deposited Plan 6673 comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 5525 Folio 982 and bordered in blue in Attachment 1 to the agenda report, Council:

- 1. Receives the Community Engagement Feedback Report in Attachment 4 to the agenda report.*
- 2. Having considered the submissions received, resolves to proceed with the process to revoke the subject land from its community land classification and approves that a request be forwarded to the Minister for Local Government seeking approval for the revocation of the subject land from its community land classification to enable sale on the open market.*
- 3. That a final update report be presented to Council once the Minister's decision regarding the proposed revocation is received.*

Cr Jew resumed her seat in the Chamber at 8.35pm.

Seconded by Cr Davis.

CARRIED

At 8.38pm Cr Platten MOVED that the meeting continue to end of Reports of Officers (9.11).

Seconded by Cr Themeliotis.

CARRIED

9.6 BUDGET ADOPTION REPORT – AMENDED RESOLUTION

MOVED Cr Eaton.

That Part of the Council resolution made on 1 July 2025 at item 2.1 entitled “2025-26 Adoption of Annual Business Plan, Budget, Long Term Financial Plan Valuations and Declaration of Rates” at point 12 entitled “Declaration of separate rates – Regional Landscape levies”, as follows:

12. Declaration of separate rates – Regional Landscape levies

In exercise of the powers contained in section 69 of the Landscape South Australia Act 2019 and section 154(1) of Act, in order to reimburse Council the amount contributed to the Regional Landscape Boards, Council declares a separate rate upon the capital value of rateable land as follows:

- 0.00628260 cents in the dollar on all rateable land in the council's area of the Hills and Fleurieu Region*
- 0.00942823 cents in the dollar on all rateable land in the council's area of the Green Adelaide Region*

Be AMENDED as set out below:

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Seconded by Cr Pritchard.

CARRIED

9.7 EQUITABLE FUNDING FOR CWMS

Cr Pritchard declared a general conflict of interest as follows:

Investigation report (Attachment 2 to the agenda report) has been prepared by a company that he has an employment relationship with.

Cr Pritchard's Conflict of Interest disclosure form indicated that he would receive no benefit or detriment, direct or indirect, personal or pecuniary from considering the matter.

Cr Pritchard chose to remain in the meeting and debate and vote on the matter.

MOVED Cr Greaves.

That Council propose an item of Business for the LGA's November 2025 Annual General meeting requesting advocacy for equitable Community Service Obligation funding arrangements for the Community Wastewater Management Systems (CWMS) sector, as per attachment 1 to the agenda report.

Seconded by Cr Bell.

CARRIED

Cr Pritchard voted for the motion

9.8 ACTION UNDERTAKEN ON HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOM URGENT BUSINESS ITEM

Cr Jew declared a material conflict of interest as the item considers travel expenses for her to attend delegation in Canberra and left the meeting at 8.41pm.

MOVED Cr Themeliotis.

1. *That Council notes:*
 - *the actions City of Onkaparinga is taking to support and inform our community*
 - *the LGA Submission to the 'Algal blooms in South Australia' Parliament of Australia Senate Inquiry (Attachment 5 to the agenda report)*
 - *that Cr Wilkes, as Chair of the Australian Coastal Councils Network (ACCN), is representing the ACCN endorsed policy positions as required.*
2. *That Council endorses:*
 - *submission of a formal letter from Mayor Were on behalf of City of Onkaparinga to the 'Algal blooms in South Australia' Parliament of Australia Senate Inquiry (Attachment 4 to the agenda report)*
 - *Mayor Were to be a party signatory to the Proposal for Federal Government Action on the South Australia Algal Bloom Crisis to be submitted to the Federal Government prior to the delegation to Canberra*
3. *That Council:*
 - (a) *Approves the attendance and associated costs as per the Elected member allowances, benefits and support procedure 2022 for Acting Mayor Cr Jew to participate in a delegation of Mayors and industry experts to Canberra from 28 to 29 August 2025 to advocate for stronger support from the Federal government in relation to the harmful algal bloom being experienced on the South Australia coast, with approximate costs shown below:*
 - *Flights \$1,318*
 - *Accommodation \$562*

Seconded by Cr Davis.

Cr Wilkes MOVED an AMENDMENT.

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3. *That Council:*
 - (a) *If there are spaces available, approves the attendance and associated costs as per the Elected member allowances, benefits and support procedure 2022 for Acting Mayor Cr Jew to participate in a delegation of Mayors and industry experts to*

Canberra in August 2025 to advocate for stronger support from the Federal government in relation to the harmful algal bloom being experienced on the South Australia coast, with approximate costs shown below:

- *Flights \$1,318*
- *Accommodation \$1,124*

Seconded by Cr Bell.

The AMENDMENT was PUT and CARRIED.

The MOTION, thus AMENDED, was PUT and CARRIED.

Cr Jew resumed her seat in the Chamber at 9.05pm.

9.9 NOMINATIONS FOR THE COUNTRY ARTS SA BOARD

MOVED Cr Themeliotis.

That Council nominate Jani Baker, Director Community to the Local Government Association Nomination Committee as a candidate for a local government representative on the Country Arts SA Board.

Seconded by Cr Bell.

CARRIED

9.10 CITY OF ONKAPARINGA BUILDING FIRE SAFETY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2024-2025

MOVED Cr Pritchard.

That Council receives the City of Onkaparinga Building Fire Safety Committee's Annual Report for 2024-2025 (Attachment 1 to the agenda report)

Seconded by Cr Wilkes.

CARRIED

9.11 COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE REPORTING SCHEDULE

MOVED Cr Eaton.

That Council note the agenda report and Reporting Schedule (attachment 1 to the agenda report).

Seconded by Cr Themeliotis.

CARRIED

At 9.12pm Cr Fisher MOVED that the meeting break for 10 minutes.

Seconded by Cr Greaves.

CARRIED

Mayor Were reconvened the meeting in the Chamber at 9.20pm with all members present that were present before the break with the exception of Cr Wilkes.

10. Questions on notice

10.1 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – CR THEMELIOTIS – SOUTHERN TIGERS BASKETBALL CLUB

1. *Can I please receive some background information on the lease arrangements with Basketball SA and the Southern Tigers?*

Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium is occupied under a \$1 per annum, 21-year ground lease agreement with Basketball South Australia expiring 30 August 2026 that was endorsed by Council at its meeting of 10 July 2004.

2. *Can I please receive an update on the current review of leasing arrangements with Basketball SA and the Southern Tigers?*

On 17 June 2025 Council considered a report on the Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium recommending that future occupancy model options are investigated and reported back to Council. Planning Futures have been engaged to investigate future options and their long-term financial plan implications. The findings will be presented to Council in January/February 2026 to facilitate Council's decision making on the most appropriate future occupancy model option.

Southern Tigers Basketball Association currently have a direct arrangement with Basketball South Australia for their use of the Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium. The current ground lease arrangement with Basketball South Australia expires 30 August 2026.

3. *Can I please receive an update in response to reports that the toilets at Morphett Vale Stadium are not child safe? What action is Council taking in response to these concerns?*

Basketball South Australia have advised that a customer made a complaint to the Southern Tigers Basketball Association about a broken toilet door latch in the men's toilet which has subsequently been addressed by Basketball South Australia. Basketball South Australia have spoken with the customer who was understanding and appreciated that action has been taken.

Basketball South Australia have also advised that Southern Tigers Basketball Association has relayed concerns that the toilet cubicle walls aren't child-safe or compliant. Basketball South Australia have advised Southern Tigers Basketball Association that all doors and frames are compliant with the building code, and that to improve the overall amenity and function, they have secured a \$20,000 grant from Amanda Rishworth MP to undertake works on the Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium male and female toilets and changerooms.

4. *Can I please receive an update on any future plans for upgrades at Morphett Vale Stadium? Specifically:*

- *What projects are upcoming?*

The current lease arrangement with Basketball South Australia directs responsibility for renewal and maintenance for Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium facility to the lessor, Basketball South Australia, consequently council has no current projects planned. Basketball South Australia have advised that they intend to submit an application to Council for landowner consent to undertake works on the Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium male and female toilets and changerooms with the works to be funded through the Amanda Rishworth MP grant of \$20,000 and a \$10,000 Basketball South Australia contribution.

- *What funding has been budgeted and when?*

As above.

- *Are there any upgrade initiatives for this facility included in Council's current or upcoming Advocacy Plan?*

We have called on the state government to fund Basketball South Australia as managers of the facility, to deliver player and spectator amenity upgrades, air conditioning, solar system and external 3 on 3 basketball court construction.

Subject to Basketball South Australia Commission approval, they intend to include two Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium options in their advocacy plan:

1. New Stadium Development – Construction of a new six-court indoor stadium, with an estimated project value of \$48 million.
2. Refurbishment of the Existing Facility – A proposed \$8 million investment to modernise the current stadium, including:
 - Replacement of all existing court surfaces with four new timber courts - \$1 million
 - Construction of new changerooms - \$1.5 million
 - Installation of air-conditioning - \$3 million
 - Solar system, upgraded lighting, office refurbishment, wall insulation, painting - \$2.5 million.

10.2 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – CR THEMELIOTIS – REYNELLA SPORTS GROUND MASTER PLAN

1. *Could you please provide a list of the clubs that were consulted by the appointed consultant during the development of the Reynella Sports Ground Master Plan?*

- Reynella Sports and Social Club
- Reynella Football Club
- Reynella Cricket Club
- Reynella Tennis Club
- Reynella Bowling Club
- Reynella Netball Club
- Reynella Small Bore and Air Rifle Club

2. *Did any clubs miss out on the opportunity to contribute to the Master Plan? If so, how can those clubs provide input moving forward?*

All clubs were provided an opportunity to contribute to the Master Plan.

3. *Are all clubs currently located at Reynella Sports Ground supportive of the Master Plan?*

In January 2025 through the Reynella Sports Ground project working party representatives, clubs were offered the opportunity to review the draft Reynella Sports Ground Master Plan and provide feedback. No feedback was received.

This offer included advice that the draft Reynella Sports Ground Master Plan would seek Council support for a future clubroom upgrade project to be included, and that the Council report would include a clearer rationale for a second oval not being included in the Master Plan.

Following Council endorsement of the Reynella Sports Ground Master Plan at its meeting of 17 June 2025, all stakeholders including the Reynella Sports Ground project working party representatives were updated. In response, the Reynella Sports Ground project working party representatives acknowledged this, and advised their appreciation of the inclusion of a clubroom upgrade project in the Master Plan.

4. *Are there any opportunities available to amend the Master Plan?*

Council has now formally noted the Reynella Sports Ground Master Plan which will not be amended, however other projects and opportunities can be considered through our landowner consent process if they are in alignment with the general intent of the Master Plan.

5. *What are the next steps for Council in progressing the Reynella Sports Ground Master Plan?*

Per the Reynella Sports Ground Master Plan Council report 17 June 2025 advises:

The Reynella Sports Ground Master Plan next steps are to:

- Implement current projects funded and scheduled in Project Capital Works subject to annual budget approval processes
- Support the head lessee and clubs to drive future advocacy efforts for projects that align with the Master Plan and council's strategic priorities and directions
- Support the head lessee and clubs with external grant funding opportunities through consideration of letters of support for projects that align with the Master Plan and council's strategic priorities and directions
- Support positioning for external funding and advocacy, and all projects that are not currently scheduled will be entered into Project Capital Works for consideration and future scoping.

10.3 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – CR EATON – VACANT LAND IN ALDINGA

Q.1. *Who is the landowner of the vacant land in the area near the Aldinga Recreation Centre, Library, Aldinga Police Station, Salvos Store and north of the Aldinga Shopping Centre?*

The attached aerial photo (Attachment 1) is a high-level land ownership plan of the properties in the Aldinga district zone area.

It highlights Council owned land, State govt owned, and other landowners are identified as 'Private'.

While the Privately owned land parcels are currently indicated as 'Vacant', some of them have sought development approvals.

Q.2. *With respect to the land that is located behind the Aldinga Shopping Centre adjacent to the Recreation Centre is not being currently zoned for residential. What process would need to be followed to facilitate a change in use, the cost and how long would this take to achieve a change in land use?*

Code Amendment

A Code Amendment as set out by the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* is the process to change the zone.

It is difficult to predict a cost estimate, as a range of supporting studies may be required, but costs of \$50,000 - \$100,000 could be expected for this area..

Options for progressing a rezoning are outlined further below.

We anticipate various investigations would need to be undertaken to justify a rezoning and further inform a Proposal to Initiate a Code Amendment (PTI). Investigations to support a rezoning would include a social infrastructure analysis, retail analysis, and housing needs assessment together with further technical studies on traffic, stormwater management and utilities.

Should a Code Amendment be pursued, an option to minimise cost to Council is for an Externally Funded Code Amendment (EFCA) in accordance with the Policy adopted by Council at its meeting 5 December 2023.

The EFCA Policy was prepared under the PDI Act which enables a council to initiate a Code Amendment on behalf of another party (proponent) who has an interest in the subject land. The Act also enables council to enter into an agreement with a proponent for the recovery of costs incurred by the council during the Code Amendment process. The EFCA Policy enables council to maintain control of the process including community engagement.

We also note any proposal to amend the zone would need to reconsider Council's position as determined through the adaptation of the Aldinga District Centre Strategic Management Plan SMP 2012-2033.

Current Suburban Activity Centre Zone

The vacant subject lands owned by the City of Onkaparinga is identified as 24-26 Heathersay Ave & Lot 33 McRae Street, Aldinga Beach. The subject lands are within the Suburban Activity Centre Zone of the Planning and Design Code.

We can confirm that the policy framework of the Suburban Activity Centre Zone does not encourage dwellings as a stand-alone form of development, rather dwellings should be developed only in conjunction with non-residential uses to support business, entertainment, and recreational activities.

However, it is worth noting that two development applications have been lodged for adjacent private parcels in the same zone, one of which has been approved as 'Mixed use development including single storey consulting room building and eight single storey supported accommodation units with associated car parking and landscaping'.

The second application (currently under assessment) proposes 'two (2) two-storey residential flat buildings (comprising 38 dwellings) and six (6) shop tenancies with associated carports, retaining walls, car parking and landscaping'.

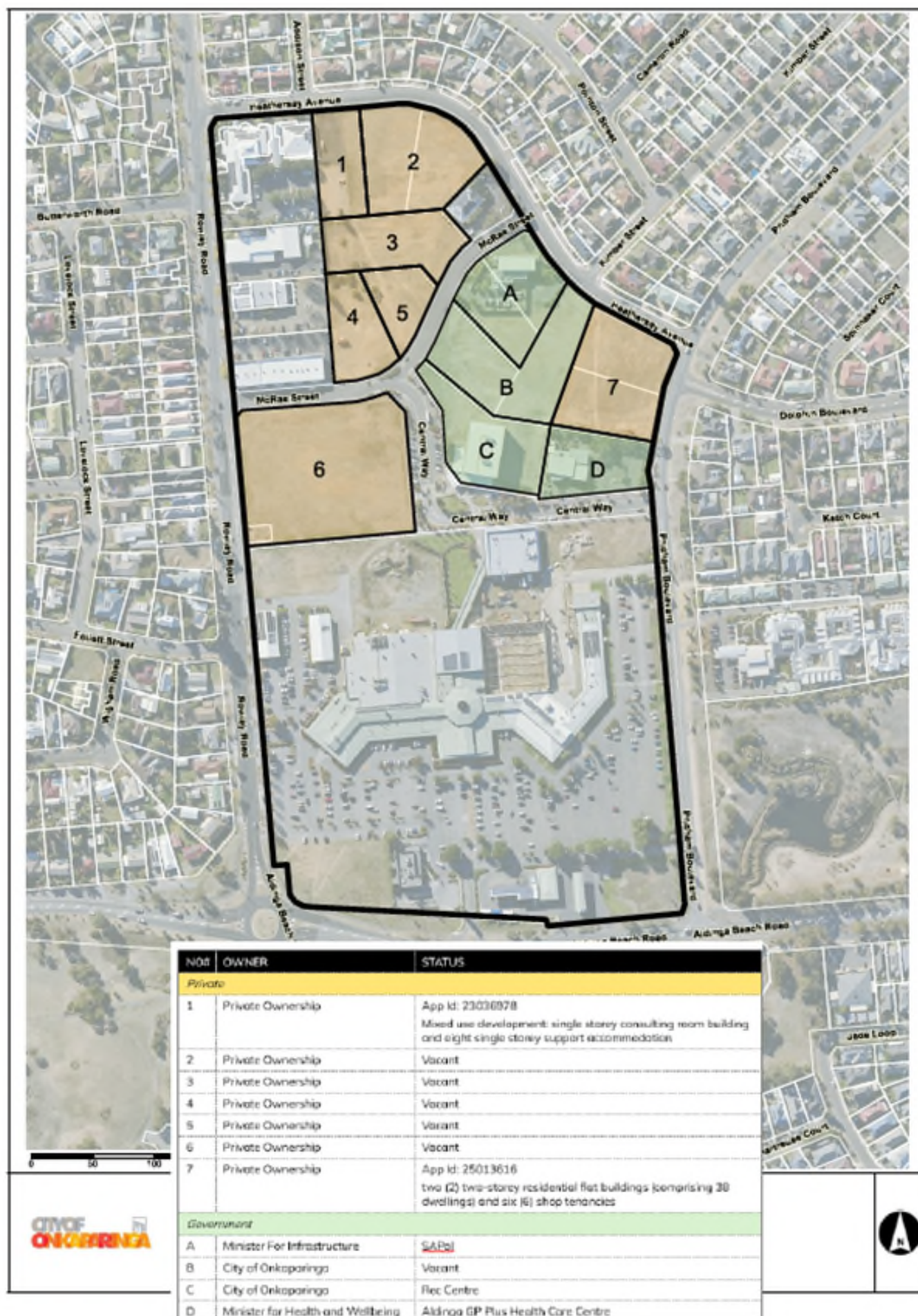
Proposals for residential development on these parcels of council owned land, when combined with suitable commercial or service industry operations, may meet the requirements of the Planning and Design Code and the Suburban Activity Centre Zone.

Q.3. What support services are available within the immediate area (such as public transport, medical)?

The following support services are available near the Aldinga Shopping Precinct.

1. **Southern Primary Health – Community Health Centre (Pridham Blvd).** Provides a range of health services—likely including general healthcare, allied health, or community-based health support
2. **Pro Health Care Aldinga (Aldinga Medical Centre – Rowley Road).** GP, Psychology, exercise Physiology
3. **Aldinga Day and Night Surgery.** GP, bulk billing options
4. **Public transport.** Bus stops very close by. Bus routes towards Seaford from Sellicks, and Aldinga.
5. **Willunga District Community Bus.** Offers volunteer-run, door-to-door transportation for seniors, people with disabilities, and those facing mobility or transport barriers. Services include travel to shopping centres, medical appointments, and social outings—all arranged with easy booking and home pick-up.

6. **Community Transport Services (CoO).** We provide coordinated transport options—ranging from community buses, cars, to taxis—for getting to medical appointments, social activities, libraries, shopping centres, and community hubs. Eligibility is assessed on a case-by-case basis.
7. **Aldinga Community Centre (CoO).** Social connection and inclusion, physical and Mental Health well-being, skill building, volunteer engagement.
8. **Studio 20 (CoO).** Offers a range of programs and facilities designed to support young people aged 8 to 25 years.
9. **Aldinga Recreation Centre (CoO).** Resource for physical wellbeing, social engagement, and accessible recreation.
10. **Aldinga library (CoO).** Valuable for social inclusion and learning access.
11. **Aldinga Beach Children's Centre.** Early childhood support, women's information service, CAFS nurse, immunisation, speech pathology, food relief
12. **Christian Care and Support.** Emergency food relief, operating from Aldinga Community Centre
13. **St Vincent de Paul.** Food relief, financial counselling, referral, operating from Aldinga Community Centre
14. **Status Employment Services**
15. **APM Employment Services**
16. **Here's to Strength wellness hub.** Domestic Violence support, food relief, alternative therapies.
17. **Centacare.** Counselling, Domestic Violence support, financial counselling
18. **Uniting Communities.** Counselling, Family Mental health
19. **Friends of Port Willunga.** A not-for-profit group of residents and property owners committed to safeguarding the natural environment, cultural heritage, and coastal character of the Port Willunga area.
20. **Resthaven Community Respite Services at Aldinga Beach.** Provides community respite and services for carers, offering support to individuals in the community.
21. **Aldinga Beach Care Community.** Offers personalised expert residential care.
22. **Aldinga Central Pharmacy.** Offers pharmaceutical services, including medication dispensing and health advice.
23. **Numerous Home Care and social support service** providers that service the Port Willunga area (not geographically located).
24. **A variety of education institutions** for children: kindergarten, primary and high school.
25. **Aldinga Police Station.** This station is a key resource for community safety, crime prevention, and emergency response.



10.4 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – CR YEOMANS – INSTALLATION OF BOOM GATES AT BEACH ACCESS POINTS

Background

Members of the community have raised safety and environmental concerns relating to vehicles driving along the beach during the hours of darkness. The installation of boom gates with the intention of preventing vehicles accessing and driving along our beaches at night has been suggested by concerned members of the community.

Noting this would require community consultation together with future budget considerations, if Council was to consider installing boom gates along our coast at locations including Morgan Street, Norman Road and Silver Sands Aldinga Beach and the Sellicks Beach ramp, what would be the implications relating to:

- *Installation costs*
- *Maintenance costs and*
- *Operational impact from a staff perspective*

I also invite further comment from staff.

Response

Background

In 2016, council designed a system of gates and bollards to restrict vehicle access to protected and prohibited areas on our beaches. These installations were not intended for daily operation, but rather to enhance compliance with existing controls and reduce reliance on reactive patrols.

However, noting wide ranging feedback received from extensive community consultation (both for and against the bollards/gates component), Council resolved to remove the gates and bollards components of the project and proceeded with installation of improved signage.

On 1 December 2020, a report on the Management of Vehicle Compliance on Protected Foreshore Areas - Engagement Outcomes and Proposed actions [Agenda](#) was presented to the Strategic Directions Committee (Council endorsed 8 December 2020 [Minutes](#)) on several recommendations for managing vehicle compliance in these areas.

Council endorsed, in part:

2. Re item 7.3 Management of vehicle compliance on protected foreshore areas - Engagement outcomes and proposed actions

That Council endorse the actions recommended in the Management of Vehicle Compliance on Protected Foreshore Areas action plan (attachment 2 to the Strategic Directions Committee agenda report of 1 December 2020) and financial implications required to implement the action plan.

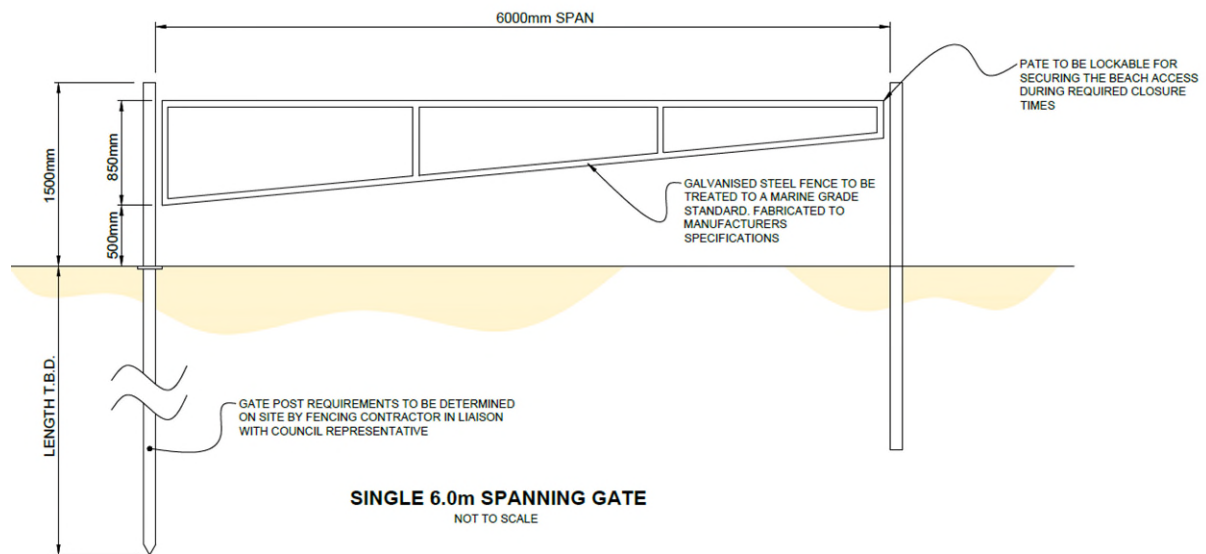
These areas included high beach areas, the pebble banks and the vehicle free areas at the northern end of Sellicks Beach and the southern end of Aldinga Beach.

After conducting workshops with Elected Members and engaging with the community on various options, including additional permanent bollards and gates for vehicle restricted areas, Council endorsed to address vehicle compliance through updated signage, educational materials and increased ranger patrols.

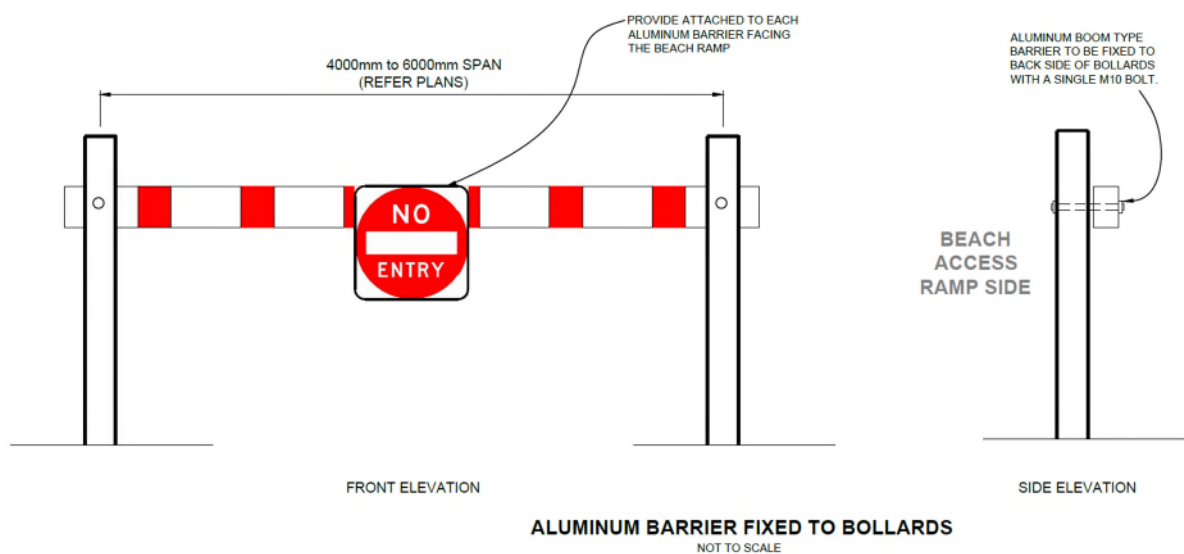
The installation of more fixed bollards and gates was not supported at that time. Any future proposals to use gates for managing vehicle access to the foreshore would require community consultation to inform project planning and ensure alignment with vehicle compliance.

Boom Gates

The following are examples of bollard and gate designs from 2016 and updated costings.



Supply & Install spanning gate - \$3,000



Supply and install 6m aluminium boom gate type barrier - \$2,400

Approximate cost for each access point:

- Moana Beach Vehicle Access Point - \$4,000
- Aldinga Beach Vehicle Access Point (Morgan Street) - \$6,800
- Silver Sands Vehicle Beach Access Points (Norman Road) - \$6,800
- Sellicks Beach Vehicle Access Point - \$6,800.

Maintenance and Operation

Maintenance of gate infrastructure is minimal, generally limited to corrosion treatment and repainting, with occasional repairs due to vandalism or ocean related damage.

The cost estimates exclude automatic gates. Under Council's Foreshore bylaws, beach access is permitted from 5.30 am to midnight daily and specifically for the beach south of the Aldinga Beach vehicle access ramp during the months of October to April.

Due to council staff working hours, gate opening and closing during the permitted times would need to be managed by contracted external security firms.

When planning after hours beach opening and closing to vehicles, we will need to consider several challenges. Security contractors would be required to drive the shoreline starting at Sellicks Beach and working north to Moana Beach to ensure no one is left behind when the gates close.

Provision for emergency services access to the beach would need to be established to ensure timely response in the event of an incident.

If the sandy beach narrows too much, patrol vehicles may not be able to traverse the full length, risking people or vehicles becoming trapped by locked gates. In situations where a vehicle becomes locked in, after hours emergency contact details would need to be provided so individuals can be assisted.

Given the isolated nature of the gates and beaches, it may be necessary to adjust opening and closing times to ensure security contractors can service the gates at more appropriate hours. The estimated cost to service all four beach access points is approximately \$320 per night, resulting in an annual cost of approximately \$102,000. The cost includes patrolling the beach, where possible, to remove all cars off the beach before closure.

11. Motions on notice

11.1 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR DAVIS – SNAP SEND SOLVE

Cr Wilkes resumed her seat in the Chamber at 9.21pm.

MOVED Cr Davis.

- *Council requests administration prepare a report outlining the potential benefits, costs, and capabilities of upgrading to the paid version of Snap Send Solve for the City of Onkaparinga;*
- *Included in the report a review of how other councils are effectively utilising the paid version to enhance community engagement, reporting accuracy, and response times; and*
- *Receives the report at the October Council meeting.*

Seconded by Cr Themeliotis.

CARRIED

11.2 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR EATON – COMMUNITY, SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

MOVED Cr Eaton.

- a. That the administration undertakes a further review into other suitable locations in the Port Willunga/Aldinga area (including adjacent areas) that are either council, state government or local similar service providers owned, that are closer to transport hubs, support facilities (medical, mental health, family support or similar services) and that may not abut current housing infrastructure or schools.*
- b. That the administration during the course of this review engages with state government agencies and community services providers, including any state government property owners whose land could be used, Department of Human Services, Department of Child*

Protection, SA Health, South Australia Police, local state members of parliament, Southern Domestic Violence Action Group, Aldinga Centacare, Reconnect Southern Early Intervention Service to better understand the implications of local community, social and affordable rental housing issues including the broader community safety and appropriate locations.

- c. *Before a decision is made by Council that an elected members session/sessions are conducted in relation to the findings of this engagement in either late 2025 or early 2026 so that this important issue is further considered.*

Seconded by Cr Pritchard.

CARRIED

11.3 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR THEMELIOTIS – AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

MOVED Cr Themeliotis.

That Council receives a report at its December 2025 Council meeting identifying 3–4 potential locations in the Aldinga area and surrounding suburbs that may be suitable for affordable housing opportunities.

Seconded by Cr Jew.

CARRIED

11.4 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR WILKES – CONTACT REGISTER FOR COMMUNITY CLUBS

MOVED Cr Wilkes.

Staff summarises the outcomes of the upcoming staff planning session aimed to address how clubs can effectively contact the correct council department when they need. The report is to include the outcomes of decisions about re-instating or removing clubs 'single point of contact'.

Seconded by Cr Fisher.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.5 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR THEMELIOTIS – MT BOLD RESERVOIR – REQUEST FOR UPDATE

MOVED Cr Themeliotis.

That Council / the Mayor write to the Hon. Nick Champion MP, Minister responsible for SA Water, requesting:

- *An update on the status of critical infrastructure upgrades planned at Mount Bold Reservoir; and*
- *Details and expected timing for delivery of these upgrades.*

Seconded by Cr Eaton.

CARRIED

11.6 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR PLATTEN – SEAFORD LIONS CLUB ADDITIONAL SHED SPACE

MOVED Cr Platten.

That Council:

- 1. Notes that council staff are working with the Seaford Lions Club to design and deliver additional shed space on Council land adjacent to their current shed, subject to all necessary statutory approvals being obtained.*
- 2. Notes the support provided by the Hon Chris Picton MP and the Hon Amanda Rishworth MP for the project.*
- 3. Notes that no financial contribution is being made on behalf of the council and that all finances for this build will be sought from external sources.*

Seconded by Cr Eaton.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.7 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR BELL – 80TH ANNIVERSARIES OF THE BOMBINGS OF HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI

MOVED Cr Bell.

That Council:

- a) Acknowledge the 80th anniversaries of the US atomic bombings of the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on August 6th and 9th, 1945. We honour the 210,000+ victims of these attacks, including the 38,000 children and the Hibakusha and Hibakunesei who continue to live with the legacy of nuclear weapons.*
- b) Acknowledge the grave threat that nuclear weapons pose to communities throughout the world.*
- c) Recognise that any use of nuclear weapons, whether deliberate or accidental, would have catastrophic, far-reaching, and long-lasting consequences for people's health and the environment.*
- d) Recognise and thank all service personnel past and present in Australia and around the World who continue to sacrifice and dedicate their lives to keep their communities safe.*
- e) Approve Mayor Were to join the 'Mayors for Peace' alliance
(cost of \$20 per year provides affiliation with The international campaign to abolish Nuclear Weapons, ICAN Australia.*
- f) Conduct a minute's silence in the chamber.*

Seconded by Cr Themeliotis.

CARRIED

One minute's silence was held.

11.8 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR BELL – DISPLAYS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

MOVED Cr Bell.

That Council:

- 1. Display in the Council Chamber a portrait of His Majesty King Charles III alongside the portrait of the late Queen Elizabeth II. That the portrait of King Charles be of equal quality to the existing portrait of the late Queen Elizabeth, at a cost of no more than \$500.*
- 2. That council explore the options for a Kaurua artefact or other appropriate Kaurua item for display in the chamber.*
- 3. That a report be provided to Council by December 2025 on the appropriateness, cultural sensitivities, loan, or purchase costs and include any other relevant information on the potential display of a Kaurua artefact or other appropriate Kaurua item.*
- 4. That these items be displayed where they can be seen and appreciated by the community, elected members, council staff and visitors for many years to come.*

Seconded by Cr Themeliotis.

CARRIED

11.9 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR JEW - INFORMAL BMX TRAIL AT SELICKS BEACH

MOVED Cr Jew.

That Council:

- 1. Recognises the significance of the trail to local young people and the broader community, who have used and informally developed the track over many years as one of the few recreational outlets in the Sellicks Beach area.*
- 2. Commits to engaging meaningfully with young people—particularly those living in Sellicks Beach and attending surrounding schools—to:*
 - a. Understand what they value about the current trail,*
 - b. Identify elements important to retain or improve, and*
 - c. Co-develop a set of principles to guide the identification and design of a new BMX track location.*
- 3. Requests Administration to facilitate this engagement process in partnership with relevant youth services, schools, and community stakeholders.*
- 4. Keeps Elected Members informed through regular progress updates, outlining:*
 - o The outcomes of the engagement process,*
 - o Proposed principles for the relocation and development of the new BMX trail*
 - o Options for potential new locations, including initial feasibility considerations.*
 - o Future engagement strategies that will be utilised over the life of the project to ensure community understanding and ownership of the outcomes*
- 5. Continues to work with the appropriate Kaurua people and authority to meet legislated compliance requirements*

Seconded by Cr Yeomans.

CARRIED

11.10 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR WILKES – EXPLORING SUPER SHOT LINE MARKING

MOVED Cr Wilkes.

Council staff install the temporary Super Shot line on the South Coast Netball Competition's courts at River Road, Port Noarlunga ready for the duration of the 25/26 summer competition.

Seconded by Cr Platten.

Cr Fisher left his seat in the Chamber at 10.31pm.

Cr Fisher resumed his seat in the Chamber at 10.33pm.

LOST

Cr Wilkes called a DIVISION and the decision was set aside.

For:

<i>Cr Jew</i>	<i>Cr Wilkes</i>	<i>Cr Platten</i>	<i>Cr Themeliotis</i>	<i>Cr Pritchard</i>
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Against:

<i>Cr Greaves</i>	<i>Cr Yeomans</i>	<i>Cr Eaton</i>	<i>Cr Davis</i>	<i>Cr Fisher</i>
<i>Cr Bell</i>				

LOST

11.11 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR EATON – COMMUNITY LAND REVOCATIONS – ENGAGEMENT WITH LANDSCAPE BOARD

MOVED Cr Eaton.

When the City of Onkaparinga is considering the revocation of community land, part of the community engagement process will include direct written notification (by way of mail/email) to the landscape board responsible for the area in which the land is located seeking comment on any environmental/biodiversity implications that they see as relevant to the local environment.

Seconded by Cr Themeliotis.

CARRIED

12. Petitions

12.1 PETITION OBJECTION TO OPEN SPACE STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLAN 2025-30

MOVED Cr Themeliotis.

- 1. Council receives the petition in Attachment 1 to the agenda report.*
- 2. Council notes that while the petition was not received in time to be provided in the agenda for the 15 July 2025 Council meeting, a copy of the petition was provided to elected members prior to considering item 9.11 Draft Open Space Strategic Management Plan Community engagement Outcomes and Adoption, as information relevant to considering the item.*
- 3. Council notes the Open Space Strategic Management Plan (OSSMP) was endorsed by Council at the 15 July 2025 Council meeting (item 9.11).*
- 4. The head petitioners be notified of Council's decision.*

Seconded by Cr Fisher.

CARRIED

13. Urgent business

13.1 URGENT BUSINESS – CR YEOMANS – NOMINATION FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE ON THE LIBRARIES BOARD OF SA

Cr Jew declared a material conflict of interest as she is the nominee and there is remuneration involved and left the meeting at 10.51pm.

MOVED Cr Yeomans.

That Council nominate Deputy Mayor Lauren Jew to the Local Government Association Nomination Committee as a candidate for a local government representative on the Libraries Board of SA.

Seconded by Cr Themeliotis.

CARRIED

14. Confidential items

14.1 COUNCIL ASSESSMENT PANEL DEPUTY INDEPENDENT MEMBER APPOINTMENT

1. Exclusion of the public

MOVED Cr Themeliotis.

That:

- a. under the provisions of Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made that the public, with the exception of staff on duty, be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to consider this item in confidence.*
- b. the Council is satisfied that it is necessary that the public, with the exception of staff on duty, be excluded to enable the Council to consider the report at the meeting on the following grounds:*

Section 90(3)(a) information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead).

The reason for confidentiality on this item is that the information would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of the candidates.

- c. accordingly, on this basis the principle that meetings of the Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information or discussion confidential.*

Seconded by Cr Bell.

Cr Jew resumed her seat in the Chamber at 10.53pm.

CARRIED

2. *Confidential resolution*
3. *Period of confidentiality and delegations*

MOVED Cr Themeliotis.

- a. *That the matter of Council Assessment Panel Deputy Independent Member Appointment having been considered by the Council in confidence under sections 90(2) and 90(3) a) information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead). of the Local Government Act 1999 that an order be made under the provisions of sections 91(7) and (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 that the agenda report, related attachments, discussion and minutes of the Council relating to the subject matter be kept confidential until written acceptance of the offer to the Deputy Independent Member is confirmed.*
- b. *That, pursuant to section 91(9)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council delegates the duty to conduct an annual review of the confidentiality order to the Chief Executive Officer, or their sub-delegate.*
- c. *That, pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council delegates the power to revoke the confidentiality order to the Chief Executive Officer, or their sub-delegate.*

Seconded by Cr Platten.

CARRIED

Mayor Were reopened the meeting to the public at 10.55pm.

15. Closure

Mayor Were officially declared the meeting closed at 10.55pm.

Certified Correct Chair

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Dear Mayor Were

Publication of Practice Guideline 3 (Historic Area Overlay)

I am pleased to advise that on 18 August 2025 the State Planning Commission (the Commission) published a new Practice Guideline 3 (Historic Area Overlay). Practice Guideline 3 will clarify the interpretation, use and application of policies within the Historic Area Overlay of the Planning and Design Code (the Code), including:

- what should be considered when assessing the whole or partial demolition of a building; and
- the role of Representative Buildings in assessment.

This follows on from Recommendation 32 from the Expert Panel in their 2023 Planning System Implementation Review which stated, *"the role of Representative Buildings should be reviewed"* and the subsequent response from the South Australian Government in its 2024 report which stated:

"To alleviate this confusion, rather than reviewing the role of Representative Buildings, we consider there would be benefit in the State Planning Commission preparing a Practice Guideline which identifies and explains how Representative Buildings are linked to the Character Statement for an area. This Practice Guideline should reinforce the fact Representative Buildings are not heritage and their inclusion in the Code is to demonstrate the type of character sought in the area".

In particular, the Practice Guideline reinforces that all buildings located within the Historic Area Overlay may display characteristics of historic importance to an area that must be assessed against the policy within the Code and the Historic Area Statements. It further clarifies that a Representative Building cannot be assumed to always display those characteristics, and as such should be assessed in the same manner as any other building in the Overlay.

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The new practice guideline is now operational and can be viewed on the [Practice Guideline page](#) on the PlanSA website.

Should you require further information about the new practice guideline, please do not hesitate to contact PlanSA via email at plansa@sa.gov.au or on 1800 752 664.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'C' followed by a long horizontal stroke that curves upwards at the end.

Craig Holden
Chair

Cc Mr Phu Nguyen, Chief Executive Officer, City of Onkaparinga - phu.nguyen@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au