

His Worship the Mayor
Councillors
City of Marion

Notice of Asset and Sustainability Committee

Virtual Meeting Room – Zoom

Tuesday, 2 November 2021 at 6.30 pm

The CEO hereby gives Notice pursuant to the provisions under Section 83 of the *Local Government Act 1999* that an Asset and Sustainability Committee will be held.

A copy of the Agenda for this meeting is attached in accordance with Section 83 of the Act.

Meetings of the Council are open to the public. Due to COVID-19, interested members of the community are welcome to attend by electronic means. Access to the meeting is via the link published on the City of Marion website (<https://www.marion.sa.gov.au/about-council/council-meetings/council-meeting-live-stream>) on the day of the meeting.



Tony Harrison
Chief Executive Officer

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1 Open Meeting

2 Kaurna Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Kaurna people, the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to their elders past and present.

3 Elected Member Declaration of Interest (if any)

4 Confirmation of Minutes

4.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the Special Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 5 October 2021

Report Reference	ASC211102R4.1
Originating Officer	Governance Officer – Angela Porter
Corporate Manager	Manager Office of the Chief Executive – Kate McKenzie
General Manager	Chief Executive Officer – Tony Harrison

RECOMMENDATION

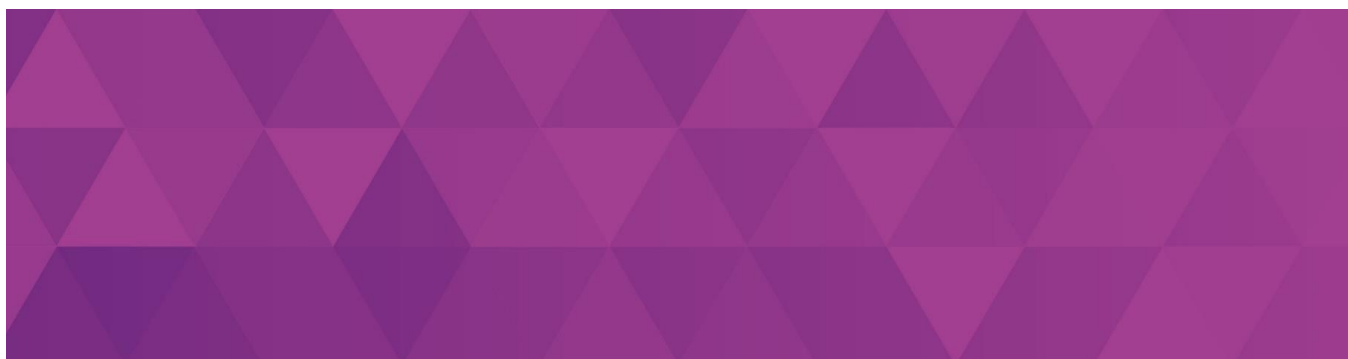
That the minutes of the Special Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 5 October 2021 be taken as read and confirmed.

ATTACHMENTS

1. SASC211005 - Final Minutes [4.1.1 - 7 pages]



**Minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee
held on Tuesday, 5 October 2021 at 6.30 pm
Committee Room 1, Council Administration Centre
245 Sturt Road, Sturt**



**PRESENT**

Councillor Matthew Shilling
Councillor Ian Crossland

Councillor Nathan Prior
Councillor Bruce Hull

In Attendance

General Manager City Services - Tony Lines
Acting Manager Community Connections - Jaimie Thwaites
Community Engagement Coordinator - Patrice Pearson
Manager Customer Experience - Megan Bradman
Becky Hirst (Consultant – Becky Hirst Consulting)
Unit Manager Libraries - Damian Garcia
Senior Project Manager - Matt Ielasi
Nathan Leverington (Ennovative)
Governance Officer - Angela Porter

1 Open Meeting

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.33pm

2 Kaurna Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Kaurna people, the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to their elders past and present.

3 Elected Member Declaration of Interest (if any)

The Chair asked if any member wished to disclose an interest in relation to any item being considered at the meeting. Nil interests were disclosed.

4 Confirmation of Minutes**4.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 7 September 2021**

Report Reference ASC211005R4.1

Moved Councillor Ian Crossland

Seconded Councillor Bruce Hull

That the minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 7 September 2021 be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried Unanimously



5 Business Arising

5.1 Business Arising Statement - Action Items

Report Reference SASC211005R5.1

Moved Councillor Ian Crossland

Seconded Councillor Nathan Prior

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the business arising statement, meeting schedule and upcoming items.

Carried Unanimously

6 Confidential Items - Nil

7 Reports for Discussion - Nil

8 Workshop / Presentation Items

8.1 City of Marion Community and Engagement

Report Reference SASC211005R8.1

The Committee discussed the following:

Census data and other key statistics

- 41,876 residents are employed, of those 21,656 work within the City of Marion
- 14,376 residents participate in some form of volunteering
- Socio-economic advantage/disadvantage data indicates the top 3 suburbs are Marino, Sheidow Park and Hallett Cove, the bottom 3 suburbs are Oaklands Park, Mitchell Park, Tonsley
- Community Profile stats (id community) are publicly available for a number of categories on the City of Marion website.
- The YEC report indicated what was important to young people at local level and state level pre Covid-19. As a result of the pandemic young people are concerned with employment and unemployment, housing and homelessness, and mental health.
- Australian Early Development Census (2018) indicates time, effort and resources in early development sets children up for success during schooling and beyond.
- Men are counted in the domestic and family violence statistics, however, not specifically mentioned. Statistics indicate 16 men within the City of Marion sought help in 2019/20.
- There has been an increase of homelessness within the City of Marion from 206 to 243. The community development team meet bi-monthly with Marion Community Forum for networking with support agencies such as Headspace, Baptist Care, the Salvation Army and many others to discuss resources, growth and gaps.
- There are 3 main causes of food insecurity in SA – rent/mortgage payments, unexpected bills /large expenses and low income/pension. Statistics indicate two new food insecure groups are emerging from the pandemic – casual workforce and international students.

The Committee acknowledged that data is currently limited for the LGBTIQ+ community. The 2021 census data will be available in 2022.



The Committee discussed how the City of Marion can utilise this information going forward. The Community Connections portfolio currently use the information for example to implement sports and neighbourhood centre programs, to influence tree planting and utilisation of open space and literacy programs (including digital literacy) through the libraries.

Action: Census religion data for the City of Marion to be emailed to Members following the meeting

Community engagement

- Data extracted from the customer service area on preferred channels of interaction indicated a high percentage of phone calls with the front counter and emails remaining reasonably static. Contact through the online channel is expected to increase significantly with the go-live of the new Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system on 29 November 2021.
- Methods of engagement include the Customer Satisfaction Survey, Positive Ageing and Inclusion Annual Satisfaction Survey, traffic and parking surveys, program evaluation in libraries and community centres and Making Marion project consultations.
- Community satisfaction has dropped 4% which could be linked to COVID, however, there was a significant increase in the number of respondents to the Customer Satisfaction Survey from 651 in 2019 to 1944 in 2021. The full report will be made available to members shortly via the Extranet.
- The Committee provided feedback on previous community engagements and possible improvements. The existing engagement framework is being reviewed with a view to increasing satisfaction with community engagement.

Marion 100 campaign

- The Marion 100 campaign will provide an opportunity for better decision making as it allows for engagement with a more random sample (including the silent majority) of the community.
- Public campaigns led by minority groups can then be tested against the Marion 100 representation.
- 66 people have already expressed an interest in participating in the Marion 100 summit on 20 November 2021, with diverse representations including age, English as a second language, etc.
- The selection process will be completed by an independent consultant. If there are more than 100 applicants, details will be kept on file for future engagements.
- The Committee discussed the option of incentives for participants.
- Case studies on various projects including the Annual Business Plan and Annual Budget, Climate Change Policy, Marion Cultural Centre Plaza and the Asset Management Suite indicated there was a low response from the community on some projects.
- Opportunities to improve decision making and increase engagement include: taking the community along for the ride right from the beginning, seeking feedback on concept designs and implementing these changes into final designs (noting this can be resource heavy), engaging with the right people and supporting them through the projects, investing in early engagement and deeper dialogue for community to weigh up pros and cons.
- Further considerations include:
 - o who is the target audience for each project – whole community/macro concern?
 - o opportunities to think creatively about how we engage with the community – signage on affected roads, etc.
 - o ask 'How did you find this survey?' – why are they a stakeholder?

Action: Invites will be sent to Elected Members to attend Marion 100 session in November.



Moved Councillor Ian Crossland

Seconded Councillor Bruce Hull

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the presentation.
2. Participates in the Community Engagement workshop.

Carried Unanimously

8.2 CRM Project Update

Report Reference SASC211005R8.2

The Committee discussed the following:

- Salesforce has been chosen as the new Customer Relationship Management software and is on track for go live on 29 November 2021 with the exception of the hard waste module which is subject to a separate implementation in Q1 2022.
- A soft launch to the community is planned for November-December with heavier promotion in the new year.
- The City of Marion has partnered with Ennovative for the implementation.
- Key features for the community include:
 - o ability to lodge requests 24/7 via CoM website – website presents like an app when viewing on mobile
 - o option to add attachments to the request including photographs
 - o map view to identify location and see other requests – requests will be linked to customer and property record
 - o automated notifications as request progresses
 - o history of customer interactions with Council
- Key benefits for the customer include:
 - o decreased turnaround times, improved resolution times and increased first contact resolution
 - o increased visibility of requests – ability to track requests online or contact the Customer Service Centre with the request number
 - o more personalised service, increased satisfaction and increase in customers using the portal
- Information provided to customer includes date lodged, address or location, closure reason. Reduced information provided for go live as further change management and training for staff will be required. Options to include SLAs and free text will be investigated.
- No customer event data to be migrated from current system due to additional costs. Open events will be managed through the current system which is licensed until EOFY (until the events have been closed).
- Elected Members will have their own portal for raising requests.
- Rate payers, residents and non-residents can also log in to the myMarion portal as a guest to make some requests however residents and ratepayers will be encouraged to register for greater functionality.
- Ratepayers can connect their portal account to their Name and Address Record (NAR) using a secure ID sent out with the rates notices.



- Rates portal includes latest rates notices, payment history, self-service finance, historic rates notices (5 years), ability to request extensions and payment plans with automated rules for approving, set up and full control of direct debits.
- The Committee agreed that registering for online services should not automatically stop ratepayers receiving a hard copy rates notice. Online only rates notices should be opt in.
- Data cleansing will be completed before migration. Only 10% of email addresses are on file currently. Sign up through the rates portal will help to further clean up the database and increase take up of the service.
- Opportunity to broaden the scope in future to include all City of Marion services through one portal including venue management, event bookings, vaccinations, Justice of the Peace bookings, etc.
- Opportunity to connect with Dogs and Cats Online is already being explored by other Councils.
- Data will be stored in the cloud and hosted in an Australian data centre. The City of Marion owns the data. Salesforce cloud data is much more secure than on premises data storage. External audits and security reviews are conducted regularly.
- The system has functionality to offer restricted categories for internal privacy of confidential information and logs a record of views. Suppressed addresses will be migrated from the current system.
- Potential for customer data to be utilised for community engagement. The opportunity to unsubscribe should be provided.
- Requirement for opt in/out for receiving rates notices in electronic and paper copies. Selection of e-copy does not by default mean no paper copy is provided.

Moved Councillor Ian Crossland

Seconded Councillor Nathan Prior

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the presentation.

Carried Unanimously

9 Reports for Noting

9.1 Aged Care Services - Fee Payment Update

Report Reference SASC211005R9.1

Action - Report back to the Asset and Sustainability Committee in 12 months time with an update.

Moved Councillor Nathan Prior

Seconded Councillor Ian Crossland

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the report.

Carried Unanimously



10 Other Business – Nil

11 Meeting Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 9.15pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 2ND DAY OF NOVEMBER 2021

CHAIRPERSON

5 Confidential Items - Nil

6 Reports for Discussion - Nil

7 Workshop / Presentation Items

7.1 Environmental Sustainability

Report Reference	ASC211102R7.1
Originating Officer	Unit Manager Environment and Sustainability – Ann Gibbons
Corporate Manager	Manager Engineering, Assets and Environment - Mathew Allen
General Manager	General Manager City Services - Tony Lines

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report and presentation is to provide an update on key environmental sustainability projects and initiatives.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There is strong community interest in the environment and participation in community environmental events and activities. There is also an increasing interest in Council's response to climate change.

This report provides an update on delivery of key environmental sustainability initiatives including:

- A. Key Environmental Sustainability projects including:
 - o Progress of the kitchen caddy roll-out program to all households in the City of Marion.
 - o Environmental engagement activities that support community behaviour change and resilience building.
- B. Carbon Neutral Plan implementation including:
 - o Progress towards Council's goal to be carbon neutral for its operations by 2030
 - o The performance of solar panels installed on council owned buildings.
- C. Climate change adaptation, including:
 - o Resilient South Regional Climate Partnership – a review of the *Southern Region Local Government Implementation Plan* and development of a new Regional Climate Action Plan.
 - o Resilient Asset Management Project (RAMP) – a pilot project looking at new ways of integrating climate data and planning into our asset management systems.
 - o Implementation of the Coastal Climate Monitoring Program endorsed by Council in July 2019.

A presentation will be provided in the meeting along with opportunities for questions.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. **Notes the report and presentation.**

DISCUSSION

The environmental sustainability sector is rapidly changing at all levels (international, national, state, local), and community interest in Council's response to climate change and expectations regarding environmental outcomes delivered by Council continues to grow. The local climate is getting hotter

and drier with increased likelihood of extreme fire danger days. Council's efforts in responding to a changing climate have become increasingly important with the release of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's (IPCC's) 6th Assessment report in August 2021 stating that we are now in the critical decade for action on climate change, and the upcoming COP26¹ climate conference in Glasgow this month.

This report and a presentation to be delivered in the meeting will update the Asset and Sustainability Committee on current environmental sustainability initiatives and the implementation of Council's climate change response.

A. Environmental Sustainability update:

Feedback to the community on recent environmental initiatives delivered by Council was provided in the 'Environment Report Card 2020/21'. We aim to regularly report back to our community on Council's environmental achievements, with future editions to be released in February each year to reflect the achievements of the previous calendar year.

- Kitchen caddy roll-out and uptake

Food waste makes up 35% of our waste to landfill in the City of Marion. It is estimated that once the roll-out project costs are recouped, that City of Marion will save approximately \$200,000 each year on landfill disposal fees by diverting more food waste.

The aims of the project include:

- Increase diversion of food waste from 5% to 40% (high performance) within 12 months of rollout.
- Reduce waste to landfill by 1.5kg per household per week by July 2022 (within 9 months).
- Increase from 18% to 80% households disposing of food waste to the green bin.

The total project cost of the kitchen caddy roll-out is \$765,450 (ex GST) to service all the 42,000 households in the City of Marion and is supported by a GISA grant of \$562,950 (ex GST).

The roll-out was launched at an event at Glandore Community Centre on 26 August 2021 that featured a presentation from Sophie Thompson about the value of compost. By the end of September, 39,092 caddies had been delivered (including 1,504 calling cards).

Households receiving calling cards can collect their caddy from any one of Marion's customer service centres, libraries, or neighbourhood centres. A small number of weekly deliveries have continued to residents who report they haven't yet received their caddy. A small number of requests for kitchen caddies have also been received from schools and kindergartens.

Community awareness raising has included articles in City Limits, street banners, and displays in libraries, a social media campaign, and website information. Seven community presentations were held at libraries and neighbourhood centres during October to support the caddy roll out, with 162 participants booked in.

The environmental and economic benefits of this initiative are significant in reducing waste to landfill, creating compost for farmers and gardeners, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and saving waste management costs to the community. It is estimated that approx. 3,420 tonnes

¹ 'COP' refers to the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change ('UNFCCC'), which is the peak decision-making body for the world's climate change commitments. The '26' signifies that this is the 26th Conference of the Parties. They usually happen annually, though COP26 was delayed by a year due to COVID19.

of carbon emissions (CO₂e) will be reduced from 1,800 tonnes of food waste that will be diverted from landfill during the first 12 months.

Diversion rates and behaviour change outcomes are to be determined by the next commissioned waste audit in early 2022.

- Environmental Engagement Activities

- *Green Thymes e-newsletter* – sent out monthly to more than 1,000 recipients, with the 1,000th person signing up to receive the newsletter in October. The newsletter contains information on upcoming sustainability themed events and activities, tips to support sustainable behaviour change, and information on a range of environmental sustainability topics.
- *Valuing Marion's Nature / Common Thread events* – a regular program of environmentally themed community activities, often delivered in collaboration with Resilient South partner councils and other organisations such as Green Adelaide and the Australian Red Cross.

Events and activities delivered by the City of Marion during 2021 include:

- *Backyard Buddies - lizards, frogs, and snakes* (17 March): A herpetologist presented on what you need to know to identify these creatures in your backyard. The presentation at Cove Civic Centre was fully booked and was recorded and viewed 21 times while it was available on You Tube for 2 weeks.
- *Seasonal Gardening Guide: autumn/winter tips* (7 April): Topics covered Permaculture SA included what to plant when, pruning ideas, crop rotation, fertilising, weed management and much more. It was another fully booked event and 30 people viewed a recording of the event.
- *Blue: The Film screening + small sustainability market* (9 June): A breathtaking movie about our oceans and the impact humans are having due to overfishing and micro plastics. 38 people attended and browsed a small selection of stalls by sustainability and ocean advocacy groups.
- *Nature Festival: Explore Warripari Sturt River* (26 September): a successful event held at Oaklands Wetland to launch six environmentally themed public artworks along the Sturt River corridor as part of the Reclaiming the Sturt River Project. The event was attended by 350 – 400 people and included 11 different nature-based activities and tours such as Nature Journaling, Ochre Play, Bird spotting tours, etc.
- *2021 Garden Showcase*: launched on 15 October and closes on 15 November. Categories include: Outdoor garden, Community garden, Plants in pots, Young gardener. Winners will be drawn randomly on 16 November.

We are also exploring partnership opportunities to deliver community programs such as 'Grow it Local' that is being funded by Green Adelaide.

- *Waste and Recycling Education* – Additional education resourcing is provided as part of the contract with Cleanaway to deliver kerbside waste and recycling collections. A full-time education officer works across the four Councils that have contracts with Cleanaway (the Cities of Adelaide, Charles Sturt, Marion, and Port Adelaide Enfield).

The focus over the past year has been on:

- Assistance with preschool and school education sessions; 28 education sessions have been delivered during 2021, this is fewer than expected due to COVID impacts, usually 40 - 45 sessions each year.
- Development of a short 3-minute video to raise awareness about what happens to materials that are placed in the green organics bins.
- Improvements to letters that go to householders if contamination is noted in the bins at

the time of collection.

- Updated information for Council's website and for social media posts.

Marion's Waste and Recycling Education Officer is also exploring education opportunities at the Southern Materials Recovery Facility (SMRF), with the Cities of Holdfast Bay and Onkaparinga, and ReGroup, the operators of the SMRF that opened earlier this year. The facility is to be officially launched at an event on Monday 8 November 2021.

- o *Green Adelaide Nature Education* – Marion continues to host a 0.6FTE position that has been fully funded by Green Adelaide (formerly AMLR NRM Board) since 2014 to deliver nature education events and activities as part of the Southern Adelaide Nature Education team. Twenty-one school support activities and seven community sessions were held during 2021.

The Youth Environment Council of South Australia that is coordinated by the Green Adelaide Nature Education team has five representatives from within Marion.

A 'Nature by Night' Nature Festival event at Oaklands Wetland on 27 September was attended by 57 community members and received good coverage on Channel 7 as part of their live weather cross. The most exciting find was a Boobook Owl which was hanging out on top of one of the dead Red Gums along the Sturt River; it flew away in complete silence after a few minutes, which was quite special to witness. Microbats were also spotted on the walking tour.

- Other project highlights:

- o *Community Gardens* – there are four active community gardens in Marion located at Glandore Community Centre, Trott Park Neighbourhood Centre, Newlands Avenue Reserve in Marino, and Oliphant Avenue Reserve in Oaklands Park. All these groups have a Community Gardens Agreement in place.

Activities to support the community gardens groups during 2021 have included training on how to run a successful committee, first aid training, and a bus tour of different community gardens delivered in partnership with the City of Onkaparinga to provide inspiration and connect community gardeners across southern Adelaide.

A new Cove Community Garden is being proposed at Perry Barr Farm by a passionate group of residents in Hallett Cove who are interested in establishing a vibrant, productive, family-oriented garden in their local community. They envision an educative, collaborative, sustainable and diverse gardening community which offers an inclusive space for all. It is anticipated that an application will be submitted to Council for approvals early in 2022.

Options are continuing to be investigated to support the 'Greenfingers R Us' Community Gardening Group following an assessment of several sites, including at Dwyer Road Reserve. To date, investigations have not met the requirements of the Community Gardens Guidelines for a viable community garden.

- o *Valuing Marion's Waste* – a small grant of \$13,800 from Green Industries SA (GISA) has enabled waste and recycling assessments to be completed at all Council operational sites. The consultant reports are to be used to improve waste and recycling systems and processes at each site. The project will include targeted awareness raising sessions with Council staff and other building users and will be completed by June 2022.
- o *Biodiversity Sensitive Urban Design Project* – aimed at improving the understanding of how

to protect and enhance the biodiversity and associated cultural values of the urbanised remnant Sturt River corridor across varied land uses and land ownerships within the City of Marion. Community engagement on the project will occur over the coming months. The project is supported by a \$47,000 grant from Green Adelaide and will be completed by June 2022.

- *Tree Tags* – Six tree tags have been installed in the Edwardstown Precinct and a further 10 along the Sturt River Linear Path to provide information on the tree species, height and age, pollution removing benefits, and unique features of individual trees and to prompt conversations about the value of trees in our urban environment. A Warripari Sturt River Tree Trail map showing the location of the tree tags along the Sturt River is available on the City of Marion website: [Tree Tags | Trees | City of Marion](#)

B. Carbon Neutral Plan implementation update:

The City of Marion's action on climate change includes a strong focus on reducing carbon emissions. The *Carbon Neutral Plan 2020 – 2030* (CNP) was endorsed at the 9 February 2021 General Council meeting (GC210209R04), setting a target of carbon neutrality for Council's operations by 2030. The following sections provide details on the delivery of key initiatives from the CNP:

- Delivery of 2020/21 and 2021/22 initiatives

Following endorsement of the CNP in February 2021, implementation has focused on the following key areas:

- the finalisation of ESD Guidelines for new buildings and maintenance activities.
- early market testing for a 100% renewable electricity contract in anticipation of new contracts from January 2023.
- investigations into infrastructure needs at key operational sites to support fleet transition to electric vehicles.
- researching and testing options for transition to battery operated small plant (e.g. blower vacs) to reduce the use of 2-stroke fuel.
- commencement of an investigation into a possible carbon sequestration project in the Field River.

Attachment 1 provides details on the implementation status of initiatives prioritised for delivery in 2020/21 and 2021/22.

It has also been recognised that Council's carbon commitment established in the CNP does not include embodied carbon from materials used in our assets and infrastructure construction projects. Research is ongoing to identify and better understand the processes that might be put in place to enable Council to make decisions around materials use for assets and infrastructure that will lower embodied carbon.

- Progress towards carbon neutral goal

The CNP established a carbon neutral target for Council operations by 2030. The baseline (2015/16) carbon emissions profile for City of Marion's corporate operations was 5,617 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO₂e) per year.

Data from 2020/21 shows that emissions have reduced by approximately 42% to 3,234 tCO₂e compared with the 2015/16 baseline. A significant proportion of this reduction is due to a 57% reduction in mains electricity use because of the changeover to LED streetlighting and installation of rooftop solar panels. Transport fuel use has reduced by 14% (124 tCO₂e) and emissions from SA Water mains water pumping have reduced by 12% (26 tCO₂e) between 2015/16 and 2020/21. Emissions from natural gas use increased by 12% (35 tCO₂e) during the same period.

Inventory data will continue to be refined over time. Clarification of what to include in Scope 3 emissions (indirect emissions) is being pursued at a sector-wide level and with the South Australian Government to ensure there is consistency in reporting, the ability to benchmark between organisations, and alignment with the Australian Government Carbon Neutral Standard, Climate Active.

An overview of progress towards Marion's carbon neutral goal using data from Trellis, the online portal being used to collate utilities data, will be provided in the meeting.

- Solar panel performance

Rooftop solar has been installed on 17 Council-owned buildings, 11 of these are operated by Council and the remaining six are leased to various sporting clubs and community organisations.

Approximately 416 kW of roof top solar has been installed on the 11 council operated buildings. All solar panel installations are fully functioning, although some of the monitoring equipment has been fully functional meaning that there are some data gaps that are being worked through with the installer, Suntrix. These panels have generated a total of 995 MWh of solar electricity and 749 MWh (75%) of this has been consumed onsite. Installation cost for the 11 systems was \$410,930 and just over 50% of this has been recouped through reduced electricity bills of \$189,873 and feed-in payments received of \$18,109. While some systems have paid back quicker than others, payback across all the solar systems is an average of 5.9 years. Carbon emission of at least 337 tCO₂e has been avoided.

A further 113 kW of rooftop solar has been installed on five leased facilities. While Council has funded these installations, the lessee is responsible for utility costs, so pays the energy charges. As such, any benefits resulting from installation of solar panels is for lessees. This saving assists them to reduce operating costs and potentially be more financially viable and enabling greater community impact. Solar panels have also been installed on the Park Holme Community Hall by the tenants and are not included in this analysis.

A review of the performance of the rooftop solar panels on Council buildings has been conducted and it has been found that some of the systems were not operating as expected. A panel maintenance and cleaning process has been put in place to ensure that the solar panels installed on council facilities are operating optimally.

Further details on the performance of rooftop solar on Council buildings is included in Attachment 2 and will be included in the presentation to be delivered in the meeting.

C. Climate Change Adaptation update:

The City of Marion's action on climate change includes a strong focus on adapting to impacts such as temperature increases, changes to rainfall patterns and sea level rise. The following sections provide details on the delivery of key initiatives in response to climate change:

- Resilient South Regional Climate Partnership

Resilient South is a partnership between the Cities of Holdfast Bay, Marion, Mitcham and Onkaparinga, and the South Australian Government aimed at strengthening the resilience of our region so that our businesses, communities, and environments can tackle the challenges of climate change and make the most of opportunities. Operating since 2011, Resilient South is one of eleven Regional Climate Partnerships across the state. In 2021 Green Adelaide provided funding to support a Regional Coordinator, hosted by the City of Marion, to support delivery of Resilient South priorities.

During 2014, the partners worked collaboratively to develop the *Southern Region Local Government Implementation Plan 2015–2019* that was endorsed at the 12 April 2016 General Council meeting (GC120416R03). Partner councils have been proactively implementing the Plan since then and updates on the implementation status have been provided to the 28 November 2017 General Council meeting (GC281117R05) and the 18 June 2019 Elected Member Forum (EMF190618).

An internal evaluation of the Implementation Plan was undertaken by the Resilient South Program Management Committee during 2020/21, and an independent benchmarking process is currently being undertaken by the Climate and Sustainability Policy Research Group at Flinders University. Feedback from Resilient South partners and stakeholders was sought, and our approach was benchmarked against international best practice. The review report is still being finalised; however early findings rank Resilient South's Implementation Plan second out of 41 climate change plans from Australia, the UK and USA.

Development of a new Resilient South Regional Climate Action Plan is about to commence. This will involve engagement with key stakeholders, including Elected Members, to identify the climate change adaptation and mitigation priorities across the region. Outcomes of the internal review and external benchmarking will also inform this process.

The Climate Action Plan, to be developed during 2022, will guide investment in adaptation and mitigation activities for the next five years and provide a platform to attract external investment in our region, following the successful LGA and Commonwealth Government support for the Resilient Asset Management Project (see below).

The Resilient South website (www.resilientsouth.com) provides public access to Resilient South plans and resources.

- Resilient Asset Management Project (RAMP)

The City of Marion manages >\$1B in assets, and these assets are affected by climate both in terms of capacity and durability. Current asset management practices assume climate is static, and Adelaide is already experiencing noticeable climate shifts that will accelerate over the coming years. Climate change will shorten the lifespan of some assets and require new approaches for others.

The lack of climate change planning in Marion's asset management processes was identified as a key weakness in Marion's climate preparedness in the Climate Risk Governance Assessment completed in 2019 (FAC191210R11). This is a problem faced by asset managers across all levels of government, including our Resilient South regional partners. The RAMP provides an opportunity to work with our regional partners to pilot new ways of integrating climate data and planning into our asset management systems.

This work is industry-leading and, in addition to attracting funding from the LGA Research and Development Scheme (\$99,000) and National Disaster Risk Reduction Fund (\$250,000), has attracted strong interest from other Councils and the South Australian Government who wish to participate in or observe the project as it progresses. Being early innovators in this space could save the City of Marion and our partners millions of dollars in stranded assets and improved levels of community preparedness to the impacts of our changing climate, as well as proactively address the risk posed by insurers and regulators requiring climate change is being adequately addressed as part of our operations.

- Coastal Climate Monitoring Program

At the General Council meeting on 27 November 2018, Council endorsed the *Marion Coastal Climate Change Adaptation Study* (GC181127R16) which included detailed descriptions of Council's vulnerability to coastal climate change, particularly sea level rise. On the 23 July

2019 Council endorsed the *Coastal Monitoring Plan for the City of Marion* (GC190723R10). Council has invested a total of \$75,000 over five years (2019/20 to 2023/24) and has received matching funding from the State Government (Coast Protection Board) for the delivery of this program.

An active coastal monitoring program is now underway that includes detailed studies of changes in coastal landform (erosion and accretion), storm and wave conditions, and shoreline movement. Data will inform locations and timing for coastal management works and will be summarised in an annual risk review.

Coast Snap photo monitoring points will soon be installed at five locations along Marion's coastline to encourage public recording of coastal changes by local citizen scientists.

SPEAKERS

Ann Gibbons, Unit Manager Environmental Sustainability
Stefan Caddy-Retalic, Resilient South Regional Coordinator
Rebecca Neumann, Senior Environmental Planner
Maren Butz, Utilities Optimisation Lead

ATTACHMENTS

1. ASC211102 - Attachment 1 - Carbon Neutral Plan Implementation [7.1.1 - 4 pages]
2. ASC211102 - Attachment 2 Solar Installations City of Marion [7.1.2 - 1 page]

ASC211102 – Attachment 1: Carbon Neutral Plan Implementation Update

On track
 Not on track

Initiative	Indicative Year of Delivery	Status	Commentary
1. Tracking Carbon Emissions			
<i>1.1 Carbon inventory and annual reporting</i>	2020/21 → ongoing	COMMENCED	<p>A procurement process has been implemented in conjunction with the Cities of Charles Sturt and Port Adelaide Enfield to identify the most fit-for-purpose carbon inventory tool to support tracking of utilities information across the three Councils. The Trellis online portal already being used by the City of Marion was selected in this process and is now being implemented across all three Councils. This will enable better benchmarking and collaboration across the Councils.</p> <p>An inventory of Scope 1 (e.g. vehicle fuels) and Scope 2 (e.g. electricity purchased from the grid) carbon emissions for 2020/21 has been developed. Some Scope 3 emissions are included (e.g. emissions from mains water pumping) and a sector-wide discussion is occurring to develop some consistency across Councils regarding what is included in Scope 3.</p> <p>A Corporate KPI has been established to provide assurance that Council is meeting agreed carbon emissions reduction targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Core target:</i> Actual annual emissions less than the Plan's annual target emissions • <i>Stretch target:</i> Actual annual emissions 5% less than the Plan's annual target emissions. • <i>Measure:</i> Carbon emissions footprint, measured against Council's endorsed Carbon Neutral Plan <p>Carbon emissions will be included in Q4 Corporate KPI report each year.</p>
2. Reducing Carbon Emissions			
<i>2.1.1 Trial ESD Guidelines on Council projects</i>	2020/21	COMPLETE	<p>During 2020/21 both the 'ESD Guidelines for New Buildings and Refurbishments' and 'Sustainable Building Maintenance Guidelines' documents were tested and refined with several projects, with consideration being given on how to embed the ESD Guidelines within project management systems and processes.</p> <p>Larger projects such as the Mitchell Park Sports redevelopment and Marino Community Hall upgrade have included an ESD technical specialist in the consultancy. This approach has worked well and ensures that ESD elements are considered at each stage of the project from concept through to construction.</p>

Initiative	Indicative Year of Delivery	Status	Commentary
			The Sustainable Building Maintenance Guidelines have been used as a reference in several property maintenance and smaller refurbishment projects such as the Chamber Kitchen upgrade at the Administration Building.
2.1.2 Embed updated ESD Guidelines	2021/22 → ongoing	COMMENCED	<p>The 'ESD Guidelines for New Buildings and Refurbishments' and 'Sustainable Building Maintenance Guidelines' documents were endorsed by ELT in September 2021 along with an Implementation Plan to guide how they will be embedded across the organisation. Several activities to support this will be delivered over the next year including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Embedding in key documents such as the 'buildings and Structures Asset Management Plan', the 'Procurement and Contractor Management Policy, and the 'Facilities Design Specification'. • Targeted training and capacity building for property and project staff, vendor panels, and building users (including tenants of leased facilities). This action aligns with CNP initiative 2.1.3 <i>Implement a sustainable behaviour change program</i>. • Measurement of emissions benefits, benchmarking against the performance of Council partners, and reporting on savings.
2.1.3 Implement a sustainable behaviour change program	2021/22 → ongoing	NOT STARTED	The ESD Implementation Plan included an action for targeted training and capacity building for property and project staff, vendor panels, and building users (including tenants of leased facilities) to be delivered during 2022 in partnership with the Cities of Charles Sturt and Port Adelaide Enfield.
2.2.1 Develop Fleet Transition Plan	2021/22 – 2022/23	COMMENCED	<p>The Fleet Manager has commenced investigations into EV options for a range of applications including light fleet vehicles (pool cars) and light plant (e.g. blower vacs). There is approximately a 6 – 18-month lead time for EVs, depending on manufacturer, in the current market.</p> <p>Early discussions are also underway with heavy vehicle suppliers such as Mitsubishi, Isuzu and Hino who have indicated that it will likely be around five years before there is sufficient availability of electric trucks and other heavy plant that will suit our business need.</p>
2.2.2 Install EV charging stations at Council sites for fleet vehicle recharging	2023/24 → ongoing	COMMENCED	The Fleet Manager has commenced infrastructure needs analyses at key operational sites across Marion, Charles Sturt and Port Adelaide Enfield with the view to bulk procurement and installation of EV charging infrastructure across the three councils to support transition to electric vehicles. This includes assessing the need for transformer and switchboard upgrades and identification of suitable locations at key operational sites (e.g. City Services) for installation of EV chargers.
2.2.3 Implement Fleet Transition Plan	2023/24 → ongoing	NOT STARTED	
2.3.1 Implement the Public Lighting Action Plan	2020/21 – 2025/26	COMMENCED	<p>Public Lighting Action plan achievements:</p> <p><u>Actions completed:</u></p> <p>1.1 - Conduct a lighting level audit of all public spaces</p>

Initiative	Indicative Year of Delivery	Status	Commentary
			<p>2.1 Conduct asset and condition audits of all Council owned public lighting – Open Space / Shared use path / sports lighting</p> <p>3.1 Develop appropriate strategies, guidelines, and policies</p> <p><u>Actions commenced:</u></p> <p>1.2 Identify, prioritise and address areas of non-compliance</p> <p>5.1 - Ensure that all new lighting infrastructure includes the ability to function as part of a smart lighting network (ongoing)</p> <p>5.2 - Actively trial smart lighting technology in both metered and unmetered lighting schemes (ongoing)</p>
3. Switch to Renewable Electricity			
<i>3.1 100% renewable electricity contract</i>	2022/23	COMMENCED	LGA Procurement (LGAP), acting as an Agent for 58 South Australian Councils (including the City of Marion) and 6 Local Government Subsidiaries, has sought Expressions of Interest from suitably qualified Electricity Retailers for options for the supply of 100% Accredited Renewable Electricity, for large, small, and unmetered sites to participating Councils. This process is still underway and will inform the procurement process to be finalised prior to 31 December 2022 when current electricity supply contracts end.
<i>3.2 Large-scale Solar</i>	2020/21 – 2025/26	NOT STARTED	Exploration of opportunities to partner with others such as SRWRA to expand existing and/or construct new solar arrays has not been a key focus during 2021 due to the increased focus on researching carbon sequestration options.
4. Offsetting Carbon Emissions			
<i>4.1 Research carbon offset projects</i>	2020/21 – 2027/28	COMMENCED	An initial report on carbon sequestration was considered by Council on 27 July 2021. A presentation and discussion on the feasibility assessment being conducted on a possible carbon sequestration project in the Field River valley will be held at the 9 th November Elected Member Forum.
<i>4.2 Implement final offset program</i>	2028/29 – 2029/30	NOT STARTED	
5. Supporting Activities			
<i>5.1 Communicate and promote carbon neutral activities</i>	2020/21 → ongoing	COMMENCED	Information on some of Marion's carbon emissions reduction initiatives was included in the 'Environment Report Card 2020/21'.
<i>5.2 Partner with and provide stewardship with the community by</i>	2020/21 → ongoing	COMMENCED	<p><u>Kitchen Caddy Rollout</u></p> <p>1kg of food waste will generate around 1.9kg CO₂e in landfill. During August and September 2021, around 40,000 kitchen caddies were delivered to households in Marion with support from a GISA</p>

Initiative	Indicative Year of Delivery	Status	Commentary
<i>providing education and incentives</i>			<p>grant. It is estimated that approx. 3,420 tonnes CO₂e will be reduced from 1,800 tonnes of food waste that will be diverted from landfill during the first 12 months.</p> <p><u>Sustainable House Day</u> Opportunities for community members to share experiences and find out more about living more sustainably were supported through the Resilient South partnership including eight online sessions delivered on Sunday 17 October, and a hybrid online / in-person event at the Cove Civic Centre on Saturday 23 October.</p> <p><u>Business Engagement</u> The City of Marion is supporting the Future Energy Week from 15 – 21 November 2021 at the Tonsley Innovation District. The event is targeting local businesses and will showcase the best and brightest in energy and will connect organisations with current and emerging innovators that are all contributing to the much-needed clean energy transition. Future Energy Week will cover the important horizons of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy Now – what is available to us apply now. • Energy Next – what is coming up soon that we need to plan for. • Energy Future – what's in development that we should have on our radar.
<i>5.3 Make major Council events carbon neutral</i>	2021/22 → ongoing	NOT STARTED	Some initial exploratory discussions between the Environmental Sustainability and Events teams have occurred. Opportunities to explore this further will occur as large Council events are planned when COVID allow.
<i>5.4 Develop and implement a Sustainable Procurement Policy</i>	2021/22 → ongoing	NOT STARTED	<p>At the next review of the Procurement and Contractor Management Policy in 2024 more specific directions relating to carbon neutrality will be included.</p> <p>New indicative year of delivery = 2024/25</p>
<i>5.5 Achieve Climate Active Certification (optional)</i>	2029/30	NOT STARTED	

ASC211102 - Attachment 2: Solar Installations City of Marion

Council owned and operated facilities

All data up until June 2021 unless stated otherwise

Site	System size	Commissioning date	Total Generation	Total Feed in	Total consumed solar	Installation Cost (ex GST)	Total savings (consumption)	Total savings (Feed in)	Total savings	% Payback	Payback period	Total reduced emissions
Trott Park Neighbourhood Centre	15 kWh	3/05/2017	75,140 kWh	48,311 kWh	26,829 kWh	\$ 14,145.00	\$ 9,729.67	\$ 6,013.41	\$ 15,743.08	111%	3.72	13 t CO2-e
Park Holme Library	22 kWh	8/05/2017	77,963 kWh	9,731 kWh	68,232 kWh	\$ 16,002.00	\$ 21,467.84	\$ 203.56	\$ 21,671.40	135%	3.04	31 t CO2-e
Marion Outdoor Swimming	17 kWh	8/05/2017	74,347 kWh	4,422 kWh	69,925 kWh	\$ 14,445.00	\$ 21,963.14	\$ 120.90	\$ 22,084.04	153%	2.82	32 t CO2-e
Administration Building	12 kWh	10/05/2017	79,560 kWh	0 kWh	79,560 kWh	\$ 12,948.00	\$ 15,844.22	\$ -	\$ 15,844.22	119%	3.34	37 t CO2-e
Marion Cultural Centre*	97 kWh	26/06/2017	269,344 kWh	42,594 kWh	226,750 kWh	\$ 91,858.93	\$ 44,317.53	\$ 624.58	\$ 44,942.11	49%	8.13	104 t CO2-e
Living Kaurna Community Centre	3 kWh	30/08/2017	12,437 kWh	0 kWh	12,437 kWh	\$ 5,069.00	\$ 4,500.93	\$ -	\$ 4,500.93	89%	4.49	6 t CO2-e
Cooinda Cimmunity Centre	15 kWh	21/09/2017	66,526 kWh	28,988 kWh	37,538 kWh	\$ 16,798.00	\$ 13,584.94	\$ 4,174.88	\$ 17,759.83	106%	3.52	18 t CO2-e
Glandore Community Centre (Clark&Slade*)	22 kWh	29/09/2017	53,176 kWh	14,306 kWh	38,870 kWh	\$ 32,134.00	\$ 15,016.16	\$ 2,009.65	\$ 17,025.81	53%	7.04	18 t CO2-e
Cove Civic Centre	95 kWh	10/11/2017	145,882 kWh	48,652 kWh	97,230 kWh	\$ 87,900.00	\$ 19,492.93	\$ 1,631.08	\$ 21,124.01	24%	6.67	45 t CO2-e
Cove Sports & Community Centre	20 kWh	13/06/2018	49,730 kWh	16,424 kWh	33,306 kWh	\$ 19,973.00	\$ 12,919.30	\$ 1,631.08	\$ 14,550.38	76%	3.97	7 t CO2-e
City Services Depot Stage 1+2*	96 kWh	2/06/2017 and 13/02/2019	91,236 kWh	33,151 kWh	58,085 kWh	\$ 99,658.00	\$ 11,036.51	\$ 1,700.13	\$ 12,736.65	13%	18.21	26 t CO2-e
Totals	416 kWh	429,657 kWh	995,342 kWh	246,579 kWh	748,762 kWh	\$ 410,930.93	\$ 189,873.18	\$ 18,109.27	\$207,982.45	51%	5.9	337 t CO2-e

*Calculations based on limited information - actual numbers likely to be (slightly) higher

8 Reports for Noting

8.1 Pedestrian Path - David Avenue to Sampson Reserve, Mitchell Park

Report Reference	ASC211102R8.1
Originating Officer	Unit Manager Engineering – Carl Lundborg
Corporate Manager	Manager Engineering, Assets and Environment - Mathew Allen
General Manager	General Manager City Services - Tony Lines

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Asset and Sustainability Committee and provide options to consider for a footpath between Sampson Road and David Avenue in Mitchell Park.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The installation of the property boundary fence at Hamilton Secondary College at the Sampson Road Reserve and David Avenue in early 2021 has limited access and connectivity for the surrounding community.

Correspondence from the Minister for Education on 28 September 2021 has outlined that the Department of Education is not supportive of providing community access between David Avenue and Sampson Road through the Hamilton Secondary College property.

Council is awaiting correspondence from the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport regarding a possible alignment option on the western side of the Flinders train line connecting Sampson Avenue northwards to Bruce Avenue, Mitchell Park (similar to the connection adjacent to the train line between Celtic Avenue and Sampson Road).

RECOMMENDATION

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

- 1. Notes the response from the Minister for Education on 28 September 2021 (Attachment 2).**
- 2. Notes that the Mayor has written to the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport regarding an alignment option on the western side of the railway line between Sampson Road and Bruce Avenue (Attachment 3).**
- 3. Provides feedback on the updates presented.**

BACKGROUND

At the General Council meeting on 8 May 2018 (GC080518R04) an alternative proposed alignment for the Greenway that connects Mitchell Park Sports and Community Centre and traverses through the eastern edge of Hamilton Secondary College was discussed, at which time the following was resolved:

- 1. Provides in-principle support for the revised Tonsley Greenway alignment (Daws Road to Celtic Avenue), subject to Hamilton Secondary College and DECD agreements.*
- 2. Notes a future report will be presented to Council outlining Tonsley Greenway discussions with Hamilton Secondary College and DECD.*

Staff engaged with Hamilton Secondary College back in 2018 regarding the proposed Greenway alignment through the College grounds. At that time, the school governing Council did not support the proposed path traversing DECD land.

During the December 2020 / January 2021 school holidays Hamilton Secondary College installed fencing at Sampson Road Reserve and David Avenue on the school property boundary limiting public access to the college outside of school hours.

On 27 July 2021 a motion was carried at the General Council meeting (GC210727M14.1) that a report be brought to General Council (after consideration at the Asset and Sustainability Committee) regarding the feasibility and cost to Marion Council of a fenced pedestrian pathway to connect from David Avenue, Mitchell Park to Sampson Reserve, Mitchell Park, across the south-east perimeter of the Hamilton College school oval.

On 4 August 2021, Marion Council CEO met with Hamilton Secondary College Principle and School Governing Council Chair to discuss the issue. The school's response was:

- Current school sports require access to the entire oval space, precluding the provision of a small access for pedestrians
- They need to provide security for children
- They believe that it is not a broad community issue
- Concerns with ongoing anti-social behaviour, vandalism and health and safety risks to staff and students (broken glass, needles and dog faeces).

The Mayor wrote to the Deputy Premier (The Hon. Vickie Chapman MP) regarding the Hamilton secondary college oval community connections issues on the 17 August 2021 (See Attachment 1).

On 28 September 2021, the Minister for Education responded to the Mayor (See Attachment 2) outlining:

- The pedestrian gate on Sampson Road (Sampson Road Reserve) remains open outside of school hours
- Suggested contacting the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport to explore a pathway on the western side of the Flinders train line connecting Sampson Road to Bruce Avenue

On 25 October 2021 the Mayor wrote to the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport regarding a possible pathway alignment on the western side of the train line between Sampson Road and Bruce Avenue (Attachment 3).

DISCUSSION

The installation of the property boundary fence at the Hamilton Secondary College at the Sampson Road Reserve and David Avenue has limited access and connectivity for the surrounding community. Staff have considered a number of options and alignment that council could explore (See Attachment 3 for a map), these include:

OPTION 1 - CONSTRUCT A FOOTPATH WITHIN THE SCHOOL BOUNDARY

This option which is not supported by Hamilton Secondary College would require land agreement and the allocation of costs associated with the construction of the pathway and supporting infrastructure.

The land agreement options available are as listed below.

Options		Process	Estimated Costs
1	School Access	School provides access to the community	Nil cost to Council
2	Easement	Register easement on Certificate of Title for the College to allow Council access over the land.	\$45,000 Consists of Land value estimate, Survey, LTO, conveyancing costs
3	Acquire	Acquire as: - Road/Walkway - Community land & amalgamate	\$160,000 Consists of Land Value estimate, Survey, LTO, Conveyancing costs
4	Lease	Requirements for a Community Land Management Plan would apply, and consultation would need to be undertaken	\$10,000

The construction costs of the concrete footpath, fencing, lighting and vegetation/landscaping is estimated at approximately \$51,000.

OPTION 2 - CONSTRUCT A FOOTPATH ALONG THE RAIL CORRIDOR

An alternative proposal is for the Department for Infrastructure and Transport to extend the fenced pathway on the western side of the Flinders train line connecting Sampson Avenue northwards to Bruce Avenue, Mitchell Park (similar to the connection adjacent to the train line between Celtic Avenue and Sampson Road).

This option is not currently supported by the Department for Infrastructure and Transport staff and would require land agreement and the costs associated with the construction of the pathway and supporting infrastructure.

The construction costs of the concrete footpath, fencing, lighting and vegetation/landscaping is estimated at approximately \$59,000. Note if this option is feasible there would likely require relocation of services/infrastructure which has not been considered in the cost estimation.

CONCLUSION

The two options considered are dependent on either the Department for Education or the Department for Infrastructure and Transport providing support on any land agreements on the proposed alignments. Currently Council has been provided a response indicating that the Option 1 footpath within the school boundary is not supported by either Hamilton Secondary College or the Minister for Education.

If Option 2 footpath along the rail corridor isn't supported by the Department for Infrastructure and Transport, Council will be left with no other feasible alignment options to link Sampson Road and David Avenue.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Mayors Letter to the Deputy Premier (17/8/2021) [8.1.1 - 3 pages]
2. Response from the Minister for Education (28/9/2021) [8.1.2 - 2 pages]
3. Mayors Letter to the Minister of Infrastructure and Transport (25/10/2021) [8.1.3 - 3 pages]

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The Hon. Vickie Chapman MP
Deputy Premier
Via email: attorneygeneral@sa.gov.au

Dear Deputy Premier,

Re: Hamilton Secondary College Oval- Community Connections

Thank you very much for visiting our area a month ago. You will recall that the City of Marion discovered earlier this year that Hamilton Secondary College has installed fencing to the eastern side of their oval, restricting community access.

Historically the public have been able to walk from David Avenue, across the school oval and through the adjacent Sampson Avenue Reserve to Sampson Road. The community has used this as a connection to schools, community facilities, local shops etc. (refer to attachment). The area identified as Hamilton School Oval is owned by the Department for Education. Sampson Avenue Reserve is community land owned by the City of Marion, located south of Hamilton School Oval. Property boundaries and fencing around the school oval limit pedestrian connections between David Avenue and Sampson Road.

Because of these access opportunities which the community have enjoyed for decades, streets and housing have developed around the school on the assumption that it would always be possible to traverse the school to local destinations.

On 4 August 2021, Marion Council CEO Tony Harrison met with Hamilton Secondary College principal Peta Kourbelis and School Governing Council Chair Steve Jones to discuss this issue. The school's response was:

- current school sports require access to the entire oval space, precluding the provision of a small access for pedestrians;
- they need to provide security for children;
- they believe that it is not a community broad issue.

The installation of this fence means that residents from David Avenue, Mitchell Park and surrounding areas can now no longer easily access Sampson Avenue and travel south to the Mitchell Park Sports and Community Centre sports fields and facilities.

Some amelioration of this impingement on pedestrian access could be achieved if the State Government allowed a fenced laneway from Sampson Reserve, along the south-eastern perimeter of Hamilton College Oval to David Avenue. An alternative proposal is for the Department for Infrastructure and Transport to extend the fenced pathway on the western side of the Flinders train line connecting Sampson Avenue northwards to Bruce Avenue, Mitchell Park.

The City of Marion acknowledges it is part of Kaurna land and recognises the Kaurna people as the traditional and continuing custodians of the land.



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I have written to you as you have already been appraised of the situation. The local community would be pleased if you could pass on this correspondence to the Minister for Education with your understanding of the matter. I have provided a copy of this letter to Carolyn Power MP, knowing her keen interest in the welfare of Mitchell Park residents.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to an outcome beneficial to the whole community.

Yours faithfully,


Kris Hanna
Mayor

Encl. Illustration of land and property boundaries and connections
CC: Carolyn Power ^{MP}

Hamilton Secondary College Land and Property Boundary



Legend

- Minister for Education and Child Services
- Council Reserve

- <...> Pedestrian connection closed
- <...> Proposed alternative pedestrian connection (Sampson Ave to Bruce Ave within existing rail corridor)

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Hon John Gardner MP
Member for Morialta

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Dear Mr Hanna *Kris*

Thank you for your correspondence concerning the restriction of community access to the oval at Hamilton Secondary College.

Hamilton Secondary College has recently installed fencing limiting public access to the site outside of school hours, which was implemented because of ongoing anti-social behaviour and vandalism at the site by members of the public. In particular, the oval had been repeatedly left in an inoperable state due to health and safety risks to staff and students from broken glass, discarded hypodermic needles and dog faeces, which resulted in the site spending a significant amount of time each morning to remove these risks prior to students being able to access the area. As you can appreciate, this has a significant impact on the school's operations.

I note that the Department for Education's Security and Emergency Management unit have negotiated with Ms Peta Kourbelis, Principal, Hamilton Secondary College, to have the pedestrian gate on Sampson Road remain open outside of school hours. This gate is accessed via the Sampson Road Reserve.

The purpose of having a single entry and exit point to the site outside of school hours on Sampson Road means there is higher public visibility. This acts as a deterrent to those looking to cause damage at the site. It is vital that our educational facilities are protected as much as possible to ensure students have a safe space to learn and grow. The risk of students being subjected to frequent exposure of damage at their site may cause them to feel unsafe and have a negative schooling experience.

I appreciate historically members of the local community have used the school oval as a pedestrian connection between David Avenue and Sampson Road, and the strategy of having a single point of entry and exit will mean this will no longer be available.

Minister for Education

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While this will be a change for the local community, the purpose of out of hours access to sites is to allow members of the public to utilise oval facilities and play equipment. The school's strategy of a single point of entry and exit on Sampson Road meets the Department's commitment to provide ongoing community access.

In relation to your proposal to extend the fenced pathway on the western side of the Flinders train line connecting Sampson Road northward to Bruce Avenue, Mitchell Park, I would suggest you contact the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport to discuss this matter further.

If you would like to discuss the matter further, I encourage you to contact Ms Angela Hollingsworth, A/Strategic Manager, Security and Emergency Management, on 1800 000 279 or at angela.hollingsworth2@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Hon John Gardner MP
Minister for Education

28 September 2021

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
25 October 2021



Hon. Corey Wingard MP
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Dear Minister Wingard, *Corey*

Community Connection between Bruce Avenue and Sampson Road, Mitchell Park

The City of Marion discovered earlier this year that Hamilton Secondary College has installed fencing to the eastern side of their oval, restricting community access.

Historically the public have been able to walk from David Avenue, across the school oval and through the adjacent Sampson Avenue Reserve to Sampson Road. The community has used this as a connection to schools, community facilities, local shops etc. (refer to attachment). The area identified as Hamilton School Oval is owned by the Department for Education. Sampson Avenue Reserve is community land owned by the City of Marion, located south of Hamilton School Oval. Property boundaries and fencing around the school oval limit pedestrian connections between David Avenue and Sampson Road.

Because of these access opportunities which the community have enjoyed for decades, streets and housing have developed around the school on the assumption that it would always be possible to traverse the school to local destinations.

The installation of this fence means that residents from David Avenue, Mitchell Park and surrounding areas can now no longer easily access Sampson Avenue and travel south to the Mitchell Park Sports and Community Centre sports fields and facilities. The school and Department of Education have declined Council's requests to take down the fence.

Laneway proposal

Some amelioration of this impingement on pedestrian access could be achieved if the State Government allowed a fenced laneway from Sampson Reserve, along the south-eastern perimeter of Hamilton College Oval to David Avenue. The College has firmly refused this request.

An alternative proposal is for the Department for Infrastructure and Transport to extend the fenced pathway on the western side of the Flinders train line connecting Sampson Avenue northwards to Bruce Avenue, Mitchell Park (similar to the existing connection adjacent to the train line between Celtic Avenue and Sampson Road).

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Council would need DIT to fence off an area for the path, which Council would then construct. Council would pay for both the cost of fencing the area off and building the footpath, as well as land tenure costs, ongoing maintenance and lighting if necessary. Staff advise that the land parcel along private boundaries would be 1.8m wide. Staff note that there is some density of rail infrastructure there.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to an outcome beneficial to the whole community.

Yours faithfully,


Kris Hanna
Mayor

Cc: Councillor Raelene Telfer

Encl: Map of land and property boundaries and connections

Hamilton Secondary College Land and Property Boundary



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9 Business Arising

9.1 Business Arising Statement - Action Items

Report Reference	ASC211102R9.1
Originating Officer	Executive Officer to the General Manager City Services – Colleen Madsen
Corporate Manager	N/A
General Manager	General Manager City Services – Tony Lines

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is to review the business arising from previous meetings of the Asset and Sustainability Committee meeting and discuss agenda items for 2022.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. **Notes the business arising statement.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. ASC211102 Business arising statement Action Items [9.1.1 - 1 page]
2. ASC211102 Forward agenda 2022 [9.1.2 - 3 pages]

CITY OF MARION
BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE ASSET & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

AS AT 2 NOVEMBER 2021



Meeting Date	Document	Item No.	Item	Status	Action Required	Assignee/s	Action Taken	Due Date
07/09/2021	ASC210907 - Asset and Sustainability Committee - 7 September 2021	8.1	Grant for Rainwater Tank Pilot Study	Item to come back to Council	8. Supports the report to go to a General Council meeting for consideration.	Carl Lundborg, Glynn Ricketts, Mathew Allen	Presented to Council 12 Oct 2021 (GC211012R11.1)	12/10/2021
07/09/2021	ASC210907 - Asset and Sustainability Committee - 7 September 2021	8.2	Transport Plan	Item to come back to Council	2. Provided feedback and supports the Draft Transport Plan being presented to a General Council meeting for endorsement (Attachment 3 of the report).	Carl Lundborg, Mathew Allen	Presented to Council 12 Oct 2021 (GC211012R11.5)	12/10/2021
05/10/2021	SASC211005 – Special Asset and Sustainability Committee – 5 October 2021	8.1	City of Marion Community and Engagement	Completed	Census religion data for the City of Marion to be emailed to Committee Members following the meeting.	Jaimie Thwaites	2011 and 2016 Census religion statistics emailed to Committee Members on 6 October 2021.	12/10/2021
5/10/2021	SASC211005 – Special Asset and Sustainability Committee – 5 October 2021	8.1	City of Marion Community and Engagement		Invites to attend Marion 100 session to be sent to Elected Members.	Patrice Pearson, Megan Bradman	Invitation has been sent to the Elected Member diaries with an more detailed invitation to follow.	
5/10/2021	SASC211005 – Special Asset and Sustainability Committee – 5 October 2021	9.1	Aged Care Services – Fee Payment Update	Item to come back to ASC	Brings a report back to the Asset and Sustainability Committee in 12 months' time with an update.	Jaimie Thwaites		31/10/2022

* Completed items to be removed are shaded

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1 February 2022	6.30 – 9.30
5 April 2022	6.30 – 9.30
7 June 2022	6.30 – 9.30
2 August 2022	6.30 – 9.30
11 October 2022	6.30 – 9.30

2022 Committee Membership

- Membership – 4 Elected Members plus the Mayor
- Quorum - 3 Committee Members

Presiding Member – Councillor Ian Crossland**Members**

- Councillor Bruce Hull
- Councillor Nathan Prior
- Councillor Tim Gard

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Asset and Sustainability Committee		Date: Tuesday, 1 February	Time: 6.30pm – 9.30pm	Venue: Chamber	
Topic	Type of Report	Description	External Attendees	Staff Responsible	

Asset and Sustainability Committee		Date: Tuesday, 5 April	Time: 6.30pm – 9.30pm	Venue: Chamber	
Topic Waste	Type of Report	Description	External Attendees	Staff Responsible	

Asset and Sustainability Committee		Date: Tuesday, 7 June	Time: 6.30pm – 9.30pm	Venue: Chamber	
Topic	Type of Report	Description	External Attendees	Staff Responsible	

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Asset and Sustainability Committee		Date: Tuesday, 2 August	Time: 6.30pm – 9.30pm	Venue: Chamber	
Topic Community	Type of Report	Description	External Attendees	Staff Responsible	

Asset and Sustainability Committee		Date: Tuesday, 11 October	Time: 6.30pm – 9.30pm	Venue: Chamber	
Topic Environment	Type of Report	Description	External Attendees	Staff Responsible	
Aged Care Services – Fee Payment Update	R	Action from ASC 5/10/2021 – to bring a report back to the ASC in 12 months' time with an update		Jaimie Thwaites	

10 Other Business**11 Meeting Closure**

The meeting shall conclude on or before 9.30pm unless there is a specific motion adopted at the meeting to continue beyond that time.