

His Worship the Mayor
Councillors
City of Marion

Notice of General Council Meeting

Council Chamber, Council Administration Centre
245 Sturt Road, Sturt
Public Access - Virtual Meeting Room only (Zoom)

Tuesday, 22 February 2022 at 6.30 pm

The CEO hereby gives Notice pursuant to the provisions under Section 83 of the *Local Government Act 1999* that a General Council Meeting 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-livestream>) 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 Disclosure

All persons in attendance are advised that the audio of this General Council meeting will be recorded and will be made available on the City of Marion website.

4 Elected Member Declaration of Interest (if any)

5 Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the General Council Meeting held on 8 February 2022

Report Reference	GC2202225.1
Originating Officer	Governance Officer – Cassidy Ryles
Corporate Manager	Manager Office of the Chief Executive – Kate McKenzie
General Manager	Chief Executive Officer – Tony Harrison

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the General Council Meeting held on 8 February 2022 be taken as read and confirmed.

ATTACHMENTS

1. G C 220208_-_ Final Minutes [**5.1.1** - 8 pages]



Minutes of the General Council Meeting

held on Tuesday, 8 February 2022 at 6.30 pm

Council Chamber, Council Administration Centre

245 Sturt Road, Sturt





All persons present were in attendance via electronic webinar

PRESENT

His Worship the Mayor Kris Hanna

Councillor Ian Crossland

Councillor Maggie Duncan

Councillor Raelene Telfer

Councillor Bruce Hull

Councillor Kendra Clancy (from 6.34pm)

Councillor Tim Gard

Councillor Matthew Shilling

Councillor Luke Hutchinson (from 7.32pm)

Councillor Nathan Prior

Councillor Jason Veliskou (from 6.35pm)

Councillor Joseph Masika

In Attendance

Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison

Acting General Manager City Services - Mathew Allen

General Manager Corporate Services - Sorana Dinmore

Acting General Manager City Development - Tony Lines

Manager Office of the CEO - Kate McKenzie

Unit Manager Governance and Council Support - Victoria Moritz

1 Open Meeting

The Mayor opened the meeting at 6.30pm

2 Kaurna Acknowledgement

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3 Disclosure

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4 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.



5 Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the General Council Meeting held on 25 January 2022

Report Reference GC220208R5.1

Moved Councillor Gard

Seconded Councillor Telfer

That the minutes of the General Council Meeting held on 25 January 2022 be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried Unanimously

6 Communications - Nil

7 Adjourned Items - Nil

8 Deputations - Nil

9 Petitions - Nil

10 Committee Recommendations - Nil

11 Corporate Reports for Decision

11.1 Single Use Plastic Product Bans

Report Reference GC220208R11.1

6.34pm Councillor Clancy entered the meeting

6.35pm Councillor Veliskou entered the meeting

Moved Councillor Crossland

Seconded Councillor Gard

That Council:

1. Endorses the submission contained in Attachment 2 in response to the South Australian Government's Discussion Paper Turning the Tide 2021: The future of single-use plastics in South Australia, subject to any amendments made in the meeting.

Amendment

Moved Councillor Clancy

Seconded Councillor Telfer

That Council:

1. Endorses the submission contained in Attachment 2 in response to the South Australian Government's Discussion Paper Turning the Tide 2021: The future of single-use plastics in South Australia, subject to Council endorsement of the ban on soy sauce plastic containers being included.

The amendment to become the motion was **Carried**

The motion as Amended was **Carried**

**11.2 ALGA 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government - Call for Notices of Motions****Report Reference** GC220208R11.2**MEETING SUSPENSION****Moved Councillor Crossland****Seconded Councillor Prior**

That formal meeting procedures be suspended to discuss the item

Carried

6.48pm formal meeting procedures suspended

6.53pm formal meeting procedures resumed

Moved Councillor Shilling**Seconded Councillor Masika**

That Council:

1. Notes the report 'ALGA 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government - call for Notices of Motions'
2. Nominates Councillor Hutchinson as the City of Marion voting delegate and Councillor Clancy to attend the Australian Local Government National General Assembly 2022.

Carried**12 Corporate Reports for Information/Noting****12.1 Incident Management Team - COVID-19 Update****Report Reference** GC220208R12.1**Moved Councillor Shilling****Seconded Councillor Masika**

That Council:

1. Notes that the Incident Management Team continues to manage service delivery and organisational impacts due to COVID-19 impacts and will continue to regularly report to Council on significant impacts to service delivery via the IMT Updates.

Carried Unanimously

7.32pm Councillor Hutchinson entered the meeting

12.2 Corporate and CEO KPI Report Quarter Two 2021/22**Report Reference** GC220208R12.2**Moved Councillor Masika****Seconded Councillor Prior**

That Council:

1. Notes this report and information contained within the attachments for Quarter Two 2021/22.

Carried Unanimously

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12.3 Questions Taken on Notice Register
Report Reference GC220208R12.3

Moved Councillor Masika

Seconded Councillor Prior

That Council:

1. Notes the report 'Questions Taken on Notice Register'.

7.33pm Cr Hutchinson left the meeting

Carried Unanimously

13 Workshop / Presentation Items - Nil

14 Motions With Notice - Nil

15 Questions With Notice - Nil

16 Motions Without Notice - Nil

17 Questions Without Notice - Nil

18 Confidential Items - Nil

7.35pm Cr Hutchinson re-entered the meeting

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Councillor Telfer

Seconded Councillor Hutchinson

That the following Cover Reports to move into confidence for the following Confidential Items be moved en bloc:

- Cover Report - South Adelaide Basketball Redevelopment - Feasibility and Business Case
- Cover Report - CEO Remuneration Review

Carried

Councillor Hull called a Division

Those for: Councillors Telfer, Masika, Clancy, Duncan, Prior, Hutchinson and Gard

Those against: Councillors Shilling, Crossland and Hull

Carried



18.1 Cover Report - South Adelaide Basketball Redevelopment - Feasibility and Business Case

Report Reference GC220208F18.1

Moved Councillor Telfer

Seconded Councillor Hutchinson

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(d)(i) and (ii) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager City Development, General Manager Corporate Services, General Manager City Services, Manager Office of the Chief Executive, Manager City Activation, Manager City Property, Chief Financial Officer, City Activation Senior Advisor, Unit Manager Sport & Recreation Facilities, Executive Officer to the General Manager City Development, Communications Advisor, Unit Manager Governance and Council Support and Governance Officer, be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to South Adelaide Basketball Club Proposal and 262 Sturt Road Precinct Plan, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to commercial information from a third party along with reference to a current confidential item within the same precinct.

Carried

Councillor Hull called a Division

Those for: Councillors Telfer, Masika, Clancy, Duncan, Prior, Hutchinson and Gard

Those against: Councillors Shilling, Crossland and Hull

Carried

7.41pm the meeting went into confidence

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Councillor Crossland

Seconded Councillor Shilling

That this item be adjourned to the General Council Meeting to be held in April 2022 to allow for Community Consultation.

Carried

8.15pm the meeting came out of confidence

18.2 Cover Report - CEO Remuneration Review

Report Reference GC220125F18.2

Moved Councillor Telfer

Seconded Councillor Hutchinson

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(d)(i) and (ii) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, Manager People and Culture, be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to the CEO Remuneration Review, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to commercial figures of an independent third party.

Carried



Councillor Hull called a Division

Those for: Councillors Telfer, Masika, Clancy, Duncan, Prior, Hutchinson and Gard

Those against: Councillors Shilling, Crossland and Hull

Carried

8.16pm the meeting went into confidence

Moved Councillor Crossland

Seconded Councillor Masika

That Council:

1. Endorse the proposed approach and timeline for the CEO's Performance and Remuneration Review, as outlined in Attachment 1.
2. In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Council orders that the consultant names and fees within this report, CEO Remuneration Review, and any appendices arising from this report having been considered in confidence under Section 90(2) and (3)(d)(i) and (ii) of the Act, except when required to effect or comply with Council's resolution(s) regarding this matter, be kept confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting. This confidentiality order will be reviewed at the General Council Meeting in December 2022.

Carried Unanimously

8.22pm the meeting came out of confidence

18.3 Cover Report - Sam Willoughby International BMX Facility damage

Report Reference GCYYMMDDF18.3

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Councillor Prior

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(d) and (k) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager City Development, General Manager Corporate Services, General Manager City Services, Manager Office of the Chief Executive, Manager City Activation, Chief Financial Officer, City Activation Senior Advisor, Executive Officer to the General Manager City Development, Communications Advisor, Unit Manager Governance and Council Support be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to Sam Willoughby International BMX Facility Damage upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to commercial and contract information of a confidential nature.

Carried

Councillor Hull called a Division

Those for: Councillor Telfer, Masika, Clancy, Veliskou, Duncan, Prior, Shilling, Crossland, Hutchinson and Gard

Those against: Councillor Hull

Carried



7.43pm the meeting went into confidence

Moved Councillor Crossland

Seconded Councillor Duncan

In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Council orders that this report, Sam Willoughby International BMX Facility Damage, and the minutes arising from this report having been considered in confidence under Section 90(2) and (3)(d) and (k) of the Act, except when required to effect or comply with Council's resolution(s) regarding this matter, be kept confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting. This confidentiality order will be reviewed at the General Council Meeting in December 2022.

Carried

9.04pm the meeting came out of confidence

19 Other Business

20 Meeting Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 9.05pm

CONFIRMED THIS 22 DAY OF FEBRUARY 2022

CHAIRPERSON

6 Communications

Nil

6.1 Elected Member Verbal Communications

In accordance with the *Code of Practice - Procedures at Council Meeting 2017/18* an Elected Member has the right to speak for up to two minutes in the second meeting of Council every second month from February (with the exception of caretaker period).

6.2 Mayoral Communication Report

Report Reference GC220222R6.2

Name of Council Member Mayor - Kris Hanna

Date	Event	Comments
17 January 2022	Meeting with MarionLIFE Director and Chair of Board	
17 January 2022	On-site visit to discuss Coastal Walkway with local residents	
17 January 2022	Club Marion Committee meeting	Attended as Club Liaison
17 January 2022	Preview of BMX facility	
18 January 2022	Senator Andrew McLachlan visit to Capella Drive Reserve	
18 January 2022	Tour of Glandore Community Centre	
23 January 2022	Sam Willoughby BMX Track Opening	
25 January 2022	Elected Member site visit to Mitchell Park Sports and Community Centre	
26 January 2022	South Coast Cycling – Australia Day Track Carnival	Gave opening speech
26 January 2022	City of Marion Citizen of the Year Awards and Citizenship Ceremony	
26 January 2022	South Australian Bangladeshi Community Association BBQ	Gave speech
27 January 2022	Meeting with Huntington's SA	
27 January 2022	CoastFM radio interview	
29 January 2022	Oaklands Reserve Parkrun launch	Gave speech
29 January 2022	Council Elected Member Planning Day	
3 February 2022	Meeting with Gymnastics SA	
4 February 2022	Meeting with Council gap year trainees	
5 February 2022	On-site meeting with the Premier at	

	the Southern Soccer Facility	
8 February 2022	Steering Committee- Revitalisation of Edwardstown Employment Precinct	

6.3 Deputy Mayor Communication Report

Report Reference GC220222R6.3

Name of Council Member Deputy Mayor – Nathan Prior

Date	Event	Comments
9 February 2022	Tennis SA Club of the Month BBQ	

6.4 CEO and Executive Communication Report

Report Reference GC220222R6.4

Date	Activity	Attended By
27 January 2022	Zoom Meeting Tony Harrison and Jayne Stinson MP	Tony Harrison
31 January 2022	KPMG Workshop with Cities of Marion and Charles Sturt regarding Contractor Management Internal Audit	Tony Lines
1 February 2022	Scoping Meeting – KPMG Desktop Review of Stakeholder Management Internal Audit	Sorana Dinmore
1 February 2022	Meeting Hudson CoM	Sorana Dinmore
2 February 2022	Meeting re Morphetville Masterplan Redevelopment preferred development partner	Tony Harrison Tony Lines
2 February 2022	Meeting Judith Sellick Sorana Dinmore	Sorana Dinmore
4 February 2022	Meeting Tony Harrison and Grant Mayer	Tony Harrison
4 February 2022	Microsoft Security City of Marion – Customer Interview	Sorana Dinmore
4 February 2022	Meeting Quarterly meeting of the Warriparinga Advisory Team, Southern Cultural Immersion & City of Marion	Tony Lines
4 February 2022	Meeting re: Digital Transformation	Sorana Dinmore

Date	Activity	Attended By
	Strategy Nathanha Davey (Port Macquarie-Hastings Council) Sorana Dinmore (CoM)	
7 February 2022	Meeting Tony Harrison and Michael Luchich (Optus)	Tony Harrison
8 February 2022	Meeting Tony Harrison, Tony Lines and Phillip Styles (Chair Westminster School Board)	Tony Harrison Tony Lines
9 February 2022	Southern CEO Catch Up/Check in (Scott Ashby, Onkaparinga Roberto Bria, Holdfast Tony Harrison, Marion Matt Pears Mitcham)	Tony Harrison
10 February 2022	Meeting Cities of Marion and Pt Adelaide Enfield re Open Space Operations and Maintenance Service Review	Mathew Allen
11 February 2022	Meeting Tonsley Project Control Group with Renewal SA and PEET	Tony Lines Mathew Allen
14 February 2022	DEW Field River Taskforce Meeting 5	Tony Harrison
14 February 2022	SRWRA discussion Mark Booth and Sorana Dinmore	Sorana Dinmore
15 February 2022	Meeting Tony Harrison, Paul Sutton (City of Charles Sturt), Mark Withers (Port Adelaide Enfield) and Anthony Jones (Cross Council Service Improvement)	Tony Harrison
16 February 2022	Meeting Judith Sellick and Sorana Dinmore	Sorana Dinmore
17 February 2022	Meeting Seacliff Development Project Steering Group with Seacliff Group & City of Marion	Tony Lines
17 February 2022	Marion Council CEO & Executives Lot14 mini tour, incorporating Living Lab & Australian Cyber Collaboration Centre	Tony Harrison Tony Lines Mathew Allen Sorana Dinmore
18 February 2022	SMRF JV Advisory Committee Meeting	Sorana Dinmore

7 Adjourned Items

7.1 Adjourned Item - McConnell Avenue Reserve - Outcomes of Community Consultation

Report Reference	GC220222R7.1
Originating Officer	Land Asset Officer - Heather Carthew Unit Manager Open Space and Recreation Planning - Renee Pitcher
Corporate Manager	Manager City Activation - Charmaine Hughes Manager City Property - Thuyen Vi-Alternetti
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Development - Tony Lines

REPORT OBJECTIVE

To continue debate on 'McConnell Avenue Reserve – Outcomes of Community Consultation', (GC210127R06).

BACKGROUND

The item 'McConnell Avenue Reserve – Outcomes of Community Consultation', GC210127R06 (Attachment 1) was adjourned at the 27 January 2021 General Council meeting to enable the eastern portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve (the Reserve) to be developed and to assess the usage of the eastern and western portions of the Reserve.

In accordance with the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations*, the debate on an adjourned item will resume and continue at the point it was adjourned.

As an adjournment must be bought back at the point it was left, this item has been presented that way. However, the current motion before Council is no longer relevant. It is recommended that the Mover and the Seconder withdraw the current motion allowing Council to start with a new motion.

The amended motion as below (27 January 2021) was **Moved by Councillor Gard and Seconded by Councillor Masika**.

That Council:

- 1. Notes that the Open Space on the eastern side of McConnell Avenue Reserve will be upgraded as per the Open Space Framework resolution (GC200623R18). The eastern upgrade is not dependent on the sale of the western portion.*
- 2. Notes the community consultation process undertaken for the revocation of the community land classification for the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino at Lot 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18 and for the potential disposal of the balance of the reserve after the road boundary is re-aligned to the occupation of the carriageway and footpath.*
- 3. Retains the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve whilst undertaking a revised evaluation of the facilities and upgrades at the reserve as a whole, commencing in the months following the completion of the budgeted upgrade works on the eastern portion of the reserve, which are scheduled to be completed before Christmas 2021.*

4. Authorises administration to write to the head petitioner from the McConnell Reserve submissions advising of Council's decision.

5. Authorises administration to write to Nicole Flint MP in response to the McConnell Reserve submissions, advising of Council's decision, but in addition briefing the Member on the details of the open space strategy of the City of Marion.

Councillor Veliskou spoke to the item. It was then adjourned until February 2022. It is recommended that the above motion be withdrawn, and the below Recommendation be considered.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

Option 1 – Disposes:

- 1. Declares that the retention of the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve does not contribute to Council's strategic objectives and is surplus to Council's requirements and, subject to Ministerial approval, pays the net sale proceeds into the Open Space Reserve Fund.**
- 2. Authorises the lodgement of the proposal for the revocation of community land classification for the purpose of road widening and disposal of the balance of the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve with the Minister for Planning in accordance with Section 194 of the Local Government Act 1999 together with a report on all submissions made as part of the public consultation process and a request to approve the revocation of the Community Land Classification.**
- 3. Notes a report will be presented to Council upon receipt of the determination from the Minister for Planning in relation to the revocation of the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve.**

OR

Option 2 – Retains:

- 1. Retains the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve and undertakes an evaluation of facilities and upgrades as required at the reserve which will be assessed periodically in accordance with the Open Space Plan, with funding allocated as appropriate.**

OR

Option 3 – Defers:

- 1. Further defers a decision on the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve until XXX [to be inserted].**

A summary of all of the Council Resolutions for the Reserve is attached (Attachment 2).

DISCUSSION

The eastern portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve (<https://www.marion.sa.gov.au/things-to-do/parks-and-playgrounds/mcconnell-avenue-reserve>) has since been upgraded and was opened in November 2021. The upgrade includes:

- New single tennis court and fencing
- Separate basketball and netball rings
- Junior bike loop
- New seating, drink fountain and bike repair station
- Upgrade to existing facilities including shelter, BBQ, picnic table and pathways
- Turfing, irrigation, and landscaping.

Further planting will be carried out in May 2022 during the optimal planting season to complete this site.

Of the previous motion under consideration:

- Item 1 is complete with the eastern portion of the Reserve opening in November 2021.
- Further evaluation of the Reserve, as recommended in Item 3, has been carried out via data collected on site and is detailed in this report.
- Item 4 is complete with a letter having been sent to the head petitioner on 5 February 2021.
- Item 5 is complete with a letter having been sent to Nicole Flint MP on 8 February 2021.

OPTIONS FOR THE WAY FORWARD

There are three options that Council now may wish to consider:

1. Proceed with the revocation of community land classification and dispose of the balance of the western portion of McConnell Reserve.
2. Retain the western portion of McConnell Reserve as open space.
3. Defer the decision until more information is available.

Option 1 – Proceed with revocation and dispose of the land (preferred)

Community consultation for the upgrade of the eastern portion of the Reserve and the revocation of the Community Land Classification and potential sale of the western portion of the Reserve was undertaken in November and December 2020. The outcome of the consultations was considered by Council on 27 January 2021 (Attachment 1).

Council's Open Space Policy sets out the principles that guide the provision, development and management of open space. One of these principles provides "Access for the majority of people to at least one type of open space within 400-500 metres of their residence and/or work place". There are three other reserves within 500m of the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve, including the upgraded Eastern side.

Open space mapping demonstrates the amount of open space available in Marino compared to other suburbs in Marion. The mapping shows that Marino has 134.23 m² of open space per person compared to the average of 100.36 m². Marino ranks as the suburb with the third highest amount of open space per person. This excludes State Land, based on 2016 census figures.

Option 2 – Retain as open space

The site would continue to be maintained safely in its current condition. An evaluation of facilities and upgrades required at the reserve would be assessed periodically in accordance with the Open Space Plan and funding allocated as appropriate.

Option 3 – Defer the decision

Council could choose to further defer the decision until more information is available.

There is a risk that the Minister may require new consultation given the time elapsed since the late 2020 consultation process. Discussions with the Minister's office have indicated that the current

delay would likely be acceptable provided it could be justified by the context of the delay. However, it is likely that if any decision on revocation is further deferred then a new community consultation process would be required.

USAGE DATA COLLECTION

Currently there are no measurable baselines for acceptable utilisation levels for each of the open space hierarchy to enable data-driven decision-making based on community utilisation. The below data, whilst incomplete, is the best and only data available to Council at this time.

Data has been collected at McConnell Avenue Reserves since 20 January 2021 (Attachment 3) via various sensors:

- A pedestrian monitoring sensor that collects data from devices within a 70m radius from the data point on the tennis court fence. However, the pedestrian monitoring sensor cannot differentiate between use at either reserve and only collects data within a 70m radius. The device also cannot tell what activity is being undertaken, whether playing tennis, using BBQ, or sitting. Note that the pedestrian monitoring sensor did not collect data during construction from 2 October 2021 – 4 November 2021.
- A sensor on the basketball backboard on the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve that counts vibrations.

The data from the pedestrian monitoring sensor for the period 20/1/21 - 20/1/22 shows:

- Visitors who were detected for longer than 5 minutes – 36,342
- Average hourly visitor count of park users – 5.5 persons
- Peak day of week – Wednesday (8,270)
- Peak hours of the day – 12pm (2,980), then 7am (2,860)
- Dwell time average park users – 14.5 mins.

For the period of summer school holidays from 10/12/21 - 20/1/22 the following data applies

- Overall numbers for the time period – 7,183
- Peak day of week – Saturday
- Peak time of the day – 7am (384)

The vibrations from the backboard sensor for the period 14/6/21 – 30/1/22 shows 7,984 vibrations. Natural activity such as wind may impact on this number. Vibrations post construction of the eastern portion have declined.

A gate counter sensor was mounted at the gate opening on the western position of McConnell Avenue Reserve from 17/12/20 – 18/1/21. The gate counter was then removed due to vandalism. The usage graph can be found in Appendix 4 of the original report.

Visitation can be compared to data available from other reserves.

	McConnell Avenue Reserve (Local)	Dwyer Road Reserve, Oaklands Park (Neighbourhood)	Bandon Terrace Reserve, Marino (Neighbourhood)
Overall visitor numbers	36,342 (12 month period)	89,370 (9 month period)	Not collected
Average hourly Visitor Count	5.5 persons (12 month period)	24.8 persons (9 month period)	Not collected
Basketball backboard vibrations (14/6/21 - 30/1/22)	7,984 (western backboard)	30,782	15,320

It is again recognised that this is the only data available to Council at this time, and it is inappropriate to compare usage of local and neighbourhood reserves.

As well as sensor data highlighted above, rubbish bin waste has also been observed weekly since the eastern reserve upgrade opened. Hardly any rubbish has been added each week with on average three new pieces of waste each week.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1 - GC210127R06 - McConnell Avenue Reserve - Outcomes of Community Consultation [7.1.1 - 123 pages]
2. Attachment 2 Summary of resolutions [XOCH] [7.1.2 - 3 pages]
3. Mc Connell Avenue Reserve data collection [7.1.3 - 3 pages]



CORPORATE REPORTS FOR DECISION

McConnell Avenue Reserve - Outcomes of Community Consultation

Originating Officer	Land Asset Officer/Registered Conveyancer - Heather Carthew Unit Manager Open Space and Recreation Planning - Renee Pitcher
Corporate Manager	Manager City Property - Thuyen Vi-Alternetti Manager City Activation - Greg Salmon
General Manager	General Manager City Development - Ilia Houridis
Report Reference	GC210127R06

REPORT OBJECTIVE

To provide Council with the outcomes from the public consultations:

- On the preliminary schematic concept plan for the upgrade of McConnell Avenue Reserve East, Marino (the Eastern Reserve).
- Regarding the potential disposal of approximately 1530 square metres of land and road widening at McConnell Avenue Reserve West, Marino (the Western Reserve).

A map of the Reserve is attached (Attachment 1).

This report confirms progress of development of the Eastern Reserve and seeks direction regarding the revocation of the community land classification with the Minister for Planning for the Western Reserve.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A Motion with Notice regarding McConnell Avenue Reserve sought to engage the community on the development of the eastern reserve and to consult and consider revocation of the community land classification of the Western Reserve, was considered by Council on 13 October 2020 (GC201013M02). Council resolved to commence community engagement on both these components with the outcomes detailed in this report.

Community consultation for the preliminary schematic concept plan for the upgrade of the Eastern Reserve and revocation of the community land classification and potential disposal of the Western Reserve were undertaken from 12 and 19 November 2020 respectively with both consultations concluding on 18 December 2020.

A total of 72 responses were received:

- 32 submissions relating to the upgrades proposed for the Eastern Reserve, and
- 40 submissions relating to the potential for revocation of the Western Reserve.

A full summary of the responses received including a copy of all responses is in the attached Community Engagement Reports (Attachments 6 and 7).

Administration has considered the feedback from both consultation questions and outline their considerations in this report.



RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes that the Open Space on the eastern side of McConnell Avenue Reserve will be upgraded as per the Open Space Framework resolution (GC200623R18). The eastern upgrade is not dependent on the sale of the western portion.
2. Notes the community consultation process undertaken for the revocation of the community land classification for the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino at Lot 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18 and for the potential disposal of the balance of the reserve after the road boundary is re-aligned to the occupation of the carriageway and footpath.

Option 1

3. Declares that the retention of the western portion McConnell Avenue Reserve does not contribute to Council's strategic objectives and is surplus to Council's requirements and subject to Ministerial approval, the net sale proceeds will be paid into the Open Space Reserve Fund.
4. Authorises the lodgement of the proposal for the road widening and to dispose of the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino to the Minister for Planning in accordance with Section 194 of the Local Government Act 1999.
 - with a report on all submissions made as part of the public consultation process
 - a request to approve the revocation of the Community Land Classification
5. Notes a report will be presented to Council upon receipt of the determination from the Minister for Planning in relation to the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino.
6. Authorises administration to write to the head petitioner from the McConnell Reserve submissions advising of council's decision.
7. Authorises administration to write to Nicole Flint MP in response to the McConnell reserve submissions, advising of council's decision.

Option 2

3. Retains the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve and undertake an evaluation of facilities and upgrades required at the reserve at the mid life review of the Open Space Plan in 2024 and funding to be allocated.
4. Authorises administration to write to the head petitioner from the McConnell Reserve submissions advising of Council's decision.
5. Authorises administration to write to Nicole Flint MP in response to the McConnell Reserve submissions, advising of Council's decision.

GENERAL ANALYSIS

Background

McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino is comprised of two separate allotments, divided by McConnell Avenue, a public road. The estimated area of the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve (the Western Reserve) is 1,748 square metres. The Western Reserve contains a multi purpose court. The estimated area of the eastern portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve (the Eastern Reserve) is 3,965 square metres. An overview of the upgrade of the Eastern Reserve is contained in this report. A map of the reserve is provided as Attachment 1.

A Motion With Notice was considered on 13 October 2020 for the revocation of the Community Land Classification of the reserve. On 13 October 2020 (GC201013M02) Council resolved:



1. Notes the commitment to upgrade the eastern side of McConnell Avenue Reserve in the 2021/22 financial year.
2. Develops an integrated community engagement strategy for the renewal of the eastern parcel of McConnell Avenue Reserve and potential revocation of the western parcel of McConnell Avenue Reserve.
3. Commences the revocation process for the potential disposal of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve, Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18 which includes a public consultation and preparation of a report under Section 194(2)(a) of the Local Government Act.
4. Brings a report to Council for consideration of the outcome of the public consultation under Section 194(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 for the potential disposal of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve, Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18.

Legal / Legislative / Policy: Community Consultation on the potential road boundary realignment and disposal of the Western Reserve has been undertaken in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 and Council's Public Consultation Policy.

DISCUSSION

Eastern Reserve - Upgrade

An Open Space Framework was recently endorsed by Council to focus on achieving an equitable spread of appealing and functional open spaces across the City. Consideration was given to achieving equitable distribution of facilities across the city such as basketball courts, fitness nodes, BBQ's and other recreational sport facilities.

A recent audit of the courts at McConnell Avenue Reserve East identified that they are in need of an upgrade. Council also heard from the community during a previous consultation about what they would like to see at the reserve. As a consequence, the Open Space Plan recommended the following works at the Reserve

- Upgrade courts to provide 1 multi use court with tennis court, netball ring and basketball 3 v 3
- Add drink fountain, shelter and landscaping
- Upgrade irrigation

A budget of \$217,189 has been allocated to this upgrade. The current provides for the works outlines above, but is not sufficient for further amenities to be included in the design.

Engagement occurred to inform community members of the preliminary schematic concept plan for the Eastern Reserve and to seek their feedback on the design. The consultation survey was open for 5 weeks from 12 November 2020 to 18 December 2020. Engagement feedback can be found in the Community Engagement Report - Upgrade (Attachment 7).

In total, during this 5 week consultation period Council received a total of 32 submissions:

- 19 electronic responses to the Making marion survey.
- 13 emails via the community engagement email address. These emails were more pertinent for the revocation of the Western Reserve, but contained some information about suitable upgrade options.

In summary, the findings were:

- Tennis, basketball and line markings for minor games were popular choices for the multi use court.
- A preference for more than a single court was expressed to enable tennis to be played while other activities could occur.



- Leisure activities such as picnics, relaxing and kick about were preferred for the irrigated plaza area.

While the design can incorporate the majority of feedback from residents, the ability to deliver more than a single court will require further funding beyond the classification of McConnell Avenue Reserve as a Local Level Reserve.

The raised platform that currently houses the courts will need further retaining and stabilisation to allow more than a single court to be constructed adding further to the cost.

Western Reserve - Community Land Classification Revocation

Residents were invited to provide feedback on the proposed disposal and boundary realignment for the Western Reserve through the online survey via Making Marion or in writing to Land and Property, City of Marion.

Community Consultation on the upgrade of the Eastern Reserve and the potential boundary realignment and disposal of the Western Reserve commenced on 19 November 2020 and closed on 18 December 2020.

A hard copy flyer was delivered to approximately 312 households roughly within a 400 sq m radius of the reserve, notices were published in the Government Gazette and the Advertiser, letters were sent to Service Providers, a sign was installed on the reserve and information was available at Council's offices and libraries and on Making Marion.

In total, during this five week consultation period Council received a total of 40 submissions.

Respondents were asked to indicate their level of support. Their responses are summarised below:

- 34 respondents indicated that they strongly do not support the proposal
- 6 respondents indicated that they support or strongly support the proposal

Note: Due to the limited information provided by some respondents, it is difficult to identify one of the duplicated responses. The level of support of that respondent is unknown.

Maps showing the approximate residence of respondents where known, are attached (Attachment 5).

Considering the level of responses to retain the Western Reserve, details of the options are provided within this report addressing retention and revocation.

A report has been prepared pursuant to Section 194 of the Local Government Act (Section 194 Report) and is attached (Attachment 2).

Petition

At the time of the consultation closing, a petition from 268 residents (refer to the Community Engagement Report - Revocation, Attachment 6) was submitted to Council requesting that Council retain Lot 189 McConnell Avenue Marino (known as the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve) and upgrade both the Eastern and Western sides of the Reserve as an integrated whole for the continued benefit of current and future residents as our city grows. The final petition submitted for noting at the General Council Meeting on 27 January 2021 (GC210127P02) registered 961 signatories, with 38 of those being non complying.

The number of signatories received within the consultation time frame per suburb is:

Brighton and South Brighton	2
Edwardstown and North Plympton	2



Fulham and Fulham Gardens	4
Glenelg and Somerton Park	3
Hallett Cove	12
Happy Valley	2
Kingston Park, Seacliff and Seacliff Park	13
Marino	220
Mitchell Park	2
Morphett Vale	1
Trott Park	4
West Beach	3

Boundary Re-alignment

The boundary of the Western Reserve extends over the footpath and road carriageway as shown in Attachment 1. Should the reserve be sold, the boundary would be re-aligned to the actual occupation of the footpath. No works would be undertaken on the ground. The survey and associated costs would be offset against the net proceeds from the sale. The area of land remaining after the boundary re-alignment is approximately 1,500 square metres.

Community Land Classification

The Western Reserve is classified as Community Land under the Local Government Act 1999. This classification must be revoked before the Western Reserve can be sold and is subject to Ministerial approval.

Council's decision making process to revoke the Community Land classification is attached (Attachment 8).

Access to Open Space

Council's Open Space Policy sets out the principles that guide the provision, development and management of open space. One of these principles provides "Access for the majority of people to at least one type of open space within 400-500 metres of their residence and/or work place".

There are three other reserves within 500 metres of the Western Reserve which provided a greater range of amenities including the Eastern Reserve which will be upgraded as described in this report.

Open Space Mapping (Attachment 3) demonstrates the amount of open space available in Marino compared to other suburbs in Marion. The mapping shows that Marino has 134.23 sqm of open space per person compared to the average of 100.36. Marino ranks as the suburb with the third highest amount of open space per person. This excludes State Land, based on 2016 census figures.

State Land is also available to access as open space and includes Marino Conservation Park, Hallett Cove Conservation Park, Hallett Cove Beach and the Coastal Walking Trail. Nearby Reserves in the City of Holdfast Bay provide playgrounds, tennis courts and open space.

McConnell Avenue Reserve has been classified as a Local Level Reserve as it is a small open space that caters for people living in the local community within walking distance. These spaces are generally used for short periods of time or are for amenity value.

Seacliff Development - Open Space Provision



It is proposed that the nearby Lorenzin site will substantially be developed for residential purposes. It is likely that Council may require up to 12.5% of the land to be held as open space and vested in the Council. This open space is provided for both the future residents of the site and also the surrounding community. As the Seacliff Park site is approximately 12 hectares in area, there is potential for approximately 15,000 sq m of open space to be provided.

Although a definitive allocation of open space cannot be provided at this time, the owners of the site have committed to working with both Holdfast Bay and Marion Councils to ensure realistic and site relevant open space outcomes are achieved.

Usage Data

A sensor on the entry gate has been active since 18 December 2020. Data collected from the sensor is not an exact count or stay time and can be used as a guide only. **The sensor records the number of passes** which gives an indication of activity, not actual numbers. It is educated derived data. For example, a count of four passes could be two people entering and exiting the reserve or one person entering and exiting twice. A group of two or more people may only be counted as one pass. Uneven numbers could be due to the radar counting two people into the reserve and one person exiting. Obstructions may record a large number of passes.

Graphs showing detections between 18 December 2020 and 18 January 2021 are attached (Attachment 4). The following table summarises the number of passes over the 32 days of data collection.

No passes recorded	8 days
Less than ten passes recorded	19 days
More than ten passes recorded	8

No Special Event Permits have been granted for the use of McConnell Avenue Reserve (East and West) in the last twelve months.

Options

It has been identified that the Western Reserve is not contributing to Council's strategic objectives and has been identified as being surplus to Council's requirements. After consideration of the community and stakeholder feedback received Council could resolve to continue with the Community Land Classification Revocation process or retain the Western Reserve. Taking into consideration the feedback received, options for both the disposal and retention of the Western Reserve are provided.

Disposal

Should Council resolve to dispose of the Western Reserve, the road boundary would need to be re-aligned with it's actual occupation as shown in the plan (Attachment 1). The cost of the boundary re-alignment would be offset against the sale proceeds should the sale of the Western Reserve proceed.

The net sale proceeds would be allocated to the Open Space Reserve Fund for the development of open space facilities or as otherwise resolved by Council.

Community feedback received indicated greater support to retain the Western Reserve. However the assessment of the provision of open space by both Council and the broader amenity offered through State Government land indicates that there is a significantly higher open space provision than other parts of the City of Marion (Marino rates the third highest) and provision is well above the City of Marion average.



Retain

Should the Western Reserve be retained -

- The current assets would continue to be maintained at an estimated cost of \$1,690 per annum (based on 2020/21 estimates). Should the existing court require replacement, the estimated cost is \$150,000. The estimated cost of removal of the court and to lay turf is \$15,000.
- An evaluation of facilities and upgrades required at the reserve will be assessed at the mid life review of the Open Space Plan in 2024, and funding allocated.
- Based on the outcomes of the upgrade of the Eastern Reserve along with the mid-life review, other upgrade options would be considered.

Funding has been allocated for the upgrade of the Eastern Reserve as outlined in this report. The upgrade of the Eastern Reserve is not dependant on the disposal of the Western Reserve. Works to upgrade the eastern reserve are scheduled to commence next financial year.

Attachment

#	Attachment	Type
1	Attachment 1 - Map	PDF File
2	Attachment 2 - S194 Report with map and CT	PDF File
3	Attachment 3 - Open Space in Marino	PDF File
4	Attachment 4 - Usage Data	PDF File
5	Attachment 5 - Respondents by Street Name	PDF File
6	Attachment 6 - Comm Eng Report Revocation	PDF File
7	Attachment 7 - Comm Eng Report Upgrade	PDF File
8	Attachment 8 - Community Land Classification Process	PDF File



**REVOCATION AND DISPOSAL OF COMMUNITY LAND
THE WHOLE OF IMPROVED LAND AT ALLOTMENT 189 IN DEPOSITED PLAN 2909
LOT 189 McCONNELL AVENUE MARINO**

Report required under Section 194(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999

Description of the land:

The land comprises a vacant reserve at Lot 189 McConnell Avenue Marino. The land is known as portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve, Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 and is portion of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18.

The land is an irregular shaped allotment and has an approximate frontage of 60.9 metres on McConnell Avenue, a depth of approximately 46.3 metres and the remaining boundaries are approximately 35.8 metres and 23.7 metres giving a total land area of approximately 1,784 square metres. A copy of the Certificate of Title is attached (Attachment 1).

Reason for the proposal:

The proposal follows the approval of the redevelopment of the eastern portion of the reserve which will include upgrades to the courts, including a new multipurpose court and improvements to the reserve area including drink fountain, shelter and landscaping.

The land in Allotment 189 (western portion) is currently under-utilised by the Community has been identified as being surplus to Council's requirements.

Dedication, reservation or trust to which the land is subject:

The land is not subject to a dedication, reservation or trust.

No Government financial assistance was provided to acquire the land.

The land vested in Council pursuant to a plan of division.

Intention of Council once revocation has occurred:

Subject to due process Council intends to re-align the reserve boundary to the current alignment of the footpath and road and sell the remainder of the property on the open market in accordance with Council's Disposal of Land and Assets Policy.

The net sale proceeds will be allocated to the Open Space Reserve Fund for the development of open space facilities as approved by Council.

Affect on the Community:

The land is considered to be under-utilized by the Community and does not meet Council's strategic objectives. There are three other reserves within 500 metres from the Lot 189 McConnell Avenue, Marino which provide a range of amenities.

It is deemed that the disposal of the land will not have any significant affect on the general community.

The proceeds from any sale, subject to Ministerial approval would enable Council to develop open space facilities as approved by Council.

South Australia. (CERTIFICATE OF TITLE.)

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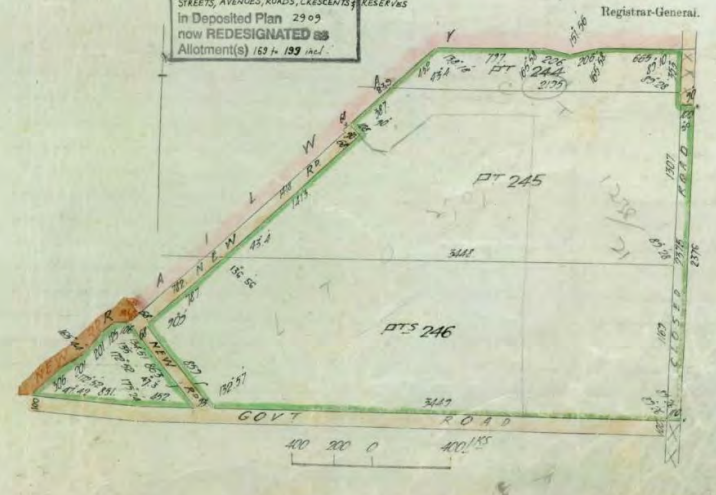
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Adelaide being Portion of Section 245 containing six acres two rods and
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one rod and ten perches Portion of Section 246 containing together forty
seven acres three rods and thirty perches or thereabouts and a Road
containing two acres one rod and twenty perches or thereabouts and are more
particularly delineated and bounded as appears in the plan in the margin
hereof and therein colored green

which said Sections are delineated in the public map of the said Hundred deposited in the Lands and Survey Office at Adelaide.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my seal this eleventh day of April 1922

Signed the 11th day of April 1922, in the presence of McPherson
1922, in the presence of McPherson
STREETS, AVENUES, ROADS, CRESCENTS, RESERVS
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A New Road has been opened adjoining the within portion of Section 246 on the north west side confirmation of Road Order on Subject of 19th of May 1991 (Transp. 1000)

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Portion of the within right of way is vested in the Corporation of the City of Marion as a public road pursuant to Sec. 305(1) of the Local Government Act 1934-1957.

Local Government Gazette dated 13/4/58

Indeged 15/4/59 at 3 pm

J. Durvas

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Notification No. 2224/74

The right of way abutting lot 54 in L.T.O. Plan 2909 is vested in the Corporation of the City of Marion as a public road pursuant to Sec. 305(1) of the Local Government Act 1934-1957 vide Government Gazette dated 11/3/1960 Page 423

Produced 17/8/1960 at 2.15 pm

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Portion of right of way in deposited plan 2909 has been closed vide confirmation of road order in gazette dated the thirteenth day of July 1961 (Transp. 6711)

J. Durvas

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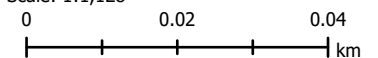
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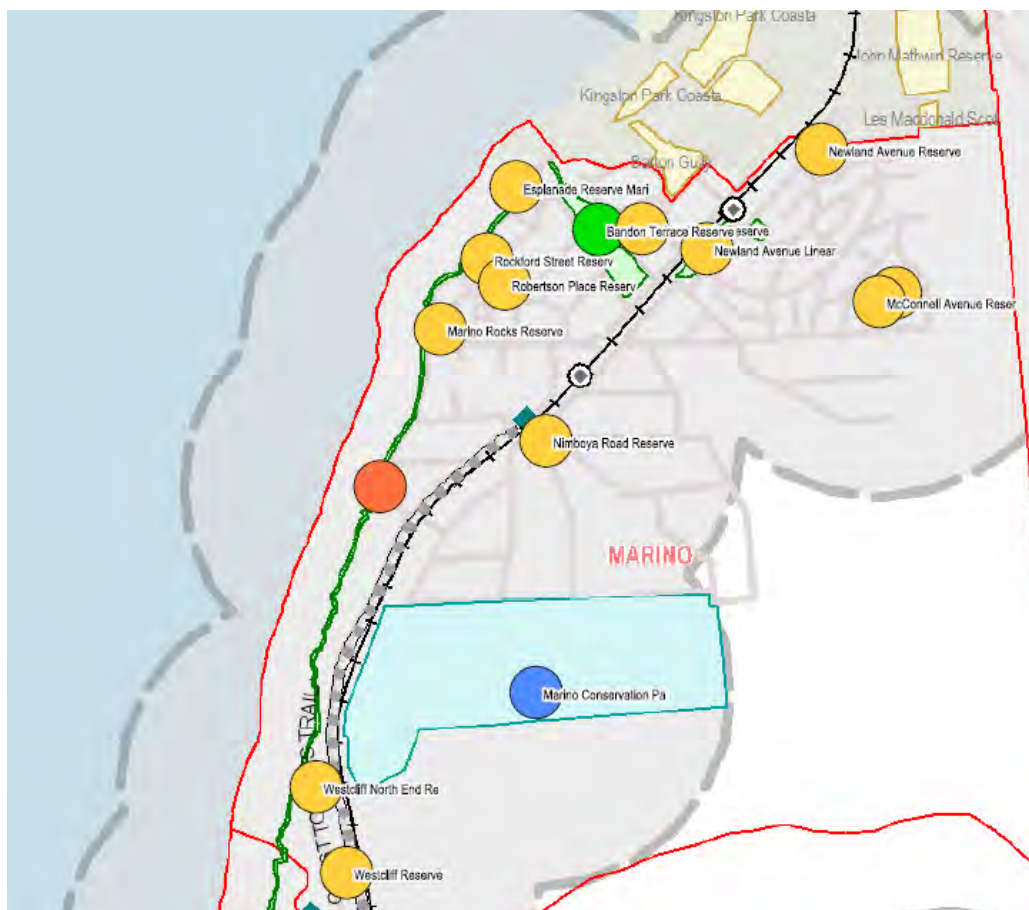
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Open Space in Marino



Reserve	Hierarchy	Size (m2)
Newland Avenue Reserve	Local	5201
McConnell Avenue Reserve – east	Local	3946
McConnell Avenue Reserve – west	Local	1784
Newland Avenue Linear Park	Local	6451
Bandon Terrace Reserve	Neighbourhood	19289
Robertson Place Reserve	Local	1522
Holder Parade Reserve	Local	845
Esplanade Reserve Marino	Local	1583
Marino Rocks Reserve	Local	863
Nimboya Road Reserve	Local	5043
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Marino Conservation Park	State	300,000

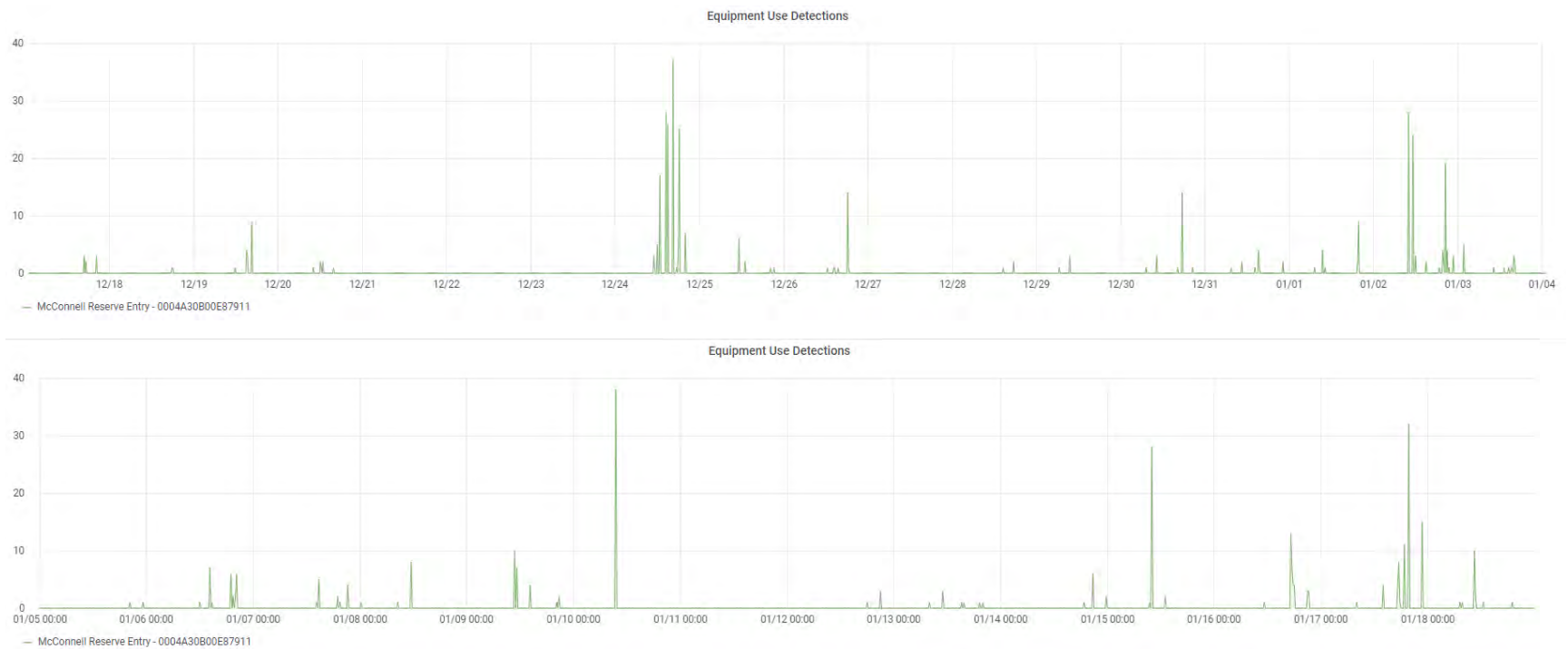
Square metres of Open Space per person*

Suburb	sqm of open space per person (inclusive of state land)	sqm of open space per person (no state land)
O'Halloran Hill + Trott Park	662.66	399.40
Seacliff Park + Seaview Downs	267.91	237.88
Marino	157.23	134.23
Park Holme	91.18	91.18
Hallett Cove	174.20	82.71
Oaklands Park	61.30	61.30
Sheidow Park	60.69	60.69
Marion	55.26	55.26
Bedford Park + Clovelly Park	54.45	54.45
Darlington + Seacombe Heights	38.91	38.91
Morphettville	27.55	27.55
Glandore	26.41	26.41
Mitchell Park	22.98	22.98
Glengowrie	10.81	10.81
South Plympton	10.14	10.14
Dover Gardens	10.00	10.00
Plympton Park	9.41	9.41
Seacombe Gardens	9.38	9.38
Sturt	8.18	8.18
Warradale	7.34	7.34
Ascot Park	3.22	3.22
Edwardstown	2.71	2.71
Average		100.36

Based on 2016 census figures

The thermal index in Marino is low, and the NDVI (Normalised Difference Vegetation Index) is medium.

Usage data from 17 December 2020 to 18 January 2021





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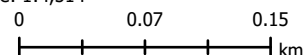
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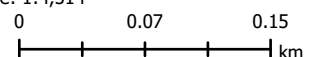
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McConnell Avenue Reserve West

Revocation of Community Land Classification

Community Consultation Findings

December 2020

1. Introduction

McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino is comprised of two separate portions of land allotments, divided by McConnell Avenue.

A Motion With Notice considered on 13 October 2020 for the revocation of the Community Land Classification of McConnell Avenue Reserve West. On 13 October 2020 (BC201013M02) Council resolved:

1. Notes the commitment to upgrade the eastern side of McConnell Avenue Reserve in the 2021/22 financial year.
2. Develops an integrated community engagement strategy for the renewal of the eastern parcel of McConnell Avenue Reserve and potential revocation of the western parcel of McConnell Avenue Reserve.
3. Commences the revocation process for the potential disposal of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve, Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18 which includes a public consultation and preparation of a report under Section 194(2)(a) of the Local Government Act.
4. Brings a report to Council for consideration of the outcome of the public consultation under Section 194(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 for the potential disposal of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve, Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18.

This report summarises community consultation on the proposed boundary re-alignment and disposal of McConnell Avenue Reserve West, Marino (the Western Reserve).

2. Consultation Program

Public consultation pursuant to Section 194(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 for the revocation of the community land classification for 5 weeks from 12 November 2020 to 18 December 2020 in accordance with Section 194 of the Local Government Act 1999 and Council's Community Consultation Policy.

The disposal of any community land is subject to Ministerial approval. All feedback as a result of the community consultation is considered by the Minister when making a decision about revoking the community land classification. If sold, the proceeds would be paid into the Open Space Reserve Fund for the development of open space as approved by Council. Alternatively, Council may resolve that the funds are to be used for the development of a particular reserve or reserves in the surrounding area.

The survey was made available online at makingmarion.com.au/mcconnell-reserve-revocation

Residents were informed about the survey in the following ways:

- **Flyer** - A hard copy flyer was delivered to approximately 312 households within roughly 400m² radius of the reserve outlining the period of consultation.
- **Onsite sign** - An onsite sign was installed at the reserve promoting the Making Marion link and consultation deadline.
- **Zoom and telephone** consultations held with individuals and small groups. Six separate meetings were held with staff from Land and Property and Open Space and Recreation Planning.
- **Publication of notices** in the Government Gazette and the Advertiser
- **Notices** to Service Authorities
- **More information was available** at Council's Administration Centre, City Services building and Council's libraries at Hallett Cove, Oaklands Park and Park Holme.
- **Publication of information by the 5049 Coastal Community Group** on their website.

3. Consultation Overview

Residents were invited to provide feedback on the proposed disposal and boundary realignment for Western Reserve through the online survey via Making Marion or in writing to Land and Property, City of Marion.

In total, during this 5-week consultation period Council received a total of 40 submissions:

- A total of 43 visits were recorded to the Making Marion web page where residents could access the Section 194 report and details of the proposal.
- 31 contributors made 33 submissions to the Making Marion survey. It is known that one contributor made two submissions stating that they strongly do not support the proposal. It is unknown whether the second contributor who made two submissions supports or does not support the proposal. Two contributors noted that they strongly do not support the proposal, however, their explanations clearly shows that they support the proposed disposal of the Western Reserve.
- 6 contributors to the Making Marion survey **also** made submissions by email and/or hard copy.
- 8 submissions were made only by email and/or hard copy including submissions from the Friends of McConnell Group and the 5049 Coastal Community Group.
- A petition from 268 residents and users of the McConnell Avenue Reserve was submitted to Council
- In addition to the responses from private residents, a letter in support of the Friends of McConnell Group was received from Nicolle Flint, MP.
- One submission was received from SA Power Networks after the consultation period ended. SA Power Networks have a low voltage overhead powerline that crosses the northern corner of the Western Reserve. It appears that this infrastructure will be within the road reserve once the road boundary is re-aligned.
- No other submissions were received from Service Authorities.
- Some of these submissions related to both the upgrade of the Eastern Reserve and the proposed boundary re-alignment and disposal of the Western Reserve.
- A full summary of all responses to each survey question and relevant customer event feedback is provided within this report. Responses have been listed as worded by the respondent. For privacy reasons, respondents' details have not been included.

4. Consultation Findings

Respondents were asked to indicate their level of support of the proposal –

- Strongly support
- Support
- Undecided
- Do not support
- Strongly do not support

In summary –

- 34 respondents indicated that they strongly do not support the proposal

- 6 respondents indicated that they support or strongly support the proposal.

Note: One respondent made two submissions. Their level of support is unknown.

The number of responses per suburb is:

Marino	35 (including the Friends of McConnell Group and the 5049 Coastal Community Group)
Seacliff	4
Dover Gardens	1

5. Summary of feedback received

Refer to Attachment 1 for a summary of the feedback received. The table below identifies some of the concerns and items raised regarding the proposed boundary realignment and disposal of the Western Reserve.

It is a well used reserve where many children go to play basketball. There are no similar reserves in the area. The two mentioned Bandon Terrace Reserve and Nimboya Road Reserve are both a long way from McConnell avenue and at a much lower elevation (making it difficult for the elderly and young children to access)
If the reserve opposite the road will be redeveloped - I agree the western portion can be sold. It also discourages kids to run from the basketball area over to the tennis courts crossing the road.
We have a perfectly good tennis centre 500m away from this location. The fact that these residents have kept their private club for so long is mind boggling. Sell the land and put the money into the wider Marino area where everyone can feel welcome to benefit from it.
This area is currently underused because of its configuration. It is a good flat area in an otherwise hilly area that should be retained as open space, perhaps used as an area that children could access to ride trikes/bikes/scooters.
The community has voiced it's opinion time and time again that they do NOT want this portion of land to be sold. Council needs to respect the views of their rate payers. Council says that this land is not used but refuses to invest any money into it. This land is used. My children play basketball up there all the time with my husband. We would love to see council invest some money into both the WEST and EAST portions of land to make these green spaces places for all community members to enjoy. Council will have large amounts of money incoming from the new subdivision in Seacliff Park. The Marino residents need more green, open spaces that are well looked after. Invest some money in these spaces and just watch how many people come to use them. The plan is to replace 3 courts with 1 and this is simply not enough especially if they are upgraded. So many more people will come to use them and 1 multi purpose court is not going to meet the needs of the community. Please listen to our voices and save this space as that it what your rate payers are asking.
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Q2 Please tell us why?

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11/14/2020 01:49 PM

It is a well used reserve where many children go to play basketball. There are no similar reserves in the area. The two mentioned Bandon Terrace Reserve and Nimboya Road Reserve are both a long way from McConnell avenue and at a much lower elevation (making it difficult for the elderly and young children to access)

Screen Name Redacted

11/15/2020 09:48 AM

If the reserve opposite the road will be redeveloped - I agree the western portion can be sold. It also dis-encourages kids to run from the basketball area over to the tennis courts crossing the road.

Screen Name Redacted

11/17/2020 06:12 PM

This is one of a few flat open spaces in the local community. Marino is experiencing a change in demographics with younger families with children increasing. It would be much better utilised if improved and developed using the plan presented by the community in 2017

Screen Name Redacted

11/19/2020 01:47 PM

Loss of accessible public open space within a very steep hilly terrain will be a detriment to the local amenity of that area of Marino. While McConnell Avenue Reserve West is approx. 400m-670m to other reserve locations, they are a 18 gradient walk at least 400m • 650m away, next to a busy local road being Newland Avenue. Mcconnel Avenue Reserve West is a safe local open space destination for families with children and dog walkers. The public community land should not be sold. It should remain as community land in the care and control of the Marion Council.

Screen Name Redacted

11/21/2020 12:44 PM

Because we use it as a family, we play basketball on the courts. It's precious open space for the community and should be kept not sold off

Screen Name Redacted

11/22/2020 12:48 PM

Need open space at Marino, a place for families to gather. There are no other reserves within walking distance. It is too hard for kids to walk up the steep hills

Screen Name Redacted

11/23/2020 10:41 AM

We have a perfectly good tennis centre 500m away from this location. The fact that these residents have kept their private club for so long is mind boggling. Sell the land and put the money into the wider Marino area where everyone can feel welcome to benefit from it.

Screen Name Redacted

11/27/2020 10:52 AM

All community land that is not built upon acts as a critical open space and green lung in our suburbs - an indispensable counterpoint to the drive for higher housing densities along transport corridors, which I believe this reserve abounds, or falls within.

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11/27/2020 11:04 AM

Public space should remain as public space in an ever-densifying urban environment, especially where planning now supports urban infill. There is an Open Space fund to fund improvements to other facilities. Funds should not need to be raised through selling of assets. Also there's no playground for children above the railway line anywhere in the vicinity and you are not

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	providing a playground in your proposal for the land on the other side. In fact you're proposing to make most of the space hard surfaces.
Screen Name Redacted 11/27/2020 11:41 AM	The land is hardly used and in a poor condition. It is becoming a health and safety hazard and if the money from the sale is to be used for the upgrade of the eastern side and so have one good facility that the community will use the sale is valid.
Screen Name Redacted 11/27/2020 12:48 PM	This area is currently underused because of its configuration. It is a good flat area in an otherwise hilly area that should be retained as open space, perhaps used as an area that children could access to ride trikes/bikes/scooters.
Screen Name Redacted 11/27/2020 04:52 PM	The reasons given to sell this are ridiculous. We should be retaining open space, not selling it off.
Screen Name Redacted 11/28/2020 11:16 AM	Still being used by families and teenagers to play basketball, young children learning to ride their bikes, play games especially after school hours
Screen Name Redacted 11/30/2020 07:42 PM	There is limited flat space in the area and both sides of the reserve is ideal for kids and families to use. It is too hilly in Marino and very limited space for kids to ride their bikes, scooters and play ball sports. If the western area is sold, it will be a big loss to our community plus more of a reduction in open spaces.
Screen Name Redacted 12/01/2020 03:08 PM	The community has voiced it's opinion time and time again that they do NOT want this portion of land to be sold. Council needs to respect the views of their rate payers. Council says that this land is not used but refuses to invest any money into it. This land is used. My children play basketball up there all the time with my husband. We would love to see council invest some money into both the WEST and EAST portions of land to make these green spaces places for all community members to enjoy. Council will have large amounts of money incoming from the new subdivision in Seacliff Park. The Marino residents need more green, open spaces that are well looked after. Invest some money in these spaces and just watch how many people come to use them. The plan is to replace 3 courts with 1 and this is simply not enough especially if they are upgraded. So many more people will come to use them and 1 multi purpose court is not going to meet the needs of the community. Please listen to our voices and save this space as that it what your rate payers are asking.
Screen Name Redacted 12/02/2020 07:28 PM	The local residents are very protective of it whenever i've tried to use the courts - almost tag teamed coming out of their houses to swap partners. Also, there is a multi million dollar tennis facility about 500 metres away. Are they too special to walk or drive there?? How many tennis courts does a suburb of Marino's size need??
Screen Name Redacted 12/08/2020 02:27 PM	McConnell Reserve on both sides of the street are used very regularly and to think of taking any flat land from the Marino community is very shortsighted and bordering on criminal!

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Screen Name Redacted 12/11/2020 10:04 AM	Open space is precious as 2020 has demonstrated amply. Simply, we need more space around us, less built environs.
Screen Name Redacted 12/11/2020 03:48 PM	The proposed once off sale would be a terrible loss for little gain and at the expense of ongoing community benefit of a welcoming, cared for public open space. Council has to acknowledge that Marino is changing and it should provide adequate open spaces to serve the changing community now and in the future. Council's view that it is currently underutilized is stating the obvious; it is of little use in its current state. Open spaces should cater for all, not just a select few that have a passing interest in a particular type of activity. Grassed areas are the most flexible and usable of all types of recreation space and should be expanded, not curtailed. We have enough wasteland in the area, why not create something we can all be proud of!
Screen Name Redacted 12/12/2020 03:13 PM	I would like to see no decrease in public open spaces in the suburbs of Adelaide. The population density is increasing, and in Marino we are about to have a large increase in residents when the old Monier site is developed. I would like to see local native plantings and a walking trail in this reserve. This would contribute positively to the climate, it would help to conserve water (reducing run-off, which living where I do I see the already appalling quantity which runs down the hill when we have rain), it would help to keep down urban heat and attenuate noise from local traffic, provide visual relief to residents, provide psychological benefits to locals and visitors who could experience nature and have opportunities to interact in pleasant surroundings, accessible to all. I am amazed that the Council is talking about this issue again. I thought a decision to keep both sides of the reserve had been made only a very few years ago!
Screen Name Redacted 12/12/2020 04:24 PM	From a public health perspective Councils should be adding to the bank of community space not selling it off. Currently in Australia only 1 in 4 children between 5 and 12 years get enough physical activity each week and in children between 4 and 15 years 1 in 4 are considered overweight and 1 in 16 in this age range are considered obese. (Source Healthdirect.gov.au/obesity-in-children). Australian government health policy is to encourage physical activity in children and this requires easy access to community space. It is far more cost-effective to have active children than to have to manage the consequences of overweight and obesity in childhood. This age relies on adults for access to other than the most local community space so every local reserve is important in the big picture. Looking back at historic use of community land is not appropriate, Council should be looking forward to getting future generations of children outdoors into safe spaces that encourage a range of physical play activities, some of which should be nature-based and not require marked courts or special equipment. The road corridor between the two parts of the reserve can be readily modified as a "woonerf" or play street and improve the overall value of the two sides of the reserve.
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Screen Name Redacted 12/14/2020 04:00 PM	We need more, not less, open space for public recreation as population density intensifies in our area
Screen Name Redacted 12/16/2020 09:22 AM	Too often community areas are being removed and reduced. It is an area that should be upgraded and made useable for the community. I visit friends who live around the corner and often see children utilising and playing in the area.
Screen Name Redacted 12/16/2020 09:47 AM	There is a shortage of level accessible open space for residents in the immediate area. Open spaces are a needed asset for the community, and should not be sold unless there is a very compelling reason and compensation. Selling the western side reduces the opportunity to create an integrated reserve, with facilities for all residents and visitors, including those with disabilities. This combined reserve could be a destination reserve for the community, with outstanding views as a natural asset.
Screen Name Redacted 12/16/2020 02:27 PM	I live around 300 metres from the reserve and have driven past it once. I don't see the argument for keeping this. To me a pocket of residents already have a great open space with the Eastern Side at their doorstep so arguing to keep the Western Side is beyond belief. I would prefer the council sell it, use the funds to upgrade the Eastern Side and then spend the rest elsewhere in Marino where most residents would benefit.
Screen Name Redacted 12/16/2020 08:16 PM	Where to start...their 'save our park' signs are an embarrassment. The 5049 community group is coaching people how to write their concerns. At the end of the day a small number of residents have some great facilities on their door step. Good luck to them. If council is spending a chunk of money to resurface the tennis courts, that are practically shared between about 15 houses then they should be so thankful. Instead they are wanting more and are probably worried about their view. No other group of residents squawk about needing this much open space. This would be utilised less than 5%. I

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12/17/2020 04:47 PM

All existing council land should be retained as it will always be useful in the future and prices to buy land will be much greater then so keep what you have now and utilise it.

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12/17/2020 06:14 PM

This section of the Park is open freely accessible flat space in a safe environment. it is extremely important for the residents & their friends in Marino to enable multiple people and groups at the same time to be able to play ball games, learn to ride bikes, exercise, exercise their dogs, be able to improve their mental health getting outside into a peaceful non-stressful space with views that aid well being. It is a space that people have been able to utilize during the Covid restrictions to aid their well-being. It is the only park that has facilities for older children & Adults to be able to use at the same time on this side of the train line and not be required to give up their play session to pre booked activities. It is a Multi use area and also of benefit to the local wild life with old trees native to this area as part of the wild life corridor & is important as part of cooling the environment. This park provides a significant contribution to the community as a meeting place for the neighborhood and supports healthy lifestyles and an active community. Increased greening of this park in the area around the bitumised area is a

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<p>Screen Name Redacted</p> <p>12/17/2020 10:34 PM</p>	<p>Because safe parking is required to fully utilize the tennis courts and proposed land upgrade connected to the courts. If a BBQ and shelter was considered then adjacent parking will be required to assist people in wheel chairs, elderly, children to keep them close and safe to the tennis courts so people do not have to walk far with chairs, eskies , babies etc. 2/ We, the public pay councils wages and they signed employment contracts they will serve and listen to the community. Failure to do so the public have the right to not re elect members due to breach of contract. 3/ There is not enough SAFE play areas for children to play without having to travel far. The fence that prevents the access to parking on the west block is not sending a good message. If council want to sell it because its not used, how can it be used if fenced off. Something smells fishy.</p>
<p>Screen Name Redacted</p> <p>12/18/2020 12:03 AM</p>	<p>Due to its safe and accessible location, the reserve provides a unique level setting within this hilly part of Marino. Unfortunately Council hasn't provided appropriate maintenance or significant upgrades to the reserve in living memory and now sees the land as redundant. The Friends of McConnell Group have embarked on a community awareness campaign regarding this issue. We organised online and traditional paper petitions and received many comments from residents whilst gathering signatures. The enduring message was 'there should be more open space, not less'. The western portion of the reserve has been a much loved community asset for many years. We request Council retains the western portion of McConnell Reserve and unlock its potential for the benefit of the community.</p>
<p>Screen Name Redacted</p> <p>12/18/2020 09:48 AM</p>	<p>The combined eastern and western reserves provide an important asset for the local residents and wider community, and should be upgraded to an integrated reserve, with a Neighbourhood Level classification. To meet the stated desires of the community.</p>

Optional question (33 response(s), 0 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Heather Carthew

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 25 November 2020 3:59 PM
To: Community Engagement
Subject: PROPOSED REVOCATION AND DISPOSAL OF COMMUNITY LAND LOT 189
MCCONNELL AVENUE, MARINO
Attachments: 20201125 Submission to Marion Council v3_op.pdf

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**(MCCONNELL
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Regards,

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[REDACTED] DATE: 25 NOVEMBER 2020**

BACKGROUND:

The information provided by the City of Marion concerning the proposed revocation and disposal of the McConnell Avenue Reserve West consists of the following:

*Council has approved an upgrade to the **eastern portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve**([External link](#)) and is considering selling the **western portion**([External link](#)).*

*In developing this proposal, Council considered how the reserve was utilised. The **western portion**([External link](#)) of the reserve is considered to be underutilised. It measures about 1,785 sqm and is classified as community land under the **Local Government Act 1999**([External link](#)).*

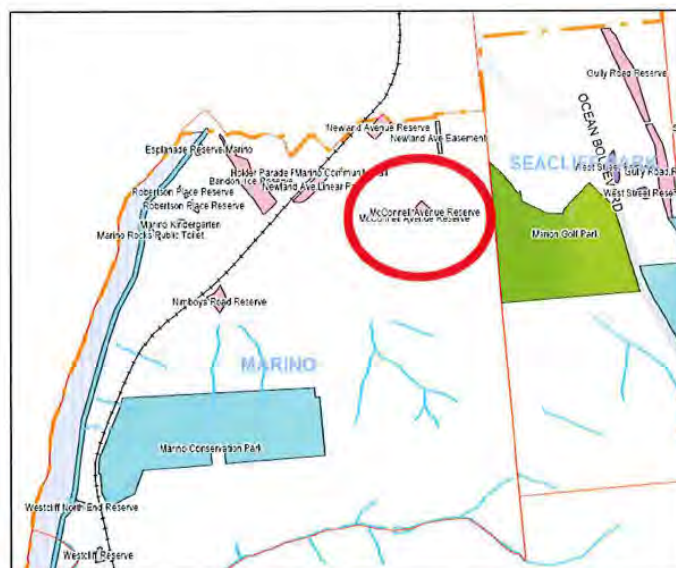
*Should the sale of the **western portion**([External link](#)) proceed, the reserve boundary will be re-aligned to the current alignment of the footpath and road.*

Proceeds from the sale will be used to develop open space facilities as approved by Council, saving money for ratepayers.

*There are other reserves nearby, including **Bandon Terrace Reserve, Marino**([External link](#)) and **Nimboya Road Reserve, Marino**([External link](#)) which have quality facilities.*

A legislative process to revoke the community land classification is now underway. This includes public consultation.

The disposal of this land is subject to Ministerial approval.



Map of McConnell Reserve Marino.

Open Space & Recreation Strategy, 2006 – 2016, Section 3 – Appendices, p.108

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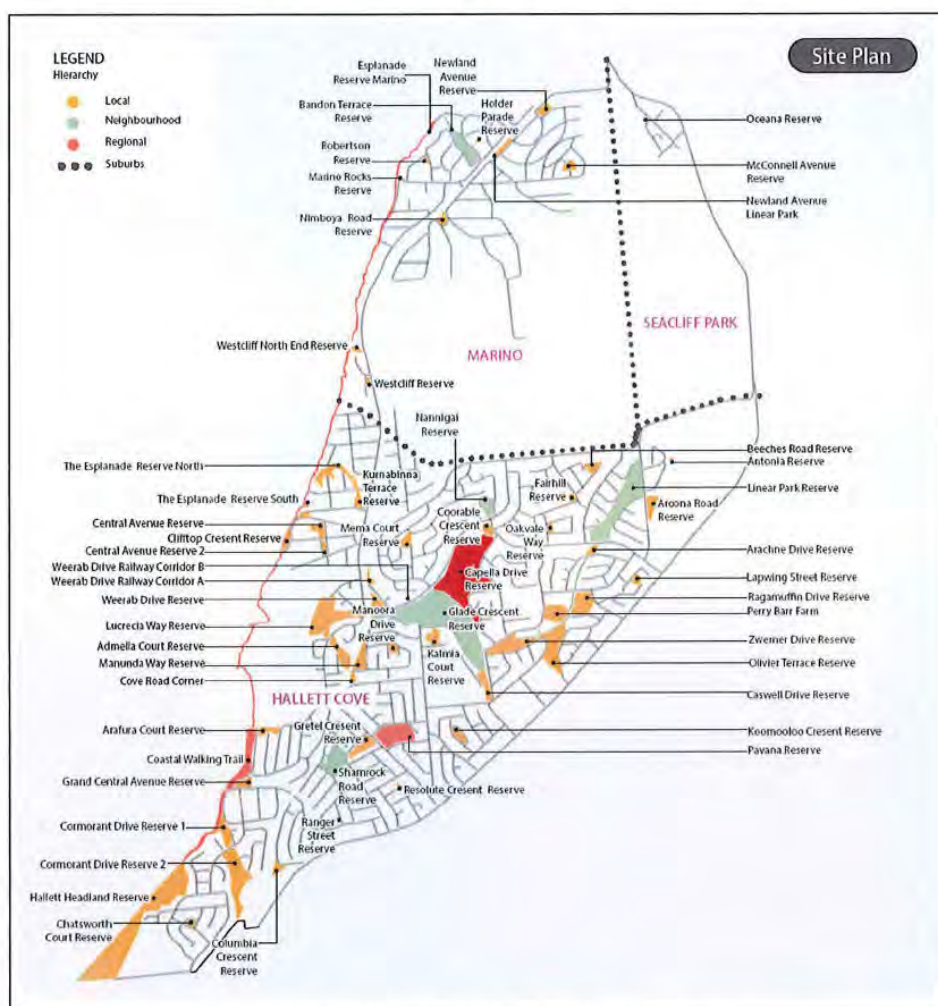
1. There is low provision of public open space in the Marino area

The distribution of open space in the Coastal Ward, and planned expenditure as envisaged by the Open Space Plan, is very much skewed to Hallett Cove, rather than an equivalent amount of public open space being accessible and developed in Marino.

This is due to the very limited available public open space in Marino compared to other suburbs.

Therefore, McConnell Avenue Reserve West should have its Community Land status revoked and disposed of.

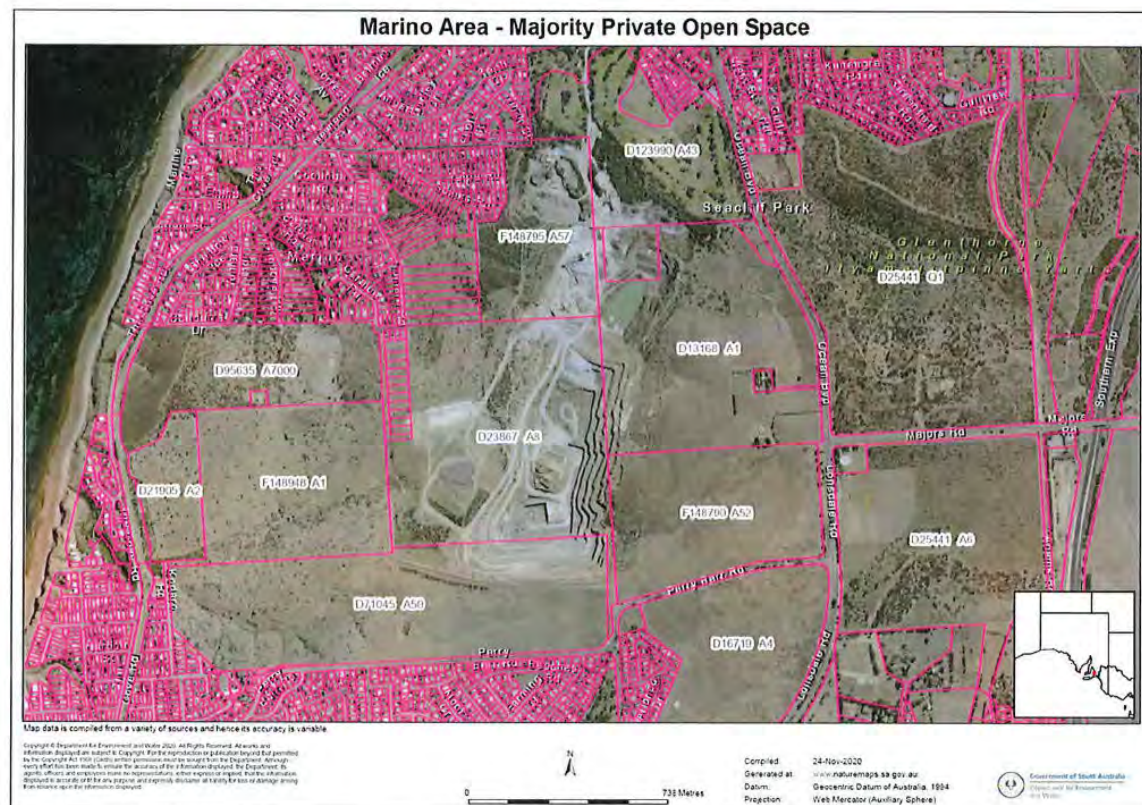
The majority of open space in the Seacliff Park and Marino area is the Boral Linwood Quarry (Private land) and the Marino Conservation Park (State Government land)



City of Marion Open Space Plan 2018-2028, p. 7.
Located at [FINAL-Open-Space-Plan-for-Community v11.pdf \(marion.sa.gov.au\)](#)

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The map below highlights the 'gaps' in the Open Space Plan 'Site Plan' for the Coastal Ward is not simply accessible open space as such, but rather private land (mostly the Boral Linwood Quarry) or State Government land (Marino Conservation Park).

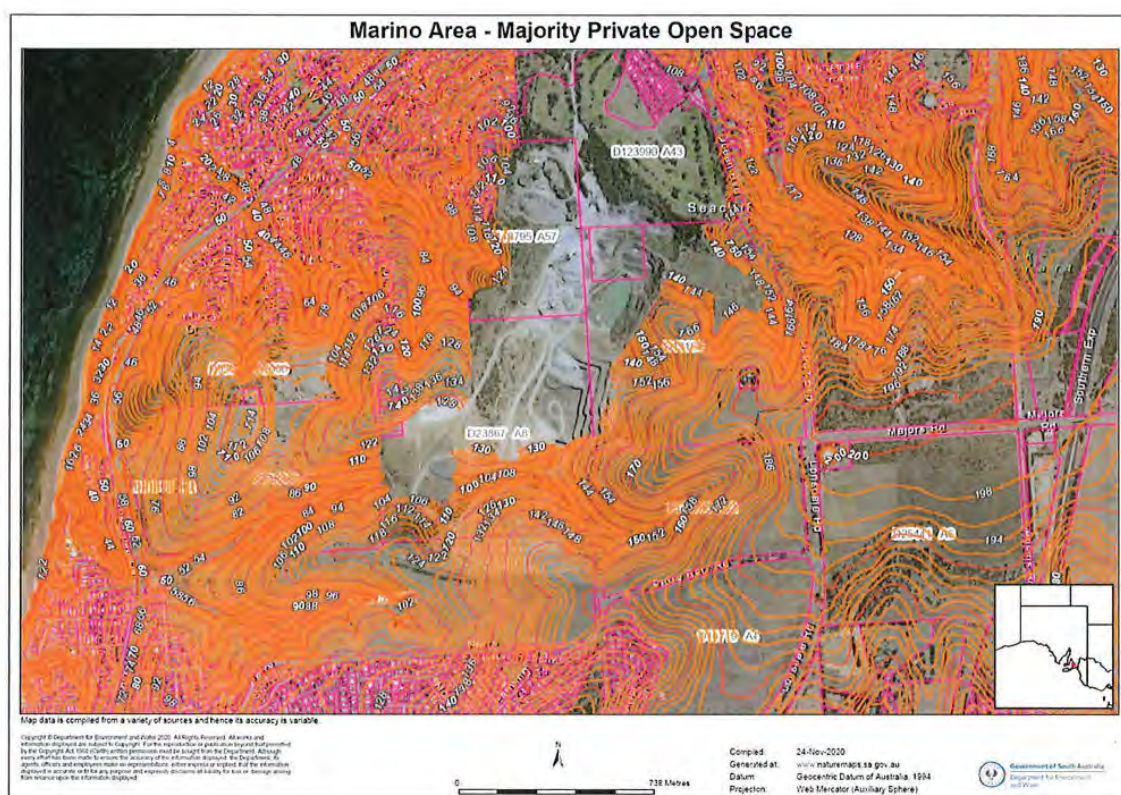


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2. The topology of Marino is steep and hilly, and does not allow the practical connection to other reserves in the local area;

The following map highlights the hilly nature of the Marino area.

The significant open space areas consist of the Boral Linwood Quarry and the Marino Conservation Park.



This highlights that the land in the Marino area is not flat.

Marino is not Warradale or Edwardstown.

The topology of the Marino area makes the connection to alternative public open space locations problematic for residents not only within the McConnell Avenue Reserve area, but within the Marino area generally.

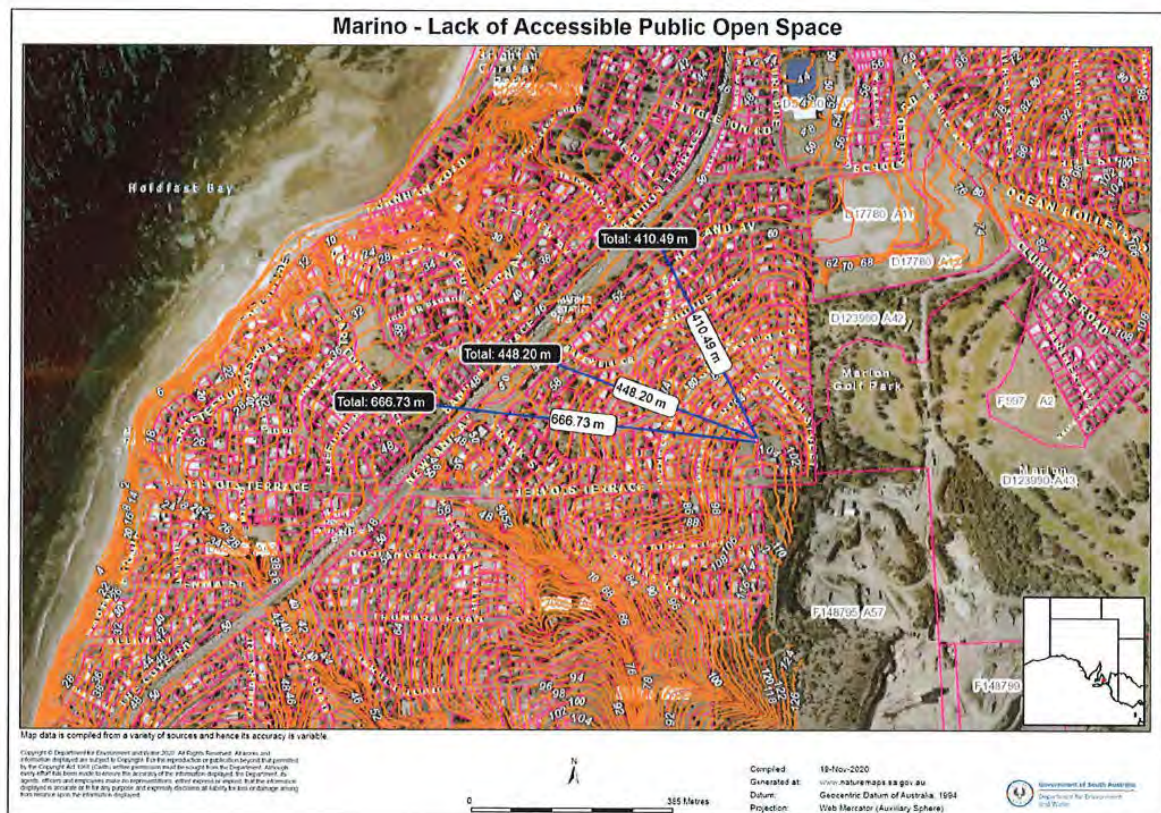
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The Council communication engagement website, Making Marion
(<https://www.makingmarion.com.au/mcconnell-reserve-revocation>), describes that:

*'There are other reserves nearby, including **Bandon Terrace Reserve, Marino** and **Nimboya Road Reserve, Marino** which have quality facilities.'*

This ignores the problematic nature of the topology of the Marino area, such that residents located nearby McConnell Avenue Reserve are not able to access these reserves by foot.

This is especially true for young families with children in prams, for example.



This also ignores the Seaford railway line that separates Bandon Terrace Reserve from the eastern residents of Marino.

This also ignores Newland Avenue separating out the Linear Park adjacent to the railway line. Newland Avenue is a well know speed route, with installed roundabouts to slow traffic movements.

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3. The perception of underuse of McConnell Avenue Reserve West is simply because the reserve area has not been maintained over the decades and is not fit for purpose;

The notion that McConnell Avenue Reserve West is underutilised is a result of the maintenance and development of that parcel of community land not being maintained as a fit for purpose community facility, especially noting the provisions on McConnell Avenue Reserve East.



The result is that the Eastern parcel of reserve land is much more usable and is used by local children and dog owners for a safe recreational play space.



'Merigold' Cole enjoying some recreational exercise

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4. There is demographic change with younger families residing in Marino looking for local and accessible public open space;


As indicated in Marion's own demographic information:

In Marino, 33.3% of households were made up of couples with children in 2016, compared with 28.7% in Greater Adelaide.

Marino's household and family structure is one of the most important demographic indicators. It reveals the area's residential role and function, era of settlement and provides key insights into the level of demand for services and facilities as most are related to age and household types.

Household type							
Marino - Total households (Enumerated)		2016		2011		Change	
Households by type	Number	%	Greater Adelaide %	Number	%	Greater Adelaide %	2011 to 2016
Couples with children	280	33.3	28.7	254	31.7	28.5	+25
Couples without children	295	35.0	24.8	269	33.5	25.5	+26
One parent families	70	8.3	11.1	66	8.2	11.0	+4
Other families	12	1.4	1.2	12	1.6	1.2	-1
Group household	20	2.4	3.8	34	4.2	3.8	-14
Lone person	144	17.1	26.2	150	18.7	26.7	-7
Other not classifiable household	16	1.9	3.4	13	1.7	2.5	+2
Visitor only households	5	0.6	0.9	3	0.5	0.8	+1
Total households	842	100.0	100.0	805	100.0	100.0	+37

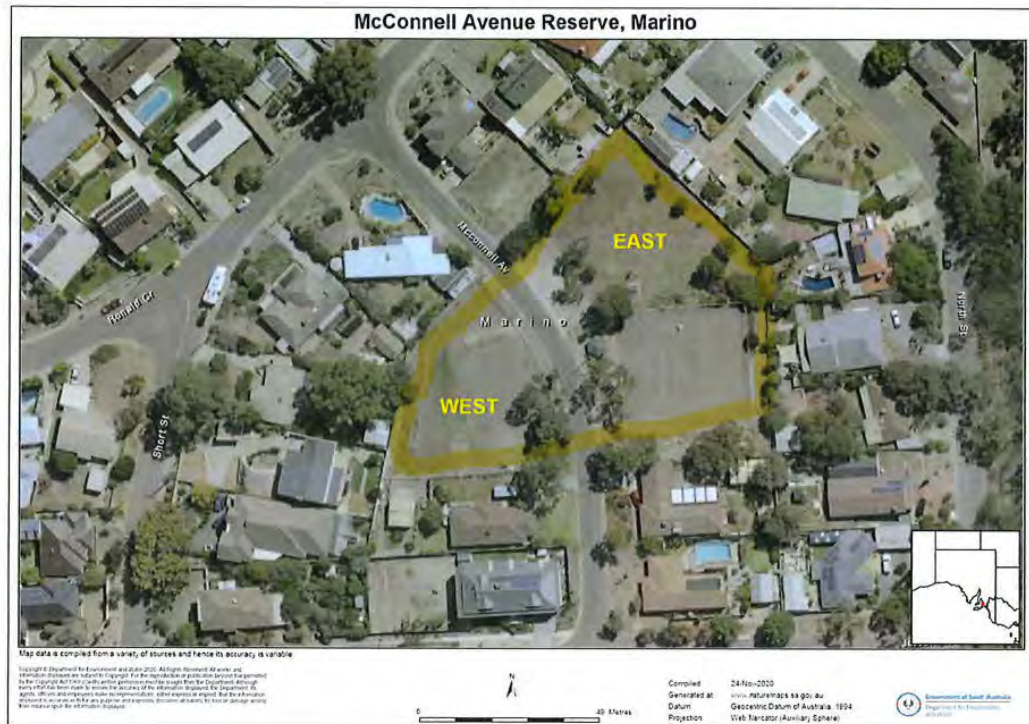
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2016.
Compiled and presented by .id, the population experts.
<http://www.id.com.au>



Source: <https://profile.id.com.au/marion/households?WebID=180>

**SUBMISSION ON THE PROPOSED REVOCATION AND DISPOSAL OF COMMUNITY LAND LOT
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The actual reserve land itself comprises 2 land parcels, either side of McConnell Avenue.



While the reserve land has a local road reserve dividing the two land parcels, the number of traffic movements is low. This low traffic environment makes this area less problematic for residents.

Therefore, the revocation and disposal of any parcels of Community Land in the Marino area would be to the detriment of the changing demographics in the local area.

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5. There is minimal dog friendly areas accessible in the local area to exercise dogs off leash and in a safe place from traffic.

There are a large number of residents with dogs living in the local Marino area.

This would be similar to many other local suburbs within the City of Marion.

As a dog owner, it is always a challenge to find a safe place to exercise dogs, especially taking account of local roads and traffic movements.

A development of some kind of dog-friendly facility on McConnell Avenue Reserve West would provide such a dog-friendly local destination of choice.



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6. It is not about the money. With limited public open space, the open space amenity value is far greater than the proceeds of sale of one single allotment.

The proposal for revocation is based upon the notion that the proceeds from sale of Lot 189 McConnell Avenue, Marino.

The proceeds of any authorised sale will be deposited into Council's Open Space Reserve.

There is no specific requirement for sale proceeds to be used in the location of any asset sales. It is purely dependent upon the resolution of Council how these funds are spent.

Open Space Reserve

Purpose - this reserve has been established to account for the following:

- I. set aside open space contributions provided by developers in accordance with the Development Act (conditions may apply)
- II. separate net proceeds associated with Road Closures.
- III. net proceeds associated with disposal of minor land holdings
- IV. funds received from the 'Urban Trees Fund'

Use of Fund - monies can be applied to the development of Open Space facilities as approved by Council and in accordance with the Open Space Policy. Interest revenues earned on contributions provided by developers are transferred to the Fund.

Source: City of Marion, Annual Report 2018-2019, page 68

The amount of potential funds from sale of Lot 189 McConnell is small relative to the funds planned to be spent on reserve development.

The value of maintaining the land parcel as community land far outweighs the financial funds that could be received through a physical sale process, especially noting the lack of accessible public open space in the Marino area.

The financial ability of the City of Marion to afford the minor cost of maintaining McConnell Avenue Reserve West is a sustainable one, especially when considering the rate raising capability of the Council.

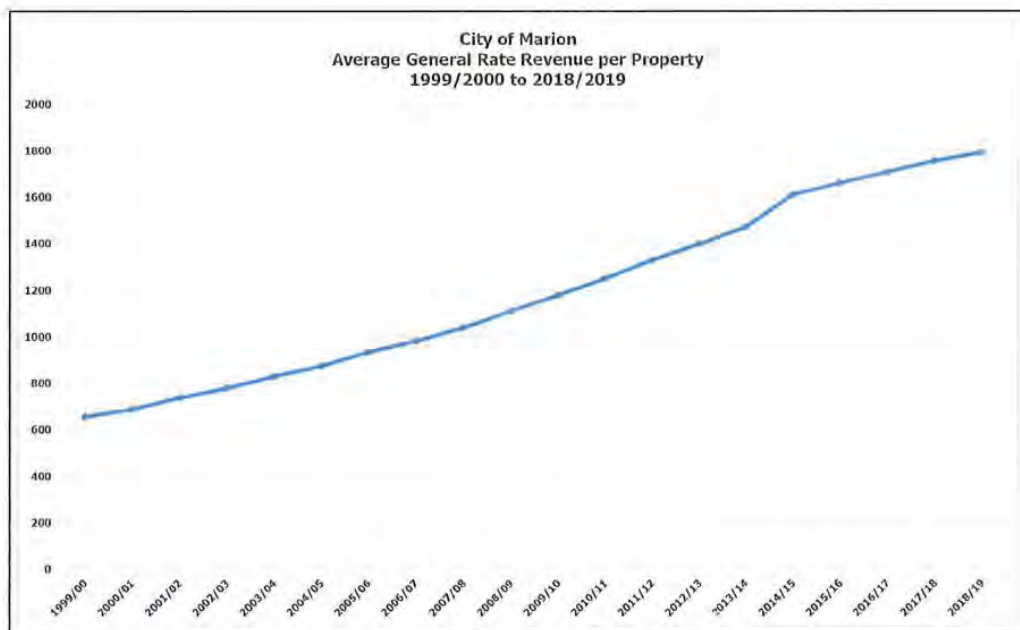
The following table highlights the average general rates raised by the City of Marion over the last two decades.

The issue of maintaining McConnell Avenue Reserve West is not about the money, as funding is affordable for Council.

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Financial Year	Average		
	Rates Per Property	Rateable Properties	General Rate Revenue
1999/00	656	37,160	24,378,000
2000/01	689	37,608	25,896,000
2001/02	737	38,176	28,154,000
2002/03	779	38,529	30,025,000
2003/04	830	38,795	32,208,000
2004/05	874	39,362	34,420,000
2005/06	935	39,362	36,787,000
2006/07	982	39,759	39,036,000
2007/08	1,039	40,113	41,693,000
2008/09	1,111	40,509	44,998,000
2009/10	1,178	40,997	48,294,000
2010/11	1,250	41,532	51,908,000
2011/12	1,329	41,884	55,648,000
2012/13	1,399	42,348	59,230,000
2013/14	1,471	42,839	63,000,000
2014/15	1,610	41,419	66,701,000
2015/16	1,660	41,707	69,233,000
2016/17	1,707	42,032	71,746,000
2017/18	1,756	42,241	74,161,000
2018/19	1,791	42,843	76,747,000

Source: SA Local Government Grants Commission Database Reports
1999/2000 to 2018/2019



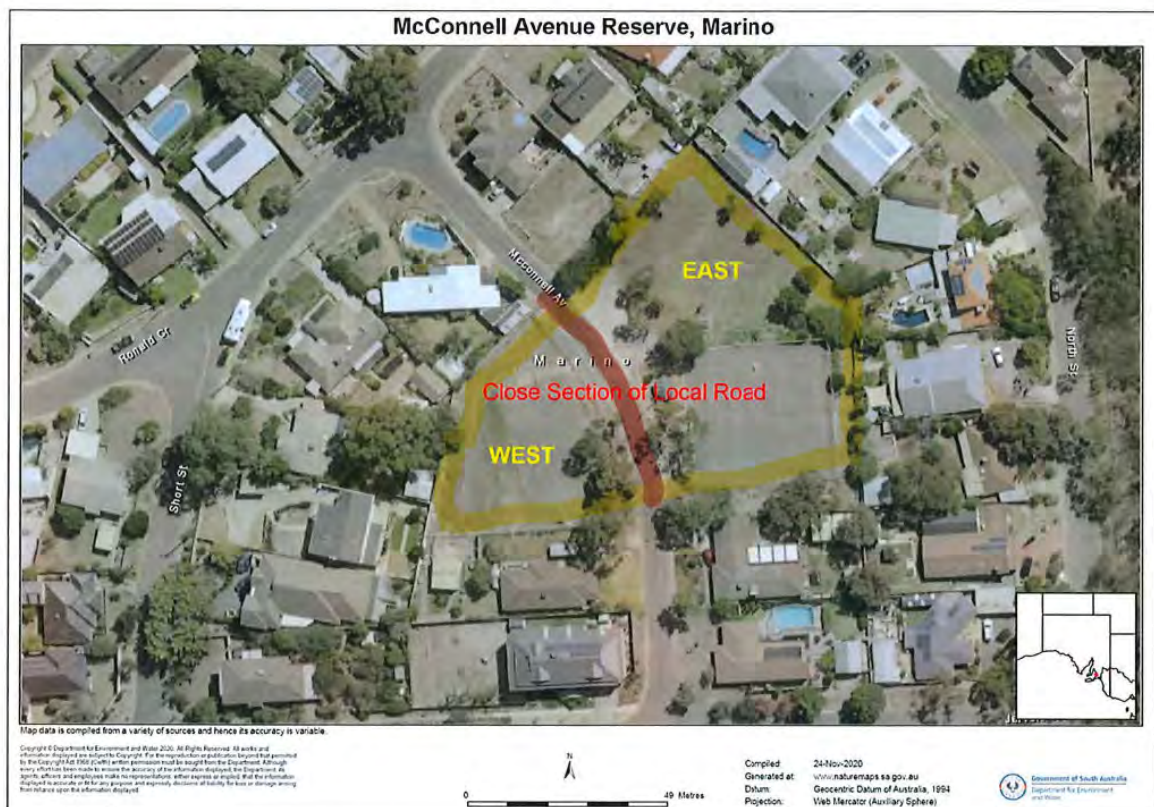
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CONCLUSION:

The conclusion of this submission is that the revocation and disposal of McConnell Avenue Reserve West should not proceed.

Given the limited number of properties either north or south of the reserve land parcels, **one alternative consideration** could well be to close a portion of the McConnell Avenue road reserve and join the two overall reserve land parcels into one contiguous reserve land area.

Therefore, McConnell Avenue Reserve should remain as designated Community Land.



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RE PROPOSED REVOCATION AND DISPOSAL OF COMMUNITY LAND:
LOT 189 MCCONNELL AVENUE, MARINO
(McCONNELL AVENUE RESERVE WEST, MARINO)

Please find attached my submission regarding the proposed revocation and disposal of community land, namely Lot 189 McConnell Avenue, Marino (McConnell Avenue Reserve West, Marino)

I welcome the opportunity to respond to the Council's intended proposal, however I oppose the proposed revocation and disposal of this parcel of community land.

It is evident that it has been the Council's neglect of McConnell reserve that has brought on this unpopular and unwanted proposal. Those in Council charged with the upkeep of McConnell reserve over many years have been negligent so as to allow it to be so degraded that the Council now finds it easy pickings to dispose of.

I have become acutely aware around the community that Marion Council is badly on the nose over this issue.

The reasons for my opposition to the proposed sale of the western portion are:

- the potential impact on my property
- it ignores the community's wish for the reserve to be retained as a whole and upgraded. To have the reserve severed in half strongly contravenes the community's wishes
- it contradicts in its entirety the important roles played by open public land for communities recognised by Marion Council itself
- it ignores many South Australian government authorities, and countless evidenced research, that are working hard to conserve and extend valuable open land for community use.

The proposal is short sighted in the extreme. The proposal robs the community of a much loved reserve and contradicts the Council's own manifesto Open Space Plan 2018-2028:

Access to local parks that provide opportunities for play, recreational fitness activities and non-organised sport will be key design elements to create liveable communities.

Instead, this is an excellent opportunity for the Council to showcase McConnell reserve, both eastern and western portions, to exemplify the Council's own objectives, and to show, namely:

- the importance of open space plays for the local and wider community as a place to come together to socialise
- the well documented benefits that open space has for residents' health and well being
- environmental sustainability – to address the City of Marino's poor green cover problem, among others
- **and importantly for elected representatives on the Council to respond to the wishes of their community.**

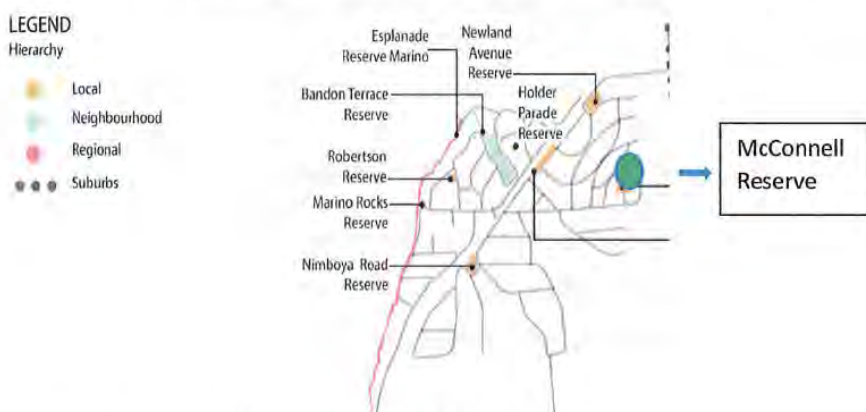
By contrast, I am also writing a submission to the Northern Beaches Council (NBC) in Sydney – having been invited by the NBC as a long-term resident prior to my move to Adelaide. My submission supports NBC's proposal to **demolish a large house**, purchased by the Council for \$4 million, **in order to extend a small park.**

NBC's consultation process has been exemplary, for example, the NBC asks residents *what areas [they] enjoy and what could make their open spaces even better*. And then acts on feedback. A great example of best practice.

This is an opportune time for Marion Council to pose the same question in relation to McConnell reserve and to act on the community's wishes.

The NBC proposal makes no claims that there is an overabundance of parks or reserves in the area, unlike the spurious claim regarding the western portion of McConnell reserve in the Marion Council proposal. Instead, the park in question forms a natural corridor to the 156 hectares of national park on North Head on Sydney harbour.

Currently, there are no such natural corridors in Marion, instead pin pricks of parks.



Ref: City of Marion [Open Space Plan 2018-2028](#) Coastal Ward Open Space Snapshot January 2020 p.7

Discussing the proposal with neighbours in Marino, there's no shortage of suggestions for use of the western portion of the reserve, they include: a dog park, facilities for the many cyclists who stop at the park, play equipment for older children (the lack of which is much complained about in the area), mixed activities for different generations (grandparents now providing the majority of childcare in Australia), nature playground (very popular), destination site for events and celebrations, a small market.

All agree McConnell reserve needs a toilet.

If further information regarding this submission is required, please contact me.

Regards,



Short Street
Marino 5049

re PROPOSED REVOCATION AND DISPOSAL OF COMMUNITY LAND:
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 (McCONNELL AVENUE RESERVE WEST, MARINO)
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Background:

I bought my property immediately adjacent to the western portion of McConnell reserve two years ago. I consider the reserve in its entirety as *a pièce de résistance*. To have open public land at my backgate and the opportunity to shoot hoops and play on the reserve with my granddaughters and their friends is extremely enjoyable.

I was only aware of Marion Council's intentions regarding the western portion of McConnell reserve by a brochure in my letter box.

To say I was shocked at the proposal and the poor consultation is an understatement.

A coloured brochure and a notice of intention by the Council placed on the western portion of the reserve strongly suggests that the disposal of the land is *a fait accompli*.

1. Personal opposition to the proposal

The proposal flies in the face of evidenced research which recognises the vital role that open space plays in the health and well-being of the whole community, particularly children as in my case and for many families in the area:

Contact with nature is thought to play a crucial role in the brain development of children (Dadvand, Nieuwenhuijsen et al. 2015).

While, exposure to outdoor greenness at home has been associated with improved wellbeing in children (Wells 2000), and particularly for girls, green space immediately outside the home is associated with increased self-discipline (Taylor, Kuo et al. 2002)

Ref: cited in "Better Greener", SA Health, Government of South Australia, 23 Sept 2020

My other objections to the possible sale of the reserve, being community land, have to do with the impact on my quality of life, including:

- **a loss of privacy.** A residence/s on the western portion of McConnell reserve would have clear sight into my bathroom and a bedroom which have windows facing the reserve
- **the water run-off from the reserve** through my property in winter is significant. I have sandbags to stall the water flow. It can only be imagined what it would be with impermeable surfaces. An onsite storm water detention system will be required to reduce storm water discharge
- Boral dust is a significant problem. Having a building site so close to my home will bring **heat due to more infill, more unwanted dust, noise and potential damage** to property etc.

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2. The proposal ignores the community's wish for both sides of the reserve to be retained and upgraded

I am impressed how much the entire reserve means to the community. The desire by the devoted group of residents wanting to retain the reserve in its entirety is evidenced by Travis Smith, spokesperson for the Friends of McConnell (2020):

- *Our vision is to combine the 2 halves and make it a much more usable and attractive space for all the community*

McConnell reserve has been an excellent focal point for social interaction over many years. Until covid, the Friends of McConnell had planned the Marino Masters as a fun day for the community. I understand they have had many get-togethers and events in the reserve over the years eg Christmas bbqs etc.

Long term residents tell of belonging to the tennis club located on the reserve and their kids playing in netball competitions. One neighbour told me his daughter began her netball career at the reserve eventually going on to represent the State.

Why has the Council allowed this reserve to be so downgraded that these valuable activities have been allowed to disappear? And now claim the western portion is *underutilised*.

Again the proposal contradicts the Council's own objectives in relation to partnership projects: Open Space Plan 2018-2028 p.2

Focus Area: Partnership Projects

Objectives: Develop partnerships to support the delivery of open spaces to maximise community outcomes

The desire to work with Council in the upgrade of the whole reserve is a strongly held view in the community, as Travis Smith (2020) points out:

- *We would like to work collaboratively with Council and the wider community on achieving this.*

Why has the proposed vision of McConnell reserve by the Friends of McConnell not been considered by Council? Yet it is what the community wants!



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3. The proposal ignores the important roles played by open public land for social cohesion, health and wellbeing recognised by SA government authorities and evidenced research

To dispose of land classified as Community Land beggers belief considering the proposal flies in the face of the Council's own Open Space Program Planning p. 5 :

The Open Space Plan provides an eight year plan of works to ensure that the City of Marion plans, manages and develops a variety of open space to improve sustainable environmental outcomes and our community's individual and collective health and wellbeing.

The proposal also ignores overwhelming evidence of the importance of open space recognised by many South Australian government authorities as well as evidenced research in relation to:

- social cohesion, eg by SA Health among others :

For example, presence and ease of access to outdoor green space within neighbourhoods has been associated with an increased sense of community (Kearney 2006, Sugiyama, Leslie et al. 2008, Francis, Giles-Corti et al. 2012) and are considered inclusive spaces that promote social interactions (Peters, Elands et al. 2010).

Ref: cited in Better Greener SA Health, Government of South Australia, 23 Sept 2020

- improved physical and mental health eg by MLC Minister for Health and Wellbeing & David Speirs MP Minister for Environment and Water:

Green spaces are critical for providing healthy places for people, wildlife, trees and plants. They provide many advantages including: improved physical and mental health and wellbeing, improved community and social connectedness, opportunities for sport and recreation activities ...

"Creating Greener Places for Healthy and Sustainable Communities Ideas for Quality Green Public Space" Govt of South Australia & Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (2019)

- reducing the incidence of chronic disease, and in mental health by reducing stress and anxiety among other conditions by evidenced research:

The scientific evidence base has strengthened substantially ... building upon unequivocal evidence of the physical, mental and social health and well being benefits of spending time in nature.

Healthy Parks Healthy People South Australia, Action Plan 2020-2022, Government of South Australia, p.5

4. The need for more open space for future generations, not less

The need for more open space is highlighted by David Bagshaw President of the 5049 Coastal Community Association who states:

The diversity of our population and number of young families is increasing in the area, particularly as the new Seacliff Park Development is now proceeding; there will be potentially

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600 more homes in our suburb as well as the impact of the new planning and design code allowing more subdivisions.

Our population could double in the next 10-15 years, and the new developments will only provide the minimum space so will not compensate for our current (open space) under-provision.

Council appear not to have taken this into account in their deliberations, or if they have they haven't shared it with us.

5.Environmental sustainability – the proposal fails to address the City of Marino's poor green cover problem, among others

The proposal contradicts the Council's own intentions to achieve environmental sustainability set out in Open Space Plan 2018-2028 p. 4:

SUSTAINABILITY 1. Design principles for open space will consider environmentally sustainable principles and City of Marion policies and programs relating to the environment.

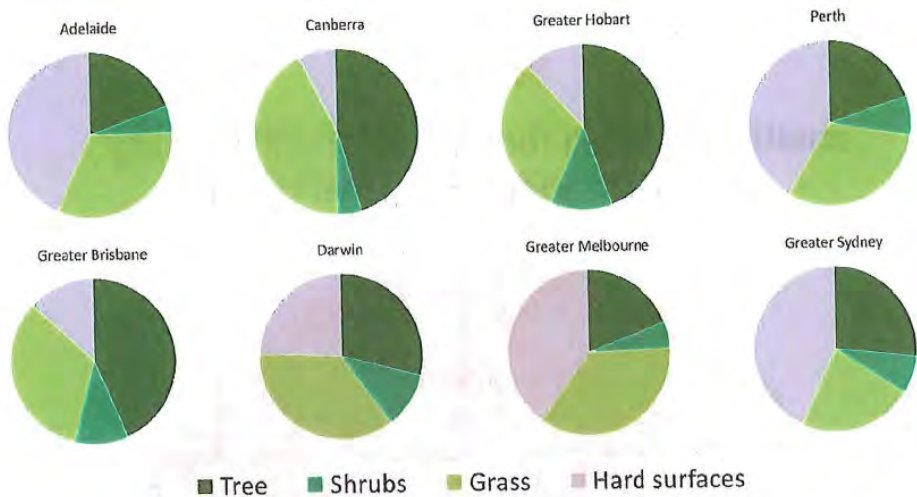
More infill and impermeable surfaces mean increased heat. To build on McConnell reserve is a lost opportunity to address the significant problem, confirmed in scientific research, that the City of Marion rates poorly in terms of green cover evident in the following photo. The rationale in this proposal to reduce even more open space is unfathomable.



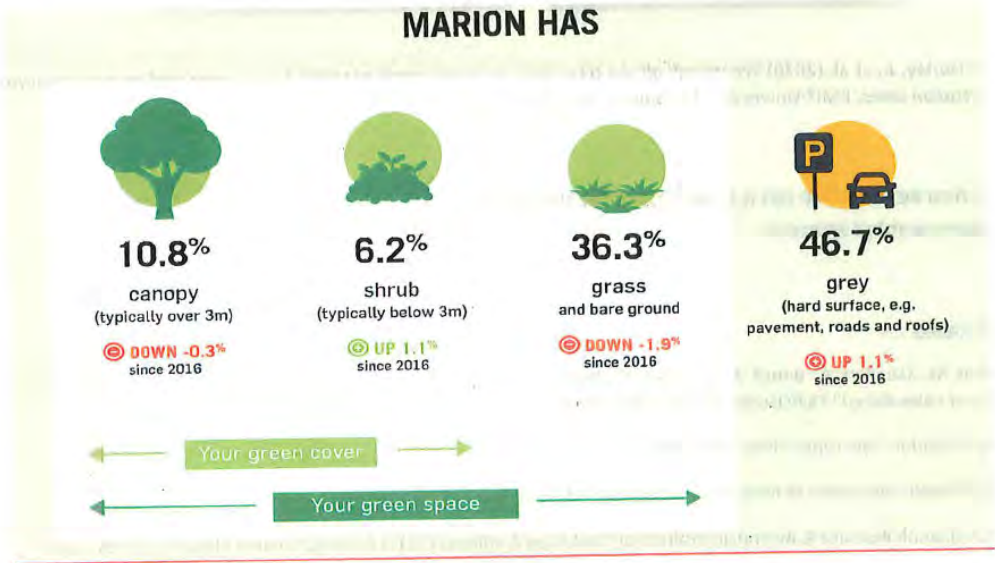
The driest state in the driest continent ...

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Adelaide has the poorest green cover per capita, with Sydney.



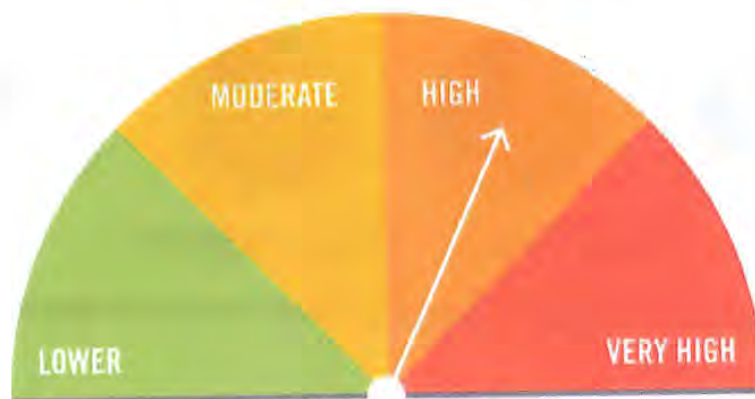
Ref: Amati, M et al., We're investing heavily in urban greening, so how are our cities doing?" CSIROscope 27 September 2017



Ref: Hurley, J., et al. (2020) *Where will all the trees be? - an assessment of urban forest cover and management for Australian cities*, RMIT University, Melbourne and Greener Spaces Better Places.

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This means there is a
HIGH
 challenge rating for **Marion** in maintaining
 and growing future green cover



Ref: Hurley, J., et al. (2020) *Where will all the trees be? - an assessment of urban forest cover and management for Australian cities*, RMIT University, Melbourne and Greener Spaces Better Places.

Marino needs more open green space for the community's use, not more urban infill and impermeable surfaces!

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www.5049coastalcommunity.com/mcconnell-reserve--open-space.html

Submission regarding the proposed upgrade of McConnell Reserve East and the proposed revocation of McConnell Reserve West

Dear Sir/Madam.

I am a resident of Seacliff and a member of the 5049 Coastal Community Association. I am a senior practising engineer and I was the National President of Engineers Australia in 2015.

I am a strong believer that decisions regarding infrastructure and open space, at the local, state and national levels, should always consider the stated needs and desires of the relevant communities and users, and have a regard to both the current and the future needs of these stakeholders.

I have participated in a Zoom consultation meeting with members of Marion Council staff, and appreciate their time in listening to me and answering my questions regarding the proposed actions on McConnell Reserve.



Having visited the Reserve several times, I can see the potential value of the reserve as an open space asset for not only the local residents, but the wider community. But clearly the Reserve, both East and West, is in dire need of major upgrades.

With the planned developments in the area, and the growing population in the area, it is extremely short-sighted to consider selling off any current open space community assets; **and I strongly oppose the sale of the Western portion,**

Instead, I make the following recommendations to Marion Council:

- Raise the classification of McConnell Reserve to a Neighbourhood Level open space.
- Consult with the Friends of McConnell Reserve, the 5049 Coastal Community Association, and the wider community on what upgrades are desirable for the combined Reserve, including integration and road closure.
- Through this process determine a preferred upgrade solution for the integrated Reserve.
- With the assistance of the community, seek external funding to assist in the preferred upgrade solution, noting that Marion Council has already committed \$217,000 to an upgrade of the Eastern Reserve.

Yours truly,


 Wheatland Street, Seacliff
5049

Councillors,
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16 December 2020

Re: Proposed Revocation and Disposal of Land (McConnell Reserve)

I write to firstly express my disappointment and concern about the proposed changes to the McConnell Avenue Reserve (my meaning being both the east and west sections). I also write to inform Councilors of recent medical research that supports the need to continue and to enhance Reserves like these to assist the development of children in the area.

Although there are a number of very obvious reasons why the changes in the proposed form should not go ahead - these include lack of meaningful consultation, changes to both stated and implied intentions by the Council, lack of *existing* Marino community green space, and more, there is an important and emerging health aspect that I believe must be considered by Council prior to and along with any proposed changes that are implemented.

I work in child health in Adelaide. Recently Councillors will no doubt have become aware of the emerging concern worldwide of the effect of excessive "screen time" on young children.

Although there are many positive things about the use of phones, laptops, tablet and similar, and the capabilities that those 'screens' provide young and old, for our children there is real concern now about the impact of screen time on childhood development. This encompasses their needs to develop resilience, capable mental health levels, physical awareness of the natural world around them, and the need to 'get out' and away from screens to play and engage with their friends and family.

Our world has become busier and more dangerous, such that our children can no longer just 'go outside and play'. The neighbourhood roads that used to be default site of nearby neighbourhood cricket and footy games and the like seem gone forever. When I moved to Marino around 20 years ago my road was commonly free of traffic. Now it is not.

Children are necessarily becoming more closeted inside their houses because there is nowhere else to go to play that is safe. That play could be the mucking around on small scooters and bicycles that, unknowingly, our very young children use to build their risk and muscle motor skills. Or it could be the mucking around that the early to mid teens must be able to take part in, to develop their ability to have robust and rewarding relationships with same-sex and other-sex companions, and to let off steam - however that needs to be done - away from their parents...

A recent high-level review about "screen time" and "green time" was published by medical research colleagues of mine from the University of Adelaide, at the Robinson Research Institute. That paper was a [meta-analysis](#) of a range of scientifically-rigorous research studies across the world about importance of providing "green time" in childhood development and establishment and

maintenance of their psychological health. The work is 'of the moment', it was published in September this year, and a PDF copy is also attached for the information of Councillors. The Abstract, Introduction and Conclusions are written in a way that can allow most of us to understand what they found, and it is highly relevant information for Councillors to consider when voting on the future of the McConnell Reserve.

The experience of Australian and Australians in the world scene during COVID has shown us the extraordinarily good outcomes that can be achieved if the findings of science - rather than political expediency - are applied to supporting the health of the community we all live in.

Using peer-reviewed scientific research is simply the proven best way for a person, a community, a council to consider, decide, and act in a way that maximises the opportunity to do good for themselves and for their citizens in their local world, and perhaps in the wider world.

McConnell Reserve, as it is now, has the capability - with appropriate Council resourcing and action to become one of the amazing places for the children and families of Marino and Adelaide to go to. It has been a Reserve left to run down. It has not had the input and maintenance needed to keep it an attractive place. It has had inadequate visibility as a place to go. That can all be changed.

I propose that there is an urgent need to support, foster and enhance the Reserve area to also assist in the development of children in the Council's area of responsibility in the Marino region, by taking a number of linked steps:

- a) Retain BOTH the East and West sections of the reserve.
- b) Commit to a process of partnership with the community to develop a long term options for the combined reserve, including funding for a full feasibility assessment of the options and methods. A call for Tender or similar directed to council, community and commercial groups to cover plans and indicative costings for the upgrading of BOTH sites, with the goal of supporting, rather than reducing, the continued development of open green space with a connection to the outdoors and nature.
- c) Decide on the best option to proceed with, IN CLOSE AND OPEN CONSULTATION WITH THE MARINO COMMUNITY, and including collaboration with state and federal government.
- d) Establish a protected funding amount to cover the costs of implementing the chosen option.
- e) Establish ongoing annual development /maintenance to build, maintain and enhance the two areas for at least 5 years.
- f) Review the progress of the enhanced McConnell Reserve 5 years from now, to bring in the learnings of the community and council, with a view to a further 5 year funding commitment.

Returning now to the research paper on Screen time/Green time. I believe the key statement is contained in the Abstract, and it says: "*...there is preliminary evidence that green time could buffer consequences of high screen time, therefore nature may be an under-utilised public health resource for youth psychological well-being in a high-tech era..*"

I have spoken this week with my colleagues at the Robinson Research Institute at the University of Adelaide (who lead the research paper noted above), and they would be interested to provide Council members with further information about this area of child development if desired.



They would also be keen to discuss the potential of conducting a prospective properly-constituted and ethically-approved research study (with the agreement of Council) that would track the outcomes of changing the entire current McConnell Reserve into a truly vibrant, modern, engaging and safe space for the children of Marino, and Adelaide.

The opportunity here is not to lose green space, but to connect our children (and indeed our adults) with an existing green space with extraordinary views of our Gulf, proximity to a train line, and a local street region that IS quiet and safe.

I urge Council to carefully consider my proposal, and I am happy to provide more information to Council and its members at short notice.

Your sincerely,

A large black rectangular box redacting the signature of the person.

 Dudley Cres, Marino : 

**This respondent provided a report titled
“Psychological impacts of “screen time” and “green time” for children
and adolescents: A systematic scoping review”**

To view the report, click the link below -

<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0237725>

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RE PROPOSED REVOCATION AND DISPOSAL OF COMMUNITY LAND:
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Please find attached my submission regarding the proposed sale of McConnell Avenue west.

I not only oppose the sale but am absolutely disgusted with the council for renegeing on their commitment to consider the whole reserve for not only preservation but major upgrading!

In 2017 when the council proposed to sell the western side of the reserve the community rallied and told our 'elected officials and mayor' in no uncertain terms that this was not what the people wanted and certainly not what they were elected for! And the council said they would consult! They also mentioned \$600,000.00 to upgrade the Eastern side even though the residents were not asking for this much. I now see this has been reduced to \$220,000.00 and doesn't include a toilet and also does not include any integration of East and West which again is totally against community expectations.

I thought councils were here to serve the community but that is obviously naive as Marion council is showing no interest in what the community wants and have been campaigning for since 2001 when they first tried to sell the Western half of McConnell Reserve.

They are some very unhappy residents in Marino who voted for both Tim Gard and Chris Hanna who I thought were both supporting a proper evaluation and integration of the whole of McConnell reserve, but sadly have been let down once again!

The many many millions always being spent in Hallett Cove makes you wonder about the priorities of the council and the fact that this reserve has been woefully neglected for the last 25 years and is mostly maintained by the community is a sad reflection on the council and for Tim Gard and Ian Crossland to say that the reserve is underutilised is both a lie and also a travesty and I can only conclude that you only go and look during school hours or midnight because even in it's rundown crappy state it is still used extensively by the locals and also could be so much more if you gave a damn!

Your extremely unhappy rate payer

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

KEEP ALL PORTIONS OF MCCONNELL RESERVE AS COMMUNITY SPACE**A Submission to Council of the City of Marion on the Adverse Consequences on Well-Being and Health that Flow from Disposing Community Land***Some background*

I have previously made a very brief submission regarding reasons for keeping both parts of McConnell Reserve as public space but I am making this submission to be sure that Council is apprised of the importance of this for the health and well-being of the local community.

Community land is held in trust by Council for the welfare, wellbeing and interests of individuals and groups within the district. Decisions regarding community land must give due weight to economic, social, physical and environmental development. There is a requirement for public consultation and community support and usage of the facilities will be a principal consideration for allocation of resources. (City of Marion Community Land Management Plan 4)

I couldn't find anything in the land management plan on procedures to follow when disposing of community land because, I assume, it was never envisaged that a Council would consider such a retrograde step. From a public health perspective Councils should be adding to the bank of community space not selling it off. Australian government health policy is to encourage physical activity and this requires easy access to community space. The Community Land Management Plan does make reference to even small spaces being important on their own and in contributing to the bigger picture.

The needs of children

Currently in Australia only 1 in 4 children between 5 and 12 years get enough physical activity each week and in children between 4 and 15 years 1 in 4 are considered overweight and 1 in 16 in this age range are considered obese. (Source Healthdirect.gov.au/obesity-in-children). It is far more cost-effective to have active children than to have to manage the consequences of overweight and obesity in childhood. Young children rely on adults for access to other than the most local community space so every local reserve is important in the big picture. Looking back at historic use of community land is not appropriate, Council should be looking forward to getting future generations of children outdoors into safe spaces that encourage a range of physical play activities, some of which should be nature-based and not require marked courts or special equipment. The road corridor between the two parts of the reserve can be readily modified as a "woonerf" or play street and improve the overall value of the two sides of the reserve.

The needs of adults

In my career in health I was frequently involved in the managing the health consequences of obesity and physical inactivity. Easy access to community space is the cornerstone of both prevention and treatment of these conditions. Physical inactivity contributes to earlier onset of diabetes and associated conditions that can require renal dialysis and limb amputation, raised blood cholesterol, increased blood pressure and heart disease and stroke. Drug treatment and hospitalization to manage these conditions creates a \$13.8 billion hit to the Australian economy and it is estimated that 16,178 Australians die prematurely each year due to physical inactivity. (The cost of physical inactivity – Medibank website, December 2020). Every episode of physical activity is better than no exercise and this is why all areas of community space must be retained for the community.

Health is not just the absence of disease it includes well-being. There is now good evidence from Australian research that People in urban areas have a lower risk of developing psychological distress and

better overall health when they have more trees within a walkable distance from their homes. Researchers from the University of Wollongong likened increasing tree cover to a 'superfood' for community mental health (The Conversation, July 27 2019).

Many cities in Australia have implemented strategies to invest in tree cover and urban greening, unfortunately it appears that Marion is not one of those. Every time a Council sells off a piece of park or a laneway it is contributing to a decline in well-being and health among its residents. There is no higher or more appropriate use for the western portion of McConnell reserve than to retain it as community space and plant it to be inviting for informal physical activity and promote well-being.

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Marino

15th December 2020

18.12.2020

McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino East & West Portions – Why the Park is Important to me, my Family, our community and our environment and needs to be Preserved as a whole for our futures

- McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino (East & West sections) is a unique flat area within the steeply hilled suburb of Marino with easy access to all those who live in the surrounding areas on the Eastern side of the train line (this park includes a car park). The tennis courts and Basketball ring bring adults, teenagers & children from all over Marino to play basketball, shoot hoops, play tennis, practice serving, learn to play tennis, learn to ride bikes, scooters, due to the fences & operational gates people can bring their dogs & small children and let them explore & run without fear they will go onto the road whilst they also play tennis, picnic and socialize utilizing the existing BBQ, sheltered area & table. The park is a meeting place within our community for neighbours and gives us a space to be able to relax, contemplate & communicate to recharge & de stress. I do not find that any other Park in Marino has the ability to provide all that McConnell Ave reserve does for people of all ages (despite not having play equipment) – Kauri Parade is limited to only Tennis and only if the clubs are not using the community courts. Bandon Tce playground is limited to small children but has no fencing, the outlook is nice but is too far away from my premises and the basketball ring is the only flat area not large enough for more than a couple of people & certainly not suitable for riding bikes. The Newland Ave reserve near the Marino Rocks railway station contains a small children's playground and its use is limited by this & the steep slopes that are covered in natural foliage, there is no car parking. The lack of toilets at all these parks is an issue that limits the time people can spend enjoying these parks.
- **Using the existing Park**
 - **How my family including extended family use the Park** – in the time I have lived by the park my family has made use of all the facilities the Park currently has including the basketball ring, hopscotch, netball ring, tennis court area including the open bituminized area, open "grassed" area, gazebo, BBQ & table and car parking, the large flat open space has been particularly valuable for learning to ride safely before the kids go on the road or foot path.
 - **How I see other people using the Park when I am there or go past** - Multiple different people of all age brackets utilize the open flat space of the park to exercise, let their children / grandchildren run free, play various ball games, learn to ride & control their bikes or scooters in a safe contained flat area. To hear the bounce of the basketball against the ring & backboard or the whack of the tennis ball, the laughter & gleeful squealing of kids as they explore & be active is a really pleasant & joyous experience that occurs every day. I also see people using it as a neighbourhood meeting place.
 - **How safe I feel using the park or letting my children use the park** – I have no qualms and have never had any qualms about my children using the park – when they were younger, I would always be with them to help them play & explore but now they are older teens and gaining independence it is a safe space with supportive neighbours for them to play. I always feel safe & secure within the park & surrounds.
 - **The significance of the fencing being able to safely shut / closed** – the fencing is of huge safety benefit for younger children & people who come with their dogs.
 - **The significance of the large amount of open space that both East & West sides** allows for multiple people to use the space without impacting on one another at the same time – allows for shared use.

- **When do I note people using the park?** – As the park is open and has no lighting it is only ever used during day light hours – and is used at any time of the day any day of the week – although there is less use during school hours when children are required to be at school.
- **How does the park meet my Mental Health needs** – the openness of the park & the views of the ocean and the quietness of the area promote de-stressing and I always feel more relaxed and re-charged after I have spent time in the park looking at the view, listening to the birds and watching the wildlife. I find being able to get out of the house to the park area takes me away from the business within my household.
- **How has my use of the park changed over the years?** This park is where I learned to play netball as a young child 45 years ago. The Park's vicinity to our current residence was a significant factor in the purchase of our residence 20 years ago and using the park has continued to be an important part in the daily lives of our family – our children in particular have used this park both east & west sides for their activities for the last 20 years – they meet their neighbour hood friends to hang out, ride bikes, practice bike riding, scooter riding, play a tennis tournament that lasts for months, practice their basketball shooting & compete with one another shooting hoops, flying kites – The current set up of the park & openness of the large flat areas enables multiple groups to all be using the flat areas at the same time for different activities. No one has the pressure to stop their activity due to the arrival of another group & no one who turns up feels that they can't stay due to other people already using the area.
- **Imminent increase in Marino population:** The significant number of people that will dwell in the 600 new residences to be built on the old Lorenzin site will bring additional people to the area who will utilize this park. It is short sited to sell the western side in view of this development near McConnell Avenue reserve.
- **Environment:** The park in its current state is of environmental importance as it is a link in the Green corridor for Flora & Fauna – there is the occasional visiting Koala, the owls we hear at night, the laughing kookaburras and the entertaining activity of the local Adelaide parrots, the Rosellas, the wattle birds & magpies, the piping shrikes, the willie wagtails the honey eaters and many more. The green area of the park both east & west sides is ready to be developed for native to the area plantings as a bush garden to add to the existing significant Native trees specific to this area and will aid our wildlife preservation, help preserve our dwindling native flora species, assist with the cooling of our environment and reduce our carbon footprint and contribute to cooling of the environment.
- **As is a Community Park** – We as a family would continue to be vigilant in maintaining the foliage and removing any rubbish & graffiti in the whole of the park to keep the park useable for everyone.

Things that would enhance the whole park & make it more useable and add to its Uniqueness

- Toilet
- Water fountain
- Bike fix station
- Designated car park
- Grassed green area
- Dog park area
- Pump track
- Multiple open areas that can be used by multiple groups at the same time
- Natural play space – ie rocks, plants, trees
- More shelter more seating areas (ie more than the existing 1 area)
- Water run off harvesting via plantings & swales to naturally water the plants
- More native to the area plants – bush garden
- Encourage group fitness to use the open space area like they do other parks.

- Block off & include the section of McConnell Ave that abuts both sides of the reserve

Disappointment

I am extremely disappointed in the non-action by the council as to the resolution to upgrade the park in 2017 and the lack of any visible positive face to face engagement within the community by our elected council representative whom by my expectation is required to engage face to face with the residents of the community, support and represent at council what the community wants / needs for the area they are elected to – they DO NOT represent the Council.

The personal stress & stress to our community the current proposed revocation of the western portion and the non-recognition of all the work the community has done in the past and currently to SAVE OUR PARK and develop / enhance it in the way the community wants (NOT the concept on the council website) is extreme and makes me angry that the Marion Council is showing that it is not supportive nor recognises the community needs & wants.

Covid 19 has had and will continue to have significant impact on our community in multiple ways and the ability for people to be able to be outdoors and utilize the whole of McConnell Avenue reserve East & West sides is very important for people to be able to maintain their health & well being in these troubled, difficult and challenging times. Where Covid 19 restrictions allow community gatherings will continue at the park.

In Summary:

The Park both east & west sides is currently ready for enhancement it already has good basic useable structure.

The enhancement (not redevelopment) of the current park both East & West sides including the closing of this section of McConnell Avenue to include it in the Park & provide adequate car parking will be of benefit to the Community (including the significantly expanding community). This enhancement will need to include development of a native to the area bush park for people to enjoy & learn about our natural environment – this will be a unique attraction for people, education, flora & fauna. The existing flat bitumised spaces are also unique and can be used by multiple people / groups all at the same time and would be an excellent space for outdoor group fitness. Adding another shelter, chairs & picnic table, drinking fountain, bike repair station and a toilet will only enhance the attractiveness to everyone in our community of our park.

This Park supports healthy lifestyles & an active community, enhancing the existing east & west portions will only promote increased use of the space and continue to offer safe opportunity for health & wellbeing of our community and wildlife including Community gatherings for events such as Neighbour Day.

The McConnell Avenue Reserve East & West sides is a Park for our Community NOT the Council Coffers.

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██████████ McConnell Avenue,
Marino

18 December 2020

To Whom it May Concern

RE: McConnell Avenue Reserve

Regrettably, the City of Marion (the Council) has once again turned their attention to McConnell Avenue Reserve. At a Council meeting held 13 October, Councillor Crossland moved that Council '...commences the revocation process for the potential disposal of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve...'.

Almost three years ago the Council attempted to instigate the same process (and the time before that was in 2001). After the persistent efforts of the local community and Marino Residents Association (now 5049 Coastal Community) the 2017 motion was amended by Councillor Gard and Council resolved to retain '...the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve subject to developing the eastern portion and then reviewing the whole'. The 2017 campaign to save the western portion was supported by Member for Bright (now Member for Black), David Speirs and Federal Member for Boothby, Nicolle Flint.

Local residents eagerly anticipated the 'sod turning' on the Eastern side and were hopeful this would be an important step to unlocking the potential of this much-loved reserve. However, the years rolled-on and no upgrade was made. If the latest motion as proposed by Councillor Crossland proceeds the Western portion will be disposed long before the Eastern portion is upgraded and the reserve will never be reviewed as a whole as pledged in 2017.

What I find disappointing personally is the approach taken by our local Ward Councillors Gard and Crossland. Speaking with Marino residents it seems trust in our elected representatives has evaporated following Cr Crossland's motion to commence revocation process of the Western portion of the McConnell Avenue Reserve. Collecting signatures for the latest petition many residents passed comment that they "...voted for Tim (at the last election) because he saved the park!". It is apparent that a man's word is no-longer his bond and fixed ideologies supersede transparent engagement with the community. A polite phone call or attempt to canvass the residents impacted by the latest motion before the October Council meeting and before approaching council staff to draft Report Reference GC201013M02 and prepare glossy marketing materials would be viewed as the decent path to take; particularly considering the time, effort and resources expended by the community during the 2017 effort to save the reserve.

Upgrades to the Eastern portion are welcomed but fall short of what is required and are viewed as a token effort to upgrade a neglected asset. Any upgrade must also include the retention of the Western portion and meaningful upgrade to the reserve as a whole.

I request Council retain and enhance this valuable community asset in its entirety for the benefit of current and future residents.

Yours sincerely



Marino Resident
but for the efforts of you and your neighbours.

SHORT STREET
MARION, SA.
5049

15TH DECEMBER, 2020

CITY OF MARION,
PO. BOX 21,

OAKLANDS PARK SA. 5046

ATTENTION: HEATHER CARTHEW
LAND & PROPERTY.

RE: MCCONNELL AVENUE
RESERVE WEST - UPGRADE
- BOTH SIDES

MY NAME IS [REDACTED]
& MY HOME BACKS ONTO THE WESTERN
COURT.

MARION HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN ABSOLUTE
JOY. MY CHILDREN WERE 2 & 4 YEARS
OF AGE WHEN WE CAME HERE TO LIVE.

THEY PLAYED BALL, RODE THEIR SCOOTERS,
LEARNED TO RIDE THEIR 2 WHEELERS,
PLAYED HOP-SCOTCH, LEARNED TO SKIP, &
PROGRESSED TO SHOOTING GOALS —
ALL ON THE WESTERN COURT.

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THE EASTERN SIDE COURTS WERE FOR ADULTS - PLAYING TENNIS, WHILST THEIR KIDS PLAYED ON & AROUND THE WESTERN COURT. AS THE FENNEL & WILD FLOWERS FLOURISHED DURING WINTER - WHICH VISITORS WELCOMED, AS HUNDREDS OF PRETTY FLOWERS TO PICK THEN.

ON THE EASTERN SIDE, OUTSIDE THE COURT, WAS A "ROUND ABOUT" - PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR THE PRE-TEENS 8-12'S APPROX. - THEY HAD A GREAT TIME SITTING ON, PUSHING & SPINNING.

HOWEVER, THE WESTERN SIDE WAS MOST POPULAR AS A SAFE, VISIBLE, OPEN SPACE, OUT OF HARM'S WAY "WITH" OR "WITHOUT" TENNIS BEING PLAYED ACROSS THE ROAD. -

NEIGHBOURS KEPT AN EYE OUT.

I NOW HAVE GRANDCHILDREN WHO VISIT, & MEET NEIGHBOURS' CHILDREN, TO PLAY & SHOOT GOALS THERE.

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DESPITE THE FACT THAT ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN TRAUMATISING FOR ME, I WAS DETERMINED TO WRITE TO COUNCIL, AS MY BELIEF HAS BEEN, THAT KIDS NEED OPEN FLAT SPACE - TO PLAY.

- I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED COUNCIL WERE FOR THE PEOPLE, HAD THE WELL-BEING OF US ALL & OUR CHILDREN AT HEART.

WHY, WITH THIS FABULOUS FLAT SAFE OPEN COURT, WOULD THE COUNCIL PADLOCK A PARK & FENCE IT.

3 YEARS AGO WHEN WE BECAME SO UPSET & SAD, THE COUNCIL ACTUALLY ASKED IF WE, THE COMMUNITY, HAD FENCED OFF THE WESTERN RESERVE. WE SAID AT THE TIME "NO" - THE COUNCIL DID IT. THEY ASKED WHEN? SUDDENLY, THE GATES WERE CHAINED & PADLOCKED, WHICH GAVE THE IMPRESSION THEY HAD SHUT PEOPLE OUT.

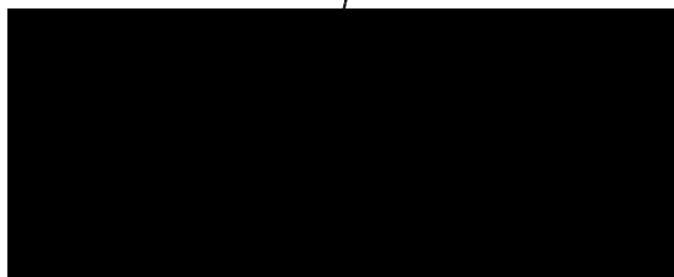
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AND THEY HAD. WE WERE, IN EARLY DAYS, TOLD THE LAND WAS FOR THE COMMUNITY, IT WOULD NEVER BE BLOCKED, WE COULD COME & GO. ACCESS WOULD ALWAYS BE TO EVERYONE.

HOW DISTRESSING FOR DECENT, TRUSTING PEOPLE, TO HAVE COUNCIL NOW SAY "RULES CHANGE".

SURELY, THE HEALTH & WELL-BEING & LOVE FOR OUR COMMUNITY SHOULD BE COUNCIL'S PRIORITY...

Yours sincerely,



Heather Carthew

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 17 December 2020 6:06 PM
To: Community Engagement
Subject: McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino

Hello

I am writing to voice my concerns and register my opposition to any sell off of the western portion of McConnell Reserve, McConnell Avenue, Marino.

My reasons for this are primarily that I believe this area has been neglected by council and that any current community space should be invested in - not sold off for a one off financial "sugar hit."

I have lived in Marino for over 20 years and used to visit the reserve regularly ; my children often went up there to play tennis and roller blade, with their school mates some 15 years ago.
I still walk up there on a fairly regular basis as part of my exercise regime and I can honestly say that little appears to have changed over those 15 years.

I read that the Council was claiming that the Reserve was under-used. The words self-fulfilling prophecy spring to mind given what appears to be a complete lack of maintenance and investment over the years.

On the top of the hill there is very little flat land let alone recreational space - McConnell Reserve ticks both these boxes and yet Council seem to be intent on selling half of it.

What could be a wonderful destination for families, walkers and cyclists, an area that could have more trees, attract wildlife and provide a wonderful setting and meeting place for both locals and outsiders alike is being considered for housing. I always thought (and hoped) that Marion Council was more progressive and imaginative than that but apparently not.

With more young families moving into Marino and also with the development of upto 600 dwellings in the old cement hill site commencing in the next couple of years I would have thought that keeping and maintaining existing green space in the area should be high on the Council agenda.

Whilst I am lucky since I live a stone's throw from the recently upgraded Bandon Terrace reserve (thank you Council!) I do feel sorry for those up the hill who have this potentially beautiful Reserve which appears to have a pre-determined agenda attached to it that part of it must be sold.

Yours faithfully
David

[REDACTED]
Bandon Terrace
Marino 5049

Heather Carthew

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, 12 December 2020 5:25 PM
To: Community Engagement
Subject: McConnell Reserve Eastern Side upgrade consultation

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on this proposal. We are happy to see investment in the reserve after so many years.

However we feel that the current proposal does not go far enough and we would like to see both the eastern side and the western side upgraded together as a whole new neighbourhood reserve for Marino.

This is due to the low provisions currently available, the increasing density and changing demographics of the area.

The combined site has the potential to be a unique destination reserve with capacity to hold local events capitalising on its unique location and views .

We also believe there is a shortage of level accessible open space in the immediate area, and it would be a serious error for Council to reduce this even further by selling the western side.

Further, the adverse publicity this will generate for Council will be significant, and frankly unnecessary given the modest financial return to Council from the sale.

The upgrade to the east and western sides should include toilet facilities, and parking for disabled people.

Regards

[REDACTED]
Seacliff resident

Heather Carthew

From: [REDACTED] >
Sent: Sunday, 22 November 2020 12:46 PM
To: Community Engagement
Subject: RE: McConnell Avenue reserve, Marino, western side proposal

Good afternoon

I am bitterly disappointed by the conduct of the Marion council now putting this proposal again up for consultation around Christmas.

I am confused as to what the purpose was of the consultation period back in 2017 when again we are faced with the same questions and going through the same process as last time.

My original views have not changed but yet I am being asked again. Both sides are used by families and children. There isn't a lot of open space at Marino. It is unreasonable to expect children to have to walk to nearby reserves which does mean walking down and up hills.

I would like to understand how the motion/pledge back in 2017 can be partially disregarded and that there can just be a new motion to sell the western side

As I have said my views have not changed and I don't appreciate you wasting my time by going through this whole consultation process again.

My view has always been to retain McConnell Avenue reserve for families now and in the future.

Regards

[REDACTED]

Heather Carthew

From: Friends of McConnell <friendsofmcconnell@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, 18 December 2020 2:06 AM
To: Community Engagement
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: McConnell Avenue Reserve
Attachments: 1. Paper petition.pdf; 2.1 Online petition signatures.pdf; 2.2 Online petition comments.pdf; 3. Petition map.pdf; 4. Concept plan.pdf; 5. Messenger 2001.pdf

Good Evening

My name is [REDACTED] and the following is submitted on behalf of the Friends of McConnell Group.

Please see below and find attached our submission:

The Friends of McConnell Group are disgruntled that the revocation of the Western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve has once again been raised by Council. The last time this issue was raised was in 2017 (and before that in 2001). After much work by the community, Cr Gard amended his 2017 motion to "retain the Western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve subject to developing the Eastern portion and then reviewing the whole". If the latest motion as proposed by Cr Crossland proceeds the Western portion will be disposed of long before the Eastern portion is upgraded and the reserve will never be reviewed as a whole as pledged in 2017.

1. Please find attached a current copy of our paper petition requesting that Council retain the Western portion of the McConnell Avenue Reserve and upgrade both the Eastern and Western sides of the reserve as an integrated whole for the continued benefit of current and future residents as our City grows.

We intend to continue gathering signatures and will submit the final petition to Council together with a deputation request in early January.

2. Current summary and comments attached to our online petition seeking the same as point 1 above (attached).

3. Map of Marino showing dwellings canvassed to sign the paper petition to date (attached).

Households that signed the petition are identified by a tick. Please note to date we are only aware of five people who were canvassed and declined to sign the petition; only one of the five stated it was because they thought the western portion should be sold.

4. Concept plan showing integration of the Eastern and Western portions of the McConnell Avenue Reserve (attached).

Although only a possible concept, this plan has received considerable praise from residents. Feedback to date has been positive regarding the closure of McConnell Avenue to link the Western and Eastern portions of the reserve. Other suggestions for upgrades have included:

- Playground for younger children
- Exercise equipment
- Native plantings to connect to green corridors
- Public toilet to encourage visitors to stay longer
- Level courts for bike education (as opposed to the hilly surrounding streets)
- Safe gated area to let dogs play off the leash
- Continued provision of current amenities (tennis, basketball, netball, bbq, sheter)

- Drinking fountain
- Bike rack / station
- Nature play

5. Copy of Messenger Newspaper article dated 27 June 2001 reporting that Council had plans to sell the Western portion of McConnell Avenue to fund an upgrade of the Eastern portion (attached).

There are many similarities from the story in 2001 to the 2017 and 2020 attempts to dispose of the Western portion. What is glaringly obvious when looking at the photo in the article is that Council has not upgraded or maintained the Western portion since 2001. The shabby bitumen and scrubby weeds are the same now as they were almost 20 years ago. Council installed a pool fence around the Western portion which gave the impression the land was privately held by an adjacent neighbour (feedback provided by many who signed the petition). Council claims the Western portion is underutilised by the community and is seen as redundant. Although untrue, perceived underutilisation would be from Council's failures in this regard.

We sincerely hope the process of community consultation provides Elected Members with the knowledge to make educated decisions regarding the McConnell Avenue Reserve. It is the firmly held belief of the Friends of McConnell Group that this much loved community asset must be preserved and enhanced for the continued enjoyment of current and future residents.

Thanks and kind regards

[REDACTED]

Friends of McConnell Group

Together with [REDACTED]

This respondent also submitted a Petition – Refer to GC210127P01

Online Petition

The following on-line petition was part of the submission from this respondent, however, it will not be considered as a petition because it is non-compliant

change.org

Recipient: His Worship The Mayor and Councillors of the City of Marion

Letter: Greetings,

SAVE McConnell Avenue Reserve West and UPGRADE both sides as
an integrated whole

Signatures

Name	Location	Date
Travis Smith	Australia	2020-12-05
David Bagshaw	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-05
erca beckett	Australia	2020-12-05
dominic Burns	Edwardstown, Australia	2020-12-06
Rick Amoy	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-06
Steve Kindstrom	Oakleigh South, Australia	2020-12-07
Beryl Hall	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-07
David Smith	Marino, Australia	2020-12-07
Jamie Moroney	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-07
Jette Godtfeldt	Marino, Australia	2020-12-07
Joanne Campione	Tweed Heads, Australia	2020-12-07
Ryan Bonfield	Port Willunga, Australia	2020-12-07
Thomas Butler	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-07
Max Ballard	South Plympton, Australia	2020-12-08
Chloe Hall	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Mikayla Sutherland	Blackburn, Australia	2020-12-08
Lucinda Penn	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
LINDA LAMB	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Mark Higham	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Vivien Thomas	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08

Name	Location	Date
Christabel Ballard	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Jeannie Mansfield	Homebush, Australia	2020-12-08
Danny Burns	Glengowrie, Australia	2020-12-08
Harry Gent	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
antonia touvelos	Picnic Point, Australia	2020-12-08
Onuka Amgalan	Ingleburn, Australia	2020-12-08
Stephen O'Brien	Australia	2020-12-08
Shani-Leigh Gordon	Saint Kilda, Australia	2020-12-08
Nick Martin	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Ashley Talbot	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-08
Stephen Murray	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Leanne Speechley	Perth, Australia	2020-12-08
June Charker-Pulle	Gold Coast, Australia	2020-12-08
Virginia Edwards	Marino, Australia	2020-12-08
Brian Skov	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
jasmine Lichtner	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-08
Emily Bartley	Kingston, Australia	2020-12-08
Connor Murphy	Glebe, Australia	2020-12-08
Neville Wilkinson	Australia	2020-12-08
Matthew Goldsworthy	Camberwell, Australia	2020-12-08
Debra Dragonheart	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-08
Sophia Z	NSW, Australia	2020-12-08

Name	Location	Date
kevin keith	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-08
David Grajfoner	Capel Sound., Australia	2020-12-08
kadin harvey	Australia	2020-12-08
Petra Vermey	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Tim Goulding	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Brenda Brophy	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Karen Nottage	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Michael Errey	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Tina Morena	Australia	2020-12-08
Jennifer Grosser	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Sue Frisby	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Alex Davis	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Lee Merrett	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Kris Edwards	Australia	2020-12-08
Merrilyn Briskham	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Marie Steinke	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Michael Burns	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Wayne Merrett	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-08
Fiona Phillips	Gladstone, Australia	2020-12-09
David Gothard	Cairns, Australia	2020-12-09
Madalene Knight	Australia	2020-12-09
Hayley stone	Australia	2020-12-09

Name	Location	Date
Karen Ewings	Australia	2020-12-09
Jasvir Kaur	Woolgoolga, Australia	2020-12-09
Carmen Moreno	Pennant Hills, Australia	2020-12-09
Amanda Heaven	Australia	2020-12-09
Annette Koch	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-09
Jack Wesson	Newcastle, Australia	2020-12-10
Liz Coleman	Blackwood, Australia	2020-12-10
Rob Turton	Marino, Australia	2020-12-10
Grant Warner	Canberra, Australia	2020-12-10
Sue West	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Niomi Apostolopoulos	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Teresa Ragless	Australia	2020-12-10
Peter Wirthensohn	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Danica Barratt	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
CHRIS WARREN WARREN	Australia	2020-12-10
Erzsi Leib	Dover gardens, Australia	2020-12-10
Michael Poynter	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Elizabeth Cregeen	Australia	2020-12-10
Nyah Hamilton	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-10
Laurence Catzel	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-10
Yola Werynski	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-10
Kyla McCracken	Newcastle, Australia	2020-12-10

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Yoi Jwjwjaj	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Kate Raymond	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Melody Lindsay	Australia	2020-12-10
Alan Chee	Richmond, Australia	2020-12-10
Miss Sparky	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Georgia Willett	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Oliver Gallacher	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Charlie Som	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-10
Got Violet's Back	Croydon, Australia	2020-12-10
taliyah delavale	Point Cook, Australia	2020-12-10
Maddy M	Gold Coast, Australia	2020-12-10
Erina Davey	Broome, Australia	2020-12-10
Andrew McGlashan	Australia	2020-12-10
Riley Hall	Epsom, Australia	2020-12-10
Zameer Mohamed	Australia	2020-12-10
Julie Jackson	Burleigh, Australia	2020-12-10
Anonymous Anonymous	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-10
Libby Davis	Marino, Australia	2020-12-10
Roy Gherlenda	Biggera waters, Australia	2020-12-10
Claudia Royal	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-10
Denise Arbery	Australia	2020-12-10
Meika Van Reesema	Warragul, Australia	2020-12-10

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Antoinette Clarke	Port Sorell, Australia	2020-12-10
Seth Raw	Yanchep, Australia	2020-12-10
Ching Chong	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-10
Amanda Stealing	Geelong, Australia	2020-12-10
Saly Mao	Australia	2020-12-10
Mira Lurch	Lane Cove, Australia	2020-12-10
Annette Schueddekopf	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-10
Grace Henniecke	Coburg, Australia	2020-12-10
Amritpal Singh	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-10
Camelia Savings	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Jennifer Raftos	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Kerry Killmier	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Tay Rose	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Marion Lejeune	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Asha Barlow	Shailer Park, Australia	2020-12-10
cecilia gates	Five Dock, Australia	2020-12-10
Salma Nazeer	Australia	2020-12-10
Narelle Huett	Leonora, Australia	2020-12-10
James G	Australia	2020-12-10
Emily Andrews	Caulfield, Australia	2020-12-10
Maya Lamond	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-10
Catharina Dashorst	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10

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Sienna James	Mypolonga, Australia	2020-12-10
Reshmi Tamang	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-10
Zerue Welu	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-10
hannah c	blackheath, Australia	2020-12-10
murphy mcgowan	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Matilda Halliday	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-10
maurene rowe	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Shane Dickson	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-10
Dom Gill	Victoria, Australia	2020-12-10
Indigo Van Heel	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-10
lauren ###	Northcote, Australia	2020-12-10
Raya Klerfon-Cole	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Diana Maxwell-Jones	Sunshine Coast, Australia	2020-12-10
Amelie Oster	Sisters Beach, Australia	2020-12-10
Lizebeth Hicks	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Rod Lewin	Aspendale, Australia	2020-12-10
helen drinoczky	Glen Waverley, Australia	2020-12-10
Meril Toma	Parramatta, Australia	2020-12-10
yvonna tong	Colyton, Australia	2020-12-10
Charlotte Davies	Templestowe Lower, Australia	2020-12-10
Athena Anastasopoulos	Caulfield, Australia	2020-12-10
Simon Hill	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10

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Dora Peppa pig	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-10
Caiden Cockshutt	Rose Bay, Australia	2020-12-10
Charmaine A	Brighton, Australia	2020-12-10
Nu Way	Harrismith, Australia	2020-12-10
Maddie Wilson	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Natalie Camilleri	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Brielle Holswich	Glenroy, Australia	2020-12-10
Oliver Robertson	Durack, Australia	2020-12-10
Amandeep Kaur	Osborne Park, Australia	2020-12-10
Debbie Maynard	BANKSIA GROVE, Australia	2020-12-10
Jas Row	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-10
Sean Porter	Noosaville, Australia	2020-12-10
Rikki-Lee Belperio	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Jackson Kerry	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-10
Jess Waters	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-10
Charlotte-Louise Moore	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Claudia Srdarov	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
nina mitrovic	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10
Ryan Gibson	Cairns, Australia	2020-12-10
Suzanne Duyster	Australia	2020-12-10
Cameron Munro	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-10
Ore Ajayi	Perth, Australia	2020-12-10

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Tori Peart	Rosebery, Australia	2020-12-10
Gary Page	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Mary Raymond	Marino, Australia	2020-12-10
Lana Green	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Les Thurgood	Woodend, Australia	2020-12-10
Robert Nairn	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Sandi Carr	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Helem Hayes	HALLETT COVE, Australia	2020-12-10
peter st clair-johnson	Marino, Australia	2020-12-10
Zoe Raymond	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Lorraine Bromilow	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Chloe Ey	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
David Hughes	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-10
Bernice Gordon	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Tony Benson	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Alison Cormack	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Phil Raymond	Marino, Australia	2020-12-11
Kenneth Cranley	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Sarah Perkins	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Joanne Owens	Seaview Downs, Australia	2020-12-11
Lange Powell	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Eddy grabis	Loxton, Australia	2020-12-11

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WILLIAM VEJO	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Billy Hotsauce	Prospect, Australia	2020-12-11
Ronald Stephens	DUBBO, Australia	2020-12-11
Belinda Wihongi	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-11
Henry He	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-11
Mia Dean	Mildura, Australia	2020-12-11
Wendy Zhao	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-11
Olivia Higginson	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-11
Lolitha Samarajeewa	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Caitlyn Allen	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-11
Mitzi Staib	Australia	2020-12-11
Sierra Afutu	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-11
Patricia Moebus	Australia	2020-12-11
David Cruickshanks-Boyd	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Isabelle Powell	East Maitland, Australia	2020-12-11
Michael Milojkovic	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-11
Raha Salari	Oxley, Australia	2020-12-11
Harley Mavromatis	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-11
Catherine Abrams	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-11
Lily Carr	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-11
Yasmin Bayad	Kearns, Australia	2020-12-11
emily ash	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-11

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Lara Anderson	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-11
Oliver Palmer	Wauchope, Australia	2020-12-11
Skdnjdnck Zjnxjxjxj	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-11
Melissa Yalda	Glenroy, Australia	2020-12-11
lara brown	Edgecliff, Australia	2020-12-11
Charli Tierney	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-11
Allysa Ferrer	Griffin, Australia	2020-12-11
Bayden Wright	Buderim, Australia	2020-12-11
Kulwinder Singh	Australia	2020-12-11
Kristy Bone	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Steve Pratt	Australia	2020-12-11
Isobel BENSON	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Eliza Dallwitz	Seacliff, Australia	2020-12-11
Arne Meyer	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Teresa Macdonald	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-11
Christie Davis	Australia	2020-12-12
Tina Cruickshanks boyd	Australia	2020-12-12
Martha Depasquale	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-12
Patricia Bate	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-12
Helen Vinall	Australia	2020-12-12
Lyn Howland	Australia	2020-12-12
Deanna Howland	St Clair, Australia	2020-12-12

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Paula Kelly	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-12
Adam Priestly	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-12
Stephen Carty	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-12
Luke Fox	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-13
David Gilbert	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-13
Iana Mcan	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-13
Chloe Bijker	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-13
Aadya Pillai	Point Cook, Australia	2020-12-13
Faith Evans	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-13
Elli Molo	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-13
Olivia Jones	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-13
your mum mum	Stirling, Australia	2020-12-13
ev jo	Blackheath, Australia	2020-12-13
Jayfen Mciwlraith	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-13
Talha Zaman	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-13
Keeley Davies	Wheelers Hill, Australia	2020-12-13
Emma Harriman	Perth, Australia	2020-12-13
Pfitzy Bash aiden	Aiden Anspach, Australia	2020-12-13
Liberty Hoey	Mulbring, Australia	2020-12-13
Keely Chesher	Taree, Australia	2020-12-13
Gemma Bendall	Hobart, Australia	2020-12-13
Veronica Marx	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-13

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Sidera Dyer	Australia	2020-12-13
Hero weston	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-13
Margaret Johri	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-13
Jennifer Collins	Australia	2020-12-13
Richard Ruffin	Unley, Australia	2020-12-13
Elizabeth Sadler	Seacliff, Australia	2020-12-13
Stephanie Britton	Australia	2020-12-13
Darrell Foote	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-13
John Bray	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-13
Lisa Perkins	Australia	2020-12-13
Manpreet Singh	Preston, Australia	2020-12-13
kylie will	Perth, Australia	2020-12-13
Laura Kay	Corinda, Australia	2020-12-13
Atoc Malou	Willmot, Australia	2020-12-13
Bianca Herbst	Perth, Australia	2020-12-13
jamie roos	Australia	2020-12-13
Ellie Merrick	Mudgeeraba, Australia	2020-12-13
Lee Boulger	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-13
April Jenkins	Brighton, Australia	2020-12-13
Kevin To	Australia	2020-12-13
Bartlomiej Serafin	11a Sandison terrace, Australia	2020-12-13
Jim Thompson	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-13

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Héloïse Bouzat	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-13
Forté Worthy	Marino, Australia	2020-12-13
G.Matthew Norman	Australia	2020-12-13
Heather Frahn	NA, Australia	2020-12-14
Martin Faulkner	Kingston Park, Australia	2020-12-14
Ross and Rosie Gerrand	Seacliff, Australia	2020-12-14
Damian Byrne	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-14
Siobhan Schlein	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
ky Deanne	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Emma Young	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Joanne Hoskins	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Al Upton	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Bianca Vejo	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Mitchell Smith	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Elizabeth Nankivell	Prahran, Australia	2020-12-14
Simon Kerslake	Marino, Australia	2020-12-14
Simone Hunter	Mango Hill, Australia	2020-12-14
Colin Woolford	Christies beach, Australia	2020-12-14
Daniele Presser	Australia	2020-12-14
Kerryn Wright	Marino, Australia	2020-12-14
Ray Clarke	Hallett Cove, Australia	2020-12-14
Victoria Collinge	Seacombe Heights, Australia	2020-12-14

Name	Location	Date
Inge van Leeuwen	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Judith Dangerfield	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Shannon McLay	Marino, Australia	2020-12-14
Aimie Ellis	St Georges, Australia	2020-12-14
Fiona McDonald	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Nectaria Nonas	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-14
Yvonne Adamson	Australia	2020-12-14
Matt Ellis	Malvern East, Australia	2020-12-14
Joanna Close	Australia	2020-12-14
Hugh Justham	Australia	2020-12-15
Christopher Yeates	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-15
Rebecca Story	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-15
Harry Owen	Marino, Australia	2020-12-15
Lee Lavelle	marino, Australia	2020-12-15
George Hanley	Marino, Australia	2020-12-15
Chris Bartlett	Hallett Cove, Australia	2020-12-15
John Cooper	Marino, Australia	2020-12-15
Barbara Wake	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
Warwick Gardiner	Marino, Australia	2020-12-16
Ian Young	Seacliff, Australia	2020-12-16
Renee Burns	Altrincham, UK	2020-12-16
Ryan de Visser	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16

Name	Location	Date
Brendon Hori	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-16
Rachael Kowald	Glasgow, UK	2020-12-16
Amy Greenlees	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-16
Dean mayer	Southport, Australia	2020-12-16
Arielle Freeth	Birmingham, UK	2020-12-16
Ellen Nuttall	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
Avis Bridge	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
Nina Maas	Amsterdam, Netherlands	2020-12-16
Sophie Crosland	London, UK	2020-12-16
Steph Stewart	Avalon, Australia	2020-12-16
Patrick Burns	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
Liz Smith	Marino, Australia	2020-12-16
Pauline Burns	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
Sarah Holliday	London, UK	2020-12-16
Kirsty thorpe	Murrumba Downs, Australia	2020-12-16
Genevieve Burnell	Hendon, UK	2020-12-16
Kameswari Malapaka	UK	2020-12-16
Jessica Tanner	Wangaratta, Australia	2020-12-16
Demi Ross	Brighton, Australia	2020-12-16
Jessica Lim	Cambridge, UK	2020-12-16
Rose Esber	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-16
R M	Floreat, Australia	2020-12-16

Name	Location	Date
Tahlia Rogers-brown	Dargaville, New Zealand	2020-12-16
Sara Gipps	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
Stephen Ladley	Altrincham, UK	2020-12-16
Renee Ladley	Marino, Australia	2020-12-16
Rachael Young	Fulham, UK	2020-12-16
Emily Chapman	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
Mike Walker	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
Dom Judd	Epping, Australia	2020-12-16
Rebecca Schmetzer	Rutherford, Australia	2020-12-16
Kiran Kandola	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-16
Claudia Kwok	Melbourne, Australia	2020-12-16
Sue Burns	Marino, Australia	2020-12-16
Megan Haynes	Australia	2020-12-16
Renee Bullock	Port Macquarie, Australia	2020-12-16
Oliver Godtfeldt-Smith	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-16
jeanne spyker	Laura, Australia	2020-12-16
Anthony Jeannot	Australia	2020-12-17
Marg Lambeff	Australia	2020-12-17
Tim Freeborn	Dover Gardens, Australia	2020-12-17
Sophie Crowder	Hallam, Australia	2020-12-17
Bernadette Grealy	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Heather Young	Australia	2020-12-17

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Amy Smith	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-17
Bryan Kesslee	Glen Waverley, Australia	2020-12-17
Samantha Lodge	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Bill Laidlaw	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Heather Harding	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-17
Troy Perriam	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Margie Randle	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Nikki Granger	Seacombe heights, Australia	2020-12-17
Lynley Ingerson	Marino, Australia	2020-12-17
Maxine Gardiner	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Jonathan Mavic	Willunga, Australia	2020-12-17
Abby O'Connell	Brisbane, Australia	2020-12-17
John Shepherdson	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Terri Mayr	HALLETT COVE, Australia	2020-12-17
Kay Daw	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Michelle Hendy	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Kimberly Maider	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Sonia Stevens	Roehampton, UK	2020-12-17
Bev Battams	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Sue Schoen	Adelaide, Australia	2020-12-17
Justin Bunton	Sydney, Australia	2020-12-17
Brent Whittaker	Tibubeneng, Indonesia	2020-12-17

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Letter: Greetings,

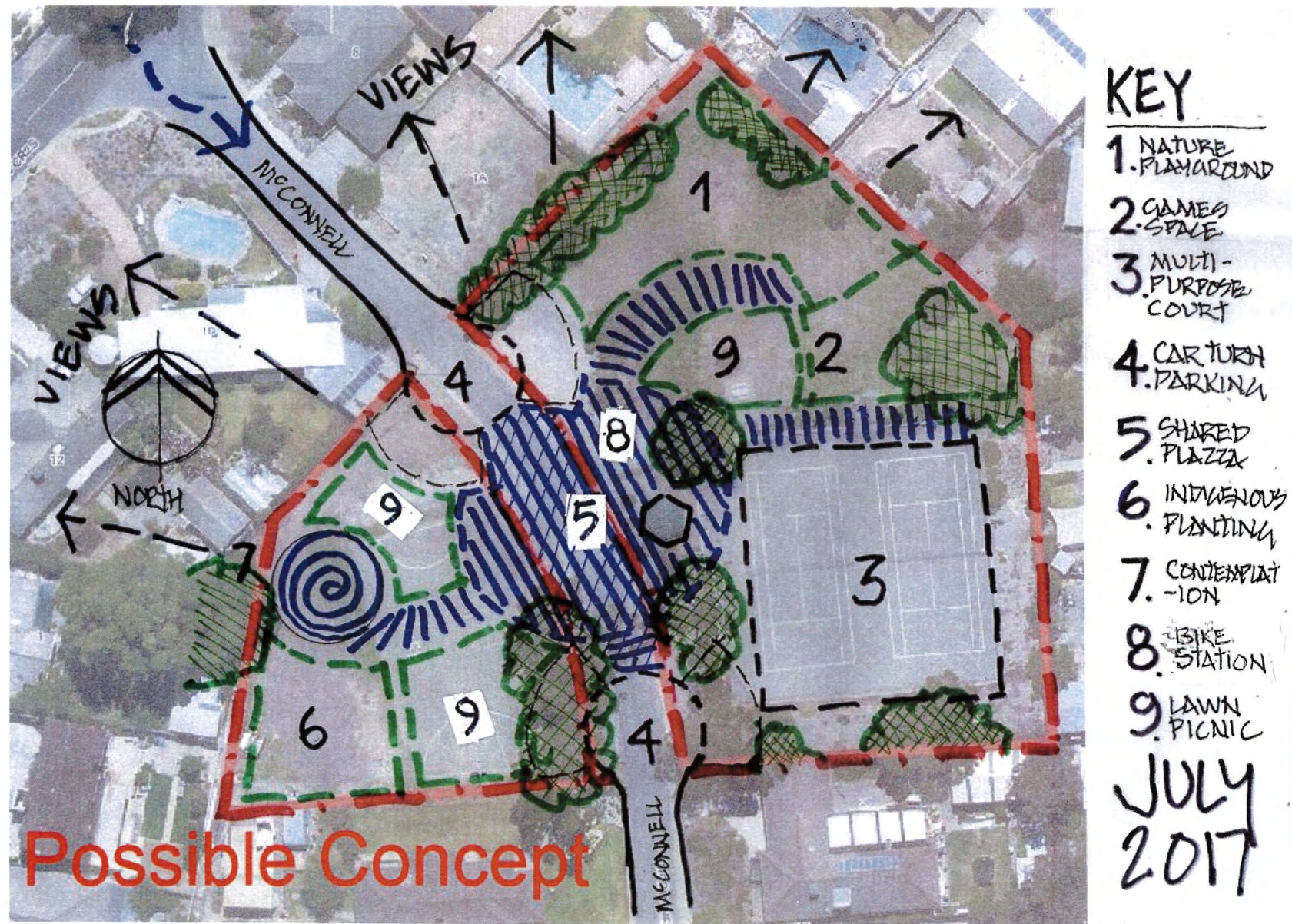
SAVE McConnell Avenue Reserve West and UPGRADE both sides as
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Comments

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Vivien Thomas	Adeleide, Australia	2020 12 08	"This is a wonderful hub for people living in this area, families from all around are frequent users it would be a travesty to lose a green space such as this."
Jack Wesson	Australia	2020 12 10	"I regularly return to the house I grew up in McConne Avenue throughout the year and each time I do I use both the tennis courts and basketball court with my brother and his friends from the otherside of the block. The courts provide a sense of community between residents and the maintenance we do for the landscape is very rewarding to see native flora thriving."
Suzanne Duyster	Australia	2020 12 10	"We need some independent and objective media coverage for this issue, to create more awareness, support and signatures!"
Chloe Ey	Adeleide, Australia	2020 12 10	"I live on the Marino and use the reserve regularly. I want to see an investment in this space for the people who live in Marino."
WILLIAM VEO	Adeleide, Australia	2020 12 11	"I'm sick of public spaces being sold off to fund inefficient urban council. Council has made a promise to keep medium density housing out of our heritage zone and on this promise, on which we based our decision to live in Marino, I can also see the about face. Consultation.. progress."
David Cruickshanks Boyd	Adeleide, Australia	2020 12 11	"I am signing this petition because McConne Reserve is a beautiful location and it would be a disgrace for Marino Council to sell this asset when the community is opposed to the sale. Council have a responsibility to work for the community."
Steve Pratt	Australia	2020 12 11	"As a resident I think we need to preserve these open spaces so the views can be enjoyed by everyone, residents and visitors."
Martha Depasquale	Adeleide, Australia	2020 12 12	"I'm signing because small reserves like this one are so important for the health and wellbeing of young and old. Public spaces are deeply important and need to be preserved for future generations."
Hero Weston	Adeleide, Australia	2020 12 13	"Once open green public space is gone it's gone."
Stephanie Britton	Australia	2020 12 13	"The long history of how this area became a community resource, shows how hard won it was, and gives ample reason for keeping it safe in community hands. It adds enormous value to the wellbeing of residents, brings neighbours closer to each other in common pursuits and increasing important things in these days of social and environmental turmoil."

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Lee Bou ger	Ade a de, Austra a	2020 12 13	"It s an ntegra part of the commun ty."
G.Matthew Norman	Austra a	2020 12 13	"Another and grab to sat sfy coun accountants & corrupt po t c ans to save bad budget ng & poor management .Short term so ut ons for ong term.pro b es ."
F ona McDona d	Ade a de, Austra a	2020 12 14	"It's v ta to reta n the McConne Reserve n tota ty for the reasons out ned by others, as we as a demonstrat on of the Coun 's comm tment to ma nta n ng open green spaces for a , now and n the future. Anyth ng d fferent wou d suggest the Coun s w ng to comprom se on ts own espoused env ronmenta and commun ty support ethos/va ues. W th the ong awa ted cement h redeve opment, there w be even greater need for oca recreat ona fac t es. Let's not be short s ghted."
Warw ck Gard ner	Mar no, Austra a	2020 12 16	"I am s gn ng because open space s too va uab e to se . Peop e need these spaces for menta and phys ca hea ng. Mar no must never become a Hong Kong. Open space s needed for everyone. It s t me that out oca representat ves stood up for ess peop e rather than more, more, more."
Renee Lad ey	Mar no, Austra a	2020 12 16	"My parents ve n the beaut fu but very very h y area of Mar no n South Austra a. When I say h y I mean tone your bum, dog won't wa k up the h s h y. I have ser ous y carr ed my parents 16kg dog up a h there before ♦The coun there have been try ng to se off the ONLY flat shared space n the area for years. It cons sts of a basketba court and two tenn s courts and some grass. k ds earn to r de b kes there, teenagers trek up the h to pay basketba and peop e pay tenn s there on regu ar days.Instead of work ng w th the res dents to make t more attract ve to use by add ng fac t es ke bathrooms they have bare y spent any money on t n decades. Not w thout gr tt ng the r teeth anyway.The res dents want to create a v brant area that w be used. There are a ready mass ve deve opments n the area for hous ng so p enty more tax payers for the coun but when th s area s gone, t w be gone for good!"
Stephen Lad ey	Manchester, Eng and, UK	2020 12 16	"The McConne Reserve s at the heart of the commun ty n Mar no.My w fe s from the area, and soon we hope to move back there. It's stunn ng and shou d not be spo t.We hope one day we can teach our ch dren to r de the r b ke and pay tenn s on the reserve.It's so conven ent as t's the on y flat communa and n Mar no."
jeanne spyker	Laura, Austra a	2020 12 16	"We need open spaces for our b rd fe and sma nat ve an ma fe."
Heather Young	Austra a	2020 12 17	"H f young"
Marg e Rand e	Ade a de, Austra a	2020 12 17	"P ease eave pub c space. Remember you are supposed to be work ng for us and our we be ng. Not your deep pockets and shorts ghtedness"







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Holding court

Lauren Ahwan reports on a case of giving with one hand and taking with the other.

SEA views and a children's play area will be lost under Marlon Council plans to sell an old netball court at Marino.

The council is proposing to sell off the netball court, in McConnell Ave, to fund an upgrade of McConnell Ave Reserve, across the road.

But residents opposed to the sale say Marino already suffers from a lack of open space. They say while netball has not been played on the court for years, it is still used by children.

"My four-and-a-half-year old always comes up and rides her bike here," resident Debbie Kelly said.

"You wouldn't allow her on the roads because they're too steep. It's the only level place they can play on."

Jill Bayden, whose adult children played on the courts when they were younger, said the court was an open area whereas the reserve was covered with trees and made keeping an eye on children difficult.

"It's safe here," she said. The council sent letters to residents advising them of a meeting tonight (Wednesday, June 27) to discuss the upgrade proposal. No mention of selling the court was made.

But minutes from the council's April meeting stated: "Upgrade the reserve should be cost neutral with funding provided from the Open Space Reserve Fund through sale of the portion of the council-owned reserve on the western side of McConnell Ave."

Longtime locals Barry and Bunty Wicklein, who live next to the court, stand to lose their ocean view if the court is sold for housing.

The couple said they built their home facing the court after being told it would not be sold.



Marino residents lining up on the old netball court - with its sea views - which Marlon Council may sell. Picture: Roger Wymann

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Sale is one option: council

MARION Council has downplayed the planned sale of an old netball court at Marino.

In a faxed statement to the *Guardian Messenger*, acting organisation director Peter Tsokas said the sale was just one under consideration.

"A public meeting of residents living in the area around the (McConnell Ave) reserve is to be held on 27 June 2001, to seek their ideas and discuss issues relating to the use and upgrading of the reserve," Mr Tsokas said.

"The reserve is currently made up of two parts on either side of McConnell Ave. The separation of this reserve poses some risk for children using the reserve."

They used to sit and watch kids play netball. Mrs Wicklein recalled. They still enjoyed watching children playing on the court. She said their daughter Maria Limberts was among

the youngsters who used to play netball at McConnell Ave on Saturdays. Maria now captains State League team Oakdale. Mrs Wicklein feared a house on the court would

"This offers an opportunity to rationalise the size of the many options that will be discussed with the community at the above meeting."

But Mr Tsokas did not rule out a sale. Council minutes state funds from the self-off would be used to upgrade the remainder of McConnell Ave reserve.

"There is a community benefit in disposing of this land for more appropriate use and using the funds to develop and improve those facilities that are needed and will be used," Mr Tsokas conceded.

"Council will consider the views of local residents before making any decisions about the manner and means of upgrading the McConnell Ave reserve."

block sea views from the kitchen and living room windows. "All day long on a Saturday these courts were played on," she said. "We would wake up and hear them ... now the kids play there and we sit and watch them. "It's just a heartache ... what's wrong with having some space, why do we need to be cluttered up (with housing)?"



Members at a southern golf course can now buy shares in the golf course under a plan to attack the club's financial problems.

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A Glandore radio station is giving people the chance to host their own hour of Rock'n Roll.



Local branches of the SA Pensioners' Association are appealing to new members to halt falling numbers.

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McConnell Avenue Reserve Marino | Proposed Revocation and Disposal of Land & Eastern improvements

Consultation Submission

The Association is opposed to the disposal of the Western portion of McConnell Reserve and whilst we welcome improvements to the Eastern half of the reserve, the modest concept **has not** been developed in consultation with the community as promised in 2017 and does not go far enough and does not reflect the wishes of the community

We are working hard with The Friends of McConnell Reserve and the community to broker a better outcome on this matter and ask Council to endorse a more rigorous engagement with the wider community on the future the whole of this important reserve, beyond a local asset. It is imperative that Council retain the Western side as community land and follow through on their promise and back their policy of consultation to the full extent.

This is as much about the process as it is about the issue!

Process

The Council agreed in 2017 to undertake consultation on the designs for the Eastern Side and implement those improvements and monitor the usage of the upgraded eastern side of the reserve, prior to considering the future of the western side. This was considered a reasonable compromise at the time. Despite many attempts via administration and elected members the community and this Association to engage with Council on the future of the reserve and to ensure that the consultation process followed all of the Council's consultation policy

1. Inform
2. Consult
3. Involve
4. Collaborate
5. Empower

Council has certainly done No1 and No2 in a relatively short space of time but 3-5 are nowhere to be seen! Despite the evidence provided by the community to be more than willing and capable of those last three stages.

The questionnaire style of on line consultation is very limiting when trying to capture the true needs of the community. The budget and implementation program has been set without any consultation with the community, again not a very democratic or collaborative process, certainly not aligned with Council's consultation policy and open space strategy of engagement



and partnering with a community that has demonstrated excellent capacity and skills to assist Council in delivering exemplary community facilities.

So how council can believe that at the end of this process they will have fulfilled their obligation in terms of consultation is hard to fathom as is the simple fact that they are asking the same question as they did in 2017 and expecting a different answer without any engagement in the last 3 years to shape the concept!!

The Issues

Our position on the issues is very clear as per our website ([here](#)) We feel that by any measure the disposal of valuable accessible community land is extremely short sighted. Our research and that of others covering the local community, councils and state government policies support our approach to ensure Council seriously reconsiders its proposal:

- This is a suburb wide issue
- No notice of this process
- Consultation Closing close to Christmas with limited opportunity for dialogue
- Lack of investment over last 25 years, no wonder it looks redundant it is so out of step with trends.
- This is not just a local reserve Marino is under supplied with level accessible public open space
- This is a unique level location with views
- This should be a destination reserve
- Its potential for multi-purpose use by all should be unlocked
- It should be linked via a network to other open spaces
- Let's keep this land for future generations as our population increases and demographics change
- The local community is overwhelmingly in support of retaining the west and upgrading the whole reserve; and are willing to share its bounty.
- Refer to the paper petition and online petition.
- Open Space policy does not appear to make allowances for the future increased density, population and demographic shifts so how is the western side redundant

Conclusion

Council should endorse the following

- 1 Retain the western portion of the reserve as community land



- 2 Take account of the potential impacts of the increased population and demographic changes brought about by the Seacliff Park development and the new Planning & Design Code.
- 3 Reclassify the combined eastern and western reserves to a Neighbourhood Level open space category
- 4 Commence a more detailed consultation process about the future of the whole reserve engaging with the key stakeholders on the preferred methodology in line with Councils own consultation policy employing up to all 5 methods.
- 5 Ensure that there is adequate community wide consultation and engagement within a reasonable time frame.
- 6 With the support of the community seek funding support from both State and Federal Govt to upgrade the facilities consistent with a Neighbourhood Level open space classification.

DRAFT



Mayor Kris Hanna
City of Marion
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Ref: 12488ZB

Dear Mayor Hanna

I write in support of the Friends of McConnell, who have raised concerns regarding the proposed sale of McConnell Avenue Reserve West in Marino.

The Friends of McConnell are seeking the preservation of McConnell Reserve West, the sale of which has been proposed by the City of Marion.

A unique open space within the community, the reserve and neighbouring McConnell Reserve East, provide residents with access to basketball, tennis and barbeque facilities, along with green space.

I understand the proceeds of the sale would be used for the redevelopment of McConnell Reserve East; however, I share the concerns raised by the Friends of McConnell who suggest that such an upgrade should not come at the expense of other public assets.

These sentiments were echoed by Council when I wrote to you on this issue in January 2017.

During that period a similar proposal was put forward and a decision was made to upgrade the eastern reserve prior to considering any potential sale of the western portion.

I am an ardent supporter for the retention of both spaces and request that Council withdraw the proposed sale of McConnell Reserve West.

Open public spaces are an integral part of the community, improving the physical health and fitness of residents, particularly children.


Additionally, these spaces have a tremendous impact of the mental health and wellbeing within local communities, vastly improving the liveability of neighbourhoods.

With urban infill and development occurring at a rapid rate across the suburbs of Adelaide, it is imperative that we conserve our public land available for recreation.

I commend the Friends of McConnell for their efforts to protect such valuable open space for the local community and urge the Council to preserve this important local infrastructure.

Thank you for your assistance and consideration of this matter.

Yours sincerely



Nicolle Flint MP
Member for Boothby

22 / 12 / 2020

Cc. Friends of McConnell, Boothby Residents

Heather Carthew

From: Community Engagement
Sent: Thursday, 7 January 2021 8:45 AM
To: Heather Carthew
Subject: FW: Proposed revocation and disposal of community land - McConnell Avenue Reserve - Marino

FYI

From: Electronic Mail <ElectronicMail@marion.sa.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 24 December 2020 9:31 AM
To: Community Engagement <communityengagement@marion.sa.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Proposed revocation and disposal of community land - McConnell Avenue Reserve - Marino

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Sent: Wednesday, 23 December 2020 2:54 PM
To: Electronic Mail <ElectronicMail@marion.sa.gov.au>
Subject: Proposed revocation and disposal of community land - McConnell Avenue Reserve - Marino

Dear Sir,

I refer to your earlier communications seeking feedback on the proposed sale of the above named reserve.

I advise that SA Power Networks have a low voltage overhead powerline that crosses the northern corner of the Western Portion of the reserve. However, based on the information you have provided it appears that this infrastructure will end up in road reserve, once the road is realigned.

Accordingly I advise that SA Power Networks have no other comments in relation to this proposal.

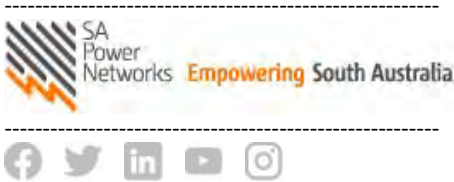
If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

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McConnell Avenue Reserve east

Community Consultation Findings

December 2020

1. Introduction

This report summarises community consultation on the preliminary schematic concept plan for the upgrade of McConnell Avenue Reserve East, Marino.

An Open Space Framework was recently endorsed by council to focus on achieving an equitable spread of appealing and functional open spaces across the city. Consideration was given to achieving equitable distribution of facilities across the city such as basketball courts, fitness nodes, BBQ's and other recreational sport facilities.

A recent audit of the courts at McConnell Avenue Reserve East has identified that they are in need of an upgrade. We also heard from the community during a previous consultation about what they would like to see at the reserve. As a consequence, the Open Space Plan recommends the following works at McConnell Avenue Reserve East

- Upgrade courts to provide 1 multi use court with tennis court, netball ring and basketball 3 v 3
- Add drink fountain, shelter and landscaping
- Upgrade irrigation

A budget of \$217,189 has been allocated to this upgrade. This budget is not sufficient for further amenities to be included in the design.

2. Consultation Program

Engagement occurred to inform community members of the preliminary schematic concept plan for McConnell Avenue Reserve east and to seek their feedback on the design. The consultation survey was open for 5 weeks from 12 November 2020 to 18 December 2020.

The survey was made available online at makingmarion.com.au/mcconnell-reserve-upgrade

Residents were informed about the survey in the following ways:

- **Flyer** - A hard copy flyer was delivered to approximately 312 households within roughly 400m² radius of the reserve outlining the period of consultation.
- **Onsite sign** - An onsite sign was installed at the reserve promoting the Making Marion link and consultation deadline.
- **Zoom and telephone** consultations held with individuals and small groups. Six separate meetings were held with staff from Land and Property and Open Space and Recreation Planning.

3. Consultation Overview

Residents were invited to provide feedback on the draft concept plan for McConnell Avenue Reserve through the online survey via Making Marion.

In total, during this 5-week consultation period Council received:

- 19 electronic responses to the Making Marion survey
- 13 emails via the community engagement email address. These emails were more pertinent for the revocation of the western portion of McConnell avenue Reserve, but contained some information about suitable upgrade options. These responses can be found in the revocation report.

A full summary of all responses to each survey question and relevant customer event feedback is provided within this report. Responses have been listed as worded by the respondent. For privacy reasons, respondents' details have not been included.



4. Consultation Findings

Overall, the preliminary schematic concept plan for McConnell Avenue Reserve east received positive comments and constructive feedback. In summary:

- A total of 48 visits were recorded to the project’s Making Marion web page where residents could access the Preliminary Schematic Concept Plan and flyer.
- 19 responses to the survey were received.

Please see below for the results of this survey.

5. Summary of feedback received

Refer to Attachment 2 for a summary of the feedback received. The table attached identifies some of the concerns and items raised regarding the playground upgrade and how the feedback will be considered when finalising the concept design.

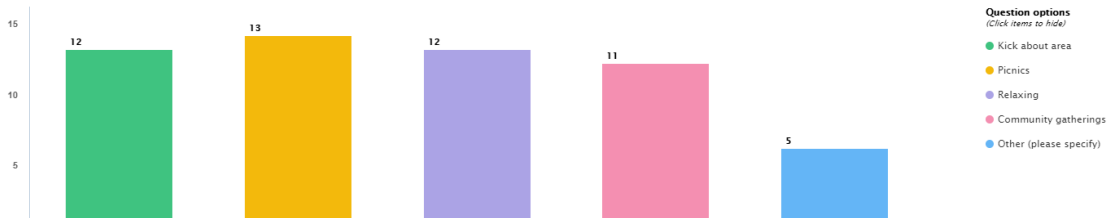
SURVEY RESULTS

Q1 The Open Space Plan recommends replacing the two tennis courts with 1 multi use court, with multiple sports provision. A multi use court can provide multiple uses. The design will be influenced by the most popular preferences. Please note that not all preferences can be accommodated. Rank your preferences below

Options	Rank
Tennis	1
Basketball	2
Line marked court games – hopscotch, four square, giant chess, snakes and ladders	3
Mini soccer	4
Scooter / trike track	5
Netball	6
Bocce	7

Summary of results: Tennis, basketball and line markings for minor games were popular choices for the multi use court

Q2. Council has endorsed budget to upgrade irrigation at this site. How would you like to use the irrigated grass plaza?



Summary of results: Respondents preferred a leisure area for picnics and relaxing as well as a kick about area for the irrigated grass plaza..

Q3 What facilities would benefit this site? Please note that not all preferences can be accommodated. Rank your preferences below

Options	Rank
Shelter and picnic table	1
Drinking fountain	2
Seating	3
Minor unstructured nature play (e.g. log steppers, balance log, fairy houses etc)	4
Native planting	5
BBQ	6
Dog friendly facilities – ie dog bowl, dog poo bags	7
Bike repair station / bike rack	8
Little library – swap book cabinet	9

Summary of results:

Facilities that benefit the leisure aspect of the site, such as seating and shelter and drink fountains are ranked highest.

Minor unstructured nature play is also ranked highly.

Q4. Do you have any other comments about what should be considered in the upgrade to the Eastern side of McConnell Avenue Reserve?

Two court areas are needed. Council's proposal is far inferior to the proposal presented by local residents in 2017. The residents have already provided the best option for the site, please follow it.

Whilst we welcome improvements to the reserve, the modest concept has not been developed in consultation with the community as promised in 2017 and the questionnaire style of on line consultation is very limiting when trying to capture the true needs of the community. The budget and implementation program has again been set without any consultation with the community, again not a very democratic or collaborative process, certainly not aligned with Council's consultation policy and open space strategy of engagement and partnering with a community that has demonstrated excellent capacity and skills to assist Council in delivering exemplary community facilities.

Our position is very clear as per our website <https://www.5049coastalcommunity.com/mcconnell-reserve-open-space.html>

We are working hard with The Friends of McConnell Reserve and the community to broker a better outcome on this matter and ask Council to endorse a more rigorous engagement with the wider community on the future the whole of this important reserve, beyond a local asset.

The street between the two parts of the reserve should be calmed and become a play street or "woonerf". The East side of the park needs the West side to be retained to maximise the health and social value of community space in this locality."

Be good to see some life in the venue so people will then attend and use

Something that drives place-making in a creative way. Imaging that people drive to the Bridgewater fairy garden to see those little houses - all next to a busy freeway. Would be great to have something that attracts people to expose them to those views that are impressive

I have small children who love to use this area to scoot, ride bikes, shoot netball and basketball. It is the only space within walking distance that I can take them to play in an open space - it is not practical to walk down and back up the hill with them. We utilize both the eastern and western side, particularly when the tennis court is in use and we don't want to interrupt the game with our "free play". The space has been very important to our family especially this year and whilst we are excited for an upgrade, I am concerned about the revocation of the western side as we use both sides equally - it is a busy space.

I urge you to please reconsider a playground. There is no way anyone at the top of this hill can access either playgrounds in Marino without getting in the car unless they are a pro athlete. The top of this hill is not child friendly. Kids can't ride their bikes up here, you can't take a walk with a pram because the footpaths are too hilly and dangerous and for parents or young families it's very isolating and frustrating. It's only until recently we can utilise the McConnell ave reserve as our son has reached the age of learning to ride a bike but now that feature is likely to be taken away too.

There is a major sports facility available on Scholefield road and as such I think the area should focus more on catering to the children and young families in the area.

One multi use court is a silly idea. It means that it wouldn't be any use if there was a family with some playing tennis and the kids not really being able to do anything. There should be two courts, maybe one of these courts could be a multi use court

Recommendations for the EAST side of McConnell Ave - I absolutely agree that these spaces need some investing from the council. We are highly concerned that by selling off the Western land with court and then replacing 2 existing courts then you are taking 3 courts away from these 2 spaces and replacing them with only 1 court. I understand that these will be multi purposed courts but if someone is using them and there is no additional court then it doesn't matter if they are multi functional. Our family uses the basketball court on the western side nearly every weekend. If you get rid of 3 courts and replace with only one new one then it will be a far more popular space which is great but it means that the demand is high. You need to upgrade 2 courts so that the spaces are more ready available to the community who will use them. Lots of planting of native trees and bushes that attract native wildlife would be a wonderful addition to this space as would a nature play area or even mini ninja warrior style equipment like at Heywood Park, Unley. By also retaining the western side you could add a mini bmx track to utilise the space. Please listen to the community on this issue, people do not want more houses on that street. We need to protect our open spaces.

Make the area usable. It's currently not maintained so it's not attractive to use. Make it usable for children.

Please create more native plantings for butterflies etc. and don't remove any trees from the intended multi-purpose court. Keeping both E and W parts of the reserve would allow more space for separate facilities and is my preferred choice ie. don't sell land.

NB. The above link to the revocation has NOT been added (insert link!) and your main page on consultation said 'Find out more and Have Your Say by visiting www.making.marion.com.au/mcconnell-reserve-upgrade' but this didn't find a page nor did the one for the W revocation. A little care would make you appear more professional."

Children's playground with shade. for example: swing, exercise/play equipment.

I would prefer to see more natural green spaces with maybe exercise equipment.

A single multipurpose court would be of little use as it cannot be shared by more than a handful of people at a time. They tend to be hogged by a few at the exclusion of others."

Toilet facilities

This area needs to continue to be an area multiple groups can all use at once - a multi use court is limited to 1 group at a time playing 1 sport - the current space supports multiple groups & multiple different sporting activities & use. There is already a BBQ, small shelter & a picnic table that do not need replacing. The addition of a drinking fountain, toilet & bike repair station will benefit all the people who currently use the park including the groups of bike riders that come multiple times per week. Greening of the area with Native plants will enhance the green corridor for the Native Fauna that visit the Park & reduce our carbon foot print. The current park including the Western side needs enhancing not re-developing - it is a unique area for the community & a meeting place for everyone, a great safe place to get to know your neighbors. The community design (not the councils concept drawing) must be the design considered by the community for the enhancement. The park facilities needs to be able to accommodate the significant increase in residents of the 600 new dwellings that are about to be built on the Old Lorenzin site who will also use the park. As this is a community park the residents will continue to be involved in the Park.

The Friends of McConnell Group welcome an upgrade of the McConnell Avenue Reserve but steadfastly believe any upgrade must include the retention and subsequent upgrade of the western portion of the McConnell Avenue Reserve.

I would like to see biodiversity, nature play for kids, including screening of some sort to stop neighbours looking into reserve, so people can enjoy the space without being watched constantly by nosey neighbours

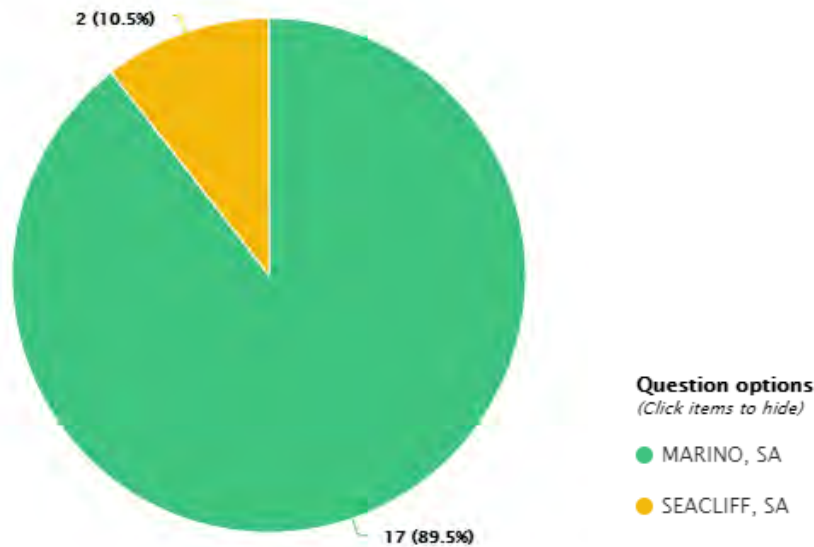
A Playground should be considered as both Bandon Terrace Reserve and Nimboya Road Reserve are too far away for small children, and the elderly.

Q5. Street name

Jervois Terrace	3
Shaftesbury Terrace	2
Newland Avenue	1
Yalpa Road	2
Angas Crescent	4
North Street	2
Young Street	1
Wheatland Street	1
McConnell Avenue	2
Ronald Crescent	1



Q6. Suburb



Summary of results: A majority of respondents live in Marino.

Email and letter responses

The following responses were contained in emails in response to the sale of the western portion of land but are relevant to the upgrade of the eastern side of McConnell Avenue Reserve. The emails and letters can be found in the revocation report

There is minimal dog friendly areas accessible in the local area to exercise dogs off leash and in a safe place from traffic

We feel that the current proposal does not go far enough and we would like to see both the eastern and western side upgraded together as a whole new neighborhood reserve for Marino.

Other suggestions for upgrades have included

- Playground for younger children
- Exercise equipment
- Native plantings to connect green corridors
- Public toilet to encourage visitors to stay longer
- Level courts for bike education (as opposed to the hilly surrounding streets)
- Safe gated area to let dogs play off the leash
- Continued provision of current amenities (tennis, basketball, netball, BBQ, shelter)
- Drinking fountain
- Bike rack / station
- Nature Play

Any upgrade must also include the retention of the Western portion and meaningful upgrade to the reserve as a whole.

Doesn't include a toilet and also does not include any integration of East and West

Things that would enhance the whole park and make it more useable and add to its uniqueness

- Toilet
- Water fountain
- Bike fix station
- Designated car park
- Grassed green area
- Dog Park area
- Pump track
- Multiple open area that can be used by multiple groups at the same time
- Natural play space – ie rocks, plants, trees
- More shelter more seating areas (ie more than the existing 1 area)
- Water run off harvesting via plantings and swales to naturally water the plants
- More native to the area plants – bush garden
- Encourage group fitness to use the open space area like they do in other parks
- Block off and include the section of McConnell Avenue that abuts both sides of the reserve

Raise the classification of McConnell Reserve to a Neighbourhood Level open space

Reclassify the combined eastern and western reserves to a Neighbourhood level open space category

Play could be mucking around on small scooters and bicycles.



ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Preliminary Schematic Concept Plan
Attachment 2: Summary of feedback received



Attachment 1: Preliminary Schematic Concept plan

Attachment 2: Summary of feedback received

The table below identifies some of the concerns and items raised regarding the upgrade and how the feedback will be considered when developing the concept design. Table one details upgrade feedback.

Overall summary of key themes received

GENERAL NOTE - RESERVE CLASSIFICATION	
McConnell Avenue Reserve is a Local Level Open Space .	
Purpose	Local level open spaces are less complex in design providing limited facilities that generally cater for a low density urban environment, They provide environmental value through urban heat mitigation, contributing to biodiversity, water management and improving air quality.
Types of facilities	May include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimal park furniture and amenities such as park bench, drink fountains • Pathways for accessibility • Playgrounds • Opportunities for community gardens • Natural shade • Nature Play
Its primary classification is Recreation – active Designed for active informal recreation that can include facilities such as playgrounds, grassed areas for ball games, multi purpose courts, fitness equipment. A secondary classification is Sport. A community court is used outside of a club membership	
Types of Facilities for local recreation active	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seating • Drinking fountain • Natural shade • Nature play elements • Irrigated – grassed area
Community Feedback	
Court Provision	
Resident Feedback	Design Response
<i>Two courts are needed</i>	The current budget allows for a single multi – use court. To include further play options as well as a single tennis court (much like Hamilton Park Reserve) would require additional funding. The future design will also need to consider site constraints including trees to be retained to ensure long term health and minimise root disturbance to court surfacing. There are also locations around the existing court where soil erosion and subsidence is evident that may require an engineering solution. To counter these constraints which are more prevalent if a larger court
<i>We utilise both the eastern and western side, particularly when the tennis court is in use and we don't want to interrupt the game with our free play.</i>	

One multi use court is a silly idea. It means that it wouldn't be any use if there was a family with some playing tennis and the kids not really being able to do anything.	surface is required will require additional budget enhancement.
We are highly concerned that by selling off the Western land with court and then replacing 2 existing courts then you are taking 3 courts away from these 2 spaces and replacing them with only 1 court. You need to upgrade 2 courts so that the spaces are more readily available to the community who will use them.	
A single multi use court would be of little use as it cannot be shared by more than a handful of people at a time.	
This area needs to continue to be an area multiple groups can all use at once - a multi use court is limited to 1 group at a time playing 1 sport - the current space supports multiple groups & multiple different sporting activities & use.	
Placemaking	
Resident Feedback	Design Response
Something that drives place-making in a creative way. Imaging that people drive to the Bridgewater fairy garden to see those little houses - all next to a busy freeway. Would be great to have something that attracts people to expose them to those views that are impressive	Imaginative and creative play elements that creates a unique sense of place and identity will be considered in the final design.
Playground	
Resident Feedback	Design Response
I urge you to please reconsider a playground. There is no way anyone at the top of this hill can access either playgrounds in Marino without getting in the car unless they are a pro athlete. The top of this hill is not child friendly. Kids can't ride their bikes up here, you can't take a walk with a pram because the footpaths are too hilly and dangerous and for parents or young families it's very isolating and frustrating.	A playground has not been considered or funded for this site. The design will provide play options outside of tennis such as kick about area, minor unstructured nature play and scooter / trike track. Other playgrounds in the area provide different options for play.
Children's playground with shade. for example: swing, exercise/play equipment.	
A Playground should be considered as both Bandon Terrace Reserve and Nimboya Road Reserve are too far away for small children, and the elderly.	

East and West	
Resident Feedback	Design Response
<i>The street between the two parts of the reserve should be calmed and become a play street or "woonerf".</i>	The revocation of the western side of the reserve is tabled in a separate report. Any upgrade of this reserve, or joining of the reserves must be considered through the revocation process. The funding upgrade is associated to the Eastern portion only.
<i>The East side of the park needs the West side to be retained to maximise the health and social value of community space in this locality.</i>	
<i>The current park including the Western side needs enhancing not re-developing - it is a unique area for the community & a meeting place for everyone, a great safe place to get to know your neighbors. The community design (not the councils concept drawing) must be the design considered by the community for the enhancement. The park facilities needs to be able to accommodate the significant increase in residents of the 600 new dwellings that are about to be built on the Old Lorenzin site who will also use the park. As this is a community park the residents will continue to be involved in the Park.</i>	
<i>The Friends of McConnell Group welcome an upgrade of the McConnell Avenue Reserve but steadfastly believe any upgrade must include the retention and subsequent upgrade of the western portion of the McConnell Avenue Reserve.</i>	
<i>Any upgrade must also include the retention of the Western portion and meaningful upgrade to the reserve as a whole.</i>	
<i>Doesn't include a toilet and also does not include any integration of East and West</i>	
<i>Keeping both E and W parts of the reserve would allow more space for separate facilities and is my preferred choice ie. don't sell land.</i>	
<i>Block off and include the section of McConnell Avenue that abuts both sides of the reserve</i>	
Nature	
Resident Feedback	Design Response
<i>Lots of planting of native trees and bushes that attract native wildlife would be a wonderful addition to this space as would a nature play area or even mini ninja warrior style equipment like at Heywood Park, Unley</i>	Native plantings and landscaping will feature in the final design. Council has undertaken an audit of existing trees and planting to evaluate health and significance, including identification of weed and pest species. Council will revegetate the reserve with native and coastal appropriate planting that will support and enhance biodiversity. The design will also consider sightlines to distant views and also planted buffers to preserve privacy once planting has established.
<i>Please create more native plantings for butterflies etc. and don't remove any trees from the intended multi-purpose court.</i>	

<i>I would prefer to see more natural green spaces with maybe exercise equipment.</i>	
<i>Greening of the area with Native plants will enhance the green corridor for the Native Fauna that visit the Park & reduce our carbon foot print.</i>	
<i>I would like to see biodiversity, nature play for kids, including screening of some sort to stop neighbours looking into reserve, so people can enjoy the space without being watched constantly by nosey neighbours</i>	
Other	
Resident Feedback	Design Response
<i>By also retaining the western side you could add a mini bmx track to utilise the space.</i>	A BMX track has not been considered or funded in the design. Suitable space on the eastern side is limited for this activity.
<i>I would prefer to see more natural green spaces with maybe exercise equipment.</i>	E. Consideration for this type of equipment was limited in the survey responses and current funding does not allow for this provision. However should efficiencies be identified in the budget this may be reviewed.
Toilet facilities	Toilets are not considered in a local level open space.
<i>The addition of a drinking fountain, toilet & bike repair station will benefit all the people who currently use the park including the groups of bike riders that come multiple times per week.</i>	The Open Space Plan has prioritisation for public toilets within the service level hierarchy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State level open space • Regional Playground sites • Regional Open Space.
<i>Doesn't include a toilet and also does not include any integration of East and West</i>	The placement of toilets at open spaces that have not been classified in the above service levels can be considered on a case by case basis with regard to the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minimum service level in a Neighbourhood level open space or playground • The reserves include facilities with longer stay amenities such as sports courts, barbecues or a medium to large playground • It is reasonable to expect that the people would be using the park for extended periods and therefore a public facility extends the use and enjoyment for the space • A number of requests have been received and an assessment has shown that the site has high usage rates
<i>There is minimal dog friendly areas accessible in the local area to exercise dogs off leash and in a safe place from traffic</i>	McConnell avenue Reserve East is an off leash park and will continue to be so. Dog friendly facilities, such as dog bowl and dog bag dispenser will be added in the final design.
<i>Raise the classification of McConnell Reserve to a Neighbourhood Level open space</i>	



<i>Reclassify the combined eastern and western reserves to a Neighbourhood level open space category</i>	<p>McConnell Avenue Reserve currently has the hierarchy of local level open space. A motion would need to be moved to increase the classification.</p> <p>An increase to a neighbour hierarchy may include the following facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sporting and recreation facilities• Park furniture and amenities such as park bench, shade, drink fountains• Pathways for accessibility• Playgrounds• Opportunities for community gardens• Shelter and natural shade• Nature Play. <p>With an increase of hierarchy comes and increase in service levels, allowing for a higher quality open space with a diversity of character.</p>
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** Design responses above are subject to final concept development, detailed design, unknown site conditions, cost management considerations and internal approvals*

Community Land Classification Process

The Western Portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve

Authorisation to undertake consultation under Section 194(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999	GC201013M02 (Report 1)
Consideration of the submissions made in response to the public consultation and authorisation for Ministerial consideration of revocation	We are here - GC210127R0 (Report 2)
Revocation of Community Land Classification on receipt of Ministerial Approval (final report)	Proposed Report based on Council decision (Report 3)

**McConnell Avenue Reserve
Summary of Council Resolutions**

28 February 2017 (GC280217R06) Tennis and Netball Review	
3.	Notes that a separate report, with identified costs, will be brought to Council for consideration, in relation to the direction Council established for McConnell Reserve (eastern side) when Council has considered community feedback.
8.	Endorses Administration to undertake site investigations into the western side of McConnell Reserve, Allotment 189 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18 and report back at the conclusion of the site investigations.
10.	Authorises administration to write to the head petitioners from the Nannigai and McConnell Reserve submissions advising of Council's decision.
9 May 2017 (GC090517R13)	
1.	Declares that the retention of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve does not contribute to Council's strategic objectives and is surplus to Council's requirements and subject to Ministerial approval, the net sale proceeds will be paid into the Open Space Reserve Fund.
2.	Authorises Administration to commence the revocation process including the preparation of a report under Section 194(2)(a) and undertake public consultation under Section 194(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 for the potential disposal of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve, Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18.
3.	Authorises Administration to bring a report to Council for consideration of the outcome of the public consultation under Section 194(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 for the potential disposal of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve, Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18.
25 July 2017 (GC250717P01) Petition	
1.	Notes the petition and comments provided by Administration.
2.	Requests the head petitioner be advised that Council has noted the petition.
3.	Notes that the Petition will be considered by Council at the 26 September 2017 General Council meeting as part of the Public Consultation Report on McConnell Avenue Reserve – Western Portion.
26 September 2017 (GC260917R05)	
1.	Considers the outcome of the community consultation process undertaken for the potential disposal of the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve at Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909, being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18.
2.	Retains the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve subject to developing the Eastern portion and then reviewing the whole.
3.	Resolves to allocate funds of up to \$20,300 as part of the 2017/18 budget review process for the costs associated with a boundary identification survey, a fence along the southern boundary and drainage works.
4.	Authorises administration to write to the head petitioner from the McConnell Reserve submissions advising of Council's decision.
5.	Authorises administration to write to the Marino Residents Association, David Speirs MP and Nicole Flint MP in response to the McConnell Reserve submissions advising of Council's decision.

**McConnell Avenue Reserve
Summary of Council Resolutions**

26 September 2017 (GC260917D0) Deputation	
Travis Smith on behalf of the Marino Residents Association	
13 October 2020 (GC201013M01)	
1.	Notes the commitment to upgrade the eastern side of McConnell Avenue Reserve in the 2021/22 financial year.
2.	Develops an integrated community engagement strategy for the renewal of the eastern parcel of McConnell Avenue Reserve and potential revocation of the western parcel of McConnell Avenue Reserve.
3.	Commences the revocation process for the potential disposal of the western portion of land known as McConnell Avenue Reserve, Allotment 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18 which includes a public consultation and preparation of a report under Section 194(2)(a) of the Local Government Act.
27 January 2021 (GC210127R06)	
1.	Notes that the Open Space on the eastern side of McConnell Avenue Reserve will be upgraded as per the Open Space Framework resolution (GC200623R18). The eastern upgrade is not dependent on the sale of the western portion.
2.	Notes the community consultation process undertaken for the revocation of the community land classification for the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve, Marino at Lot 189 in Deposited Plan 2909 being portion of the land in Certificate of Title Volume 1234 Folio 18 and for the potential disposal of the balance of the reserve after the road boundary is realigned to the occupation of the carriageway and footpath.
3.	Retains the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve whilst undertaking a revised evaluation of the facilities and upgrades at the reserve as a whole, commencing in the months following the completion of the budgeted upgrade works on the eastern portion of the reserve, which are scheduled to be completed before Christmas 2021.
4.	Authorises administration to write to the head petitioner from the McConnell Reserve submissions advising of Council's decision.
5.	Authorises administration to write to Nicole Flint MP in response to the McConnell Reserve submissions, advising of Council's decision, but in addition briefing the Member on the details of the open space strategy of the City of Marion.
27 January 2021(GC210127D01) Deputation	
Mr David Cruickshanks-Boyd	

**McConnell Avenue Reserve
Summary of Council Resolutions**

27 January 2021 (Gc210127P01) Petition	
1.	Notes the petition and comments provided by Administration.
2.	Notes that the petition forms part of the submissions received in response to the community consultation for the community land revocation over the western portion of McConnell Avenue Reserve.
3.	Notes that the petition will be considered by Council as part of the Public Consultation Report on McConnell Avenue Reserve.
4.	Requests the head petitioner be advised that Council has noted the petition

McConnell Avenue Reserve data collection

Pedestrian Monitoring

Data gathered through three different modes of scanning a device connecting via Bluetooth classic, wifi or ubertooth technology.

Radius of 70m for gathering count data.

Data reported from 20-1-2021 – 20-1-2022. Construction for McConnell: 23rd August – 16th November. Sensor was down during construction from 2-10-2021 to 4-11-2021. Filtered data was applied from 17-3-2021 – 20-1-2022.

Data displayed shows:

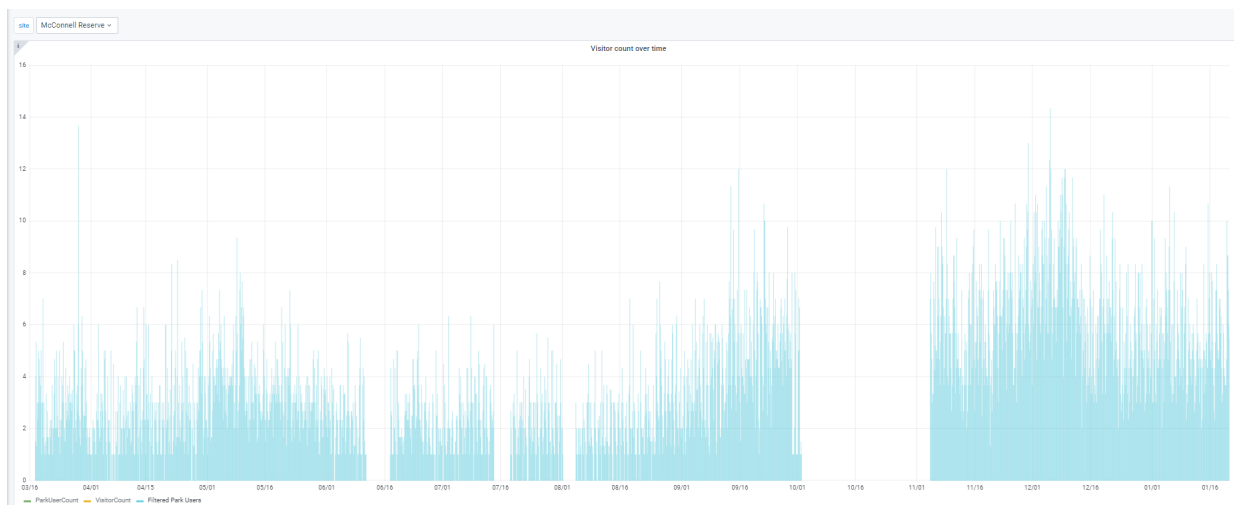
Park User – Indication of the number of people using the space

Visitor User – Indication of the total number of people in the area

Filtered Park User – Visitors who are detected for longer than 5 minutes or less than 6 hours

McConnell Reserve

- Overall count park user numbers for the time period data was filtered – 51 743
- Overall count filtered park user numbers for the time period data was filtered – 36 342
- Average hourly visitor count of park users – 5.5 persons
- Peak days of week – Wednesday (8270)
- Peak hours of the day – 12pm (2980), then 7am (2860)
- Dwell time average park users 14.5 mins.



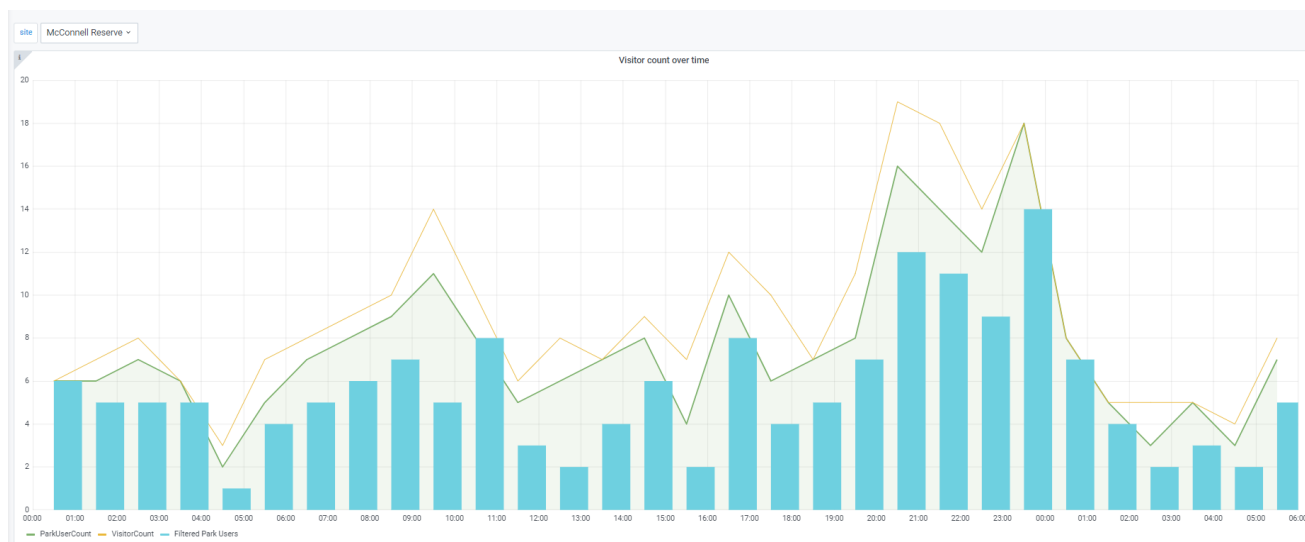


McConnell 10-12-2021 – 20-1-2022 (Summer Holidays this far)

- Overall numbers for the time period - 7183
- Peak days of week – Saturday
- Peak time of the day – 7am (384)

McConnell 31-12-2021 12.01 – 01-1-2022 06.00 (New Years Eve Event)

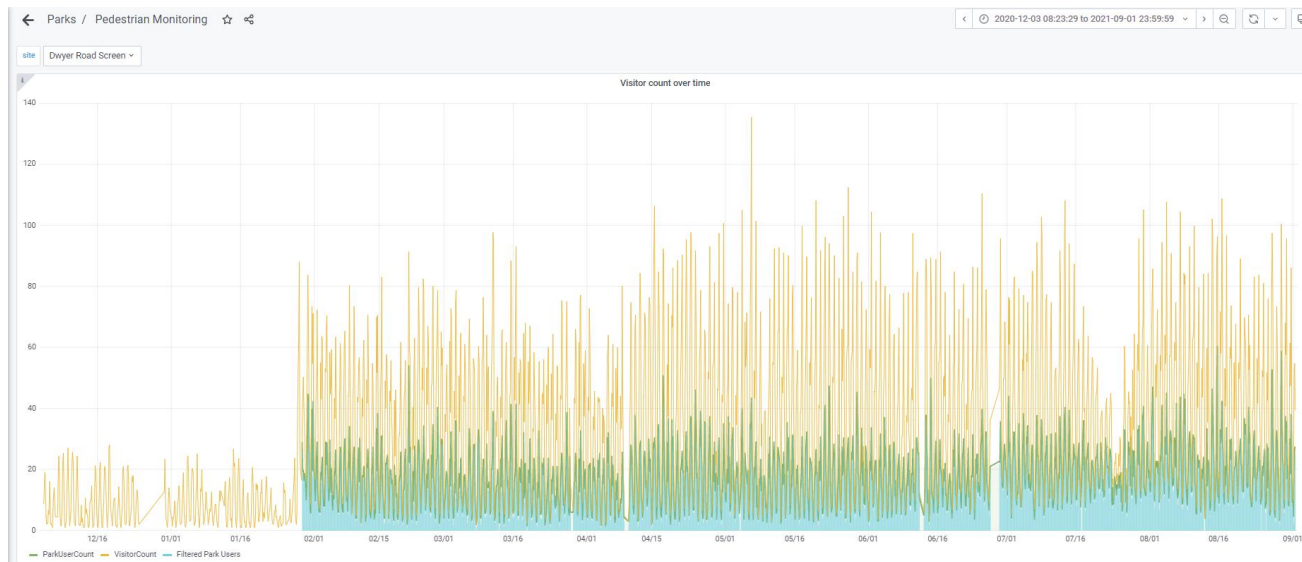
- Overall numbers for the time period - 352
- Average Dwell time – 14.8 mins
- Peak time of the time period – 11pm (22)



Dwyer Road data collected from 03-12-2020 – 01-09-2021 (9 month period)

- Overall numbers for the time period – 89370
- Average visitor count – 24.8 persons
- Peak days of week – Sunday (13300)

- Peak time of the day – 2pm (6430)



Basketball Vibration Sensor

With the exception of the stand out day in July 2021 Vibration sessions have indicated less than 16 vibrations on the day's activity was recorded.

Due to a technology software migration change the sensors stopped gathering data from 14-11-2021 – 27-1-2022. The raw numbers of vibrations do not take into account natural activity such as wind. Activity is visually evident through the density of vibrations on the above graph.

McConnell undeveloped site overall numbers 14-6-2021 – 30-1-2022

- Overall numbers for the time period – 7 984 vibrations

McConnell undeveloped site prior to construction 14-6-2021 – 22-8-2021

- Overall numbers for the time period – 4 395 vibrations

McConnell undeveloped site during and post to construction 23-8-2021 – 16-11-2021 and again from 27-1-2022 – 30-01-2022

- Overall numbers for the time period – 3 589 vibrations

Dwyer 14-6-2021 – 30-1-2022

- Overall numbers for the time period – 30 872 vibrations

Bandon 14-6-2021 – 30-1-2022

- Overall numbers for the time period – 15 320 vibrations

8 Deputations - Nil**9 Petitions - Nil****10 Committee Recommendations****10.1 Confirmation of the minutes of the Review and Selection Committee Meeting held on 1 February 2022**

Report Reference	GC220222R10.1
Originating Officer	Manager People and Culture – Jessica Lynch
Corporate Manager	Manager People and Culture - Jessica Lynch
General Manager	Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is to facilitate the receiving and noting of the minutes of the Review and Selection Committee meeting held on 1 February 2022.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A summary of items considered by the Committee Members is noted below.

Reports for Discussion

- Council Assessment Panel Member Review
- Review and Selection Committee Work Program for 2022

Reports for Noting

- Corporate and CEO KPI Report – Quarter Two 2021-22

RECOMMENDATION**That Council:**

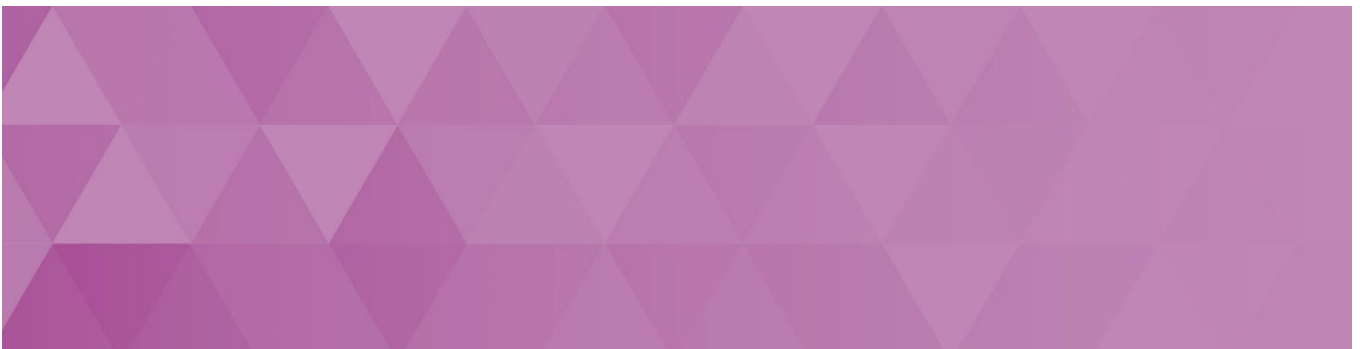
1. **Receives and notes the minutes of the Review and Selection Committee meeting held on 1 February 2022.**
2. **Notes that separate reports will be brought to Council for consideration of any recommendations from the Review and Selection Committee.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. RS C 220201 - Final Minutes [**10.1.1** - 5 pages]



**Minutes of the Review and Selection Committee
held on Tuesday, 1 February 2022 at 6.00 pm
Virtual Meeting Room - Zoom**



**PRESENT**

His Worship the Mayor Kris Hanna
Councillor Maggie Duncan

Councillor Matthew Shilling

In Attendance

Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison
General Manager Corporate Services - Sorana Dinmore
Manager Office of the CEO - Kate McKenzie
Manager People and Culture - Jessica Lynch
Chief Financial Officer – Ray Barnwell
Team Leader Planning - Alex Wright

1 Open Meeting

The Mayor opened the meeting at 6.03pm.

2 Kurna Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Kurna 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 Special Review and Selection Committee Meeting held on 7 December 2021**

Report Reference RSC220201R4.1

Moved Duncan**Seconded Shilling**

That the minutes of the Review and Selection Committee Meeting held on 7 December 2021 be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried Unanimously

5 Reports for Discussion**5.1 Council Assessment Panel Member Review**

Report Reference RSC220201R5.1



The Committee determined to move into confidence to discuss the performance of the current CAP members.

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Councillor Duncan

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Committee orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, Manager People and Culture, General Manager Corporate Services, Manager Office of the CEO, be excluded from the meeting as the Committee receives and considers information relating to COVID Mandatory Vaccination Policy Update, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to personal affairs of City of Marion employees.

Carried Unanimously

The Committee went into Confidence at 6.10 pm

Moved Councillor Duncan

Seconded Councillor Shilling

In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Committee orders that the minutes arising from this report having been considered in confidence under Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Act, except when required to effect or comply with the Committee's resolution(s) regarding this matter, be kept confidential and not available for public inspection until the positions have been filled or for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting. This confidentiality order will be reviewed at the General Council Meeting in December 2022.

Carried Unanimously

The Committee came out of confidence at 6.18 pm

Team Leader Planning - Alex Wright left the meeting at 6:18pm.

5.2 Review and Selection Committee Work Program for 2022

Report Reference RSC220201R5.2

Moved Councillor Duncan

Seconded Councillor Shilling

That the Review and Selection Committee:

1. Notes the proposed work program for 2022 identified at Attachment 1 to the report, with the following amendments:
 - Addition of COVID report.

Carried Unanimously

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6 Reports for Noting

6.1 Corporate and CEO KPI Report - Quarter Two 2021-22

Report Reference RSC220201R6.1

Moved Shilling

Seconded Duncan

The Committee discussed:

- Interpretation and project impacts on KPI 2 – Delivery of agreed project identified in ABP and their year targets in 4-year Plan (26 projects).
- Impact of *staff participation* in the Teamgage survey across all SLT areas, on interpretation of the *staff engagement rating* for KPI 7 – Staff Engagement.
- Current and expected future impact of COVID-19 on room hire and overall performance against KPI 10 – Asset Utilisation of Sports and Community Venues.
- Work in progress to compare room hire against other councils and strategic marketing of City of Marion sports and community venues.
- Expression of KPIs and notes to aid accurate interpretation of KPI reporting.

Action

- Administration to include further information on how KPIs are being measured for Quarter 3.

That the Review and Selection Committee:

1. Notes this report and information contained within the attachments for Quarter Two.

Carried Unanimously

6:37pm – Chief Financial Officer Ray Barnwell left the meeting

7 Workshop / Presentation Items

8 Other Business

9 Confidential Items

9.1 Cover Report - COVID Mandatory Vaccination Policy Update

Report Reference RSC220201F9.1

Moved Councillor Shilling

Seconded Councillor Duncan

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Committee orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, Manager People and Culture, General Manager Corporate Services, Manager Office of the CEO,

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be excluded from the meeting as the Committee receives and considers information relating to COVID Mandatory Vaccination Policy Update, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to personal affairs of City of Marion employees.

Carried Unanimously

6:37pm the meeting went into confidence

Moved Councillor Duncan

Seconded Councillor Shilling

In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Committee orders that this report, COVID Mandatory Vaccination Policy Update, any appendices and the minutes arising from this report having been considered in confidence under Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Act, except when required to effect or comply with the Committee's resolution(s) regarding this matter, be kept confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting. This confidentiality order will be reviewed at the General Council Meeting in December 2022.

Carried Unanimously

6:55PM the meeting came out of confidence

10 Meeting Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 6:55pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 3rd DAY OF May 2022

CHAIRPERSON

10.2 Confirmation of the minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 1 February 2022

Report Reference	GC220222R10.2
Originating Officer	Executive Officer to General Manager City Services – Colleen Madsen
Corporate Manager	- N/A
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Services - Mathew Allen

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is to facilitate the receiving and noting of the minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee meeting held on 1 February 2022.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A summary of items considered by the Committee Members is noted below.

Reports for Discussion

- Marion Cultural Centre Plaza
- Capital Works Plan 2022-23
- Civil Service Review – Part 1

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee meeting held on 1 February 2022.**
- 2. Notes that separate reports will be brought to Council for consideration of any recommendations from the Asset and Sustainability Committee.**

ATTACHMENTS

1. AS C 220201 - Final Minutes [**10.2.1** - 11 pages]



**Minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee
held on Tuesday, 1 February 2022 at 6.30 pm
Council Chamber, Council Administration Centre
245 Sturt Road, Sturt**



All persons present were in attendance via electronic webinar.

PRESENT

His Worship the Mayor Kris Hanna
Councillor Ian Crossland (Chair)
Councillor Bruce Hull

Councillor Tim Gard
Councillor Nathan Prior

In Attendance

General Manager City Services - Tony Lines
General Manager City Development - Iliia Houridis
General Manager Corporate Services – Sorana Dinmore
Executive Officer to the General Manager City Services - Colleen Madsen
Manager Operations - Russell Troup
Manager Engineering, Assets & Environment - Mathew Allen
City Activation Senior Advisor - Brett Grimm
Manager City Property - Thuyen Vi-Alternetti
Manager City Activation – Charmaine Hughes
Manager Finance – Ray Barnwell
Manager Community Connections - Merran Fyfe
Manager Office of the Chief Executive - Kate McKenzie

1 Open Meeting

The Chair opened the meeting at 6:34pm

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 declarations were made.



4 Confirmation of Minutes

4.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 2 November 2021

Report Reference ASC220201R4.1

Moved Cr Nathan Prior

Seconded Cr Bruce Hull

That the minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 2 November 2021 be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried unanimously

5 Business Arising

5.1 Business Arising Statement - Action Items

Report Reference ASC220201R5.1

The Committee discussed the following:

- A draft program for 2022 was emailed out last year for feedback. The Committee was happy to stay with the program.
- When looking at potential speakers please pass on any contacts to Tony Lines so that they can be locked in.

Moved Cr Nathan Prior

Seconded Cr Tim Gard

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

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

Carried unanimously

6 Confidential Items

- A late confidential item on Edwardstown was tabled at the meeting on behalf of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). With agreement by the members, it was moved to the end of the meeting to be discussed during Any Other Business.
- Committee Members noted that nothing was received via email prior to the meeting.
- CEO to explain why it was tabled as a late item during the discussion.
- Question was raised if this was an update should the whole Council be included in the item, for discussion during the item.

7 Reports for Discussion

7.1 Marion Cultural Centre Plaza

Report Reference ASC220201R7.1



Senior Adviser City Activation, Brett Grimm presented the Marion Cultural Centre Plaza draft Concept Plan following community consultation.

The Committee discussed the following:

- Outcomes of the proposed Concept Plan, which was out for community consultation in August/September 2021 was presented to the committee.
- Summary of findings presented:
 - Distributed material via City Limits- Council wide
 - Online survey on Making Marion
 - 504 people visited the site with 83 responses to the survey
 - Traffic management; 60% either did not support or strongly did not support the proposed Warracowie Way - One way solution
 - 70% either strongly supported or supported the proposed Pedestrian Activated Crossing as per the illustrated plans south of Warracowie Way.
- Three options for traffic management solutions were presented as per the deferred Council report GC211026R10.7: Each option was discussed with community benefits and limitations.
 - Option 1: Warracowie Way- One way northeast bound movement.
 - Option 2: Warracowie Way- Two way movement – PAC South.
 - Option 3: Warracowie Way- Two way movement – PAC North
- Forecasted (2036) traffic volumes assessment (taking into account Westfield vehicle access closure) for each option was presented.
- Overview of broader precinct and integration with approved Scentre group plans. Noting the proposed expansion is subject to review due to COVID impacts on retail. Likely to progress the hospitality and entertainment offering with amendment to the car park. Timing of implementation has not been confirmed.
- Scentre Group and CoM staff agree to work collaboratively to enhance community access and egress as well as improve amenity.
- Land ownership boundary discussion illustrating what is community land south of Milham Street.
- There is no need for a Roads Opening and Closing process for Council reserve between Centrelink and MCC.
- Currently in discussions to formalise an agreement with Westfield regarding access between MCC car park and Westfield. Consideration to formalise via an easement reciprocal free and unrestricted right of way. Service lane access required to traverse Scentre Group land as well as car park access due to title boundary straddling the middle of the carriageways.
- Additional reference to existing proposed plans for Westfield – staff recently met with Westfield's Director of Development for progress update. He intends to visit Adelaide towards the end of February. Staff will seek to have input into Westfield's design for carparking arrangements.
- Noted Members' concerns that we have not progressed since presented to Council. Comment that the options presented to Council were deferred for discussion at ASC. A Ward Briefing discussion occurred late 2021 post GC meeting, to which no additional information was requested at this time.
- Car park layout for library –if we want two-way access we will need to get land from Westfield and they won't want to do that. Can we create our own 2 way egress? Negotiations with Scentre Group being undertaken to maintain access requirements.

Mayor Hanna joined the meeting at 7:00 pm

- Members discussed the need to go back to the community with an update on what we are planning to do and why. Concerns on the content that was previously presented confirming access to Westfield will not be provided due to approved Scentre Group development plans.



- PAC – can it be used in an integrated way – has there been conversation with the Member for Gibson?
- Has a signalised intersection at Trott Grove been considered?. Preliminary conversations have been had with our traffic engineers and advised that due to the offset distance there is a required storage of approximately 125 meters. This is unlikely to be supported by DIT. Staff will follow up for written response from DIT and consultant.
- Discussion on Milham Street and Morphett Road and whether a signalised intersection could be incorporated?
- DIT have been consulted and it is unlikely they will accept a full signalised intersection at Trott Grove due to proximity of the adjacent signals on Diagonal and on Morphett Road intersection with Milham Street.
- Current access to the MCC carpark is for north bound travel only off Diagonal Road. Access through Warracowie (south of Milham) is currently across community land and through private land (Scentre Group).
- A proposed solution is to maintain access/egress reciprocal right of way to Westfield through a proposed sensor/ boom gate system which is illustrated on current DA plans further into Scentre group land. CoM need to resolve right of way so that it is properly documented in the Certificate of Title or appropriate agreement.
- Members comment that the multi deck car park on Milham is currently not utilised for patrons of MCC with most patrons that attend the centre utilise the MCC car park or Westfield. This needs to be considered in the discussions of access.
- Members commented overall support for the vision and objectives, requires a balanced solution to achieve access and circulation as well as space for events and amenity. Agreed paved vehicle surface with no gutters is preferable to facilitate events.
- A number of Westfield development plans have been lodged in the past with no action or certainty that it will proceed. However, we can assume they will act on a plan. Current plans illustrate no vehicle access via Warracowie or Milham.
- Land to the south of Milham Street is community land and should be utilised as a green space reserve.
- Staff advised conversations between CoM administration, staff at the Office of Recreation, Sport and Racing (ORSR), and the Aquatic Centre (YMCA) seeking their progress on proposed renewal and regeneration plans of SAALC. ORSR are yet to get an official position. Challenge is this is a State Government asset.
- Consideration of access to the green space behind the SAALC fence for public amenity and open space provision. Has there been conversation with the Member for Gibson?
- Engagement - while staff have gone through relevant departments, they haven't approached Minister Corey Wingard in his Local Member capacity. Discussion to seek opportunity with electoral candidates.
- Members noted there is little additional green space in Options 1 and 2. Staff advised that the green space in Option 1 represents approximately 450sq meters additional open space with additional tree planning to give increased amenity and maintain pavement treatment for people to move through the precinct.
- Has there been consideration of a curved road carriageway? Design is currently aligned to the road reserve and land title with sufficient space to accommodate bus drop off zone, requires certain turning movements.
- Members concerns with the bus drop of area proposed on Warracowie Way. Preference to utilise existing indented bays on Morphett Rd. Diagonal Road has a large verge with potential for discussion with DIT as not a road in Council's care and control.
- Bus laydown is to support school bus drop off for access to the precinct as there is a lower volume of traffic in Warracowie Way providing a safer point for egress. It is not intended for Metro buses. Diagonal Road has a high volume of traffic. Some indented bays on Morphett Road will be retained.
- Significant impact is on the areas we would use for fairs, markets etc. The fence between MCC and the Aquatic Centre will impact usability if not removed.



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- This area is owned by the State Government and staff are still in conversation with ORSR. Proposed renewal and regeneration works are still sitting with cabinet for feasibility assessment. The Brisbane Olympic Games may have an impact on the decision.

Moved Mayor Hanna

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Request a Council report be developed seeking endorsement of:

- Option 2- Two-way Warracowie traffic management solution incorporating Pedestrian Activated Crossing on Diagonal Road south of Warracowie Way.

Amendment**Moved Cr Tim Gard**

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Request a Council report be developed seeking endorsement of:

- Total closure of Warracowie Way.

The amendment lapsed for want of a seconder

Seconded Amendment**Moved Cr Bruce Hull****Seconded Cr Nathan Prior**

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

Supports Option 1 as below

1. One-way Warracowie Way traffic management solution.
2. Does not support a PAC and recommends Council to further investigate an all-encompassing signalized intersection and PAC at Trott Grove.
3. Recommends to Council that further community information is provided on Council's decision.
4. Recommends Council engages with the potential candidates for Gibson and be lobbied on access to the land behind the wall at the Aquatic Centre.
5. Removes the bus drop off zone on Warracowie way.

The vote was tied

Councillor Crossland made a casting vote and voted in favour of the amendment.

The amendment was carried and became the motion



Leave of the meeting was sought and granted, that the Mayor requested that minutes reflect the Mayor and Cr Gard did not support the motion.

7.2 Capital Works Plan 2022-23

Report Reference ASC220201R7.2

Manager Engineering, Assets and Environment, Mathew Allen presented the Capital Works Plan for 2022-23.

The presentation outlined the following:

There has been a concerted effort to bring forward the Capital Works Program and we are a couple of months ahead of where we were this time last year. This will help reduce carryovers and allow staff to go to the market earlier.

It was noted that the project listing was not made in order of priority, however the list is still being reviewed and updated.

Water treatments

- Creek erosion works at Hugh Johnson Reserve and Waterfall Creek.
- Planting Lucretia Wetland .
- Reshape embankment at Warriparinga Wetland.
- Irrigation renewal at Mitchell Park oval .

Road reseal and KWT

- Overall budget \$4.3 million to renew 3% of the road network
- Validation of works still being carried out, the overall budget won't change, however there may be minor changes to the list of roads.
- About to go out to tender for road condition audit. A report on the state of our roads will be presented to the A&S Committee in June 2022. The KWT program will be informed by the list of road reseals in 2023-24.

ACTION: Councillor Gard asked to check Newlands Avenue reseal and streetscaping timing. An update will be provided at the Coastal Ward Briefing.

Footpaths

- The footpath program includes 16 new footpaths in cul-de-sacs to complete Council's resolution from 2019. Noted that Fry Street is not identified in the new works. Minor changes to the listings to be made

Transport

- Finnis Street included an upgrade with a wombat crossing.
- Finnis Street – is there a give way to pedestrians sign? Response: There is no requirement for a give way sign. A VMS board can be erected to help educate motorists to give way to pedestrians and cyclists.
- Ross Street will have a new emu crossing to improve safe access to Seaview Downs Primary School.
- New wombat crossing at Great Eastern Avenue, Sheidow Park.
- Flinders Greenway concept designs will be developed before coming back to Council.
- Improved safety on Berrima Road, Sheidow Park.
- Upgrade access at Aroona Road, Hallett Cove.
- Design and construct 3 parking bays (Gage Street, Panache Court and Vinall Street).

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- 45 DDA bus stop upgrades to be completed by December 2022. Cr Crossland asked for clarification on what DDA compliant meant, does it mean bus shelters? Response: The upgrade bus stop DDA requirements includes the installation of tactiles and accessible hard stand surface; the DDA requirements do not include shelters. The service level for a bus shelter is for shelters to be installed where bus stops are utilised by more than 7 people per weekly average.

Drainage

- Clark Avenue, Naldera Street and Narkunda Street Glandore
- Dalkeith Avenue, Dover Gardens
- Shetland Avenue, Marion
- Contribution towards a new GPT in City of Holdfast Bay.

Streetscapes

- Alawoona Avenue
- Morphett Road
- Warracowie Way

Manager City Property, Thuyen Vi-Alternetti presented on the following items and discussion included:

Sport Courts

- Smart Cities Lighting Audit identified Ascot Park Bowls Sports Lighting as at the end of its useful life requiring renewal, this has been incorporated into the 2022-23 capital renewal. Noting that a further report will be brought to Council to update the Members on sports lighting audit findings.

Building upgrades

- Committee Members have asked if they can be provided via email a listing of building upgrades of more than \$100K. Manager City Property confirmed that this can be circulated, however advised that they are still scoping and working through the value of the projects.
- A report on proposed building upgrades will be brought to an Elected member Forum.
- Boatshed compliance and function centre have been incorporated in accordance with Council's recent decision.
- MCC – air conditioning reached the end of its useful life and needs to be replaced, back of house work in the library, aging furniture in the library.
- City services – requires the closing in of a veranda, additional storage and the Community Connections team requires room for storage and providing ready-made meals for vulnerable residents.
- Members commented that the Home Delivered Meals service originally commenced to resolve some issues with COVID-19 and queried if this is a new service or a continuation of that original service? It was noted that this was grant funded and had been run out of several locations, included the MOP and is now housed in a transportable. This will provide a more permanent solution.

ACTION: Committee Members to be provided via email further information in relation to the history of the Home Delivered Meals service, grant funding and the proposed continuation of the service.

ACTION: Committee Members to be provided via email with a listing of building upgrades of more than \$100K.

Manager City Activation, Charmaine Hughes presented on the Open Space Developments and Major Projects.



The following was discussed:

Playground upgrades and Open Space developments

- Charmaine ran through the various stages of the playground upgrades and the open space developments, including tender dates, community consultation and construction dates.
- Councillor Hull asked that with the State and Federal Elections coming up, should Elected Members be approached by candidates is it possible to include these proposals into the work being done by the candidates? Mayor Hanna commented that Charmaine being new to the organisation would not be aware of the current process in that we have a current list for that purpose. It could be worked in should CoM be offered money, however it will not be sought for funding.
- The new park at Dwyer Road Reserve has no working equipment. What is being done to fix it?

ACTION: Dwyer Road Reserve will be further discussed off line.

ACTION: Committee Members to be provided via email an update on both Hendrie Street Reserve and Oaklands Recreation Plaza.

- It was noted that there is a significant decrease in budget for Streetscapes and Open Space Reserves.
- The reduction in forecast expenditure on Streetscapes for 2022-23 v's 2021-22 reflects the completion of Council's final commitment of works (\$1.5m) for Oaklands precinct and also the reduction on 2021-22 which contains once off \$1.5m LRCL grant stimulus funding. The Streetscape budget in the report has also split out the classification of operating expenditure elements of \$510k and \$500k is incorporated in the \$3.4m MCC Plaza project funding.
- The Open Space Reserve funding for 2022-23 is in line with forecast works in Council's adopted Open Space Plan - the reduction in expenditure from 2021-22 reflects large grants received in 2021-22 for Capella and Hugh Johnson Reserves totalling \$2.1m
- Councillor Hull mentioned the Vinall Street Reserve parking bays have not gone to Council and questioned why they were included. Mathew Allen responded that administration had consulted with the community prior to Christmas and it had been discussed at Ward Briefings. It was clarified that if the project receives community support it does not need to go to Council. Vinall Street Reserve and proposed indented car parking to be discussed at Warracowie Ward Briefing.

Major projects

- The Coastal Walkway official opening is being arranged and a report will be presented to Council on 22 February 2022.
- MCC Plaza was referred to the first item on this agenda.
- Cove Sports Stage One Design is being undertaken in mid-February 2022.
- Public Art Stobie Poles is an ongoing project and has a commitment to funding.

ACTION: Councillor Hull has asked for an update on the utility boxes painting. To be emailed to all Committee members.

ACTION: The Chair asked for the potholes to be repaired on Warriparinga Way.

Moved Councillor Nathan Prior

Seconded Councillor Tim Gard

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the draft 2022-23 Capital Works Plan.

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2. Provides feedback on the 2022-23 Capital Works Plan.

Carried unanimously

7.3 Civil Service Review - Part 1

Report Reference ASC220201R7.3

Manager Operations, Russell Troup presented on the Civil Service Review, however due to time restraints he was asked to provide a snapshot of the review with a full report to be provided at the next Asset and Sustainability Committee Meeting.

It was noted that this item would be placed first on the agenda for the next meeting.

Committee Members commented on the high quality of this report and review, including the enormity of the work involved and the importance of the work to be undertaken.

Russell will attend the next Ward Briefings for Member feedback on areas to direct attention for service levels.

Moved Cr Nathan Prior

Seconded Cr Bruce Hull

That the Asset and Sustainability Committee:

1. Notes the scope and intent of the Civil Service Business Unit service delivery review.

Carried unanimously

8 Reports for Noting - Nil

9 Workshop / Presentation Items - Nil

10 Other Business

- Councillor Hull commented that the Chair needs to have a second screen to chair the meeting effectively. Point taken by the Chair and will be taken on board.

10.1 Other Business

Confidential – Edwardstown Urban Renewal Project

Moved, Mayor Hanna

Seconded Cr Prior

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(d)(i) and (ii) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Committee orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: General Manager City Development, General Manager City Services, General Manager Corporate Services, Manager City Activation, Manager Office of the Chief Executive, Executive Officer to the General Manager City Services, be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to Edwardstown Urban Renewal Project Update, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to confidential commercial information.

Carried unanimously

9.18pm the meeting went into confidence



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Procedural Motion**Moved Cr Tim Gard****Seconded Cr Bruce Hull**

That the meeting be extended by 20 minutes for discussion of this item.

Carried unanimously**Moved Cr Tim Gard****Seconded Cr Nathan Prior**

In accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Committee orders that the minutes arising from this report having been considered in confidence under Section 90(2) and (3)(d)(i) and (ii) of the Act, except when required to effect or comply with the Committee's resolution(s) regarding this matter, be kept confidential and not available for public inspection for a period of 12 months from the date of this meeting. This confidentiality order will be reviewed at the General Council Meeting in December 2022.

Carried unanimously

9:39pm the meeting came out of confidence.

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.

The meeting was declared closed at 9:40pm

CONFIRMED THIS XX DAY OF XX XXXX (next meeting date)

CHAIRPERSON

11 Confidential Items

11.1 Cover Report - Confirmation of the Confidential Minutes of the Asset and Sustainability Committee meeting held on 1 February 2022

Report Reference	GC220222F11.1
Originating Officer	Executive Officer to General Manager City Services – Colleen Madsen
Corporate Manager	- N/A
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Services - Mathew Allen

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

Local Government Act (SA) 1999 S 90 (2) 3

(d) commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which (i) could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party; and (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(d)(i) and (ii) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager City Development, General Manager City Services, General Manager Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer, Manager City Activation, Manager Office of the Chief Executive, Communications Advisor, Unit Manager Governance and Council Support and Executive Officer to the CEO, be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to Edwardstown Urban Renewal Project Update, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to confidential commercial information.

11.2 Cover Report - Confirmation of the Confidential Minutes of the Review and Selection Committee meeting held on 1 February 2022

Report Reference	GC220222F11.2
Originating Officer	Manager People and Culture – Jessica Lynch
Corporate Manager	Manager People and Culture - Jessica Lynch
General Manager	Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY***Local Government Act (SA) 1999 S 90 (2) 3***

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

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager City Services, General Manager City Development, General Manager Corporate Services, Manager People and Culture, Manager Office of the CEO, Unit Governance and Council Support, Executive Officer of the CEO be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to confirmation of the confidential minutes of the Review and Selection Committee meeting held on 1 February 2022, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to personal affairs of City of Marion employees and Independent Committee Members.

11.3 Cover Report - Appointment of Independent Council Assessment Panel (CAP) Members

Report Reference	GC220222F11.3
Originating Officer	Executive Officer to the General Manager City Development – Louise Herdegen
Corporate Manager	Manager Development and Regulatory Services - Warwick Deller-Coombs
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Development - Tony Lines

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

Local Government Act (SA) 1999 S 90 (2) 3

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

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager City Development, General Manager City Services, General Manager Corporate Services, Manager of the Office of the CEO, Manager Development and Regulatory Services, Team Leader Planning, Unit Manager Governance and Council Support, Executive Officer to the CEO, be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to the Review and Selection Committee – Appointment of Independent Council Assessment Panel (CAP) Members, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to personal affairs.

11.4 Cover Report - Coastal Walkway Update

Report Reference	GC220222R11.4
Originating Officer	Coordinator Coastal Walkway – Alex Cortes
Corporate Manager	Manager City Activation - Charmaine Hughes
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Development – Tony Lines

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY***Local Government Act (SA) 1999 S 90 (2) 3***

(k) tenders for the supply of goods, the provision of services or the carrying out of works

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(k) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager City Development, General Manager Corporate Services, General Manager Corporate Services, Manager of the Office of the CEO, Chief Financial Officer, Manager City Activation, Coastal Walkway Coordinator, Unit Manager Governance and Council Support, Executive Officer to the CEO, be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to the Coastal Walkway Update, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to yet to be finalised tender outcomes and commercial expenditure.

11.5 Cover Report - SWBMX and Southern Soccer Facility Project Update

Report Reference	GC220222F11.5
Originating Officer	Executive Officer to the General Manager City Development – Louise Herdegen
Corporate Manager	Manager City Activation - Charmaine Hughes
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Development - Tony Lines

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

Local Government Act (SA) 1999 S 90 (2) 3

(b) information the disclosure of which (i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(b) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager City Development, General Manager City Services, General Manager Corporate Services, Manager of the Office of the CEO, Chief Financial Officer, Manager City Activation, Unit Manager Governance and Council Support, Executive Officer to the CEO, be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to SWBMX and Southern Soccer Facility Project Updates, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the report relates to commercial and financial information.

11.6 Cover Report - BMX Pump Track Procurement

Report Reference	GC220222F11.6
Originating Officer	Executive Officer to the General Manager City Development – Louise Herdegen
Corporate Manager	Manager City Activation - Charmaine Hughes
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Development - Tony Lines

REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY***Local Government Act (SA) 1999 S 90 (2) 3***

(b) information the disclosure of which (i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(k) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Council orders that all persons present, with the exception of the following persons: Chief Executive Officer, General Manager City Development, General Manager City Services, General Manager Corporate Services, Manager of the Office of the CEO, Chief Financial Officer, Manager City Activation, Senior Advisor City Activation, Executive Officer to the General Manager City Development, Unit Manager Governance and Council Support, Executive Officer to the CEO, be excluded from the meeting as the Council receives and considers information relating to the BMX Pump Track Procurement, upon the basis that the Council is satisfied that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep consideration of the matter confidential given the information relates to a current procurement process.

12 Corporate Reports for Decision

12.1 Carbon Offset Project - Next Steps

Report Reference	GC220222R11.2
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 HISTORY

Report Reference	Report Title
EMF211109R1.1	Carbon Offset Project
GC210727R11.6	Carbon Sequestration
GC210622M02	Sequestration Motion

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the status of the Carbon Offset/Sequestration project and provide some possible next steps for the City of Marion.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As set out in the 'City of Marion Carbon Neutral Plan, 2020 – 2030'¹, after all other projects that directly reduce carbon emissions have been implemented, remaining emissions can be offset via a variety of means, including via carbon sequestration projects, as a last step to achieving carbon neutrality.

A feasibility assessment of a possible carbon sequestration project on public land in the Field River Valley has been completed, with outcomes discussed at the 9 November 2021 Elected Member Forum. Based on the unfavourable business case presented by the feasibility assessment it is not recommended that this project proceed.

Several alternative carbon sequestration project ideas are provided for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- Does not proceed with the Field River Carbon Sequestration Project as assessed in the report prepared by Australian Integrated Carbon.**
- Notes that a further report will be presented to Council should alternative Carbon Sequestration options become viable.**

DISCUSSION

The following resolution was adopted at the 27 July 2021 General Council meeting (GC210727R):

¹ City of Marion Carbon Neutral Plan, 2020 – 2030 (https://cdn.marion.sa.gov.au/sp/City-of-Marion-Carbon-Neutral-Plan_2021-02-16-222138.pdf)

That Council:

1. *Notes the high-level carbon sequestration information provided in this report.*
2. *Allocates up to \$10,000 as part of Council's 2021/22 first budget review process to engage a technical carbon sequestration specialist to:*
 - *undertake a feasibility assessment that considers all aspects affecting eligibility against the Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Act 2011 and viability (carbon yield and potential costs),*
 - *provide a written report detailing assessment outcomes, and*
 - *present assessment outcomes in a workshop forum.*

Australian Integrated Carbon (AIC) was engaged to conduct the feasibility assessment as per the resolution. The draft feasibility assessment prepared by AIC was presented to the 9 November 2021 Elected Member Forum. It included consideration of *Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Act 2011* (CFI Act), and associated Methodology Determinations and Regulations.

A final 'Carbon Farming Final Report Pre-Feasibility Assessment City of Marion' (Attachment 1) along with responses to questions raised in the Forum (Attachment 2) was distributed to Elected Members via email on 10 December 2021.

In summary:

- The Environmental Planting Method is used for the analysis and includes various *Eucalyptus* vegetation associations and Grassy Woodland.
- 34 hectares (ha) of Council and State-owned land in the Field River Valley is estimated to be available for a possible carbon sequestration project, with site preparation and planting to occur across a three-year period.
- Site preparation is estimated to cost between \$11,666/ha/year (\$396,644/year for 34 ha) for light weed loads up to \$50,000/ha/year (\$1.7M/year for 34 ha) for high weed loading.
- Revegetation at 150 stems/ha (trees only) to reach a minimum of 20% canopy cover over the three-year period is estimated to be \$1,500/ha, totalling approximately \$51,000 for 34 ha.
- Ongoing maintenance costs are estimated to initially be \$5,000 to \$10,000/ha/year (\$170,000 to \$340,000 per year for 34 ha), for simple maintenance. This figure will increase if shrubs, grasses, herbs, and forbs are direct seeded (or community planted) after the three-year revegetation carbon farm project is complete.
- Indicative costs for the project for site preparation and planting over three years, and an ongoing maintenance for 25 years are estimated to be between \$4,697,644 and \$10,251,000.
- An estimated 6,360 tonnes of carbon over 25 years are likely to be sequestered based on a conservative estimate of carbon yield averaging 7.48 tonnes CO₂e per hectare over a 25-year project life.
- Based on 34 ha, the project has the potential to generate carbon credits with a value between \$107,733 and \$308,220 across the life of the project, depending on a range of pricing scenarios for carbon. If the carbon credits were sold, they would not be able to be used as credits to support achievement of Council's carbon neutral goal.

The report concluded that costs for implementation and management of the proposed project in the Field River Valley are high, and unlikely to be commercially viable. It was recommended that other delivery models and partnerships should be considered to achieve Council's objectives.

As such, it is not recommended that a carbon sequestration project in the Field River Valley is progressed.

Other Possible Carbon Sequestration Options for Consideration

As set out in the 'City of Marion Carbon Neutral Plan, 2020 – 2030', after all other projects that directly reduce carbon emissions have been implemented, remaining emissions can be offset via a variety of means, including via carbon sequestration projects, as a last step to achieving carbon neutrality.

The following sections provide information on possible alternative carbon offset / sequestration projects for consideration and possible future development:

1. Glenthorne

The only 'live' carbon farming project using a tree planting methodology currently being considered in the greater Adelaide region is at Glenthorne Farm. The Department of Environment and Water registered the Glenthorne Farm & Southern Adelaide Biodiverse Carbon Rehabilitation Project² (Project ID: ERF127469) on 22 January 2019 under the *Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) (Reforestation by Environmental or Mallee Plantings - FullCAM) Methodology Determination 2014*. The project aims to establish permanent plantings with a mix of native tree species on land that was predominantly used for agricultural purposes for at least five years prior to project commencement. The tree species are native to the local area.

The financial viability of carbon plantings at Glenthorne Farm was investigated several years ago and registered under the Emissions Reduction Fund (ERF). The Glenthorne Project is currently re-assessing the costs and carbon credit revenue stream from the Glenthorne carbon offset project to confirm project viability.

Two other tree planting carbon farming projects have previously been registered in the greater Adelaide region but were subsequently revoked. There are several other projects that are using fuel efficiency, transport, or alternative waste treatment methodologies.

The opportunity for the City of Marion in this project remains unclear. A meeting with the Glenthorne Project Manager to discuss this will be held following the review of the project's viability.

2. Quantify carbon sequestration potential of Council tree planting:

The carbon sequestered in street and reserve tree plantings cannot currently be used to offset Council's emissions or count towards our carbon neutral by 2030 goal under current Australian Government carbon accounting rules. However, quantifying the standing carbon of our urban forest will enable Council to demonstrate how our tree management/planting efforts are offsetting emissions.

Several methods are currently being introduced by other metropolitan Adelaide Councils to track and report on the carbon sequestration potential of Council tree planting programs:

- The City of Burnside is working with *Forestree* to build the capability of their website to include information on carbon sequestration potential for trees captured within the *Forestree* application.
- The City of Holdfast Bay has recently commissioned EDGE Environment to complete an assessment of the carbon sequestration potential of their street tree plantings using *iTree-eco*.

Pending the successful outcome of these projects, the City of Marion could implement a similar project for trees recorded in Marion's Tree Interactive and for forward tree planting programs. Carbon sequestration potential is not currently considered in species selection for council plantings; however, this could become a consideration in future.

3. Commercial arrangement

Council could offset its operational carbon emissions by partnering with an organisation such as Greening Australia to provide environmental plantings on degraded agricultural or pastoral land. The larger scale of these project means that they are more financially viable than smaller scale projects.

An example of this type of initiative is The WOMADelaide Forest², a partnership between Greening Australia and The WOMADelaide Foundation, to offset the carbon emissions of the iconic music festival through diverse tree plantings in southern Australia. Since 2007, 75,000 trees have been planted on 65 hectares near the Coorong and Lower Lakes and on Kangaroo Island, resulting in 21,650 tonnes of carbon offsets. This award-winning partnership has invested \$2 from every ticket sold back into tree plantings to create native, biodiverse forests in regional South Australia.

This initiative could also be considered as a mechanism to offset emissions from City of Marion events and deliver carbon neutral events as per initiative 5.3 in the Carbon Neutral Plan.

4. Resilient South Carbon Sequestration Project

Each of the local government partners in the Resilient South Regional Climate Partnership (Cities of Holdfast Bay, Marion, Mitcham, and Onkaparinga) have established or are in the process of establishing carbon neutral or net zero goals for their operations. Each of the Plans developed in response to these goals contains actions related to carbon sequestration and offsets.

In addition to the options discussed above, the Clean Energy Regulator is constantly reviewing and updating regulations relating to carbon sequestration projects and, in mid-December 2021, advised that an environmental plantings pilot is being developed for projects less than 200 ha³. The environmental plantings pilot removes the cost of project audits, simplifies project registration and crediting processes, and introduces an easier way to sell Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) to the Australian Government.

Environmental plantings pilot projects involve planting a mixture of native and local tree, shrub, and understorey species to establish new and permanent forest cover. The outcomes of this pilot could also inform the development of a regional carbon sequestration project by Resilient South. A project that aggregates many smaller revegetation initiatives across southern Adelaide into a single larger project could include parcels of land in Marion such as Nari Reserve that are likely to be too small for a project in their own right.

While the cost of land preparation, planting and maintenance as outlined in the feasibility assessment for the Field River Carbon Sequestration Project will remain, this option, once more fully understood, may present an opportunity for the City of Marion to revisit smaller projects and determine their viability.

ATTACHMENTS

1. COM Feasibility Report Enviro Plantings v 2.0 [**12.1.1** - 28 pages]
2. UPDATE - Carbon Sequestration Nov 2021 [**12.1.2** - 3 pages]

² WOMADelaide Forest: [Green + Global - WOMADelaide](#) (accessed 17/01/2022)

³ Clean Energy Regulator Environmental Plantings Pilot: [Environmental Plantings Pilot \(cleanenergyregulator.gov.au\)](#) (accessed 03/02/2022)

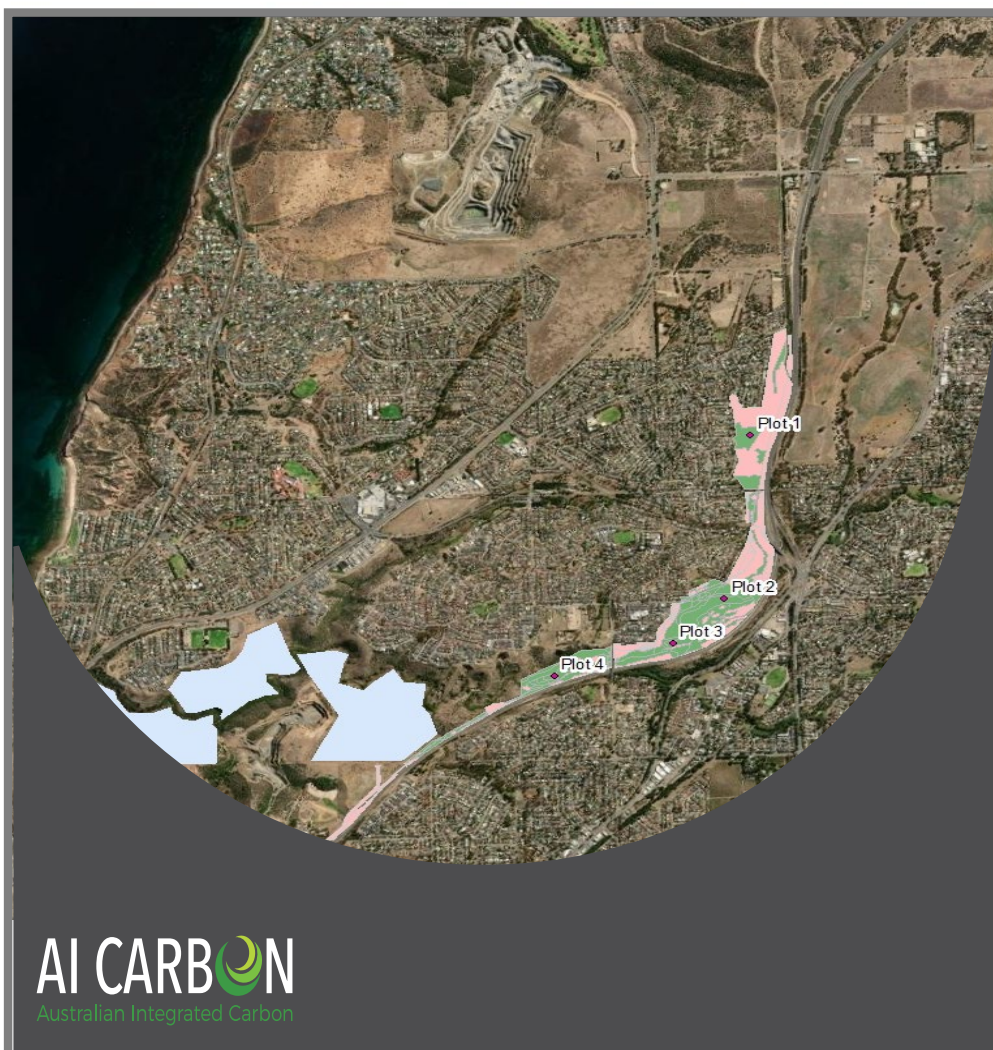


Carbon Farming Final Report

Pre-feasibility Assessment

City of Marion

8 December 2021





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1. Executive Summary

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a pre-feasibility assessment for carbon farming for City of Marion. This report provides a high-level overview of potential carbon yields, carbon price, and methods for securing carbon credits for future revenue.

Our initial analysis indicates:

- Up to **107** hectares may be eligible under the Environmental Planting Method, to undertake carbon farming on City of Marion. However, we are adopting a more conservative figure of **34** hectares until further field work and mapping is completed.
- An estimated **6,360** tonnes of carbon over 25 years are likely to be generated based on a conservative estimate of carbon yield averaging **7.48** tonnes CO₂e per hectare over the 25-year project life.
- Based on 34 ha the project has the potential to generate between **\$107,733** and up to **\$308,220** across the life of the project depending on a range of pricing scenarios for carbon.
- Based on conditions at the date of this report we think it is reasonable to target a total return of **\$212,0121** (equivalent to an average gross payment of \$8,480) based on a midpoint pricing scenario where the carbon price rises from \$21.00 to \$35.35 per tonne over 25 years (equivalent to 2.19% annual compound growth).
- We have applied a conservative approach in pricing and assigning the number of hectares eligible.

Estimated establishment costs have been provided to AIC by City of Marion and are based on previous experience with revegetation projects:

- Site preparation is estimated to cost between \$11,666/ha/year (\$396,644/year for 34 ha) for light weed loads up to \$50,000/ha/year (\$1.7M/year for 34 ha) for high weed loading.
- Revegetation at 150 stems/ha (trees only) to reach a minimum of 20% canopy cover over the 3-year period is estimated to be \$1,500/ha, totalling approximately \$51,000 for 34 ha.
- Ongoing maintenance costs are estimated to initially be \$5,000 to \$10,000/ha/year (\$170,000 to \$340,000 per year for 34 ha), for simple maintenance, this figure will increase if shrubs, grasses, herbs and forbs are direct seeded (or community planted) after the 3-year revegetation carbon farm project is complete.
- Indicative costs for the project for site preparation and planting over 3 years, and ongoing maintenance for 25 years are estimated to be between \$4,697,644 and \$10,251,000.

Project registration costs along with costs associated with managing, monitoring, auditing and reporting on the project over the 25-year permanence period will also need to be factored in to the project budget.



2. Disclaimers

- 1) Australian Integrated Carbon Financial Services Pty Ltd (“AICFS” AFSL 425610) and its Authorised Representatives are authorised to provide financial services to wholesale clients as defined in the *Corporations Act 2001* s761G.
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- 3) This report provides pricing scenarios for you and us to understand the potential revenue returns. We use three pricing scenarios:
 - a) Flat price of \$16.94/t CO₂e – average of the last two auctions in March 2020 and September 2020
 - b) Base price \$21.00 - \$35.35/t CO₂e – average of \$34.93 (volume adjusted) or Compound Annual Growth (CAG) of 2.19%
 - c) High scenario \$25.14 - \$52.78/t CO₂e - average of \$51.96 (volume adjusted) or Compound Annual Growth (CAG) of 3.14%

The Base price scenarios and High scenarios are based on pricing information obtained from the Market Advisory Group. The Market Advisory Group prepare a monthly report to market participants and governments on carbon market dynamics, trends, and outcomes. More information about the Market Advisory Group can be found here: <http://marketadvisory.com.au/>
- 4) We accept no liability arising from the use of this document or its contents by you or third parties.
- 5) Land system mapping is based on information provided by the South Australian Government.
- 6) This report uses the carbon yield calculated from the Clean Energy Regulator’s carbon assessment tool (FullCAM), the outputs of which may vary depending on a range of input variables which cannot be finalised until any Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCU)



volumes have been approved by the Clean Energy Regulator (CER) and/or project auditor. As such carbon yields per hectare should be considered as estimates at this stage.

- 7) Native title holder notification and potential negotiation may be required. Allowances for this has not been included in this report.
- 8) Eligible Interest Holder consent will also be required from the South Australian Government. Other entities such as banks and mining companies may also be required to provide consent if they have an interest in the land.
- 9) AIC is also one of the foundational signatories to the Code of Conduct for carbon projects. This Code provides confidence to customers that industry standards and transparency is upheld. The code can be viewed here: <http://marketplace.carbonmarketinstitute.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Australian-Carbon-Industry-Code-of-Conduct.pdf>
- 10) All numbers provided in report Tables have been calculated using raw data from the mapping and financial analysis. Therefore, the numbers presented in the body of each table are calculated using numbers including their decimal fractions, whereas the figures in the Table headings have been rounded to the nearest whole number. This means small differences in each figure may exist if the numbers from the table headings are used for calculations.

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3. The Carbon Market

The Australian carbon market was established by the Carbon Farming Initiative Act 2011 (CFI Act). This Act was amended to include the Emission Reduction Fund (ERF) and the Safeguard Mechanism (CFI Act Amended 2014).

The amendments provide the framework for the methodologies, measurement, verification, and issuance of carbon credits. The original AUD\$2.5 billion fund was also set aside to procure Australian Carbon Credit Units, referred to as the “ERF”.

To date, the demand within the Australian carbon market has been dominated by the ERF Auction and contracting procurement process through a ‘reverse auction’ for a ‘Carbon Abatement Contract’ (CAC) with up to 10-year contract duration. The auction and the subsequent contracts awarded to successful bidders has set the benchmark for pricing the long run marginal cost of abatement in the market.

A summary of the key points includes:

- Carbon projects reduce emissions and sequester carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and create direct, measurable positive impacts on the environment.
- Vegetation projects are the main project type in Australia, protecting forests and reforesting degraded landscapes providing positive biodiversity, water quality and social outcomes.
- Establishing a carbon project requires long term contracts for the sale of carbon credits, currently only provided by the government’s Emissions Reduction Fund.
- Carbon Credits are traded around the world in nearly every major economy.
- Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) are a financial product under the Corporations Act and are tradeable as per any commodity.
- An ACCU represents 1 tonne of CO₂ equivalent emissions (tCO₂e) being offset.
- Long term forward contracts for ACCUs are the primary purchasing method (currently almost solely by Government), with spot trading being relatively minor at present.
- ACCU holdings are held in the Australian National Registry of Emissions Units (ANREU).
- As a ‘regulated market’, returns are dictated by policy settings. Current carbon policy settings are as low as they could be, with any changes to policy adding demand and driving up prices.



4. Summary of Project Activities

A successful carbon farming project takes considerable time and commitment by project participants. Table 1 provides a summary of the major tasks required to deliver a successful carbon project on City of Marion land.

Table 1: Project Activities

Task	Description
Feasibility report - establish project viability.	Spatial modelling to define Carbon Estimation Areas. Land system analyses. FullCAM modelling. Financial analysis.
Registration of project	Obtain legal right to register project with Clean Energy Regulator through executing carbon agreement. Seeking approval from Eligible Interest Holders (Government, Bank etc.). Finalising mapping areas and carbon yields.
Carbon Management Plan	Prepare plans for landholder. Inclusion of land preparation (weed control), collection and growing of seed, planting timetable. Ensure compliance with Clean Energy Regulator method. The Management Plan will become a project document when finalised.
Plan and undertake works	Ensure documentation of planting dates and amount planted.
Auction	Consider participation in the Emission Reduction Fund to secure 'floor price' under optional delivery contract.
Prepare Offtake Report	Prepare report.
External Audit	Engages auditor.
Issuance and contracting	Obtain revenue from carbon project or "cancel" credits against carbon neutral ambitions or liabilities.
Monitoring	Monitor growth and document survivorship.



5. Environmental Planting Carbon Method

Several methods under the Carbon Farming Initiative's incorporate vegetation planting to create a carbon credit. A summary of these methods which are relevant to the project area and their requirements are outlined in Table 1 below. AIC have completed the analysis using the Reforestation by environmental or mallee plantings FullCAM method.

Table 2 Planting methods

Method	Requirements	Suitable for Marion City
New Farm Forestry Plantation Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative— Measurement Based methods for New Farm Forestry Plantations) Methodology Determination 2014	<p>A project involves establishing and maintaining trees as either permanent plantings or in harvest plantations. Trees can be planted as seedlings or seeds in belt or block plantings, at a density that will allow them to achieve 'forest cover'. This means that trees must have the potential to grow to at least two metres tall and reach a crown cover of at least 20 per cent of the area.</p>	<p>Terrain and area are not suitable for plantation.</p> <p>High costs for field measurement and destructive sampling.</p> <p>Plantation unlikely to meet biodiversity and amenity values.</p>
Reforestation by environmental or mallee plantings FullCAM method. Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) (Reforestation by Environmental or Mallee Plantings—FullCAM) Methodology Determination 2014	<p>A project involves establishing and maintaining vegetation such as trees or shrubs on land that has been clear of forest for at least the last 5 years. This can be either a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mallee eucalypt planting • mixture of native species, termed a mixed-species environmental planting. <p>Trees can be planted as either seeds or tubestock, in rows or randomly, and in areas that are either linear belts or blocks. They must be planted at a density that will allow them to achieve forest cover, which means they must have the potential to reach a height of at least 2 metres and provide crown cover over at least 20% of the land.</p>	<p>Suitable for smaller areas with difficult terrain.</p> <p>Modelled approach – no sampling.</p> <p>Meets biodiversity and amenity values.</p> <p>Commonly used in Australia – certainty of approach and requirements.</p>



6. Calculating the Carbon Estimation Area (CEA)

Defining the planting area, known as the Carbon Estimation Areas (CEA) is critical to understanding which areas on City of Marion may be eligible under the method. For the purposes of undertaking the feasibility, the project team completed a high-level indication of potential capacity of CEAs using land system mapping and information provided by the Department for Environment and Water and the City of Marion.

Based on the area available, the identified area consists of 34 hectares. The location of these areas is illustrated in Figure 1 below. The green areas are suitable for planting, with the coral colour is not suitable. A further area is also identified in light blue.

Figure 1 contains the location of the Full Cam model point locations. Four model points were assigned to represent the spread of planting area from north to south. The FullCam model provides a month-by-month yield, over 25 years that will be sequestered. The graph of the Full Cam outputs is in Appendix 1, these outputs illustrate the growth curve of the tree and debris over time.

Figures 2, 3 and 4 illustrate closer views of the planting areas.



Figure 1 Land systems suitable for carbon farming.



Figure 2: Map of Plot 1



Figure 3: Map of Plots 2 and 3



Figure 4: Map of Plot 4



7. Establishing the Baseline Potential Carbon Estimation Area

A Baseline Potential Carbon Estimation Area (CEA) is established to determine the potential area that should be used in pre-feasibility calculations. The baseline was established using a scenario-based approach.

Three scenarios were developed based on information provided to the Project team by the City of Marion and the Department for Environment and Water. The three scenarios are:

- **High – 107 ha** which assumes all the potential area is included. This includes privately owned land within the Field River open space area.
- **Medium – 34 ha** assumes the green area highlighted in the Figure 1. This includes 7 Ha of Marion Council land and 27 Ha of South Australian Government land.
- **Low – 7 ha** assumes 7 Ha of City of Marion land.

The Medium Scenario of **34 hectares was used as the Baseline Scenario** to complete the pre-feasibility modelling. While this is less than the total potential area of **107** hectares (shown in the High Scenario), it enables a conservative approach on which to base planning and decision-making.



8. Potential Carbon Yield

Once Carbon Estimation Areas have been determined, four model plots were assigned to determine an average potential carbon yield to be applied. In our analysis, we determine a likely range of yield values **between 215.72 and 267.03 tonnes per hectare** over the 25-year life of the project.

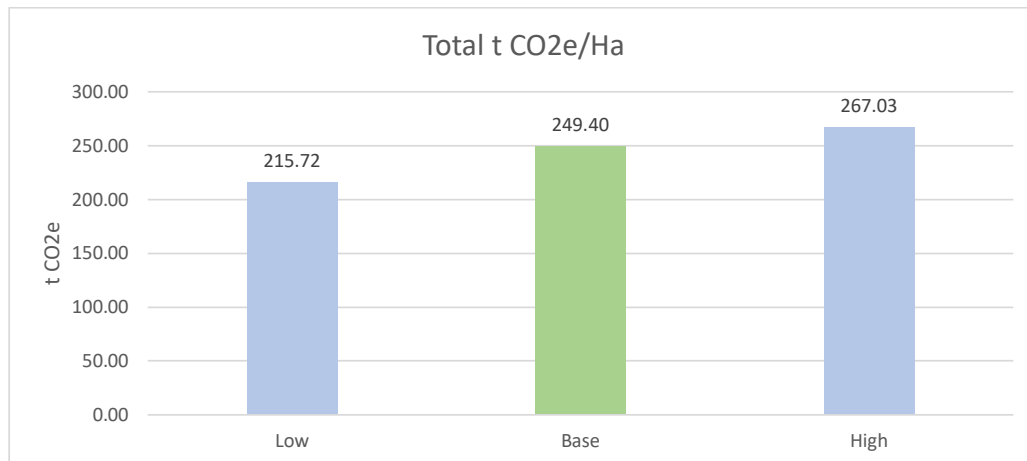


Figure 5 Gross CO2e per hectare outcomes

It should also be noted that as the project is for a 25-year term, the “Gross Carbon Yield” has to be factored down by 25% to account for the mandatory deduction of the 5% regulatory buffer and 20% permanence buffer by the Clean Energy Regulator.

In a similar approach to determining eligible hectares, we developed three scenarios to estimate the carbon yield. Table 3 shows the outcome summarised as:

- **Low Scenario – 6.47 t** after allowing a 25% buffer reduction from 8.63 t
- **Medium (Base) Scenario – 7.48 t** after allowing a 25% buffer reduction from 9.98 t
- **High Scenario – 8.01 t** after allowing a 25% buffer reduction from 10.68 t

Table 3: Potential Carbon Yield per hectare Scenarios

Carbon Yield	Gross t/ha	Project Term yrs	Gross t/ha/pa	Buffer %	Net t/ha	Net t/ha/pa
Low Scenario	215.72	25	8.63	25%	161.79	6.47
Baseline Scenario	249.40	25	9.98	25%	187.05	7.48
High Scenario	267.03	25	10.68	25%	200.27	8.01



Our assessment determined an **average carbon yield of 7.48 tonnes per hectare over the 25-year life of the project as the Baseline Scenario**. Again, this is less than the total potential yield, but it enables a conservative approach upon which to base planning and decision-making.

9. Potential Project Carbon Yield

Once both the Carbon Estimation Area (CEA) and Carbon Yield have been calculated the carbon potential can be determined. The formula for calculating potential carbon yield is:

$$\text{Carbon Estimation Area} \times \text{Potential Carbon Yield} = \text{Project Potential Carbon Yield}$$

The Potential Carbon Yield for the life of the project (25 years) could range from **1,133 tonnes to 21,429 tonnes** depending on the selected CEA and average Potential Carbon Yield Scenario as shown in Table 4.

Table 4: Potential Carbon Yield for Project Life

Potential Carbon Yield (Net tns/ha from Table 3)		Low CEA	Base CEA	High CEA
		7 ha	34 ha	107 ha
Low Yield	161.79 t/ha	1,133	5,501	17,311
Base Yield	187.05 t/ha	1,309	6,360	20,014
High Yield	200.27 t/ha	1,402	6,809	21,429

Consistently selecting the **Base Scenario of 34 hectares** for the carbon area and **7.48 tonnes per hectare** for the carbon yield results in an estimated carbon potential of **6,360 tonnes** for the project. While this is less than the total potential area it enables a conservative approach on which to base planning and decision-making.

Table 5 below converts the total project yield into an annual average carbon potential. The carbon generated on average each year across the life of the project is **254 tonnes**.

Table 5: Average Annual Potential Carbon Yield

Carbon Potential		Low CEA	Base CEA	High CEA
		7 ha	34 ha	107 ha
Low Yield	6.47 t/ha/yr	45	220	692
Base Yield	7.48 t/ha/yr	52	254	801
High Yield	8.01 t/ha/yr	56	272	857

Whilst the **average carbon yield is 254 tonnes** CO₂-equivalent a year, the actual carbon generated will differ depending on the specific year.



Figure 6 shows carbon growth curve over the life of the project. The revenue generated tracks the carbon yield, as the ACCUs issued match the carbon yield for each year. As such the revenue will normally be lower in the initial years prior to higher growth rates in later years.

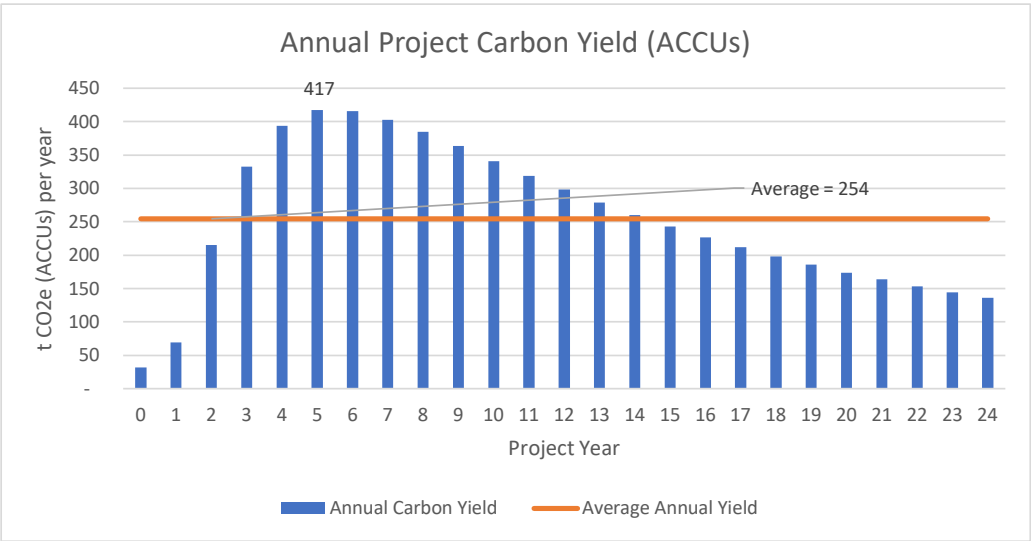


Figure 6 Potential carbon yield over 25 years (annual)

Figure 6 illustrates the cumulative growth of carbon stocks over the life of the project.

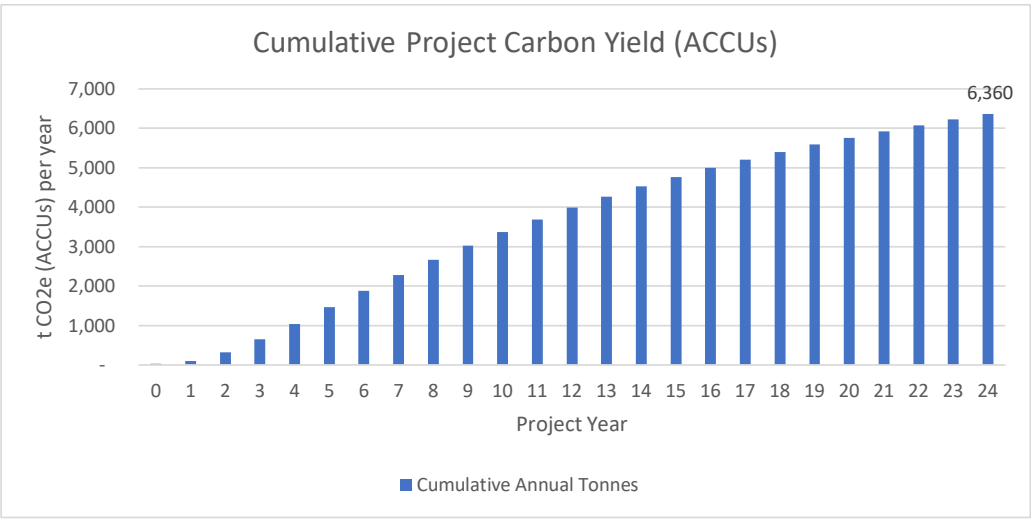


Figure 7 Annual project potential carbon yield over 25 years



10. Carbon Price (ACCU Price)

The carbon price is the amount received for the sale of a single ACCU either to the ERF (as discussed earlier) or another buyer in the market. The 12th auction on the 12th and 13th April 2021 contracted 6.8 million tonnes, worth \$108 million. The 13th auction on the 13th and 14th October 2021 contracted 6.8 million tonnes, worth \$115.9m. The average price rose to \$16.94 per tonne of abatement.

Figure 8 below shows the average prices achieved across the 12 ERF auctions since April 2015.

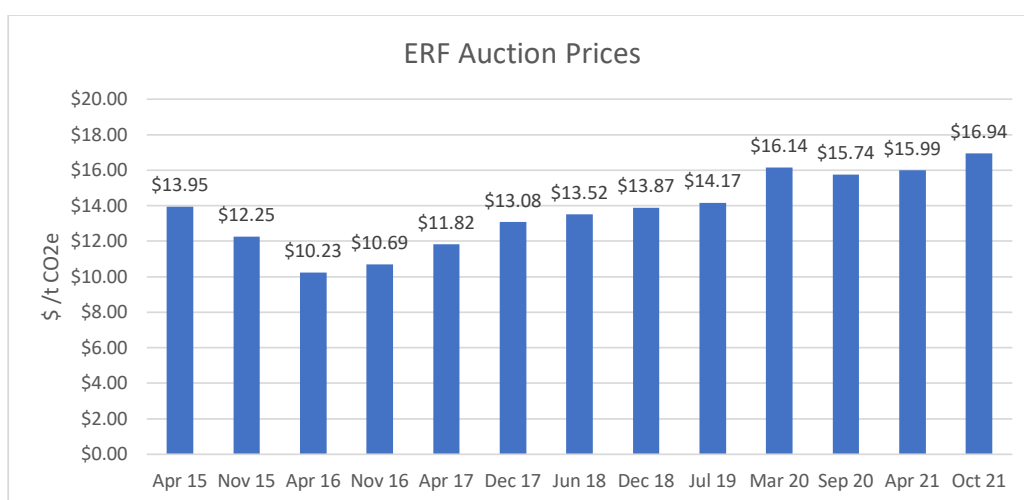


Figure 8 Historical ERF Auction Prices

ACCUs are also sold at both spot (current market) and in the forward market. The current price or spot price for ACCUs at the time of writing was around \$36.00 (Source: Jardens 2nd November 2021) which is above the last auction price. With projects spanning 25 years, evaluation of pricing requires forming a view in both the short and long term and hence the exploration and development of pricing scenarios that may exist across the life of the project.

In future reports, we will provide pricing scenarios to assist you to understand the potential revenue returns. We use three pricing scenarios:

- Low Price Scenario (Flat auction price) of \$16.94 (representing the price achieved at the last ERF auction)
- Base price scenario (\$21.00 - \$35.35). Developed using data on current/future demand and supply for carbon offsets.
- High price scenario (\$25.14 - \$52.78). Developed by analysing policy settings and investment statements from the Australian Government and corporate commitments.



Figure 9 below provides an analysis of the price scenarios over the 25-year project life.

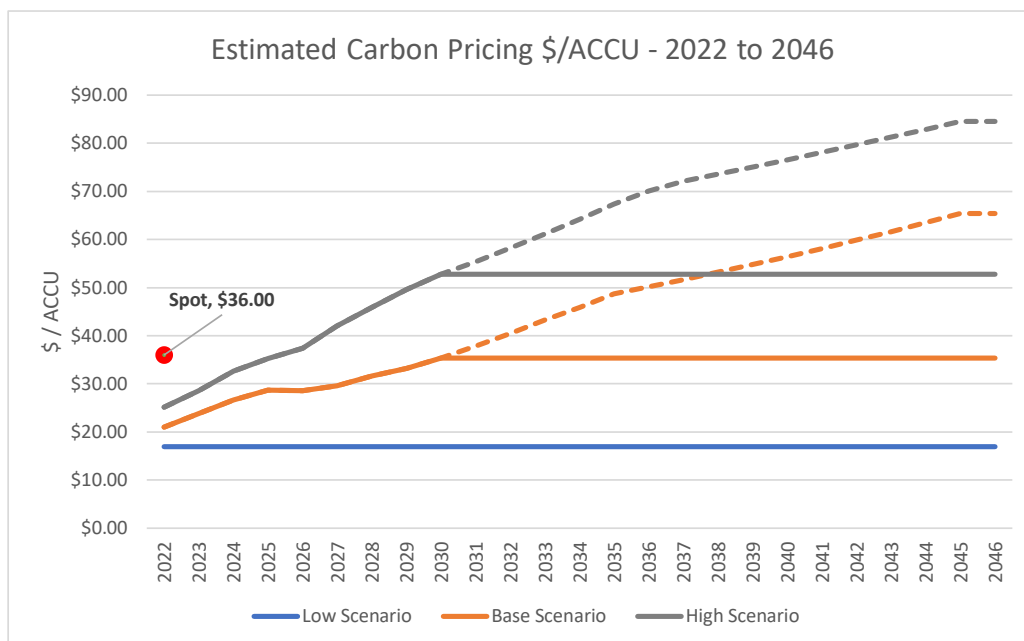


Figure 9 Estimated Forward ACCU price by Market Advisory Group

Note: Apart from auction scenario 1, this price forecast is provided as general advice only and is provided for information only. It has been sourced from a third-party provider (Market Advisory Group) not AIC. Actual prices may differ from those shown and it has been provided as an indication and should not be relied upon.

The **Low-Price Scenario** is based on the average of the recent prices achieved at the ERF which has historically held auctions twice a year in March and September. The ERF recently offered an **“option” contract** to purchase carbon credits which gives sellers, such as landowners and project developers, the **right but not the obligation** to sell up to 10 years of credits to the ERF. In this way the contract provides a floor price for projects that can be relied upon as the minimum price that would be received for credits from the ERF.

Under the contract, landholders and project developers can still sell to other parties if they receive a higher price without any penalty. We would be recommending this approach for early-stage projects to ensure certainty in terms of sales volume and price whilst retaining flexibility.

For the Low-Price Scenario, we have **held the price constant for the duration of the 25-year period**. It could be considered the most conservative scenario as the ACCU price has been increasing at an annual compound rate of 3.29% since April 2015.



For the Base and High Price Scenarios Australian Integrated Carbon has obtained pricing information from the Market Advisory Group for the purposes of modelling. The Market Advisory Group prepare a subscription based monthly report to provide market participants, large emitters, project developers and governments with information on carbon market dynamics, trends, and outcomes. More about the Market Advisory Group can be found here: <http://marketadvisory.com.au/>

The forecast is based on information gathered from both the demand side and the supply side of the market, being the largest emitters and project developers and provides a forward pricing curve out to 25 years. It is based on a bottom-up analysis for the first 15-year leg of the curve (i.e., out to 2035) and top-down analysis for the next 10 years out to 2045. The analysis integrates a 10-year national emission demand projection by the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources (Dol).

The Base and High Scenarios provided by Market Advisory rise to \$65.40 and \$84.54 at the 25-year point respectively (shown by the grey and orange dotted lines in price chart at Figure 8). For the purposes of the pricing curve, we have used the 10-year price increase and then tapered the growth, holding the price constant for the remaining 15 years. This 10-year period aligns with the timing of the Dol projection and reflects a conservative view of diminishing confidence for periods further out. We are constantly reviewing this position in line with market conditions and developing political circumstances.

Accordingly, the **Base Scenario rises from \$21.00 to \$35.35 in 2030** and then remains constant for the remaining 15 years in the project.

Similarly, the **High Scenario rises from \$25.14 to \$52.78 in 2030** and then remains constant for the remaining 15 years in the project.



11. Project Revenue

Combining the carbon yield and ACCU price across the life of the project (25 years) enables the project revenue to be estimated. Table 6 illustrates the potential revenue across the life of the project on an annual basis for the different price scenarios.

The project is estimated to generate between **\$107,733** and up to **\$308,220** across the life of the project depending on the scenario. This will in turn generate an average annual revenue of between **\$4,309** and up to **\$12,329** for the 25-year life of the project. The revenue in Base and High Scenarios uses the flattened price curve as described in Figure 9.

Table 6: Potential gross project revenue scenarios

Yr	Calendar	Annual Tonnes	Auction Scenario 1	Base Scenario	High Scenario
			Flat \$16.94	\$21.00 to \$35.35	\$25.14 to \$52.78
1	0	32	\$540	\$669	\$801
2	1	70	\$1,178	\$1,660	\$1,985
3	2	215	\$3,646	\$5,740	\$7,018
4	3	332	\$5,628	\$9,518	\$11,724
5	4	394	\$6,673	\$11,276	\$14,723
6	5	417	\$7,070	\$12,362	\$17,535
7	6	416	\$7,043	\$13,146	\$19,073
8	7	403	\$6,828	\$13,365	\$19,993
9	8	384	\$6,511	\$13,588	\$20,284
10	9	364	\$6,163	\$12,863	\$19,201
11	10	341	\$5,773	\$12,049	\$17,987
12	11	319	\$5,404	\$11,279	\$16,837
13	12	298	\$5,050	\$10,539	\$15,733
14	13	279	\$4,724	\$9,860	\$14,719
15	14	260	\$4,400	\$9,183	\$13,709
16	15	243	\$4,108	\$8,574	\$12,800
17	16	227	\$3,838	\$8,010	\$11,957
18	17	212	\$3,594	\$7,500	\$11,196
19	18	198	\$3,357	\$7,005	\$10,457
20	19	186	\$3,144	\$6,561	\$9,794
21	20	174	\$2,947	\$6,152	\$9,183
22	21	163	\$2,769	\$5,780	\$8,628
23	22	153	\$2,599	\$5,424	\$8,097
24	23	144	\$2,445	\$5,102	\$7,616
25	24	136	\$2,302	\$4,805	\$7,173
Total		6,360	\$107,733	\$212,012	\$308,220
Average			\$4,309	\$8,480	\$12,329



12. Sales and Marketing

ACCUs are a financial product under the Corporations law and parties dealing with ACCUs must hold or be authorised (effectively as an agent) under and AFSL to deal with ACCUs. As a principal licence holder, AIC has complete flexibility in developing sales and marketing strategies to maximise the sale of ACCUs including structuring forward sales to prioritise cashflow for project stakeholders.

Many carbon developers are limited in this regard because they have licence limitations that prohibit them from entering derivative trades and making a market in ACCUs. Merely being authorised under a licence does not mean there is an authorisation to deal in derivatives.

AIC will use a combination of strategies including selling into the ERF (either as options or fixed contracts), accessing the spot-market, and developing relationships with large corporate off-takers to enable forward sales of carbon.

City of Marion are also able to contract directly to the Australian Government, however, will not be able to trade on the voluntary market without the AFSL. City of Marion could also hold and “retire” their credits as part of carbon reduction and carbon neutral aspirations through the Climate Active Program (<https://www.industry.gov.au/regulations-and-standards/climate-active>).



13. Other considerations

There are many regulatory requirements that need to be considered before starting a project and during the operation. This report does not outline on-going requirements of audits, reporting and monitoring. However, understanding the key requirements before a project starts is important. These requirements are newness, additionality, and legal right.

The newness requirement

A project must not have started before it has been registered with the Clean Energy Regulator. This can include projects that upgrade or expand current practices). Therefore, the City of Marion should discuss this project early with the Clean Energy Regulator to test this requirement.

Other activities that are not permitted prior to project registration include:

- making a final investment decision in relation to the project
- acquiring or leasing a tangible asset that is for use wholly or mainly for the purposes of the project.
- commencing construction work for the purposes of the project
- in the case of a planting (sequestration) project:
 - preparing soil for seeding or planting that is for the purposes of the project
 - seeding, planting, or fertilising plants that are for the purposes of the project
 - installing an irrigation or drainage system for the purposes of the project.

Activities such as feasibility reports, planning, advice, consents are allowed.

Additionality

When applying to have an Emissions Reduction Fund project registered, you will be asked whether the project, or any part of it, is required to be carried out by or under a law of the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory or was mandatory under a Commonwealth, State or Territory that was repealed or amended so as not to be required from 24 March 2011.

More can be found regarding this requirement here:

<http://www.cleanenergyregulator.gov.au/ERF/Want-to-participate-in-the-Emissions-Reduction-Fund/Planning-a-project/regulatory-additionality-and-government-programs/regulatory-additionality-for-regulated-entities-with-state-or-territory-emission-reduction-or-offsetting-requirements>

We would recommend that further work and discussion is undertaken with the Clean Energy Regulator to understand how these requirements are applied to your circumstances.



Legal Right

Legal right means that you will need to own the land or have permission from the landowner to carry out the project. This will be a factor for City of Marion if you wish to progress as there are multiple landowners. More information can be found here:

<http://www.cleanenergyregulator.gov.au/ERF/Want-to-participate-in-the-Emissions-Reduction-Fund/Planning-a-project/Legal-right>

Cost

The cost for executing a project requires careful consideration, often the implementation costs are not well understood and the on-going requirements for running a project are underestimated.

Cost estimates provided by the City of Marion for undertaking site preparation, such as weed control, and planting include:

- 1) Site preparation costs are highly dependent on weed loading and is estimated to cost between:
 - a. \$11,666/ha/year (\$396,644/year for 34 ha) for light weed loads and
 - b. \$50,000/ha/year (\$1.7M/year for 34 ha) for high weed loading.
- 2) Revegetation, including seedling purchase, at 150 stems/ha (trees only) to reach a minimum of 20% canopy cover over the 3-year period is estimated to be \$1,500/ha, totalling approximately \$51,000 for 34 ha.
- 3) Ongoing maintenance costs are estimated to initially be \$5,000 to \$10,000/ha/year (\$170,000 to \$340,000 per year for 34 ha), for simple maintenance, this figure will increase if shrubs, grasses, herbs and forbs are direct seeded (or community planted) after the 3-year revegetation carbon farm project is complete.

Indicative costs for the project for site preparation and planting over 3 years, and ongoing maintenance for 25 years are estimated to be between \$4,697,644 and \$10,251,000.

If the City of Marion is managing the establishment and on-going management of a carbon project, the on-going resourcing should be considered, this includes:

- 1) Completing registration documentation
- 2) Contracting service provider for mapping and undertaking carbon modelling
- 3) Engaging auditor and paying for audits
- 4) Preparing offtake reports for the Clean Energy Regulator
- 5) Establishing account to hold carbon credits
- 6) Completing monitoring reports for the Clean Energy Regulator
- 7) Undertaking auction process if seeking contract with the Clean Energy Regulator.

The equivalent of approximately one day a week would be required to manage a carbon project of this scale. During establishment, this requirement would be higher.

The costs for implementation and management of this project are high, and unlikely to be commercially viable. Therefore, other delivery models and partnerships should be considered to achieve objectives.



14. Conclusion

This feasibility report provides the City of Marion an overview of the carbon potential within the areas provided. The report does not investigate the costs of establishment and maintenance for decision makers to understand the total costs against revenue return.

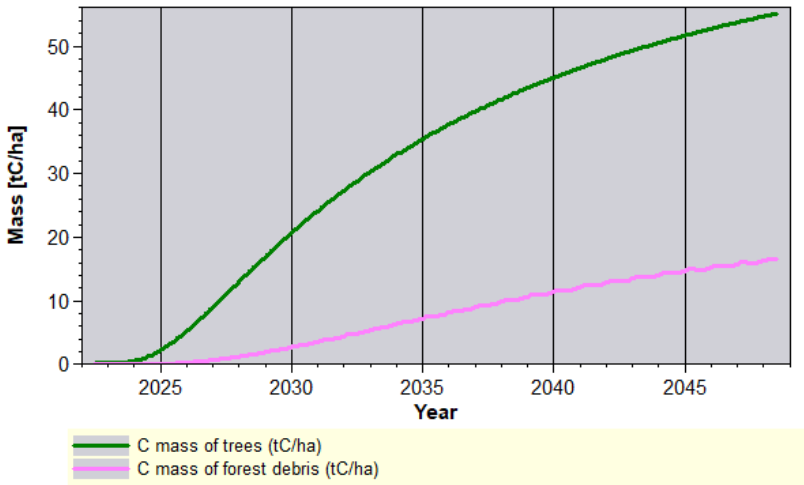
If the City of Marion progress investigations for carbon farming, AIC suggests that several areas should be further discussed, including:

- 1) Identifying the outcome of the project. For example, the cost of the project is likely to be more than the return. Are other objectives an important consideration.
- 2) Understand landownership restraints and expectations of other land holders.
- 3) Understand long term costs of delivering a project (auditing, replacement of vegetation, weed control, maintenance costs).
- 4) Future commitments and investment decisions are not made on the subject land before a carbon strategy is developed.
- 5) What criteria does the Council need to develop a go/no go decision framework.

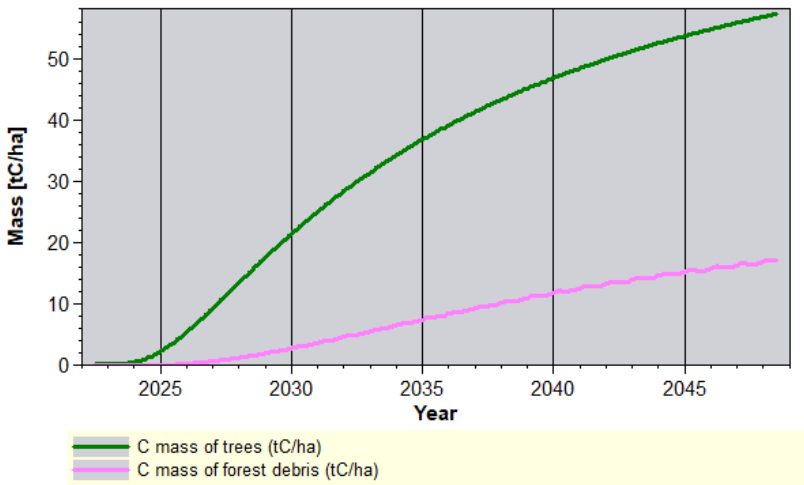


Appendix 1 Full Cam outputs

Plot 1

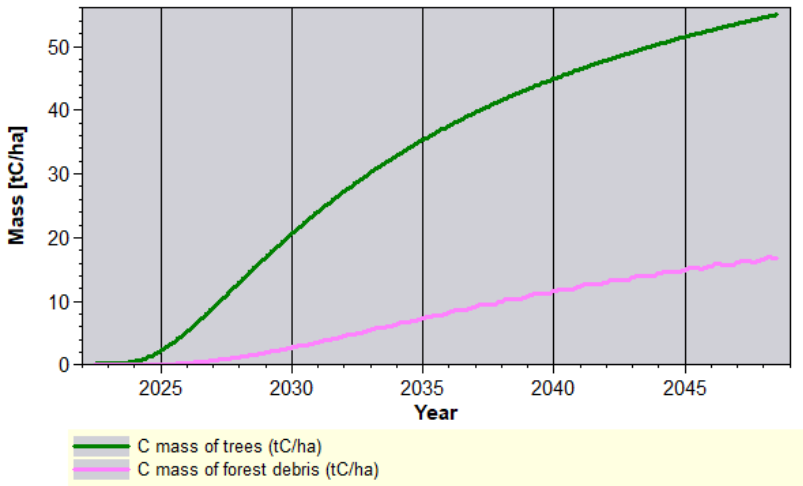


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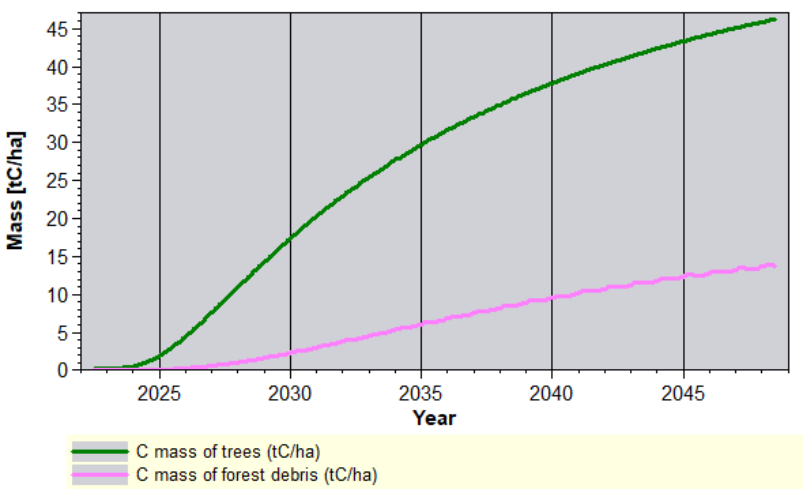




Plot 3



Plot 4





UPDATE: CARBON SEQUESTRATION

BACKGROUND:

An environmental plantings project stores carbon in new tree plantings. This earns Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) in return for reducing the level of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

A report and presentation at the 9 November 2021 Elected Member Forum provided information on the feasibility of a possible carbon sequestration / offset project in the Field River Valley.

Consultants, Australian Integrated Carbon (AIC), have undertaken a feasibility assessment of various parcels of Council and Government owned land within the Field River Valley.

The final report prepared by the consultants is attached for reference.

FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS:

Several follow-up questions were noted in the Forum discussion and are addressed below.

- **Can the Field River be registered by the City of Marion as a carbon sequestration project?**

To be eligible you must:

- Identify eligible land on your property – for example, the land must have been clear of forest for at least five years before you apply to register a project.
- Establish legal right (the right to run your project and claim carbon credits) — for example, holding a lease or other land title, or having a signed agreement with other landholders to run a project on their land.
- Obtain regulatory approvals and consent from everyone with an eligible interest in the project land. Consent holders will vary, and may include banks, state governments (if the land is leased) or relevant native title bodies corporate.
- Make sure your project is new — you cannot have started project activities until you register your project.

The City of Marion cannot currently register the Field River as a carbon sequestration project as it has no ownership or legal rights over the land.

As the proposed project site covers Crown Land, the SA Government would need to give the Council/project developer the legal right to undertake the carbon offset project under Emissions Reduction Fund (ERF) rules and provide Eligible Interest Holder Consent.

The SA Government has done this before for third party project developers. Whether this is a pathway to pursue would need to be discussed with the relevant parties, including whether the Council is legally able to be conferred legal right to undertake the project.

- **What is the anticipated contribution of the proposed carbon sequestration project towards achievement of Council's carbon neutral goal?**

An estimated 6,360 tonnes of carbon over 25 years are likely to be generated on the 34-hectare area based on a conservative estimate of carbon yield averaging 7.48 tonnes of carbon per hectare each year.

City of Marion corporate emissions were estimated to be 3,234 tCO₂e in 2020/21, so around 2 years' worth of carbon offsets would be generated over 25 years, assuming no change in corporate emissions levels.

Note that the spot price for Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) is \$40/t (RepuTex, 23 November 2021), a 138% increase year-to-date. Marion's 2020/21 corporate emissions of 3,234 tCO₂e could be offset by purchasing ACCUs for \$129,360 (subject to change) each year.

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UPDATE: CARBON SEQUESTRATION

- **How do we 'buy land' and keep the 'newness' criteria?**

Information from the Clean Energy Regulator website¹:

An Emissions Reduction Fund project (including projects that upgrade or expand current practices) must not have started before it has been registered with the Clean Energy Regulator, unless the method covering the project specifies otherwise.

This is because the Emissions Reduction Fund is not intended to support projects that are already underway without support from the Emissions Reduction Fund.

Applicants are required to provide evidence which satisfies the Clean Energy Regulator that the project has not begun.

An example of an action that would indicate that a project has started would be acquiring or leasing a tangible asset (other than land or a minor asset) that is for use wholly or mainly for the purposes of the project. This would not include the situation where the acquisition or leasing contract is subject to a condition that the project should first be registered as an Emissions Reduction Fund project.

- **How much carbon sequestration potential is available in Nari Reserve?**

Nari Reserve is approximately 11ha in area, and approximately 70% of the reserve is open (no canopy).

To create a canopy of 20% for the minimum carbon sequestration we would need to plant approximately 120 stems/ha (as per Glenthorne tree planting). Therefore, there is approximately 7.7ha available and, if 120 stems/ha were planted, we would have enough area to plant approximately 924 trees across Nari Reserve to achieve 20% canopy cover (rough figures).

Direct seeding of native shrubs etc should follow, after the trees are established. It would be necessary to prepare the ground by poisoning the grassy and broad leaf weeds and prepare for planting, potentially mulching specific tree planting locations with a combination of mulch and sand/loam due to the cracking soil type. The vegetation association would be *Eucalyptus microcarpa*+/- *Eucalyptus leucoxylon* subsp. *Leucoxylon* woodland.

Assuming 7.48 tonnes of carbon per hectare each year, an estimated yield of 1,440 tonnes of carbon could potentially be achieved on Nari Reserve over a 25-year period. This equates to 5-6 months of corporate emission offsets generated over the 25-year project.

- **Is there a way that the City of Marion can work with the SA Government on the Glenthorne Farm Sequestration Project?**

The Department of Environment and Water registered the Glenthorne Farm & Southern Adelaide Biodiverse Carbon Rehabilitation Project² (Project ID: ERF127469) on 22 January 2019 under the *Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) (Reforestation by Environmental or Mallee Plantings - FullCAM) Methodology Determination 2014*. The project aims to establish permanent plantings with a mix of native tree species on land that was predominantly used for agricultural purposes for at least five years prior to project commencement. The tree species are native to the local area.

The Glenthorne Project Manager (DEW) and the project team are looking at re-assessing the costs and carbon credit revenue stream from the Glenthorne carbon offset project. This was done several years ago when the project was first registered under the Emissions Reduction Fund (ERF) and they are wanting to re-run the numbers to confirm project viability.

A meeting to discuss possible opportunities for City of Marion involvement is being sought with the Glenthorne Project Manager.

¹ [Eligibility and newness \(cleanenergyregulator.gov.au\)](https://www.cleanenergyregulator.gov.au)

² [ERF project - Glenthorne Farm & Southern Adelaide Biodiverse Carbon Rehabilitation \(cleanenergyregulator.gov.au\)](https://www.cleanenergyregulator.gov.au)

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UPDATE: CARBON SEQUESTRATION

NEXT STEPS:

A summary report with next steps will be brought to Council for consideration in February 2022

OTHER LOCAL CARBON OFFSET PROJECTS:

As of 7 November 2021, 1,060 Emissions Reduction Fund projects have been registered across Australia since 31 December 2012, and 212 of these have been revoked. A total of 103,284,799 ACCUs have been issued with 211,374 of these being relinquished³.

Seventy-six of these projects are in South Australia, and ten are within the greater Adelaide metropolitan area and surrounds (see Table 1 below).

TABLE 1: Registered Emissions reduction Fund Projects in Greater Adelaide

Methodology	No.	Proponent(s)	Project Location (Council area)	ACCUs issued
Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative - Industrial Electricity and Fuel Efficiency) Methodology Determination 2015	1	Adelaide Brighton Cement	Birkenhead - ERF101774 (Port Adelaide Enfield)	29,632 (12,177 relinquished)
Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative - Land and Sea Transport) Methodology Determination 2015	1	Corporate Carbon Solutions Pty Ltd	Peats Soils - EOP101076 (Onkaparinga)	0 (Revoked)
Carbon Farming (Quantifying Carbon Sequestration by Permanent Environmental Plantings of Native Species using the CFI Reforestation Modelling Tool) Methodology Determination 2012	3	Australian Integrated Carbon Financial Services Pty Ltd	Playford - ERF101618	0 (Revoked)
			Onkaparinga - ERF101608	0 (Revoked)
		Department for Environment and Water	Glenthorne - ERF127469 (Marion)	0
Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative - Alternative Waste Treatment) Methodology Determination 2015	5	SUEZ-ResourceCo Alternative Fuels Pty Ltd	Wingfield - EOP100561 (Port Adelaide Enfield)	521,397
		LMS Energy Pty Ltd	NAWMA - EOP100657 (Playford)	219,331
			SRWRA - ERF109627 (Onkaparinga)	252,694 (78,685 relinquished)
			SRWRA - ERF111111 (Onkaparinga)	8,884
		EDL LFG (SA) Pty Ltd	SRWRA - ERF101744 (Onkaparinga)	25,384

³ Relinquishing carbon credits: [Australian carbon credit units \(cleanenergyregulator.gov.au\)](https://www.cleanenergyregulator.gov.au)

Date: November 2021

12.2 Mitchell Street, Glengowrie Parking

Report Reference	GC220222R12.2
Originating Officer	Unit Manager Engineering – Carl Lundborg
Corporate Manager	- N/A
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Services - Mathew Allen

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is to provide options to consider on-street parking within Mitchell Street (west), Glengowrie.

REPORT HISTORY

Report Reference	Report Title
GC211012P9.1	Vehicle Parking and Access - Mitchell Street, Glengowrie

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On 7 October 2021, City of Marion received a petition regarding the lack of practical on-street vehicle parking affecting traffic flow. The petitioners requested that the Council construct the maximum number and most practical vehicle parking inserts/setbacks with “rolled”/ “soft” gutters on either or both sides of Mitchell Street (west).

On 12 October 2021 Council resolved that staff provide a report to investigate options for maximising on-street and off-street parking and how to reduce access issues identified by local residents. In addition, staff were asked to provide information on options for street widening or allowing cars to partially park on the current or adjusted verge.

A number of options for Mitchell Street (west) have been considered, investigated, concept plans developed and cost estimates provided for consideration:

- Option 1 – Full Road Widening
- Option 2 – Road Widening (north side only)
- Option 3 – Partial Indented Parking Bays
- Option 4 – Partial Paved Parking
- Option 5 – Parking Controls

It is recommended that option 4 provides a relatively low-cost solution and low environmental impact, and addresses parking and manoeuvrability concerns. Although risks are associated with this option, such as paved parking area being potentially lost as a result of future residential property development requiring creation of more driveway access points. This option would set a precedent for future indented parking bays on Mitchell Street (east) that has a similar road environment.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Supports proceeding with Option 4 (Partial Paved Parking) to undertake community consultation.**

2. **Advises the head petitioner of the resolutions of Council.**
3. **Endorses additional funding of up to \$25,000 to be incorporated into the 2022-23 Annual Business Plan to undertake Option 4 (subject to community consultation support).**

BACKGROUND

The Annual Business Plan 2021-22 includes a capital works project to install paved parking within Mitchell Street. The budget approved for this project is \$23,000 for the construction of paved parking in specific locations to assist with driveway access (not the full extent of Mitchell Street (west)).

On 7 October 2021, the City of Marion received a petition regarding the lack of practical on-street vehicle parking affecting traffic flow, road safety and residents' access in and out of their driveways in Mitchell Street, west of Filmer Avenue.

The 44 signatories in the petition requested that Council construct the maximum number and most practical vehicle parking inserts/setbacks with "rolled"/"soft" gutters on either or both sides of Mitchell Street (west) including appropriate landscaping.

At the 12 October 2021 General Council meeting it was resolved that staff provides a report on Mitchell Street (west) that:

- *Investigates options for maximizing on-street and off-street parking*
- *Looks at how to reduce access issues identified by local residents*
- *Provides information on the powers council has to adjust, limit or overturn development to mitigate the on-street parking concerns outlined*
- *Provides information on options for street widening or allowing cars to partially park on the current or adjusted verge.*

DISCUSSION

Mitchell Street, Glengowrie functions as a local road with a width of 6.6 metres west of Filmer Avenue with low vehicle volumes.

Mitchell Street has had a number of resident requests for parking reviews in the past and a number of interventions (custom signage to discourage vehicles parking adjacent and not leaving a 3 metre gap and yellow driveway lines to discourage vehicle parking directly next to a driveway invert) have been trialled to alleviate the concerns raised resulting in some improvement.

A parking investigation and survey was undertaken during December 2021. Multiple site observations were undertaken at various times of the day to ascertain the general parking behaviour in the street.

The result of the parking survey found that there were occasions where parking occupancy percentage was above 85%, concluding a high parking demand for the street. It is recommended that parking control or parking infrastructure be investigated and considered for community consultation.

DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS

Mitchell Street, Glengowrie is part of the General Neighbourhood Zone in line with most of metropolitan Adelaide. The minimum 'Deemed-to-Satisfy' requirements for development are:

- Detached dwelling 300 m² with a 9 metre frontage
- Row dwellings 250 m² with a 7 metre frontage.

Where a proposal is not 'Deemed-to-Satisfy', it is assessed against the qualitative provisions of the Planning & Design Code. Whilst the built form should reflect the intent of the zone and locality, technically no set minimum dimensions apply and the proposal is addressed on its overall merits. This would include consideration of both on-street and on-site car parking.

Council powers to adjust or limit developments to mitigate the on-street parking is limited. Council has no power to overturn development to mitigate the on-street parking concerns.

Off street parking in Mitchell Street is not considered feasible due to the limited opportunity of road reserve or available land to create a car parking zone.

As at 4 February 2022, there are no current development applications on Mitchell Street (west), Glengowrie.

PARKING OPTIONS

A number of options have been considered, investigated, concept plans developed and cost estimates provided for review:

OPTION 1: FULL ROAD WIDENING (8.4M ROAD WIDTH)

See Attachment 1 for Concept Plan

The extra road width (additional 1.8 metres) gained would provide ample maneuvering space for vehicles traversing the street including ingress/egress driveways and would include on-street parking on both sides of the street (approx. 29 car parks). This option would have a very high construction cost (approx. \$196,706) and includes 19 tree removals. This option would require a Power Line Environment Committee (PLEC) Scheme to underground all lines (or full Council funding), remove stobies and install new street lighting to appropriate lighting standards (this component could cost Council between \$700,000 to \$2.2 million, subject to meeting PLEC criteria).

OPTION 2: ROAD WIDENING NORTH SIDE ONLY (7.5M ROAD WIDTH)

See Attachment 2 for Concept Plan

The extra road width (additional 0.9 metres) gained would provide a reasonable increase in vehicle maneuvering space for vehicles traversing the street including ingress/egress driveways and on-street parking on both sides (approx. 29 car parks). This option would have a high construction cost (approx. \$116,134) and includes 9 tree removals. This option would require 8 existing stobie poles to be removed at an approximate cost of \$300,000.

OPTION 3: PARTIAL INDENT CONCRETE PARKING BAYS

See Attachment 3 for Concept Plan

Provide some localised increases in available road width to assist vehicle maneuvering and increased number of on street parking (approx. 20 car parks). This option provides relatively low construction costs (approx. \$44,520) and includes 3 tree removals. There are opportunities to replace the trees removed for no net tree loss within the street. Construction of partial indented parking bays could be potentially lost due to future residential property development requiring creation of more driveway access points.

OPTION 4: PARTIAL PAVED PARKING

See Attachment 4 for Concept Plan

Provide some localised increases in available road width to assist vehicle maneuvering and increased number of on-street parking (approx. 22 car parks). This option provides moderate construction costs (approx. \$47,827) due to the use of permeable paving (lower environmental impacts) and includes 3 tree removals. There are opportunities to replace the trees removed for no net loss of trees within the street. Construction of partial indented parking bays could be potentially

lost due to future residential property development requiring creation of more driveway access points.

OPTION 5: PARKING CONTROLS

See Attachment 5 for Concept Plan

Continue to allow on-street parking (approx. 17 car parks) by applying staggered parking restrictions at locations that would improve traffic flow and some ingress/egress maneuverability into driveways. This option would be a low impact and low cost option but may not completely resolve issues with maneuvering from narrow driveways.

OPTION ANALYSIS

Option	Construction Cost	Max. On-Street Car Parking (Note current max is 17 car parks)	Tree Removals	Driveway Access 1 – no improvement, 5 – max improvement	Environmental Impact 1 – High 5 – Low
1	\$896,706 *	29	19	4.5	1
2	\$416,134 **	29	9	4	2
3	\$44,520	20	3	2	3
4	\$47,827	22	3	2	3.5
5	\$1,000	17	0	4	5

* Includes PLEC contribution of approx \$700,000

** Includes stobie pole removals which is expected to cost approx. \$300,000

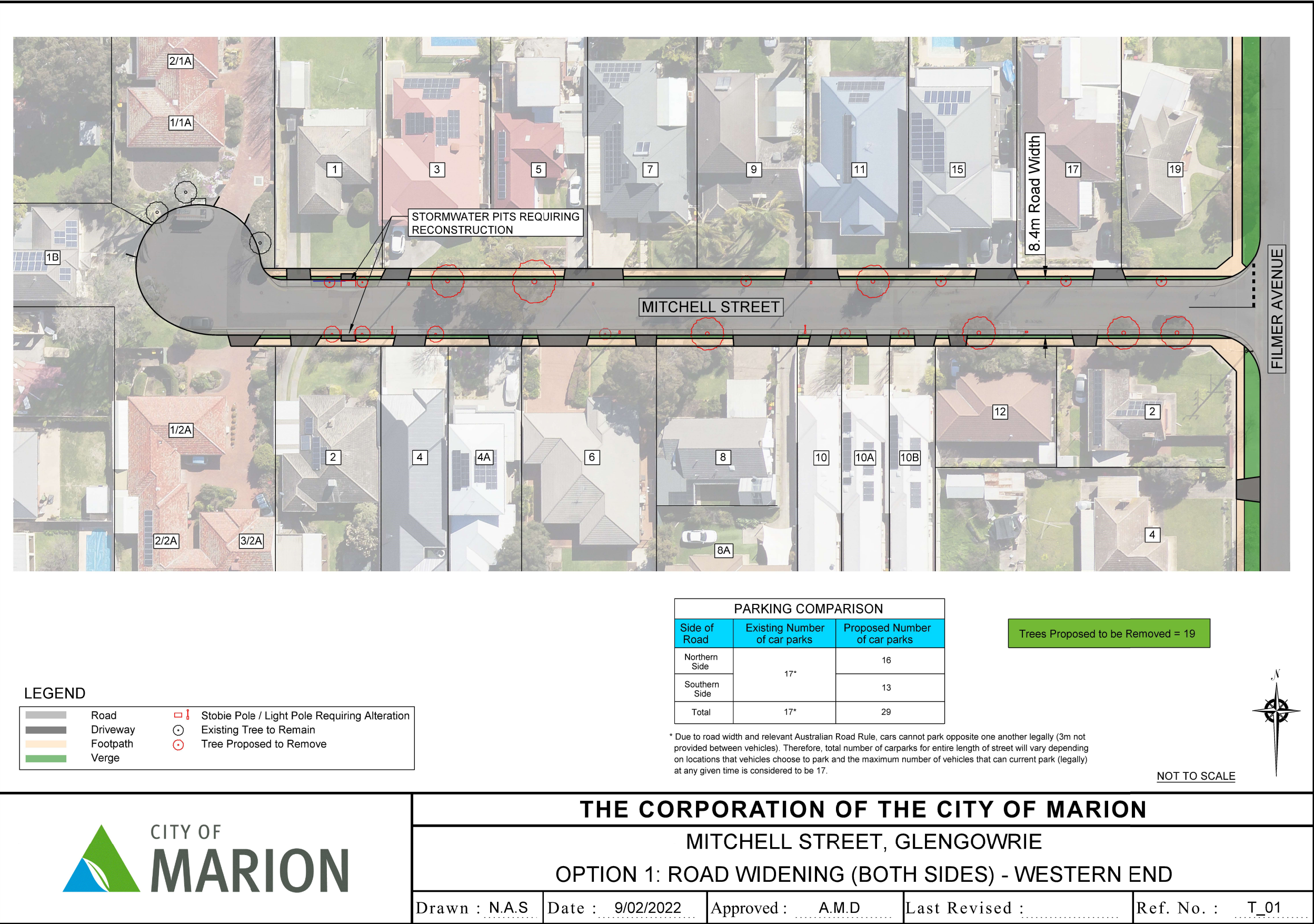
RISKS

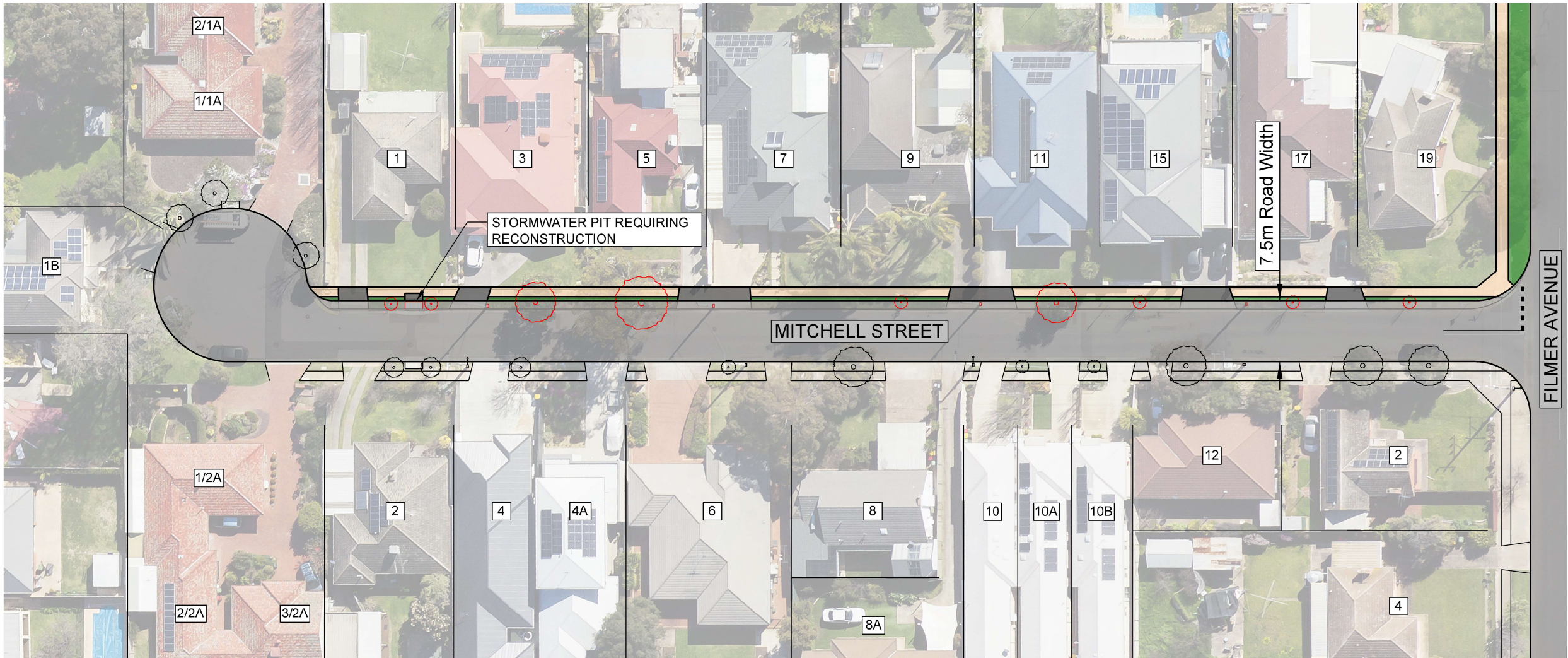
Any infrastructure upgrades designed to improve the parking and maneuvering of Mitchell Street (west), may need to be adopted for Mitchell Street (east) as it has similar concerns and may require a similar proposed treatment in future capital works programs (subject to community consultation).

Options presented and supported by Council should be presented to the community for consultation prior to inclusion in the 2022-23 Annual Business Plan. There may be additional minor costs associated with service relocations. This will be determined during the detailed design phase following public consultation.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Option 1 - Full Road Widening [12.2.1 - 1 page]
2. Option 2 - Road Widening (North side only) [12.2.2 - 1 page]
3. Option 3 - Partial Indented Parking Bays [12.2.3 - 1 page]
4. Option 4 - Partial Paved Parking [12.2.4 - 1 page]
5. Option 5 - Parking Controls [12.2.5 - 1 page]





LEGEND

	Road		Stobie Pole / Light Pole Requiring Alteration
	Driveway		Existing Tree to Remain
	Footpath		Tree Proposed to Remove
	Verge		

PARKING COMPARISON		
Side of Road	Existing Number of car parks	Proposed Number of car parks
Northern Side	17*	16
Southern Side		13
Total	17*	29

Trees Proposed to be Removed = 9

* Due to road width and relevant Australian Road Rule, cars cannot park opposite one another legally (3m not provided between vehicles). Therefore, total number of carparks for entire length of street will vary depending on locations that vehicles choose to park and the maximum number of vehicles that can currently park (legally) at any given time is considered to be 17.



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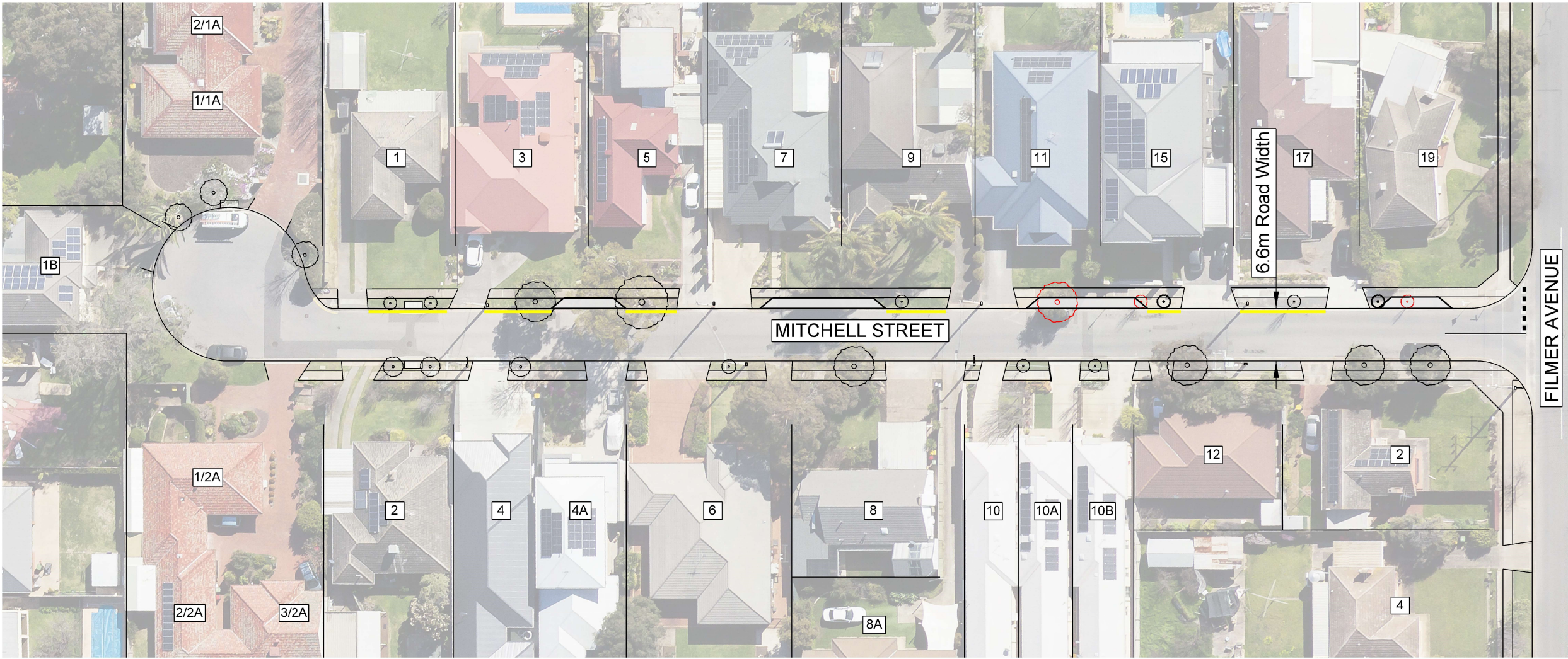


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OPTION 2: ROAD WIDENING (NORTH SIDE ONLY) - WESTERN END

Drawn : N.A.S Date : 9/02/2022 Approved : A.M.D Last Revised : Ref. No. : T_02



LEGEND

	Partial Indent Parking Bay		New Tree Proposed
	Stobie Pole / Light Pole		Proposed 'No Stopping at all times' Parking Restriction
	Existing Tree to Remain		
	Tree Proposed to Remove		

PARKING COMPARISON		
Side of Road	Existing Number of car parks	Proposed Number of car parks
Northern Side	17*	7
Southern Side		13
Total	17*	20

Trees Proposed to be Removed = 3

* Due to road width and relevant Australian Road Rule, cars cannot park opposite one another legally (3m not provided between vehicles). Therefore, total number of car parks for entire length of street will vary depending on locations that vehicles choose to park and the maximum number of vehicles that can current park (legally) at any given time is considered to be 17.

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MITCHELL STREET, GLENGOWRIE

OPTION 3: PARTIAL INDENTED PARKING BAYS (BOTH SIDES) - WESTERN END

Drawn : N.A.S	Date : 9/02/2022	Approved : A.M.D	Last Revised :	Ref. No. : T_03
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LEGEND

- Paved Parking Area(s)
- Stobie Pole / Light Pole
- Existing Tree Proposed to Remain
- Tree Proposed to Remove
- New Street Tree Proposed
- Proposed 'No Stopping at all times' Parking Restriction

PARKING COMPARISON		
Side of Road	Existing Number of car parks	Proposed Number of car parks
Northern Side	17*	10
Southern Side		13
Total	17*	23

Trees Proposed to be Removed = 3

* Due to road width and relevant Australian Road Rule, cars cannot park opposite one another legally (3m not provided between vehicles). Therefore, total number of carparks for entire length of street will vary depending on locations that vehicles choose to park and the maximum number of vehicles that can current park (legally) at any given time is considered to be 17.

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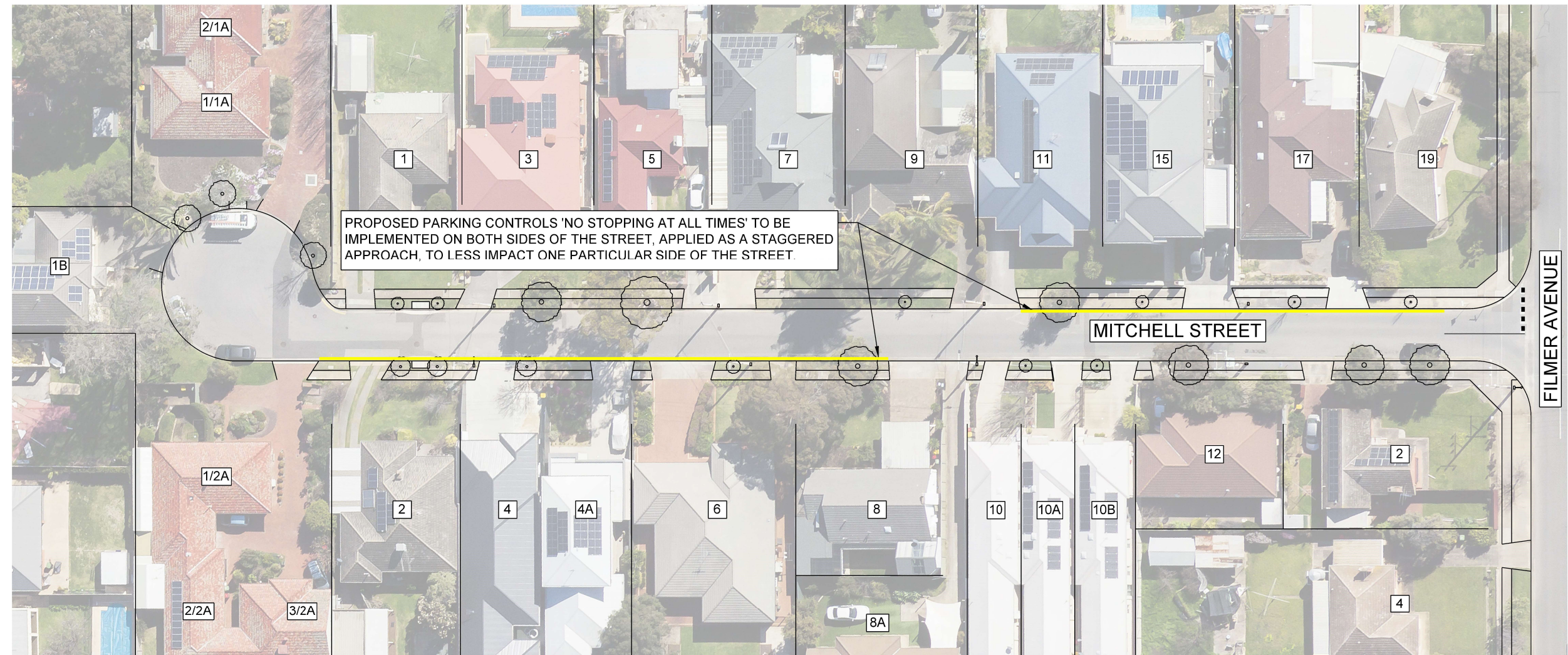


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OPTION 4: PAVED PARKING AREAS (BOTH SIDES) - WESTERN END

Drawn : N.A.S Date : 9/02/2022 Approved : A.M.D Last Revised : Ref. No. : T_04



LEGEND

	Stobie Pole / Light Pole		New Tree Proposed
	Existing Tree to Remain		Proposed 'No Stopping at all times' Parking Restriction
	Tree Proposed to Remove		

PARKING COMPARISON		
Side of Road	Existing Number of car parks	Proposed Number of car parks
Northern Side	17*	10
Southern Side		7
Total	17*	17

Trees Proposed to be Removed = 0

* Due to road width and relevant Australian Road Rule, cars cannot park opposite one another legally (3m not provided between vehicles). Therefore, total number of car parks for entire length of street will vary depending on locations that vehicles choose to park and the maximum number of vehicles that can current park (legally) at any given time is considered to be 16.

NOT TO SCALE



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MITCHELL STREET, GLENGOWRIE

OPTION 5: APPLY PARKING CONTROLS (BOTH SIDES) - WESTERN END

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12.3 Rescission Motion - Southern Soccer Facility Opening Event

Report Reference	GC220222R12.3
Originating Officer	Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison
Corporate Manager	- N/A
General Manager	- N/A

REPORT OBJECTIVE

Pursuant to Regulation 21 of the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013, the CEO may submit a report to Council recommending a rescission motion.

This report seeks to rescind the resolutions of Council made on 12 October 2021, 26 October 2021 and 14 December 2021 regarding the opening event for Southern Soccer Facility.

REPORT HISTORY

Report Reference	Report Title
GC211012R11.6	Sam Willoughby BMX Track and the Southern Soccer Opening Events
GC211026R10.9	Sam Willoughby BMX Track opening event options
GC211214R12.1	Southern Soccer Facility Opening Event

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the General Council Meeting held on 12 October 2021 (GC211012R11.6), Council resolved:

That Council:

4. *Endorses a Council led major opening event at the Southern Soccer facility in March 2022.*
5. *Notes that at the General Council meeting on 14 December 2021, Council will receive a report detailing a full budget and a run sheet for a proposed March 2022 Southern Soccer complex opening.*

A report was then presented at the General Council Meeting held on 26 October 2021 (GC211026R10.9), Council resolved:

That Council:

4. *Re-allocates the remaining \$10,000 from the \$59,000 Concert at the Cove budget as part of 2021/2022 annual business plan towards an opening event at the Southern Soccer facility in March 2022.*

Per the resolution of 12 October 2021 (GC211012R11.6), a further report was presented to the General Council Meeting held on 14 December 2021 (GC211214R11.12), Council resolved:

That Council:

1. *Notes that a draft run sheet and budget for an opening event activation at the Southern Soccer Facility in March 2022 will be provided to Council in February 2022.*

Due to factors external to the project, the completion of the Southern Soccer Facility has experience minor delays. Following consultation with key stakeholders regarding preferred dates, it is proposed to hold the major opening event at the facility in April.

Details of the opening event will be provided to Council once the new date has been confirmed.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Rescinds the following decision from its meeting of 12 October 2021 (GC211012R11.6):**

That Council:

4. Endorses a Council led major opening event at the Southern Soccer facility in March 2022.

- 2. Rescinds the following decision from its meeting of 26 October 2021 (GC211026R10.9):**

That Council:

4. Re-allocates the remaining \$10,000 from the \$59,000 Concert at the Cove budget as part of 2021/2022 annual business plan towards an opening event at the Southern Soccer facility in March 2022.

- 3. Rescinds the following decision from its meeting of 14 December 2021 (GC211214R11.12):**

That Council:

1. Notes that a draft run sheet and budget for an opening event activation at the Southern Soccer Facility in March 2022 will be provided to Council in February 2022.

Following the rescission on the above, Council can consider the following resolution to ensure that the budget remains.

That Council:

- 1. Re-allocates the remaining \$10,000 from the \$59,000 Concert at the Cove budget as part of 2021/2022 annual business plan towards an opening event at the Southern Soccer facility.**

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

12.4 Edwardstown Liquor Licence

Report Reference	GC220222R12.4
Originating Officer	Unit Manager Sport & Recreational Community Facilities – Mark Hubbard
Corporate Manager	Manager City Property - Thuyen Vi-Alternetti
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Development - Tony Lines

REPORT OBJECTIVE

To seek Council endorsement to surrender the City of Marion on-premises liquor license at the Edwardstown Soldiers Memorial Recreation Ground (ESMRG).

REPORT HISTORY

Report Reference	Report Title
GC211026R10.6	Edwardstown Soldiers Memorial Recreation Ground - Management Model Report
GC210511F03	Edwardstown Future Management Model

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the General Council meeting on 11 May 2021 (GC210511F03) Council endorsed the *“proposed future management and operational model for the Edwardstown Soldiers Memorial Recreation Ground (ESMRG) to commence from 1 July 2021 in which Clubs are provided a lease or licence to manage and operate area/s of the facility for periods of use”*.

In order for Clubs (Edwardstown Bowling Club, Edwardstown Football Club, South Road Cricket Club) to be able to sell alcohol from the ESMRG they need to apply for and hold a liquor licence. Since October 2021, Council has partially suspended its liquor licence for parts of the ESMRG building to enable the Bowls Club and Cricket Club to secure a short term liquor licence.

To facilitate a full transition to the new operational model it is proposed that Council surrender its on-premises liquor licence for the ESMRG with the Edwardstown Bowling Club, Edwardstown Football Club and South Road Cricket Club each applying for a Club liquor licence over designated areas of the building falling within each Club’s respective licence agreement.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Endorses Option 1 - Surrender the On-Premise’s liquor license for the Edwardstown Soldiers Memorial Sports Ground in the name of The Corporation of The City of Marion, in accordance with Part 4 of the Liquor Licensing Act 1997 and execute all documents necessary to enact Council’s decision.**

BACKGROUND

At the General Council meeting on 11 May 2021 Council endorsed the following:

1. *Endorse the proposed future management and operational model for the Edwardstown Soldiers Memorial Recreation Ground (ESMRG) to commence from 1 July 2021 in which:*
 - a. *Clubs are provided a lease or licence to manage and operate area/s of the facility for periods of use.*
 - b. *Clubs can generate and retain revenues from their use of the facility and will be responsible for the expenses related to their use of the facility.*
 - c. *Council will be responsible for the management and operation of the unallocated areas and times outside of Clubs' licensed use and will be responsible for its share of the operating costs and retain its income from its use of the facility.*
 - d. *Clubs and Council will share responsibility proportionately for common spaces and associated expenditure based on their licensed times and space.*
 - e. *Council recognises there will be a net cost to Council for the facility operations.*
2. *Endorse Administration to work with the five ESMRG Clubs (Edwardstown Football Club, Edwardstown Bowls Club, South Road Cricket Club, South Coast Cycling, Meteors Triathlon) to implement the new management model.*
3. *Allocate up to \$40,000 in 2021-22 financial year for a Facility Manager to assist with the transition to the new management model from July 2021 and manage the Council spaces in the facility.*
4. *Allocate up to \$25,000 per annum (indexed) to support resource costs to manage the utilisation of the Council spaces at the facility from July 2022.*
5. *Endorse the revised 100 percent profit share model continuing from 1 July 2021 up to 30 September 2021 to allow for a transition period that may extend beyond 1 July.*
6. *Endorse the necessary physical and operational changes to the facility to enable the implementation of the new management model.*

The new licence agreements endorsed at the General Council meeting on 11 May 2021 have been executed with all five sports clubs (Edwardstown Football Club, Edwardstown Bowling Club, South Road Cricket Club, Meteors Triathlon, South Coast Cycling Club) at the ESMRG.

The ESMRG is currently one of the highest utilized Council community assets with:

- 12-months use of the bowls and community room spaces
- 12-months use of the oval by football, cricket, cycling and triathlon
- 7-months full use of the function rooms (Football, SEDA College, HitSA)
- 5-months use of the function rooms (SEDA College, HitSA) + additional room hire

DISCUSSION

The Bowls Club and Cricket Club commenced under the new operational model from 1 October 2021. Under the new model the Clubs needed to secure a liquor licence to enable them to sell alcohol from areas that fell within the Clubs new licence agreement with Council. For this to be possible Council could either surrender its on-premises liquor licence or temporarily suspend it, as a Club cannot hold a Club liquor licence for an area that already has an on-premises licence unless permission is granted by the Liquor and Gaming Commission.

To facilitate the transition to the new operating model as swiftly as possible Council staff applied to suspend the liquor licence in the areas that fall within the new Bowls Club and Cricket Club licence agreements, which was granted. Short term liquor licence applications were submitted by the Bowls and Cricket Clubs which were granted from October 2021 and December 2021 respectively. The Bowls Club applied to the Liquor and Gaming Commission for a permanent Club liquor licence which is currently under review by the Commissioner for determination.

The Football Club has yet to commence operating under its new Council licence agreement, as the operation of the upstairs function rooms and canteen by the Football Club commences on 15 March 2022 in line with their football season.

To sell alcohol from the premises, the Football Club would like to apply for a Club liquor licence. For that to occur Council can either:

- Surrender its liquor licence for the facility,
- Transfer the on-premises licence to a Club, or
- Suspend its on-premises licence for that area.

Option 1 – Surrender On-Premises Liquor Licence (Recommended Option)

Council may opt to surrender the on-premises liquor licence.

The benefits of this approach are:

- The three Clubs can apply for their own Club liquor licence without the potential complications of Council still wanting to hold its on-premises liquor licence in suspension.
- This option prevents the need for clubs to fall under a short-term liquor licence.
- It is a cleaner and simpler approach that completes Council's transition away from an operational role at the facility.

The cons of this approach are:

- Council would need to apply for a short term liquor licence at a cost (currently \$140 per day) if it were running an event or function that required alcohol service at the venue during the 5-month period that Council can operate the upstairs function room (between 16 October to 14 March each year).
- Should an issue arise where Council felt obligated to take on the operations of the facility in the future then Council would need to re-apply for an on-premises liquor licence if Council's operational role included the sale of alcohol. Such an application may require community consultation.

Option 2 – Transfer On-Premises Liquor Licence

Council may opt to transfer its on-premises liquor licence to one of the Clubs.

The benefit of this approach is that it is a quicker process for a Club than applying for a Club licence and there is the ability to transfer the licence back to Council.

The cons of this approach are:

- The Club liquor licence may be considered better suited for the Clubs than an on-premises liquor licence, as it may be considered less onerous.
- The on-premises licence can only be transferred to one Club.
- The Clubs are unlikely to want to take on the on-premises licence from Council.

Option 3 – Suspend On-Premises Liquor Licence

Council may opt to suspend its on-premises liquor licence to enable the Clubs to operate under short term liquor licences. Council would need to apply to the Liquor and Gaming Commission to suspend its licence for the entire venue.

The potential benefit of this approach is that the on-premises licence may then be reactivated in the future should issues arise at the facility where Council determines a need to step in and start operating the facility. In light of the recent endorsed operating model, it is unlikely that Council will need to operate the facility in the future.

The cons of this approach is that:

- Clubs would need to apply and continue to operate under a short term liquor licence, or
- Council would need to seek an exemption allowing Clubs to hold a Club liquor licence at the same time and for the same areas of the facility that the Council holds an on-premises licence. Advice to Council indicates that this may not be supported.

Recommended Approach

It is recommended that Council choose Option 1 and surrender its on-premises liquor licence for the ESMRG. The rationale for this decision is as follows:

- Council has already made a decision to transition out of a management role for the entire facility, so it makes sense for the Clubs to be provided the ability to each separately apply for and hold a Club licence for the areas that fall within their designated areas.
- The new operating model is working well for the Bowls and Cricket Club and there is nothing to indicate that it won't work well for the Football Club, so there should be no need for Council to want to hold on to a suspended licence as a temporary safeguard against Club failure.
- This would not prevent Council from still being able to hire out the upstairs function spaces during the 5-month term that falls under Council control.
- Council can still apply for an on-premises liquor licence in the future if Council deems it a necessity.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

12.5 2nd Budget Review 2021-22

Report Reference	GC220222R12.5
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Corporate Manager	Chief Financial Officer - Ray Barnwell
General Manager	General Manager Corporate Services - Sorana Dinmore

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is to provide the financial results for the 2nd Budget Review for 2021-22. The budget review is a revised forecast of the original 2021-22 budget and as such any savings identified during the budget reviews will not be confirmed until the financial statements are prepared and audited at the end of the financial year.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The completion of the 2nd Budget Review has identified a favourable cash adjustment of **\$0.065m**. Deducting this from the 1st Budget Review Budget Deficit of \$0.487m leaves a revised full year cash deficit of **\$0.422m**, a favourable movement of \$0.259m against the original adopted budget deficit of \$0.681m.

The 2021-22 2nd Budget Review adjustments can be attributed to the following:

Cash Statement Reconciliation		\$
1st Budget Review Cash Deficit		(487,225)
2nd Budget Review Adjustments		
<u>Favourable</u>		
Drainage works savings	725,000	
Reduction in Building Capital Works requirements including funded from maintenance	530,000	
Road Reseals savings	206,376	
Traffic Devices Capital Works removed from program	141,274	
Marion Outdoor Pool net income	87,074	
Other various net adjustments	94,290	1,784,014
<u>Unfavourable</u>		
Employee Recruitment costs	(195,414)	
Sturt Road Streetscapes	(402,950)	
Hard Rubbish	(69,605)	
Street Lighting Electricity & Contributions	(79,500)	(747,469)
Total 2nd Budget Review adjustments		1,036,545
Revised 2021/22 Cash Surplus/(Deficit) before Council Resolutions		549,320
<u>Less Council Resolutions funded from Rates</u>		
Messines Avenue Streetscapes (GC210914R11.1)	(172,000)	
Funding allocated for confidential resolutions	(680,000)	
MCC Café operations (GC211026F16.1)	(75,000)	
Rainwater Tank Scheme (GC211012R11.1)	(32,500)	
Oaklands Wetlands Education centre (GC211026R10.10)	(11,864)	(971,364)
Total 2nd Budget Review adjustments including Council Resolutions		65,181
Revised 2021/22 Cash Deficit		(422,044)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Adopt the revised budgeted statements including the Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows.**

GENERAL ANALYSIS

BACKGROUND

Council is required to reconsider the approved budget three times during the year in accordance with *Section 123 (13) of the Local Government Act 1999* and *Section 9 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*.

The original 2021-22 budget was developed within the context of a long term framework to achieve a balance between meeting the objectives of the Strategic Plan and attaining financial sustainability in the long term.

FRAMEWORK

This budget review continues the focus on achieving the framework set by Council when developing the 2021-22 budget, this being:

- Support the achievement of the City of Marion's Strategic Directions;
- Address issues arising and opportunities identified from internal audit reviews and business excellence assessments;
- Maintain, on average, a breakeven or positive funding (cash) position over the Long Term Financial Plan;
- Continue to improve the maintenance of assets in accordance with Council's Asset Management Plans, with a priority on maintenance before renewal, and renewal before new where it is cost effective to do so;
- Review existing services and assets to ensure they meet prioritised community needs;
- Council only approve new major projects where it has the identified funding capacity to do so;
- Maintain Council's position for an average residential rate which remains among the lower rating metropolitan councils

DISCUSSION

Cash Position

The completion of the 2nd Budget Review has identified a favourable net cash adjustment of **\$0.065m**. Adding this to the current forecast cash deficit of (\$0.487m) leaves a revised full year forecast cash deficit of (\$0.422m), a favourable movement of \$0.259m against the original adopted budget deficit of \$0.681m.

This budget review's favourable adjustments are attributable to the following adjustments to the Adopted Budget from 2021-22:

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The cash result:

- Identifies the cash difference between total revenues and expenditures of Council after allowing for funding from loans, investments, cash draw-downs and reserves.
- Includes capital expenditures, which are excluded from the operating result.
- Provides information of changes in uncommitted financial resources available to Council.
- Returns a cash surplus where savings arise from the original budget, representing an increase in uncommitted financial resources or returns a cash deficit when costs are greater than the original budget, representing a decrease in available financial resources.

The 2nd Budget review is based upon actual results to the end of December 2021 and forecast to June 2022. In accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 a revised budgeted income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows are provided in the Attachments to Appendix 1.

Operating Position

The 2nd Budget Review forecasts an operating deficit of \$4.654m, an unfavourable adjustment of \$2.926m from the 1st Budget Review deficit of \$1.728m.

Operating Statement Reconciliation		\$
1st Budget Review Operating Deficit		(1,728,311)
2nd Budget Review Adjustments		
Developer Contributions received - transferred to Open Space Reserve (favourable)	126,844	
Marion Outdoor Pool net income (favourable)	87,074	
Employee Recruitment Costs (unfavourable)	(195,414)	
Hard Rubbish Waste Collections (unfavourable)	(69,605)	
Other various net adjustments (unfavourable)	(117,745)	(168,846)
Non Cash Adjustments		
Reclassification from Capital to Operating (unfavourable) *	(2,372,294)	
Increase in Depreciation (unfavourable) *	(115,000)	(2,487,294)
Total 2nd Budget Review Adjustments		(2,656,140)
Revised 2021/22 Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Council Resolutions		(4,384,451)
Less Operating Council Resolutions		
Funding allocated through confidential resolutions	(150,000)	
MCC Café Operations (GC211026F16.1)	(75,000)	
Rainwater Tank Scheme (GC211012R11.1)	(32,500)	
Oaklands Wetlands Education Centre (GC211026R10.10)	(11,864)	(269,364)
Revised 2021/22 Operating Deficit		(4,653,815)

*No cash impact. Relates to accounting classification only

The non-cash reclassification from Capital to Operating expenditure of \$2.372m relates to the accounting classification of the operational element of capital projects, the total project budgets remain unchanged from a cash perspective. This reclassification is predominantly the result of Streetscape works at Alawoona Avenue PLEC project (\$991k), Sturt Road (\$228k), Birch Crescent (\$148k).

Year to Date Actual v Approved Budget

During the original budget preparation, budget owners forecast monthly timing of their income & expenditure budgets. The basis for allocating timing of the budgets is to default to the applicable timing of the income & expenditure incurred from the prior year with adjustments made for expected variations. For new budgets and the capital works budgets, forecasts are provided based on the planned program of works.

At any time during the year timing variances will occur where the income or expenditure does not fall into the predicted month. These timing variances are not expected to impact on the end of year results but do require budget timing adjustments during the budget review process to realign the budgets. During the budget review process all budgets are reviewed to ensure that the current budget for the year is still appropriate.

Where the year to date actual is off track, either favourable or unfavourable, and it is not related to the timing of the monthly budget allocations, budget review adjustments are made that will impact on the end of year variance against the adopted budget.

Appendix 2 contains the Year to Date Actual v Budget Comparison Report.

Capital Budgets

The 2nd Budget Review forecasts capital expenditure decreasing by \$6.219m from \$59.554m to \$53.335m (Renewal \$14.775m, New \$38.560m). This decrease is predominantly due to the reclassification from Capital to Operating (\$2.372m) as part of the Capital Works program review, the retiming of sports courts redevelopment to 2022-23 (\$2.240m).

Adjustments to Capital Works Program	\$'000
<u>Reductions</u>	
Reclassification from Capital to Operating expenditure on Capital Projec	(2,372)
Sports Courts Redevelopment retimed to 2022/23	(2,240)
Drainage savings	(725)
Majors Road Footpath retimed to 2022/23	(574)
Building Renewal reduction due to savings & project removal	(530)
Footpath Construction net savings	(302)
Roads & Kerbs net program savings	(206)
Traffic Devices net savings following removal of works from program	(148)
<u>Additions</u>	
Confidential Council Resolution	530
Sturt Road Streetscapes - Marion to Diagonal Rd Overspend	403
Messines Avenue Streetscape (GC210914R11.1)	172
Other various net adjustments	(227)
	<u>(6,219)</u>

Appendix 3 contains details of the capital works removed from the 2021-22 Capital Works Program.

Borrowings

The 2nd Budget review forecasts no change to the original budget level of required loan funding or loan principal repayments.

Council also currently has substantial cash backed reserves and further consideration of the timing of taking out future borrowings will be reviewed as part of the 2022-23 Annual Business Planning process.

Reserves

The 2nd Budget Review reports a decrease in the use of Reserves of \$2.904m mainly as a result of the forecast retiming of sports courts redevelopments and Majors Road Footpath projects being transferred to Grants & Carryovers Reserve retimed to 2022-23.

Decrease in use of reserves	\$'000
Sports Courts Redevelopment retimed to 2022/23	2,238,770
Majors Road Footpath retimed to 2022/23	574,000
Developer Contribution transferred to Open Space Reserve	126,844
Other minor Reserve transfers	(35,453)
	2,904,161

Labour Budgets

Overall labour budgets are not being adjusted in the 2nd Budget Review at \$39.912m. Although we are running under budget YTD current market conditions for the attraction of appropriately skilled resources is proving challenging. With closed borders there has been a high demand for the available skilled resources which has driven market rates up.

Carryovers

The current status of programmed capital works budgets carried over from 2020-21 (\$4.257m) as at the 31st January 2022 is provided below:

	Council Funded 2020-21 Capital Budget	Carry Over Budget	Completed	Budget Remaining
Infrastructure	10,003,512	815,260	362,688	452,572
Land & Property	4,971,526	2,054,911	1,062,361	992,550
Open Space Planning	3,201,476	685,712	433,263	252,449
Other	1,095,149	700,958	575,909	125,049
Total	19,271,663	4,256,841	2,434,221	1,822,620

These works are currently in progress and expected to be completed by the 30th June 2022.

ATTACHMENTS

1. G C 220222 R - Appendix 1 - 2nd Budget Review 2021-22 [**12.5.1** - 10 pages]
2. G C 220222 R - Appendix 2 - 2nd Budget Review 2021-22 [**12.5.2** - 2 pages]
3. G C 220222 R - Appendix 3 - 2nd Budget Review 2021-22 [**12.5.3** - 1 page]

APPENDIX 1

Budgeted Funding Statement

The following report details the proposed budget changes for the 2nd Budget Review.

CITY OF MARION				
Budgeted Funding Statement				
	2021/22	2021/22		
	1st Review	2nd Review	Variance	
	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's	
OPERATING REVENUE				
Rates				
General	79,710	79,710		0
Other	2,020	2,083		63
Statutory Charges	2,106	2,109		3
User Charges	2,786	2,653		(133)
Operating Grants and Subsidies	9,240	9,714		474
Investment Income	346	347		1
Reimbursements	1,073	1,242		169
Other Revenues	644	878		234
Share of Profit - Equity Accounted Investments	365	365		0
	98,290	99,101		811
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Costs	39,912	39,912		0
Contractual Services	28,777	32,467		3,690
Materials	5,660	5,496		(164)
Finance Charges	252	250		(2)
Depreciation	16,135	16,250		115
Other	9,282	9,380		98
	100,018	103,755		3,737
Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital rev's	(1,728)	(4,654)		(2,926)
Add				
(a) Capital Revenue				
Capital Grants and Contributions	4,609	4,169		(440)
Physical Resources received free of charge	-	-		-
Asset disposal and fair value adjustments	-	-		-
Equals Net Surplus/(Deficit) resulting from operations	2,881	(485)		(3,366)
Add				
Depreciation	16,135	16,250		115
(Gain)/Loss on disposal of assets	-	-		-
Share of Profit SRWRA	(365)	(365)		-
Equals Funding available for Capital Investment exp	18,651	15,400		(3,251)
Capital				
Less Capital Expenditure - Renewal	17,747	14,775		(2,972)
Less Capital Expenditure - New	41,807	38,560		(3,247)
Less Capital - contributed assets	-	-		-
Equals Net Overall funding Surplus/(Deficit)	(40,904)	(37,935)		2,969

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CITY OF MARION			
Budgeted Funding Statement			
	2021/22	2021/22	
	1st Review	2nd Review	Variance
	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's
Funding transactions associated with accomodating the above net overall funding deficit (or applying the net overall funding surplus) are as follows:			
LOANS			
Loan Principal Receipts (Net)	10,920	10,920	-
Loan Receipts from Sporting Clubs (Net)	-	-	-
Less Loan Principal Payments	827	827	-
Loan funding (Net)	10,093	10,093	-
Movement in level of cash & accruals			
(b) Cash Surplus/(Deficit) funding requirements	(488)	(422)	66
Reserves Net (transfer to/(transfer from))	(30,323)	(27,420)	2,903
Cash/Investments/Accruals Funding	(30,811)	(27,842)	2,969
<i>Equals</i> Funding Transactions	40,904	37,935	(2,969)

(a) Capital Revenue excludes book gains/loss on sale of assets

(b) Relates to use of cash to fund major projects

The 2nd Budget Review reports a cash deficit of \$0.422m.

APPENDIX 1

Financial Indicators

To assist Council in meeting its objective of financial sustainability a series of financial indicators endorsed by the Local Government Association are provided. The following table provides a matrix of indicators of the 2nd Budget Review 2021/2022 and compares the forecast results against the target rate:

Key Ratios	Target	2021-22 Forecast
Operating Surplus Ratio	0 - 10%	-4.70%
<i>This ratio expresses the operating surplus as a percentage of total operating revenue</i>		
Target :	Average between 0-10% over each consecutive 5-year period	
Comment :	Positive ratio indicates that Council has sufficient operating revenue to cover operational expenses The average Operating Surplus over the past five years is 6%. Ratio has been impacted by the Digital Transformation Project in 2021-22	
Net Financial Liabilities Ratio	0 - 50%	5.13%
<i>This ratio indicates the extent to which net financial liabilities can be met by total operating revenue</i>		
Comment :	This result indicates Council's Financial Liabilities are forecast to exceed its Financial Assets. This ratio falls within the target range. Council's capacity to meet its financial obligations remains strong	
Debt Servicing Ratio	0 - 5%	1.08%
<i>This ratio identifies Council's ability to service its debt obligations (principal & interest) from operating revenues</i>		
Comment :	This ratio falls within the target range and indicates Council has a low debt holding and is well positioned for future borrowings outlined in the Long Term Financial Plan	
Asset Renewal Funding Ratio	90 - 110%	100%
<i>This ratio indicates whether Council is renewing or replacing existing assets at the rate of consumption</i>		
Comment :	The ratio can vary from year to year dependant on the renewal capital expenditure. Council's Long Term Financial Plan is set to achieve an average Asset Renewal Funding Ratio of 100% over the next three years	
Asset Consumption Ratio	80 - 100%	74%
<i>This ratio shows the consumption of the asset stock at a point in time and indicates the assets remaining useful life</i>		
Comment :	This ratio indicates that while falling under the target range Council's overall asset base has on average a relatively high remaining useful life	

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Attachments to Appendix 1

- Attachment 1 – Budgeted Income Statement
- Attachment 2 – Budgeted Statement of Financial Position
- Attachment 3 – Budgeted Statement of Changes in Equity
- Attachment 4 – Budgeted Statement of Cash Flows
- Attachment 5 – Consultants

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CITY OF MARION Budgeted Income Statement		
	Actual 2021 \$000's	2nd Review 2022 \$000's
OPERATING REVENUE		
Rates		
General	78,184	79,710
Other	1,995	2,083
Statutory Charges	2,175	2,109
User Charges	2,701	2,653
Operating Grants and Subsidies	9,819	9,714
Investment Income	503	347
Reimbursements	872	1,242
Other Revenue	902	878
Net Gain - Equity Accounted Council Businesses	173	365
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	97,324	99,101
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Employee Costs	38,238	39,912
Contractual Services	26,927	32,467
Materials	5,276	5,496
Finance Charges	335	250
Depreciation	15,963	16,250
Other Expenses	10,329	9,380
Net Loss - Equity Accounted Council Business	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	97,068	103,755
Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital Revenues	256	(4,654)
CAPITAL REVENUES		
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Monetary Contributions	9,542	4,169
Physical resources received free of charge	2,001	-
Asset disposal and fair value adjustments	(2,102)	-
Net Surplus/(Deficit) resulting from Operations	9,697	(485)

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ATTACHMENT 2

CITY OF MARION		
Budgeted Statement of Financial Position		
	Actual 2021 \$000's	2nd Review 2022 \$000's
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	54,012	26,170
Receivables	8,110	8,110
Inventory	311	311
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	62,433	34,591
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Trade & Other Payables	17,721	17,721
Provisions	6,430	6,430
Borrowings	827	1,961
Lease Liabilities	15	15
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	24,993	26,127
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)	37,440	8,464
<u>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Investment in SRWRA & Council Solutions	6,627	6,992
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	1,129,486	1,166,571
Other Non-Current Assets	10,328	10,328
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	1,146,441	1,183,891
<u>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Provisions	702	702
Borrowings	3,564	12,523
Lease Liabilities	11	11
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	4,277	13,236
NET ASSETS	1,179,604	1,179,119
<u>EQUITY</u>		
Accumulated surplus	403,189	430,124
Asset Revaluation Reserves	732,120	732,120
Other Reserves	44,295	16,875
TOTAL EQUITY	1,179,604	1,179,119

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ATTACHMENT 3

CITY OF MARION		
Budgeted Statement of Changes in Equity		
	Actual	2nd
	2021	Review
	\$000's	2022
		\$000's
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		
Balance at beginning of period	396,604	403,189
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	9,697	(485)
Adjustments	-	-
Transfers from Reserves	(3,112)	28,121
Transfers to Reserves	-	(701)
Balance at end of period	403,189	430,124
ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE		
Balance at beginning of period	753,528	732,120
Net change this year	(21,408)	-
Balance at end of period	732,120	732,120
OTHER RESERVES		
Balance at beginning of period	41,183	44,295
Net change this year	3,112	(27,420)
Balance at end of period	44,295	16,875
Total Reserves	776,415	748,995
TOTAL EQUITY	1,179,604	1,179,119

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ATTACHMENT 4

CITY OF MARION Budgeted Statement of Cash Flows		
	Actual 2021 \$000's	2nd Review 2022 \$000's
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
<i>Receipts</i>	103,808	98,736
<i>Payments</i>	(85,579)	(87,505)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	18,229	11,231
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
<i>Receipts</i>		
Loans Received	-	10,920
Proceeds from Bonds & Deposits	-	-
<i>Payments</i>		
Principal	(1,244)	(827)
Repayment of Finance Lease Liabilities	(143)	-
Repayment of Bonds & Deposits	-	-
NET CASH (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(1,387)	10,093
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
<i>Receipts</i>		
Capital Grants/Subsidies & Contributions/Investments	5,983	4,169
Sale of surplus assets	416	-
Sale of replaced assets	385	-
Distributions from Equity Accounted Investments	-	-
<i>Payments</i>		
Purchase of IPP&E	(23,845)	(53,335)
NET CASH (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(17,061)	(49,166)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD	(219)	(27,842)
CASH AT BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD	54,231	54,012
CASH AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD	54,012	26,170

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CONSULTANTS

Consultants are defined as an expert called on to provide professional or technical advice not currently available within the organisation. An analysis of Council's accounts reveals the following information of actual year to date (to 28th January 2022) expenditure versus full year actuals for 2020/21 relating to expenditure on Consultants of an operating nature:

Legal Consultants <i>(As at 28th January 2nd Budget Review)</i>	Full Year Actual 2020-21	Actual YTD 2021-22
People & Culture (<i>Employment advice</i>)	92,698	19,076
Environmental Health	440	1,722
General Inspection (<i>Dog/Cat & Parking Control</i>)	33,813	11,158
Governance	9,402	3,908
Financial Services	641	100
City Activation	9,241	2,975
Asset & Property Management	41,668	34,875
Development Assessment	97,415	61,218
Civil Services	1,368	2,448
Open Space Services	140	1,319
Community Development	7,817	390
Urban Renewal	0	9,080
Infra Mgt (Engineering)	0	2,870
Total Legal Consultants Expenditure	294,643	151,139
Full Year Budget		232,838

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Other Consultants (excluding legal) (As at 28th January 2nd Budget Review)		Full Year Actual 2020-21		Actual YTD 2021-22
Development Assessment	(a)	66,235	(a)	24,881
Open Space Services		88,379		38,525
Process Improvement		36,059		0
Asset & Property Management		25,761		31,349
Community Facilities Development	(b)	127,789	(b)	63,586
City Activation		23,730		1,027
Civil Services		25,424		0
Contracts & Purchasing		4,484		0
Customer Experience		0		52,200
Governance		20,655		4,080
People & Culture		74,523		14,795
Information Mgt & Technology	(c)	488,580	(c)	227,565
Infrastructure Management (Engineering)		36,745		52,473
Libraries		73		0
Strategic Development		8,666		32,900
Strategy, Performance & Innovation		23,020		3,000
Urban Renewal		75,194		2,375
Recruitment		241,563		187,208
Total Consultants Expenditure		1,366,880		735,964
Full Year Consultants Budgets				2,027,804
CAP Meetings	(a)	24,450	(a)	16,545
Other Projects		41,785		8,336
		66,235		24,881
Marino Hall Feasibility Study	(b)	55,110	(b)	0
Cove Sports Club Feasibility Study		37,394		58,032
City of Marion Museum Feasibility Study		27,925		0
Other Projects		7,360		5,554
		127,789		63,586
Digital Transformation Project	(c)	473,594	(c)	227,565
Other Projects		14,986		0
		488,580		227,565

APPENDIX 2

CITY OF MARION Budgeted Funding Statement		YTD Actual (31 Jan 2022)	YTD Budget (31 Jan 2022)	YTD Variance	Note	2021/22 1st Review	2021/22 2nd Review	2nd Review Variance
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000		\$000's	\$000's	\$000's
OPERATING REVENUE								
	Rates	47,630	47,600	30		81,730	81,793	63
	Statutory Charges	1,443	1,463	(20)		2,106	2,109	3
	User Charges	1,708	1,547	161	1	2,786	2,653	(133)
	Operating Grants and Subsidies	4,003	3,804	199	2	9,240	9,714	474
	Investment Income	258	202	56		346	347	1
	Reimbursements	681	625	56		1,073	1,242	169
	Other Revenues	391	363	28		644	878	234
	Share of Profit - Equity Accounted Investments	-	-	-		365	365	-
		56,114	55,604	510		98,290	99,101	811
OPERATING EXPENSES								
	Employee Costs	21,461	22,147	(686)	3	39,912	39,912	-
	Contractual Services	16,868	15,136	1,732	4	28,777	32,467	3,690
	Materials	2,670	3,023	(353)	5	5,660	5,496	(164)
	Finance Charges	123	125	(2)		252	250	(2)
	Depreciation	9,382	9,412	(30)		16,135	16,250	115
	Other	5,397	5,190	207	6	9,282	9,380	98
		55,901	55,033	868		100,018	103,755	3,737
	Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital rev's	213	571	(358)		(1,728)	(4,654)	(2,926)
Add								
(a)	Capital Revenue							
	Capital Grants and Contributions	274	2,053	(1,779)	7	4,609	4,169	(440)
	Physical Resources received free of charge	-	-	-		-	-	-
	Asset disposal and fair value adjustments	(76)	-	(76)		-	-	-
Equals	Net Surplus/(Deficit) resulting from operations	411	2,624	(2,213)		2,881	(485)	(3,366)
Add	Depreciation	9,382	9,412	(30)		16,135	16,250	115
	(Gain)/Loss on disposal of assets	76	-	76		-	-	-
	Share of Profit SRWRA	-	-	-		(365)	(365)	-
Equals	Funding available for Capital Investment exp	9,869	12,036	(2,167)		18,651	15,400	(3,251)
	Capital							
Less	Capital Expenditure - Renewal	3,582	6,838	(3,256)	8	17,747	14,775	(2,972)
Less	Capital Expenditure - New	18,895	26,373	(7,478)	9	41,807	38,560	(3,247)
Less	Capital - contributed assets	-	-	-		-	-	-
Equals	Net Overall funding Surplus/(Deficit)	(12,608)	(21,175)	8,567		(40,904)	(37,935)	2,969
Funding transactions associated with accomodating the above net overall funding deficit (or applying the net overall funding surplus) are as follows:								
	LOANS							
	Loan Principal Receipts (Net)	-	-	-		10,920	10,920	-
	Loan Receipts from Sporting Clubs (Net)	-	-	-		-	-	-
Less	Loan Principal Payments	407	407	-		827	827	-
	Loan funding (Net)	(407)	(407)	-		10,093	10,093	-
	Movement in level of cash & accruals							
(b)	Cash Surplus/(Deficit) funding requirements	17,308	8,741	8,567		(488)	(422)	66
	Reserves Net (transfer to/(transfer from))	(30,323)	(30,323)	-		(30,323)	(27,420)	2,903
	Cash/Investments/Accruals Funding	(13,015)	(21,582)	8,567		(30,811)	(27,842)	2,969
Equals	Funding Transactions	12,608	21,175	(8,567)		40,904	37,935	(2,969)

APPENDIX 2

Year to Date Variance Analysis			
Note	Description	Variance	Comments
1	User Charges	161	Favourable variance predominantly relates to timing of the Marion Outdoor Pool income in addition to income tracking higher than expected. Budget has been increase by \$87k in BR2
2	Operating Grants	199	Favourable variance reflects timing of grants received earlier than predicted and small unexpected grants received but not budgeted for
3	Employee Costs	(686)	Favourable variance due to timing lag in agency staff expenditure and savings from temporary vacant positions
4	Contractual Services	1,732	Unfavourable timing variances with regards to Trees (\$292k), Sturt Road Streetscapes (\$223k), prepayment of IT licences (\$195k), Recruitment costs (\$137k) and Alawoona Avenue Streetscape expenditure reclassified from capital to operating
5	Materials	(353)	Favourable timing variance relating to Electricity (\$135k), Gardening & Tree supplies (\$136k)
6	Other Expenses	207	Favourable variance relating to timing of Insurance Premium payments (\$90k), Learning & Development (\$75k)
7	Capital Grants & Contributions	(1,779)	Unfavourable timing variance relating to the Local Roads & Community Infrastructure grant not yet received
8	Capital Expenditure Renewal	3,256	Variance reflects timing of Road Reseal program (\$1,178k), Footpath Construction (\$640k), Alawwona Avenue Streetscape allocated to operating (\$991k) and various other insignificant timing variances
9	Capital Expenditure New	7,478	Reflects timing of progress payments for Mitchell Park Sports and Community Club Redevelopment (\$3,810k) and Southern Soccer Regional Facility (\$1,181k), timing of Capella Drive Reserve (\$800k), Birch Crescent Streetscape (\$483k), Tarnham Road Tennis Court Redevelopment (\$425k), Hugh Johnson Reserve (\$3151k) and a number of other variances which are individually insignificant

APPENDIX 3

2nd Budget Review 2021-22 - Capital Works removed from Budget	
Job	Details
Roadworks at The Cove Road, Hallett Cove	The surface condition of the road was inspected and no intervention is required for reseal yet. Water main has recently burst on Cove Road and currently undertaking surveys to ensure movement has settled before resealing. Load restriction is currently in place with a lower risk of further deterioration. To defer and reassess in the 2022/23 road reseal program
Roadworks at Railway Court, Sheidow Park	SA Water works and trenching along the entire length of the court. Will consider these works in the 2022/23 road reseal program
Roadworks at William Webb Drive, Sheidow Park	SA Water works and trenching along the entire length of the court. Will consider these works in the 2022/23 road reseal program
Roadworks at Tarrana Avenue, Plympton Park	Minor works no longer deemed required for this section of the road reseal
Roadworks at High Street, Seacliff Park	Inspection of the surface revealed only crack sealing was required rather than a full road reseal
Roadworks at Rosedale Avenue, Morphettville	Minor works no longer deemed required for this section of the road reseal
Parking Bays at River Parade, Hallett Cove	Informal consultation undertaken with residents on the street identified potential issues with the proposed installation of the parking bays including visual amenity of the street, potential anti social behaviour and issues extending parking bay on western side due to coastal revegetation areas and slope drop off. Works removed from this years program with a view to look at alternative options in future years programs
Parking Bays at Collins Avenue, Edwardstown	Collins Street was part of the Street Tree Planting schedule last year which saw trees planted on or near some locations that were noted for indented parking. Upon further review it was recommended to review current parking restrictions in the street (currently 1 and 2 hour parking) to provide greater benefit to train commuters. Previous consultation to alter restrictions only received 25% response so will look for further input from the community before committing works
Parking Bays at Park Terrace, Morphettville	The Morphettville Racecourse Redevelopment (SAJC) is likely to modify or alter the function of Park Terrace so these works will be deferred until further information is known on their project

12.6 Call for Nominations for Members of GAROC - Casual Vacancies

Report Reference	GCYMMDDR12.6
Originating Officer	Executive Officer to the Chief Executive Officer – Dana Bartlett
Corporate Manager	Manager Office of the Chief Executive - Kate McKenzie
General Manager	Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is to determine if Council wishes to submit any nominations in response to the Local Government Association (LGA) call for absence nominations for Members of the Greater Adelaide Regional Organisation of Council (GAROC).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Correspondence has been received from the LGA (Attachment 1) to fill two absence vacancies due to Mayor Thompson (Onkaparinga) and Mayor Holmes-Ross (Mitcham) declaring their intention to run in the South Australian State Election.

The GAROC Terms of Reference (Attachment 2) provide at clause 4.7.1. that a replacement member will be appointed for any period of leave of absence by resolution of the majority of Members comprising the Regional Grouping of Member relevant to the person the subject of the leave of absence. Both Mayor Thompson and Mayor Holmes are representatives of the South Regional Grouping of Members, which comprises the Cities of Marion, Mitcham and Onkaparinga.

The LGA has received legal advice that whilst a full election process is not required to fill the absences, the absences are required to be filled. The process to apply is that a majority of the Members of the relevant Regional Grouping must choose to appoint a person to fill an absence, by ordinary council resolution. This means that all three Councils can nominate, with the result being that two of the three Councils nominate the same persons.

Informal discussions with Council have suggested that Deputy Mayor Hutchinson will be nominated as the City of Marion nominee. This has been conveyed to both Mitcham and Onkaparinga advising that this will be ratified by Council at its meeting of 22 February 2022.

The City of Mitcham have informed that they have nominated Councillor Lindy Taeuber. The City of Onkaparinga have informed that they nominated Councillor Geoff Eaton. Council must choose to support one of these nominations.

The appointment to the vacant positions is determined by a majority resolution from the three Councils.

The next meeting of GAROC is scheduled for 28 February 2022 9am - 12pm, the nominated Councillor will be required to attend the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Nominates Councillor Luke Hutchinson as the City of Marion representative for the position of a member to the Local Government Association's South Regional Grouping of the Greater Adelaide Regional Organisation of Councils for the period of the leave of absence commencing at the close of nominations for the State election and concluding at the time the result of the State election is publicly declared.**
- 2. Nominate (XX) from City of Mitcham/Onkaparinga to fill the second vacancy to the Local Government Association's South Regional Grouping of the Greater Adelaide Regional Organisation of Councils for the period of the leave of absence commencing at the close of nominations for the State election and concluding at the time the result of the State election is publicly declared.**
- 3. Notes that the above information will be forwarded to the LGA**

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1- Letter to GAROC South CEOs re absences of Mayor Thompson and Mayor Holmes - Ross [**12.6.1** - 2 pages]
2. Attachment 2 - LG A- GAROC- ToR-effective-23- July-2020 [**12.6.2** - 14 pages]
3. GAROC NOMINATION Cr Taeuber City of Mitcham [**12.6.3** - 1 page]



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In reply please quote our reference: ECM 772381 TN/AL

9 February 2022

Mr Tony Harrison, Mr Matthew Pears & Mr Scott Ashby
Chief Executive Officers
City of Marion, City of Mitcham & City of Onkaparinga

CC to: Mayor Kris Hanna, Mayor Erin Thompson & Mayor Holmes-Ross

Dear CEOs

GAROC – absences of Mayor Thompson and Mayor Holmes-Ross to be filled

As you are aware both Mayor Thompson (Onkaparinga) and Mayor Holmes-Ross (Mitcham) are contesting the upcoming State Election. Section 55A (Leave of absence—council member contesting election) of the *Local Government Act 1999* commenced operation on 20 September 2021 and provides that if a person holding office as a member of a council stands as a candidate for election to State Parliament, the member will be taken to have been granted leave of absence from the date on which nominations for the election close until the result of the election is publicly declared. This leave of absence applies to all roles held by the council member, which includes appointments to GAROC and the LGA Board.

The GAROC Terms of Reference provide at clause 4.7.1. that a replacement member of GAROC will be appointed for any period of leave of absence by resolution of the majority of Members comprising the Regional Grouping of Member relevant to the person the subject of the leave of absence. Both Mayor Thompson and Mayor Holmes are representatives of the South Regional Grouping of Members, which comprises the Cities of Marion, Mitcham and Onkaparinga.

We have received legal advice indicating that whilst a full election process is not required to fill the absences, the absences are required to be filled. The process to apply is that a majority of the Members of the relevant Regional Grouping must choose to appoint a person to fill an absence, by ordinary council resolution. This appointment is determined by a majority resolution, i.e. two of the three South Regional Grouping of Members, in support of the appointment to the absence. As there are two absences to be filled, it is necessary for the resolution to identify two persons to fill the absences on GAROC.

Given the above, I'm writing to request that you facilitate a process whereby each of your council will resolve in support of two persons to fill the absences on GAROC, commencing as soon as practicable after the close of nominations for the State election and concluding at the time the result of the State election is publicly declared. I anticipate the process to determine persons to fill the GAROC absences might involve the following:

- Discussion and agreement between the three councils as to nominees
- Presentation of a consistent report to the three councils seeking a resolution naming two council members to fill the absences
- Advice to the LGA of the council resolution



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Subject to a majority resolution, the LGA would then facilitate the participation of the appointed members in GAROC meetings/activities for the duration of the absence.

The next meeting of GAROC is scheduled for 28 February 2022 and ideally, the persons appointed to the absences will be in attendance at that meeting. I appreciate the timing of your ordinary council meeting will impact the provision of your council resolution on this matter.

Could you please assist your councils to take the necessary steps in order to fill the absences arising on GAROC and provide a copy of your council's resolution at the earliest opportunity? If you have any questions in relation to the process please contact Lea Bacon, Acting Executive Director Policy (e – lea.bacon@lga.sa.gov.au or t-8224 2025).

Yours sincerely

Clinton Jury

Chief Executive Officer

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LGA GAROC Terms of Reference

Effective 23 July 2020



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GAROC Terms of Reference

Adopted by the LGA Board on 23 July 2020 and re-ratified by Members at the AGM held 29 October 2021

1. Establishment

In accordance with clause 19 of the Local Government Association of South Australia Constitution and Rules (**Constitution**) there are 2 regional organisations of Members: the South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils (**SAROC**) and the Greater Adelaide Regional Organisation of Councils (**GAROC**).

2. Terms of Reference

- 2.1.** These Terms of Reference set out the functions to be discharged by GAROC.
- 2.2.** The operation of the Terms of Reference may be altered by the Board of Directors either generally or in respect of specific circumstances by resolution with the exception of clauses 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4. A resolution for the purposes of this clause 2.2 will be reported to the chairperson of GAROC within 24 hours of the meeting of the Board of Directors at which the resolution was passed.
- 2.3.** These Terms of Reference will be presented to the Members at a General Meeting for ratification annually (or more frequently as determined by the Board).
- 2.4.** Clauses 4.2, 4.3 or 4.4 of this Terms of Reference may be altered only:
 - 2.4.1.** By resolution passed at a General Meeting of which at least 30 days' notice has been given to Members; and
 - 2.4.2.** With approval of the Minister.
- 2.5.** The term:

GAROC Region means the combined local government area of each Member listed in the Schedule and the City of Adelaide.

GAROC Regional Grouping means all of the Members of the Regional Groupings of Members as identified in the Schedule and, for the purposes of Clause 6 of these Terms of Reference and Clause 28.6 of the Constitution, includes the City of Adelaide.
- 2.6.** A capitalised term not defined in this document has the meaning provided for the term in the Constitution.
- 3. Status**

GAROC is a committee of the LGA and is responsible to the Board of Directors for the discharge of its functions.
- 4. GAROC**
 - 4.1. Role**

The role of GAROC is regional advocacy, policy initiation and review, leadership, engagement and capacity building in the GAROC Region.



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4.2. Membership

- 4.2.1. Each Regional Grouping of Members listed in the schedule to these Terms of Reference will elect in accordance with clause 4.3 and 4.4 from the Members of the Regional Grouping of Members, 2 Council Members of Members in the Regional Grouping of Members as members of GAROC provided that each person elected is from a different Member.
- 4.2.2. In addition to the members of GAROC elected in accordance with clause 4.2.1, the Lord Mayor of the City of Adelaide will be a standing member of GAROC.

4.3. Nominations for election to GAROC

- 4.3.1. The members of GAROC will be elected biennially.
- 4.3.2. In the year in which GAROC members will be elected, and at least 3 months before the Annual General Meeting, the Chief Executive shall write to all Members of the GAROC Regional Grouping as listed in the schedule calling for nominations for the membership of GAROC.
- 4.3.3. Each Member of the GAROC Regional Grouping may nominate a candidate for membership of GAROC, provided that:
 - (a) a person nominated as a member of GAROC must be a representative of a member on the relevant Regional Grouping of Members; and
 - (b) only a Council Member can be nominated to GAROC.
- 4.3.4. A nomination of a person as a member of GAROC must be by resolution of the Member received by the Chief Executive not later than 5 pm on the day specified for the closure of nominations (**Close of Nominations**). A nomination must be signed by the candidate indicating his or her willingness to stand for election and be in the form determined by the Chief Executive.

4.4. Election to GAROC

- 4.4.1. The Chief Executive shall be the returning officer for any election of members to GAROC.
- 4.4.2. After the Close of Nominations, the Chief Executive will notify Members of each Regional Grouping of Members of the candidates for membership of GAROC nominated by the Regional Grouping of Members.
- 4.4.3. If the only nominations received from a Regional Grouping of Members by the Close of Nominations match the membership positions described in clause 4.2.1, then the Chief Executive will declare those persons duly elected to those membership positions.
- 4.4.4. If the number of persons nominated by the Close of Nominations by a Regional Grouping of Members exceeds the number of membership positions described in clause 4.2.1, then an election for the purpose of clause 4.2.1 must be held in accordance with this clause.



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- 4.4.5. In the event of an election being required, the Chief Executive shall conduct the election as follows:
- (a) at least six weeks before the Annual General Meeting, the Chief Executive shall deliver ballot papers to each Member of the Regional Grouping of Members;
 - (b) the ballot papers shall:
 - (i) list the candidates for election;
 - (ii) specify the day of closure of the election;
 - (iii) be accompanied by an envelope marked "Ballot Paper" and a second envelope marked "Returning Officer";
 - (c) each Member shall determine by resolution the candidate or candidates (as relevant) it wishes to elect;
 - (d) the chair of the meeting for that Member shall mark the ballot paper with an "X" next to the candidate or candidates (as relevant) that the Member wishes elected and seal the ballot paper in the envelope marked "Ballot Paper" inside the envelope marked "Returning Officer". Before sealing the second envelope the chair must indicate the Member's name on the inside flap of the envelope. The envelope may then be sealed and delivered to the Returning Officer;
 - (e) on receipt of the envelopes the Chief Executive must:
 - (i) open the outer envelope addressed to the "Returning Officer" and record the name of the Member which appears on the inside flap of the envelope on the roll of Member's eligible to vote; and
 - (ii) place the envelope marked "Ballot Paper" unopened into the ballot box;
 - (f) the Chief Executive shall nominate the date, time and place for the counting of votes and shall invite each candidate and a person nominated as the candidate's scrutineer to be present;
 - (g) at the counting of the votes the Chief Executive shall produce unopened envelopes marked "Ballot Paper" and if satisfied that all votes are valid, count the number of votes received by each candidate;
 - (h) in respect of an election for the purposes of clause 4.2.1, the 2 candidates from a Regional Grouping of Members with the most votes shall be deemed elected in respect of that Regional Grouping of Members and the Chief Executive shall declare the candidates elected at the Annual General Meeting; and
 - (i) in the case of candidates for membership positions described in clause 4.2.1 from a Regional Grouping of Members receiving the same number of votes, the Chief Executive shall draw lots at the counting of the votes to determine which candidate is elected.



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- 4.4.6. The Chief Executive may, in his or her discretion, appoint a deputy returning officer and delegate any of his or her powers, functions or duties to that person who shall act accordingly.
- 4.4.7. The Chief Executive may, in his or her discretion, delegate any of his or her powers, functions or duties to an Executive Officer of a Regional Grouping of Members who shall act accordingly for the conduct of elections for the purpose of clause 4.2.1 in respect of the Regional Grouping of Members relevant to that Executive Officer.

4.5. Term of office

The term of office for members of GAROC shall commence after the Annual General Meeting of the year in which the member is elected. Each member of GAROC will serve for a period of 2 years or until a circumstance causing a casual vacancy as described in clause 4.7.2 occurs.

4.6. Duties

- 4.6.1. Each member of GAROC must:
 - (a) undertake his or her role as a GAROC member honestly and act with reasonable care and diligence in the performance and discharge of functions and duties;
 - (b) not make improper use of information acquired by virtue of his or her position as a GAROC member to gain, directly or indirectly, an advantage for himself or herself or for another person or to cause detriment to the LGA;
 - (c) not make improper use of his or her position as a GAROC member to gain, directly or indirectly, an advantage for himself or herself or for another person or to cause detriment to the LGA; and
 - (d) not act in any matter where the GAROC member has a conflict of interest (provided that an interest shared in common with all or a substantial proportion of the members of GAROC will not be an interest giving rise to a conflict of interest).

4.7. Absences and casual vacancies

- 4.7.1. A leave of absence may be granted to a member of GAROC by resolution of GAROC. A replacement member of GAROC will be appointed for the period of the leave of absence by resolution of the majority of Members comprising the Regional Grouping of Members relevant to the person the subject of the leave of absence.
- 4.7.2. A casual vacancy will occur in the office of a member of GAROC if the member of GAROC:
 - (a) dies;
 - (b) resigns from GAROC;
 - (c) is dismissed by resolution of the Board of Directors from GAROC for Misconduct;



- (d) ceases to be a Council Member;
- (e) the Member for which the member of GAROC is a Council Member is no longer a member of the Local Government Association; or
- (f) an administrator is appointed to administer the affairs of the Member for which the member of GAROC is a Council Member.

4.7.3. If there is a casual vacancy in the membership of GAROC, then the Regional Grouping of Members relevant to the GAROC member the subject of the casual vacancy will appoint by resolution of the majority of Members comprising the Regional Grouping of Members another Council Member to serve as a member of GAROC for the balance of the membership term.

5. Responsibilities

5.1. Board of Directors

- 5.1.1. The role of the Board of Directors is to oversee corporate governance of the LGA and provide strategic direction and leadership.
- 5.1.2. The duties of the Board of Directors are to ensure that:
 - (a) the LGA acts in accordance with applicable laws and the Constitution;
 - (b) the LGA acts ethically and with integrity, respecting diversity and striving for gender balance participation in all activities;
 - (c) the activities of the LGA are conducted efficiently and effectively and that the assets of the LGA are properly managed and maintained;
 - (d) subject to any overriding fiduciary or other duty to maintain confidentiality, the affairs of the LGA are undertaken in an open and transparent manner; and
 - (e) the LGA performs to its business plan and achieves or better the financial outcomes projected in its budget.
- 5.1.3. The Board of Directors may from time to time refer matters to GAROC for consideration.
- 5.1.4. The Board of Directors will receive, consider and respond to any report and recommendations provided to the Board of Directors by GAROC.
- 5.1.5. The Board of Directors will periodically review the performance of GAROC.

5.2. GAROC

- 5.2.1. GAROC will fulfil its functions under these Terms of Reference in a timely, objective and professional manner consistent with the 'LGA Strategic Management Framework'.
- 5.2.2. GAROC may, through the Chief Executive and at the LGA's expense, seek external legal, financial or other advice on matters within its functions or concerning these Terms of Reference.



5.3. Chief Executive

- 5.3.1. The Chief Executive will make available to GAROC information of the LGA which is relevant to the functions of GAROC.
- 5.3.2. The Chief Executive will ensure that administrative support and other resources are made available to GAROC as included in the GAROC approved annual business plan and budget to enable GAROC to discharge its obligations under these Terms of Reference.
- 5.3.3. Resources made available to GAROC will include resourcing by the LGA Office or external resources considered appropriate by the Chief Executive acting in consultation with GAROC.

6. Functions of GAROC

6.1. LGA Object

- 6.1.1. The object of the LGA is to achieve public value through the promotion and advancement of the interests of local government by:
 - (a) advocating to achieve greater influence for local government in matters affecting councils and communities;
 - (b) assisting member councils to build capacity and increase sustainability through integrated and coordinated local government; and
 - (c) advancing local government through best practice and continuous improvement.
- 6.1.2. GAROC will assist in the achievement of the LGA's object by:
 - (a) supporting the activities of the LGA at a regional level;
 - (b) promoting communication between Members and between Members and the LGA;
 - (c) advocating in respect of matters which affect the GAROC Regional Grouping;
 - (d) encouraging engagement of Members within the GAROC Regional Grouping with GAROC and the LGA; and
 - (e) participating in policy development and implementation.

6.2. Consideration and referral of Member items of business

- 6.2.1. Any Member of the GAROC Regional Grouping may raise an item of business for the consideration of the Board of Directors or a General Meeting with GAROC. The item of business must be clearly described in writing, including an indication as to whether the impact of the item is confined to the Member or has broader implications for the local government sector.
- 6.2.2. GAROC will consider each item of business raised with GAROC by a Member.



- 6.2.3. A Member may be invited by GAROC to address a meeting of GAROC in respect of the proposed item of business.
- 6.2.4. Where considered appropriate by GAROC on the basis of the nature, scope and impact or potential impact of the item on the local government sector, GAROC will refer the item to either the Board of Directors or a General Meeting.
- 6.2.5. GAROC will inform the Member which has raised the item of business as to whether or not the item will be referred to the Board of Directors or a General Meeting.
- 6.2.6. Where an item of business is not referred to the Board of Directors or a General Meeting, GAROC may provide assistance or guidance to the Member in respect of progressing the matter.

6.3. Proposals for policy development

- 6.3.1. GAROC may develop proposals for policy positions for consideration at a General Meeting either in response to an issue raised by a Member within the GAROC Regional Grouping or independently.
- 6.3.2. A policy position developed by GAROC will be referred to the Board of Directors for consideration and determination as to whether or not the position should be put for consideration and adoption to a General Meeting.

6.4. Election to Board of Directors

- 6.4.1. GAROC will elect 3 members of GAROC (each of which must be a Council Member with relevant business and governance experience) to the Board of Directors.
- 6.4.2. In addition to Directors elected under clause 6.4.1, the chairperson of GAROC will be a Director.
- 6.4.3. The term of office as a Director of the 3 persons elected to the Board of Directors by GAROC and the chairperson of GAROC will commence after the Annual General Meeting of the year in which the person is elected and shall be for 2 years or until a casual vacancy in that office occurs.
- 6.4.4. Persons elected under clause 6.4.1 are eligible for re-election for subsequent terms.

6.5. Strategic and annual business planning

- 6.5.1. GAROC will develop, in consultation with the Members of the GAROC Regional Grouping, a 4 year strategic plan for regional advocacy, policy initiation and review, leadership, engagement and capacity building in the GAROC Region. The strategic plan will be reviewed and updated annually by GAROC by June each year.
- 6.5.2. GAROC will develop, in consultation with the Members within the GAROC Regional Group, an annual business plan for the next financial year by June each year.



6.5.3. The strategic plan and annual business plan for the next financial year will be presented to the Board of Directors for approval by June each year.

6.6. Other functions

GAROC will undertake any other functions:

6.6.1. of GAROC set out in the Constitution; and

6.6.2. delegated by the Board of Directors to GAROC.

7. Budget

7.1.1. GAROC will by June each year develop and adopt a budget to cover anticipated expenses of activities under the strategic plan and annual business plan during the next financial year. After adoption by GAROC, the budget will be provided to the Board of Directors for consideration and approval.

7.1.2. GAROC will provide a financial report to the Board of Directors no later than September providing a true and correct record of the expenditure of GAROC against the annual budget.

7.1.3. The chairperson of GAROC will meet with the Audit Committee of the LGA or the LGA's external auditor on request to discuss the GAROC financial report.

8. Committees

GAROC may establish committees consisting of any person with relevant experience, skill or expertise for any purpose and determine the terms of reference for such committees.

9. Meetings of GAROC

9.1. Resolution of the Board of Directors

Requirements under this clause 9 may be altered, supplemented or replaced by resolution of the Board of Directors.

9.2. Frequency of meetings and venue

9.2.1. GAROC will meet at least once in each 2 month period at such times and places as shall be determined by the Chief Executive.

9.2.2. Any member of GAROC or the Board of Directors may convene additional meetings of GAROC.

9.2.3. Notice of a meeting of GAROC will be provided in writing to members of GAROC by the Chief Executive no less than 7 days prior to the meeting providing the date, time and place of the meeting and the proposed business to be conducted at the meeting.

9.3. Chairperson

9.3.1. The chairperson of GAROC will be a Council Member appointed by GAROC.

9.3.2. The chairperson will be the official spokesperson for GAROC.



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- 9.3.3. If the chairperson of GAROC is absent from a meeting of GAROC then the members attending the GAROC meeting will appoint a chairperson for the purposes of that meeting.

9.4. Decision making

- 9.4.1. All questions arising at a meeting of GAROC shall be decided by a simple majority vote of the members of GAROC present and voting on each question.
- 9.4.2. The Chair of the meeting has a deliberative vote and, if there are equal numbers of votes on any question, a casting vote.

9.5. Meeting procedure

The meeting procedures determined by the Board of Directors from time to time will apply to meetings of GAROC.

9.6. Attendance

- 9.6.1. Meetings of GAROC will be closed to the public.
- 9.6.2. GAROC may invite any person to attend its meetings.

9.7. Minutes

- 9.7.1. Minutes will be kept of all GAROC meetings including a record of the actions of GAROC.
- 9.7.2. Within 48 hours of a GAROC meeting, the chairperson will review and confirm the draft minutes. The draft minutes will then be circulated to GAROC members for comment and if necessary amendment before being certified as correct by the chairperson.

9.8. Quorum

The quorum for a meeting of GAROC is one half of the members of GAROC, plus 1 member of GAROC (provided that at least 1 member elected by each Regional Grouping of Members must be present except for a Regional Grouping of Members with no representation on GAROC).

9.9. Performance assessment

GAROC will assess its performance against:

- 9.9.1. the strategic plan and annual business plan each quarter; and
- 9.9.2. these Terms of Reference annually.

9.10. Reporting

- 9.10.1. A Director elected by GAROC will provide a verbal report to the Board of Directors on key matters being considered by GAROC at each Board of Director's meeting at which the minutes of GAROC are to be considered by the Board of Directors.



- 9.10.2. Any matter relevant to regional advocacy, policy initiation and review, leadership, engagement and capacity building in the GAROC Region considered to be of significance to the corporate governance, strategic direction and leadership of the LGA will be reported by GAROC to the Board as soon as practicable after GAROC has considered the matter.
- 9.10.3. GAROC will provide an annual report to the Board of Directors by September each year summarising:
- (a) the discharge of GAROC's responsibilities and functions under these Terms of Reference and against the strategic plan and annual business plan;
 - (b) the activities of GAROC during the financial year;
 - (c) items of business referred to the Board of Directors or a General Meeting during the financial year; and
 - (d) items being considered by GAROC which have not been reported to the Board of Directors and the intended actions in respect of those matters.

10. Access to information

- 10.1.1. GAROC is entitled, acting through the Chief Executive, to access any information or discuss matters with staff of the LGA Office.
- 10.1.2. A copy of the agenda for a GAROC meeting, reports to be considered by GAROC and minutes of GAROC meetings certified under clause 9.7.2 will be available to all Directors.
- 10.1.3. Subject to confidentiality requirements as determined by the Board of Directors or GAROC, a copy of the GAROC agenda, reports and minutes certified under clause 9.7.2 will be published on the LGA website for review by Members.

11. Administration

- 11.1. Subject to clause 11.2, an administrator appointed to administer the affairs of the Member may exercise the rights and satisfy the obligations of the administered Member under these Terms of Reference.

- 11.2. An administrator is ineligible to be a member of GAROC.

12. Transitional provisions

12.1. Interpretation

- 12.1.1. Transitional arrangements associated with these Terms of Reference are set out in this clause 12.
- 12.1.2. In this clause 12:



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"Commencement Date" means the date on which both of the following criteria have been satisfied (regardless of the order in which they are satisfied):

- (a) these Terms of Reference have been adopted by resolution passed at a General Meeting of which at least 30 days' notice has been given to Members; and
- (b) the Minister has approved the amendments to clauses 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4.

"Previous Terms of Reference" means the terms of reference for GAROC in operation immediately prior to the Commencement Date.

"Transitional Period" means the period between the Commencement Date and the Annual General Meeting in 2020.

- 12.1.3. The term of office of each member of GAROC appointed prior to the Commencement Date will expire at the Annual General Meeting in 2020 or when a casual vacancy arises under clause 4.7.2.
- 12.1.4. If a leave of absence is granted under clause 4.7.1 in respect of a member of GAROC during the Transitional Period, a replacement member of GAROC will be appointed for the period of the leave of absence by resolution of the majority of Members comprising the Regional Grouping of Members specified in the schedule to the Previous Terms of Reference.
- 12.1.5. If a casual vacancy arises under clause 4.7.2 in respect of a member of GAROC during the Transitional Period, another Council Member will be appointed to serve as a member of GAROC for the balance of the membership term by resolution of the majority of Members comprising the Regional Grouping of Members specified in the schedule to the Previous Terms of Reference.



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Schedule: List of Regional Groupings of Members within the GAROC Regional Grouping

Regional Grouping of Members	Members
North	Gawler Playford Salisbury Tea Tree Gully
West	Charles Sturt Holdfast Bay Port Adelaide Enfield West Torrens
South	Marion Mitcham Onkaparinga
East	Adelaide Hills Burnside Campbelltown Norwood Payneham & St Peters Prospect Unley Walkerville



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GAROC Nominee 16 February 2022	
Name	Cr Lindy Taeuber 
Council	City of Mitcham
Local Government Experience & Knowledge	<p>Elected Member 2014 – present.</p> <p>I have spent most of my life volunteering in the community (School Committees, Friends of Parks, History & Heritage Advocacy & writing, Mentoring of Sudanese Refugee Families) and saw being an Elected Member as a more significant way of serving the community.</p> <p>Served on or represented the City of Mitcham on Grants Committee, Australia Day Awards Committee, Department of Infrastructure and Transport South Road Upgrade Community Liaison Committee, Carrick Hill Board, Blackwood High School Governing Council).</p>
Local Government Policy views and Interests	<p>My nomination seeks to ensure that representation from the City of Mitcham will provide continuity, adding to the diversity of contributions to GAROC.</p> <p>Additionally, the City of Mitcham has for some time been a strong advocate of the Local Government Association as the peak body representing all South Australian Councils which aligns with my personal vision for every South Australian to have the best local government experience. I have a strong passion for (but not limited to);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental reform and sustainability, • Preserving and protecting Local Heritage and character whilst advancing modern innovative and sustainable planning and design, • Industry wide innovation and reforms, • Community Engagement, • Achieving public value and accessibility to local government services, • Advancing and advocating for local government, • Strong policy development that guides strategic outcomes, • Building strong relationships & partnering in collaboration with Local, State and Federal Government, NFPs, Industry & other
Qualifications & Employment History	<p>Bachelor of Arts (Urban & Rural Geography Majors), Post Graduate Diploma in Education.</p> <p>Murdoch Group of Newspapers – Client Liaison (Adelaide & London), Teaching (Adelaide & Delhi), Council (Community Programs Officer), Private Enterprise & other</p>
Other information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I work hard, come to meetings prepared & ready to listen & contribute. • I have never been a member of a political party which should be useful as GAROC progresses through the 2022 State and Federal elections. • Sound working relationships with all stakeholders. • Attended South Australian Local Government initiated events and meetings including; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide, ◦ Resilient South, Heritage & Health. • Attendee of Australian Local Government Association and Local Government Association Annual General Meetings and Ordinary Meetings including presenting motions as a Deputy Voting Delegate on behalf of City of Mitcham.
Personal qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organised, enthusiastic, empathic, collaborative, articulate and adaptable.

13 Corporate Reports for Information/Noting

13.2 Sports Lighting Audit

Report Reference	GC220222R13.2
Originating Officer	Unit Manager Sport & Recreational Community Facilities – Mark Hubbard
Corporate Manager	Manager City Property - Thuyen Vi-Alternetti
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Development – Tony Lines

REPORT OBJECTIVE

This report provides Council with an overview of the outcomes of the sports lighting audit conducted in 2021.

REPORT HISTORY

Report Reference	Report Title
GC210127R09	Sports Lighting Projects

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To inform Council's future planning a sports lighting audit has been completed as an extension to the Smart Lighting project incorporated into the Smart CoM Action Plan FY20/21. The audit provides base line data that can inform a strategic approach to improving lighting across Council's sports facilities.

Specifically, the audit provided:

- Preliminary visual analysis of the current condition of poles, fixtures and fittings as well as an initial assessment of compliance to Australian sports lighting standards.
- GIS Locations for all lights, asset management data sets for improved record keeping and identifying future funding requirements.

The condition audit identified Ascot Park Bowling Club, Marion Oval, Glandore Oval and Mitchell Park Oval as sites where poles and bases require attention. Council has already committed to installing new compliant LED lighting systems at Marion Oval and Glandore Oval in 2022, and new lighting is planned to be installed at Ascot Park Bowling Club as part of Council's 2022/23 Capital Works Program. Further assessment of the Mitchell Park lighting was undertaken and it determined that the suggested maintenance identified related to non-sporting reserve lighting.

At the time of the audit the lighting levels at 16 of the 25 sites were considered non-compliant; however due to recent and planned lighting projects across 2021 and 2022, there will only be seven sports sites considered to be non-compliant by the end of this year. The list of the 25 sites and each site's compliance is provided as Attachment 1.

The sites considered to be non-compliant (that have not already been programed for improvements) will require a more detailed assessment to understand what investment is required to upgrade each site to meet the required standard. This additional assessment is planned to occur in 2022/23.

It is important to note that across the 2020/21 and 2021/22 financial years Council has already invested \$1,391,760 into Sports Lighting upgrades that includes:

- Plympton Oval
- Edwardstown Bowling Club
- Cove Netball Club
- Marion Oval
- Glandore Oval
- Marion Tennis Club
- Marion RSL Bowls.

There has also been significant investment into lighting upgrades since 2017 as part of the Tennis and Netball Review.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes the report.

DISCUSSION

The Sports Lighting Audit was conducted as part of a broader condition assessment of Council's reserves and sports facility lighting. The aims of the audit were to collect and compile a database of Council's existing lighting assets and their current condition and compliance to Australian Standards. The intention is to use the audit information to inform Council's approach to upgrading and maintaining its sports lighting infrastructure.

A total of 25 facilities with sports lighting were visited and reviewed by field auditors between April and May 2021.

Sports Lighting Compliance

The lux level readings taken by the appointed contractor provided a high level assessment of the lighting compliance at 25 sports venues within the City of Marion. The audit found:

- 7 of the sites had compliant lighting.
- 16 sites were considered non-compliant to the relative lighting level standard. Of the 16 sites that were reported as non-compliant:
 - 1 site has since been upgraded (Plympton Oval)
 - 4 sites are scheduled for upgrading in 2022 (Marion Oval, Glandore Oval, Marion Tennis, Tarnham Reserve).
 - 3 sites are being decommissioned in 2022 (Cove BMX, Weaver Street, Glandore Netball).
 - 1 site is on the Capital Works plan for 2022/23 (Ascot Park Bowling Club)
 - 7 sites will undergo a more detailed secondary lighting level assessment to confirm the gap to comply with the applicable standards. This work will be undertaken in 2022/23.
- 2 sites were undetermined and require further assessment.

Any sites that are deemed to be non-compliant and in poor condition after the secondary detailed lighting assessment is completed will be prioritised into Council's capital renewal program.

With these sites in mind, future planning can also incorporate identifying grant and external funding opportunities to support the forecast level of investment.

Condition Assessment

The condition audit recommended some priority maintenance works to address rust as well as repainting poles that are subject to corrosion due to paint peel, particularly in coastal areas.

Ascot Park Bowling Club, Marion Oval, Glandore Oval and Mitchell Park Oval were listed as priority sites where poles and bases require maintenance works. Three of these four sites will be addressed across 2022 and 2023.

Marion Oval and Glandore Oval will have new lighting towers (including poles and bases) and LED lighting systems installed in early 2022 as part of the sports lighting project endorsed at the General Council Meeting (report ref GC210127R09) on 27 January 2021.

A new lighting design has been developed for Ascot Park Bowling Club to replace the existing lighting that has been deemed a priority due to maintenance needs and poor lighting levels. This project has been allocated for funding in Council's 2022/23 Capital Works Program.

Further assessment was undertaken of the Mitchell Park lighting to understand the extent of works that may be required to address some of the maintenance observations in the audit report. It was discovered that the light pole bases identified were non-sporting reserve lights.

Luminaire and Globe Fitting Results

Marion Oval and Ascot Park Bowling Club were identified as sites that require replacement of globe/luminaire fittings. Both systems are scheduled for replacement in 2022 and 2023 as part of a full sports lighting upgrade.

Generally, globe fittings are the responsibility of the Clubs to replace under their lease and license arrangements.

Where other faults have been identified in the audit report, Council staff will inform the relevant clubs to help them resolve the issue.

Next Steps

The next steps for the sports lighting plan are as follows:

Year	Actions
2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete major lighting renewal projects for Marion Oval, Marion Tennis Club, Marion RSL Bowls Club, Glandore Oval. Complete Tarnham Road Reserve upgrade Complete detailed lux level assessment for identified non-compliant sites
2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporate lighting project upgrades into Council's long term capital renewal plan

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2021 Sports Lighting Compliance Site Summary [**13.2.1** - 1 page]

Open Space Lighting Audit - Summary Report

	Site	Primary Sport	Sports Lighting Compliance	Comment
1	Ascot Park Bowling Club	Lawn Bowls	No	Planned upgrade 2022/23
2	Ascot Park Vermont Tennis Club	Tennis	Yes	
3	Capella Drive Reserve	Soccer	No	Re-assess
4	Club Marion	Soccer	Yes (pitch 1) No (pitch 2)	Re-assess
5	Edwardstown Recreation Ground	AFL	No	Re-assess
6	Glandore Oval	AFL	No	Planned upgrade 2022
7	Glandore Oval	Netball	No	Court lighting has since been removed
8	Hallett Cove Beach Tennis Club	Tennis	Yes	
9	Kellett Reserve Oval	AFL	No	Re-assess
10	Marion Bowls Club	Lawn Bowls	No	Re-assess
11	Marion Croquet Club	Croquet	Unknown	Re-assess
12	Marion Oval	AFL	No	Planned upgrade 2022
13	Marion Tennis Club	Tennis	No	Planned upgrade 2022
14	Mitchell Park Oval	AFL	No	Re-assess
15	Morphettville Park Tennis Club	Tennis	Yes	
16	Plympton Oval	AFL	No	Upgraded in 2021 post audit
17	Southbank Tennis Club	Tennis	Yes	
18	Tarnham Road Reserve	Tennis	No	Planned upgrade 2022/23
19	The Cove BMX Club	BMX	No	Decommissioning 2022
20	The Cove Netball Club	Netball	Yes	
21	The Cove Sports and Community Club	AFL	Training only	
22	The Cove Sports and Community Club	Soccer	No	Re-assess
23	Warradale Park Tennis Club	Tennis	Yes	
24	Weaver Street Reserve	Tennis	No	Decommissioning
25	York Avenue Reserve	Netball	Unknown	Re-assess

13.3 Glandore Oval Cricket Nets and Rose Garden

Report Reference	GC220222R13.3
Originating Officer	Mark Hubbard Unit Manager Sport and Recreation
Corporate Manager	Thuyen Vi-Alternetti
General Manager	Tony Lines

REPORT OBJECTIVE

To provide Council an update on the Glandore Oval cricket nets and rose garden project costs.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the 23 March 2021 and 22 June 2021 General Council Meetings (GC210323 and GC210622), Council approved the development of a new cricket training facility and the redevelopment of a section of the rose garden at Glandore Oval.

The total cricket nets and rose garden budget endorsed was \$380,000.

Since the June 2021 Council meeting the project has been impacted by cost variations caused by market conditions, required design variations to the nets and additional construction costs. The updated total cost of the new nets and rose garden is now estimated to be \$609,500.

An additional budget amount of \$229,500 has been allocated to ensure the delivery of the project.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Notes the report.**

DISCUSSION

At the 22 June 2021 General Council meeting a total budget allocation of \$380,000 was endorsed for the completion of a new cricket training facility (\$330,000) and redeveloped section of the rose garden at Glandore Oval (\$50,000).

In October 2021, a tender process was undertaken for the design and construction of the cricket training facility. The budget allocation for these works was \$330,00 based on design information, an initial quote and meetings with the South Australian Cricket Association, as well as meetings and discussions with the Adelaide Cricket Club and other Councils.

The approved tender for the project was \$485,000 (\$155,000 above the budget allocation). It is evident that the tender was adversely impacted by recent and current market conditions that are seeing significant cost increases and premiums put on projects due to strong market demand, contractor resourcing limitations and escalating material and equipment costs. The cost escalation may also have been impacted further due to the limited pool of specialist contractors with experience in this type of project.

In order to ensure that construction could commence on the new cricket nets and be completed by the end of the March 2022 (so that the turf pitches can be available for the 2022/23 cricket season) a decision was made to allocate budget savings from other minor capital works projects to increase the available project funds to \$485,000, noting this increase in cost was in line with the market conditions Council experienced with other tenders. This enabled the tender to be accepted and

works on the project commenced late December 2021.

Since the preparation and commencement of the new cricket nets further cost variations have arisen at a total cost of \$44,500 due to a combination of unforeseen groundwork issues, site access requirements and design amendments.

- Designs – The design phase of the project identified additional features required for the nets that had not been earlier highlighted through the Cricket Australia Community Facility Guidelines.
- Groundworks – The geotech survey was unable to detect the need for increased amounts of soil and debris to be removed from the site, and due to the type of materials they could not be accepted by the Council depot as planned and required off-site dumping at additional costs to the project.
- Site Access – Access to the construction site has been required through a neighbouring commercial site due to access restrictions across the oval and from the South Road slip lane (minor only).

The suggested additional inclusions were value managed significantly to minimise the impact to the overall project costs.

The tender process for the rose garden will commence in February 2022. The budget allocation is \$50,000 however since this budget was allocated the garden design has been altered as part of the community consultation on the design concepts and there has been further escalation in market conditions. As such, it is anticipated the budget for the rose garden will require a budget of up to \$80,000.

Consideration has been given to the additional cost variations for the cricket nets and the need to allocate additional funding for the delivery of the endorsed rose garden design. Budget savings have been identified within the current year's capital works program and will be re-allocated to the Glandore Oval nets and rose garden project to ensure that it can be completed in line with Council's decision.

Table 1 – Summary project costs and variations

Line Items	Initial Budget	Actuals	Increase Project Cost
Cricket Nets Estimate	\$330,000	\$485,000	\$155,000
Rose Garden Estimate	\$50,000	\$80,000	\$30,000
Project Variations		\$44,500	\$44,500
Total	\$380,000	\$609,500	\$229,500

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

13.4 Finance Report - January 2022

Report Reference	GC220222R13.4
Originating Officer	Assistant Financial Accountant – Melissa Virgin
Corporate Manager	N/A
General Manager	Acting General Manager Corporate Services – Ray Barnwell

REPORT OBJECTIVE

This report provides Council with information relating to the management of financial resources under its control as at January 2022. This report is one of a series of reports designed to assist Council in achieving and maintaining a financially sustainable position. Other reports assisting in this process include the Quarterly Budget Reviews and the Long Term Financial Plan.

This report includes financial information regarding major projects. The principles used for the assessment of reportable projects are:

- Council has agreed to proceed with the project and approved a Prudential Report under Section 48 of the Local Government Act 1999.
- The Whole-of-Life Cost is greater than \$4 million dollars (including grant assisted projects).

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. **Receives the report “Finance Report – January 2022”**

DISCUSSION

This report is presented on a monthly basis to provide Elected Members with key financial information to assist in monitoring Council's financial performance against budget.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Finance Report January Appendix 1 Pts 1 2 3 4 [**13.4.1** - 5 pages]
2. Finance Report January Appendix 2 Pts 1 2 [**13.4.2** - 7 pages]
3. Finance Report January Appendix 3 Pts 1 2 [**13.4.3** - 2 pages]

APPENDIX 1

Funding Statement – Actual versus Budget

The Funding Statement provides a view of Council's financial performance against the approved budget and is consistent with the information provided at budget reviews. It provides a review against all of the elements contained within the Statement of Comprehensive Income and the Statement of Financial Position that are adopted as part of the Annual Budget Report. It details Council's:

Statement of Comprehensive Income -

The operating result is recognised as one of Council's key financial indicators. The budget framework includes a commitment to its ongoing Financial Sustainability maintaining an Operating Surplus Ratio of between 0% and 10%, on average over each five-year period, which for 2021-22 means a targeted operating surplus of between \$0 and \$9.829m.

Comment: Council currently has a net operating surplus result of \$0.213m before capital revenues, against a year to date forecast budget of \$0.571m surplus. This position is detailed in the attached Funding Statement and variation notes.

Capital Budget -
\$59.554m

The Capital Budget is linked to Council's key financial indicator – "Asset Renewal Funding Ratio" and an actual to budget comparison reflects Council's progress in achieving its Capital program.

Comment: The actual to budget position reveals that 52.38% of the year to date Capital Renewal Budget has been spent.

Loans -

The loans component of the Funding Statement identifies any new proposed loan receipts or principal payments. Council's borrowings are included in Council's key financial indicator – "Net Financial Liabilities" which reflects Council's total indebtedness.

Comment: \$10.920m of new borrowings are currently forecast in the 2021-22 budget and principal repayments of \$0.827m, meaning that the overall loan liability balance is currently forecast to increase by \$10.093m to \$14.483m at 30 June 2022.

Reserves & Cash -

Various fund movements such as surplus budget review results, unspent grants and carryover projects at year end are reflected as transfers to reserves, whilst utilisation of reserve funds are recognised as transfers from reserves.

Cash may be utilised to fund expenditure within the context of Treasury Management to ensure loans are not drawn down where temporary cash holdings are available.

Comment: Council's Reserves are fully cash backed and are detailed in the below table. Council's adopted budget for 2021-22 includes Transfer to Reserves of \$0.386m and Transfers from Reserves of \$30.709m, and after accounting for amounts quarantined for specific projects or works, there is \$3.117m available.

Reserves (\$000s)	Asset Sustainability Reserve						Water Reserve - Oaklands Wetland	Open Space Reserve	Grants & Carryover Reserve	TOTAL ALL RESERVES
	Major Infrastructure Failure	General	Other	Major New Projects	CFPP	TOTAL ASR				
Opening Balance	2,000	9,819	1,029	1,525	3,537	17,910	859	2,441	23,086	44,296
Savings from 2020/21 audited accounts	0	856	0	0	0	856	285	0	0	1,141
Budgeted transfers to reserve	0	0	240	0	21	261	15	10	100	386
Budgeted transfers from reserve	0	(8,460)	(280)	(1,525)	(2,877)	(13,142)	0	0	(17,567)	(30,709)
Current Budgeted Closing Balance	2,000	2,215	989	0	681	5,885	1,159	2,451	5,619	15,114
Quarantined Funds	(2,000)	(1,800)	(949)	0	(435)	(5,184)	(1,159)	(35)	(5,619)	(11,997)
Projected Available Balance	0	415	40	0	246	701	0	2,416	0	3,117

The 2021-22 1st budget review forecasts a net cash deficit of \$0.488m.

*CFPP: Community Facilities Partnership Program

*Other includes Walking & Cycling and Energy Efficiency.

**Funding Statement
as at 31 January 2022**

Original Adopted Budget	Carryovers	Budget Review Adjustments		YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Variance	Annual Budget	Note
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
			Operating Revenue					
81,693	-	37	Rates	47,630	47,600	30 F	81,730	
2,106	-	-	Statutory Charges	1,443	1,463	(20) U	2,106	
2,827	-	(41)	User Charges	1,708	1,547	161 F	2,786	A
6,726	1,185	1,329	Operating Grants & Subsidies	4,003	3,804	199 F	9,240	B
347	-	(1)	Investment Income	258	202	56 F	346	
1,222	-	(149)	Reimbursements	681	625	56 F	1,073	
538	-	106	Other Revenues	391	363	28 F	644	
365	-	-	Net gain - Equity Accounted Investments	-	-	-	365	
95,824	1,185	1,281		56,114	55,604	510 F	98,290	
			Operating Expenses					
39,912	-	-	Employee Costs	21,461	22,147	686 F	39,912	C
21,659	4,156	2,962	Contractual Services	16,868	15,136	(1,732) U	28,777	D
5,186	537	(63)	Materials	2,670	3,023	353 F	5,660	E
254	-	(2)	Finance Charges	123	125	2 F	252	
16,000	-	135	Depreciation	9,382	9,412	30 F	16,135	
8,610	64	608	Other Expenses	5,397	5,190	(207) U	9,282	F
91,621	4,757	3,640		55,901	55,033	(868) U	100,018	
4,203	(3,572)	(2,359)	Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital Revenues	213	571	(358) U	(1,728)	
			Capital Revenue					
4,577	(801)	833	Capital Grants & Subsidies	274	2,053	(1,779) U	4,609	
-	-	-	Contributed Assets	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	Asset Disposal and Fair Value Adjustment	(76)	-	(76) U	-	
4,577	(801)	833		198	2,053	(1,855) U	4,609	
8,780	(4,373)	(1,526)	Net Surplus/(Deficit) resulting from operations	411	2,624	(2,213) U	2,881	
16,000	-	135	add Depreciation	9,382	9,412	(30)	16,135	
-	-	-	add (Gain)/Loss on Asset Disposal	76	-	76	-	
(365)	-	-	less Share of Profit Equity Accounted Investments	-	-	-	(365)	
24,415	(4,373)	(1,391)	Funding available for Capital Investment	9,869	12,036	(2,167) U	18,651	
			Capital					
20,283	2,644	(5,195)	less Capital Expenditure - Renewal	3,582	6,838	3,256 F	17,732	G
34,360	3,503	3,959	less Capital Expenditure - New	18,895	26,373	7,478 F	41,822	H
-	-	-	less Capital - Contributed assets	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	add Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets	-	-	-	-	
(30,228)	(10,520)	(156)	Net funding increase/(decrease)	(12,608)	(21,175)	8,567 F	(40,904)	

Original Adopted Budget \$'000	Carryovers \$'000	Budget Review Adjustments \$'000		YTD Actual \$'000	YTD Budget \$'000	YTD Variance \$'000	Annual Budget \$'000	Note
Funded by								
Loans								
10,920	-	-	Loan Principal Receipts (Net)	-	-	-	10,920	
-	-	-	Loan Receipts/(Payments) from Sporting Clubs (Net)	-	-	-	-	
(827)	-	-	Loan Principal Repayments	(407)	(407)	-	(827)	
10,093	-	-	Loan Funding (Net)	(407)	(407)	-	10,093	
Movement in level of cash, investments and accruals								
(681)	-	193	Cash Surplus/(Deficit) funding requirements	17,308	8,741	8,567	(488)	
(19,453)	(10,520)	(349)	Reserves Net - Transfer to/(Transfer from)	(30,323)	(30,323)	-	(30,323)	
(20,134)	(10,520)	(156)	Cash/Investments/Accruals Funding	(13,015)	(21,582)	8,567	(30,811)	
30,228	10,520	156	Funding Transactions	12,608	21,175	(8,567)	40,904	I

Variation Notes

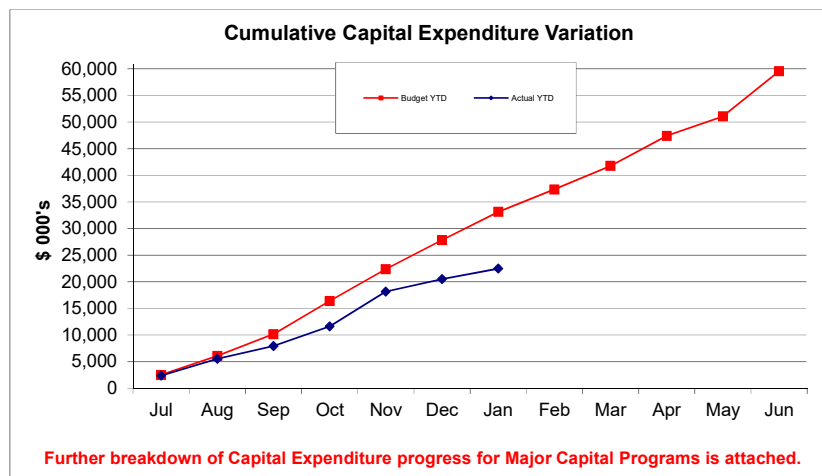
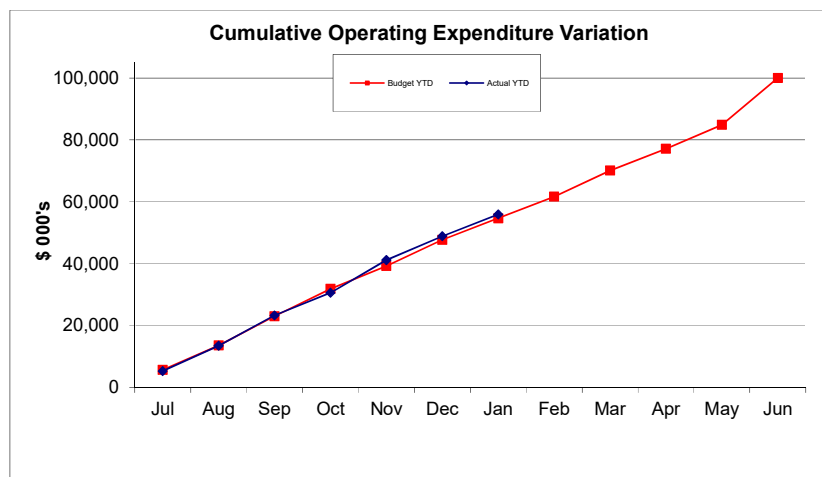
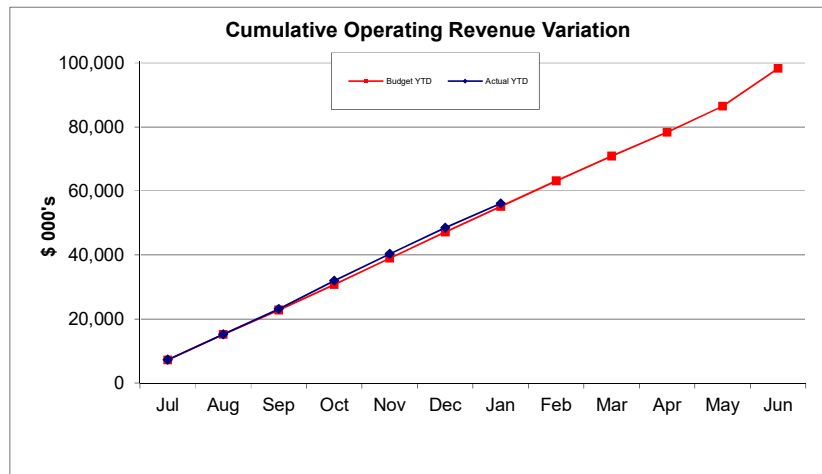
A	User Charges	Favourable \$161k	Predominately reflects Admission Charges (\$86k) and Hire Charges (\$69k) income for the Marion Outdoor Pool being greater than anticipated.
B	Operating Grants & Subsidies	Favourable \$199k	Reflects budget-timing variances with regards to the receipt of CHSP Domestic Assistance subsidy.
C	Employee Costs	Favourable \$686k	Predominantly reflects budget-timing variances in addition to savings from temporarily vacant positions.
D	Contractors	Unfavourable \$1,732k	Reflects budget-timing variances with regards Trees (\$292k), Sturt Road Streetscape (\$223k), prepayment of IT licences (\$195k), Recruitment (\$137k) and expenditure on Alawoona Avenue Streetscape which has been re-classified from capital to operating (\$964k).
E	Materials	Favourable \$353k	Reflects budget-timing variances with regards to Gardening Supplies (\$136k), Electricity (\$135k) and Minor Office Equipment (\$109k).
F	Other Expenses	Unfavourable \$207k	Reflects budget-timing variances with regards to insurance premiums (\$90k), Training (\$75k) and a number of variances which are individually insignificant.
G	Capital Expenditure (Renewal)	Favourable \$3,256k	Reflects budget-timing variances with regards to Road Reseals (\$1,178k), Footpath Construction (\$640k), Alawoona Avenue Streetscape (\$991k) and a number of variances which are individually insignificant.
H	Capital Expenditure (New)	Favourable \$7,478k	Reflects budget-timing variances with regards to progress payments for Mitchell Park Sports and Community Club Redevelopment (\$3,810k) and Southern Soccer Facility (\$1,181k) along with budget-timing variances for Capella Drive Reserve (\$800k), Birch Crescent Streetscape (\$483), Tarnham Road Tennis Court (\$425k), Hugh Johnson Reserve (\$315k) and a number of variances which are individually insignificant.
I	Funding Transactions	Favourable \$8,567k	This variance is the sum total of all variances and reflects an increase against council's expected YTD cash position.

The above comments referring to budget timing variations are where some monthly budget estimates are not reflective of the actual expenditure patterns as at the reporting date.

Funding Transactions

This variance is the sum total of all variances and reflects an increase against council's expected YTD cash position.

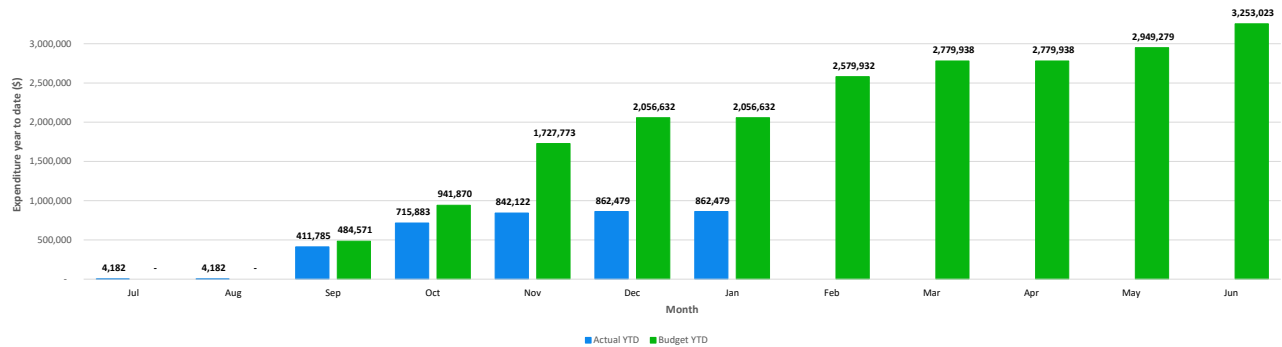
Funding Statement Cumulative Position - 2021-22



Road Reseal

Monthly Comment

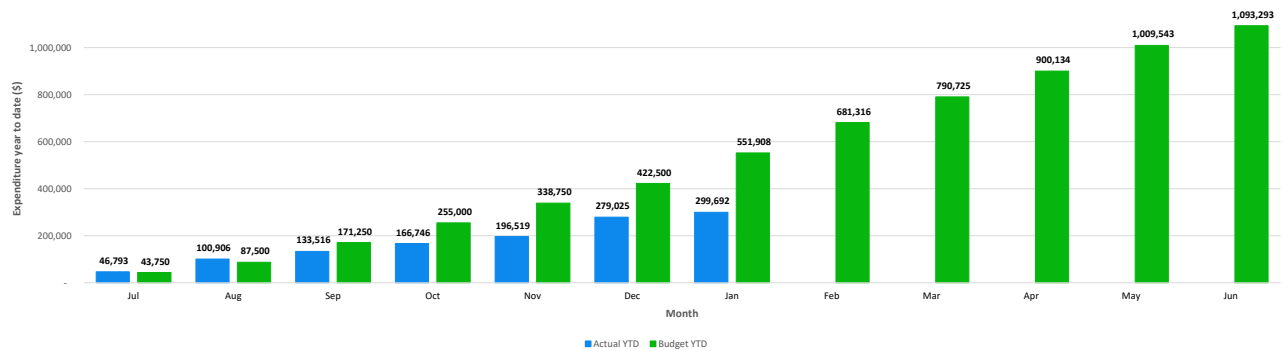
Program is on track and anticipated to be complete by end of financial year.



Kerb and Water Table

Monthly Comment

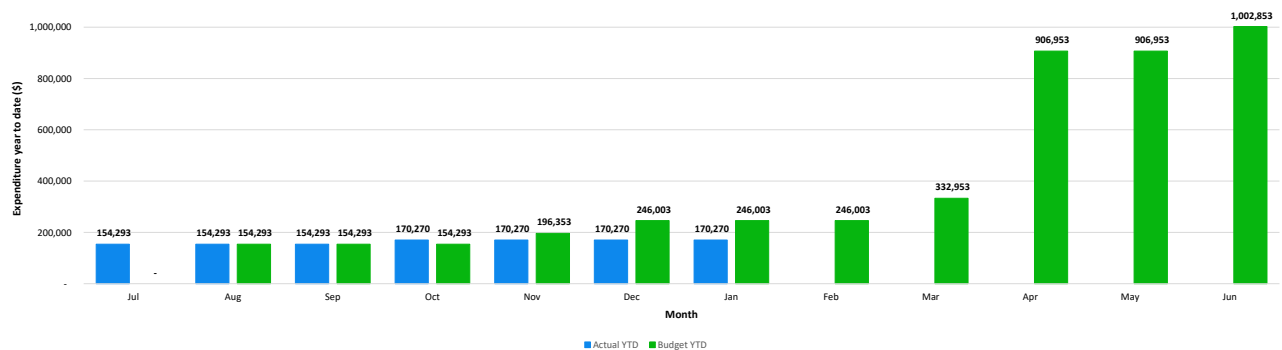
Kerb and Water Table and Kerb Ramp program are both on track and anticipated to be complete by end of financial year.



New Footpath Construction

Monthly Comment

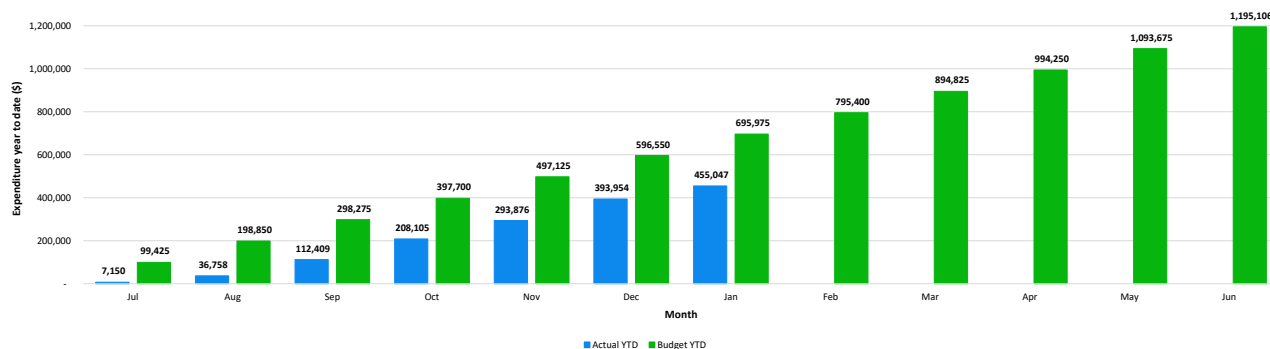
Program is on track and anticipated to be complete by end of financial year.



Renewal Footpath Construction

Monthly Comment

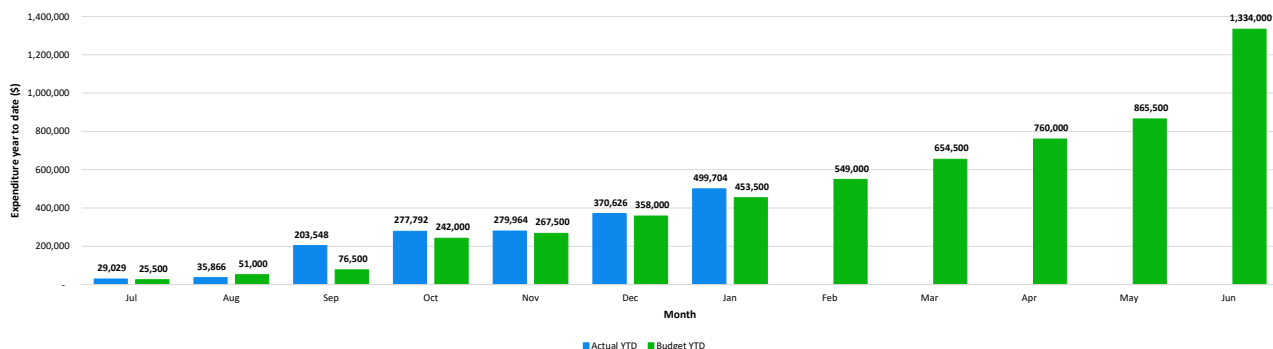
Program is in progress. Completion of this program by end of financial year is currently at risk.



Transport

Monthly Comment

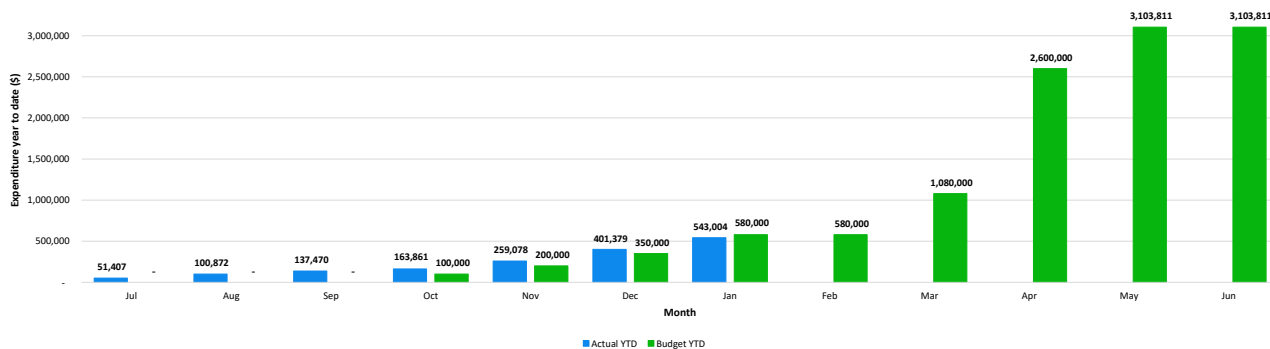
Program in progress with 70% of the Bus Shelter Program and Marino Access Improvements complete. Works are 90% complete for The Esplanade, Hallett Cove. An agreement for land acquisition at Lander Road and Young Street has now been reached, works on this project can now proceed. Tender has been awarded for Hugh Johnson, Sheidow Park Parking Bays. A concept design is complete for Marion Road, Sturt Crossing is complete, this project is on hold until further information is received. Works at Park Terrace, Plympton Park Parking Bays are also on hold until further information is received.



Drainage

Monthly Comment

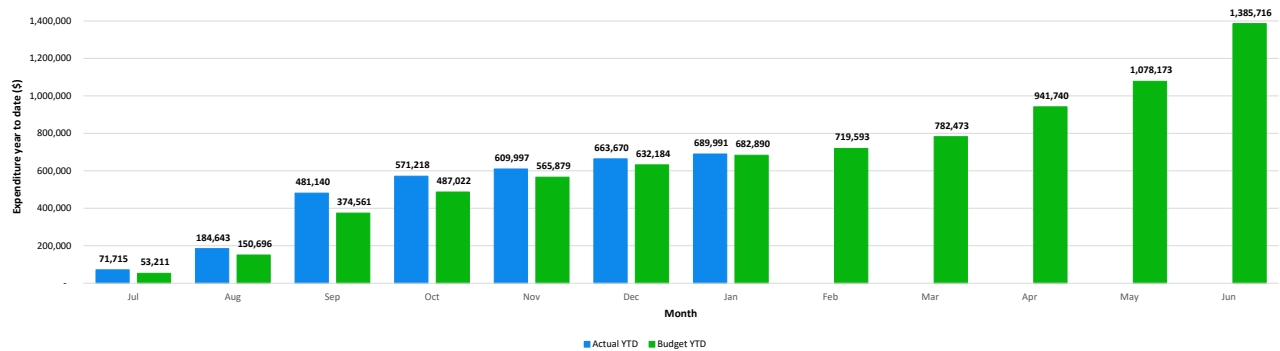
Program in progress with designs complete for all drainage projects. Works at Cadell/Irwin Street, Seaview Downs are complete. Works at Lucretia Way have recommenced but have been affected by the weather. Tender for Berrima Road, Sheidow Park has been awarded while works on English/Renown Avenue, Clovelly Park have commenced.



Street Trees

Monthly Comment

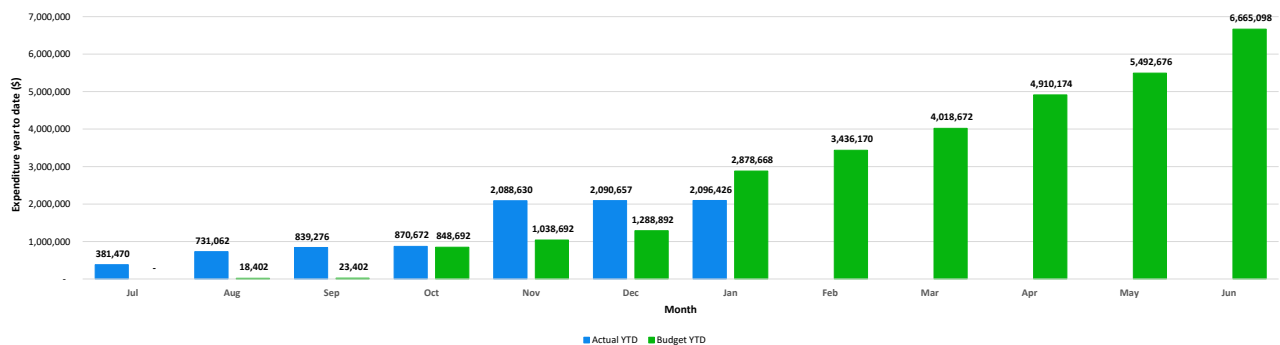
Program has commenced with 3,037 out of 3,900 trees from the Tree Planting Program complete. 96 out of 400 trees have been planted from the Advanced Tree Planting Program. Planting will recommence in May.



Streetscapes

Monthly Comment

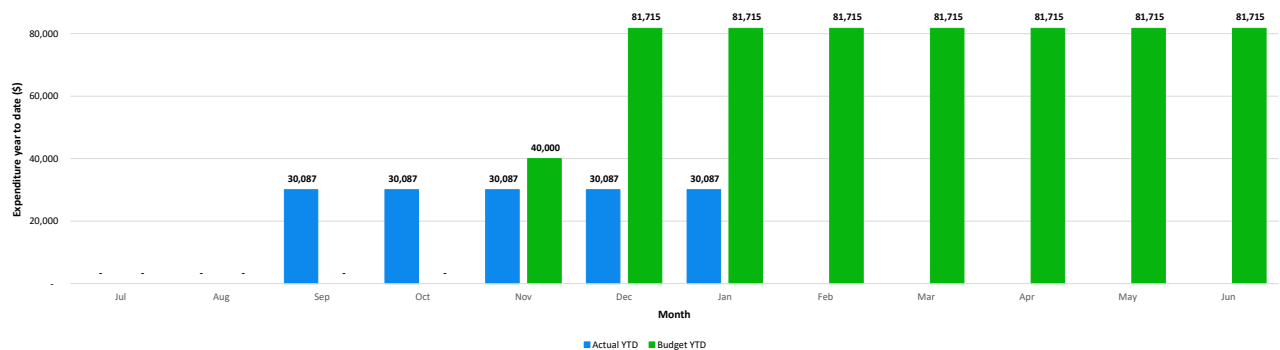
Program in progress with works on Sturt Road (carryover c/o) and Railway Terrace Verge (c/o) complete. Works have been scoped and designed for Addison Road Verge Upgrade, Crozier Terrace Streetscape and Murray Terrace Verge upgrade. Construction has commenced on six other projects in this program. Birch Crescent is at risk due to delays with land acquisition. Messines Avenue is anticipated to go to tender in February but is likely to be a carryover at the end of financial year.



Irrigation

Monthly Comment

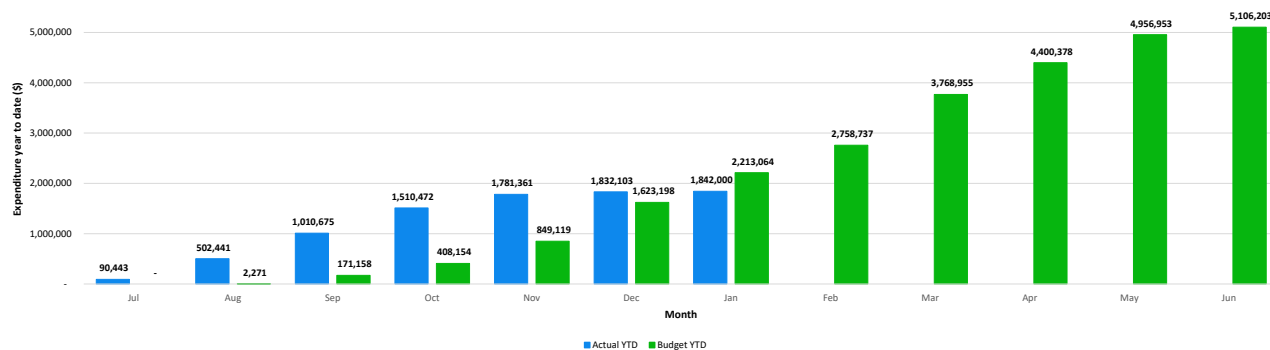
Works at Hallett Cove Reserve are complete, remainder of the program is anticipated to be complete in February.



Open Space Developments

Monthly Comment

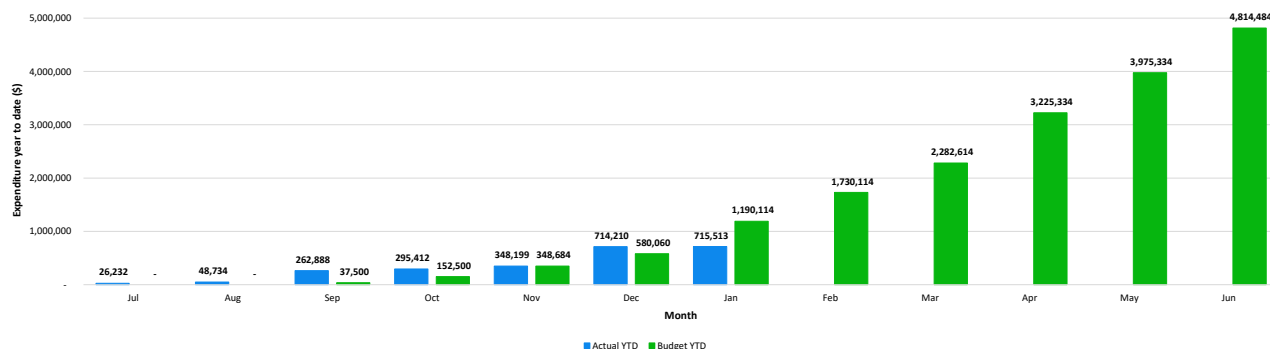
Program in progress with Capella Drive Reserve Skate Park (c/o) and McConnell Reserve East complete. Tenders have been awarded for nine projects in this program, construction on two projects commenced in January, four projects are anticipated to commence in February, one in March and two in April. This program is currently on track but there is a risk of delay with this program due to contractor availability.



Sports Facilities and Courts

Monthly Comment

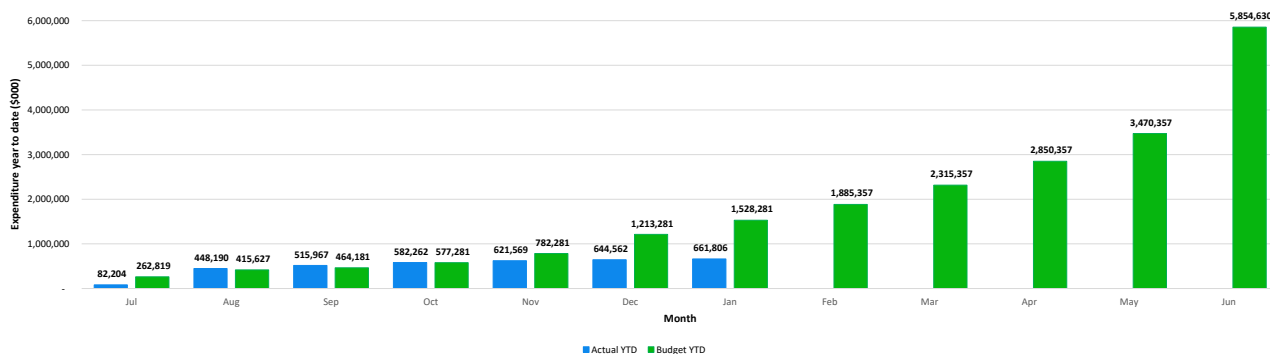
Works on Edwardstown Bowling Club Lighting Upgrade (c/o), Cove Cricket Pitch Matting, Plympton Park Sports Club Oval Lighting Upgrade (c/o) and Cove Netball Courts Lighting (c/o) are complete. Works have commenced on Glandore Cricket Nets and Rose Garden (c/o). Works on Court Resurfacing for Morphettville Park Tennis Club and Sporting Field Lighting are anticipated to commence in March.



Building Upgrades

Monthly Comment

Program in progress with 10 projects complete. Tenders for 8 projects have been awarded with works to commence in the first quarter of 2022. A number of projects may be delayed due to availability of contractors.



Major Projects

Mitchell Park Sports and Community Club Redevelopment

	2021-22 Actual YTD 31/01/2022	2021-22 Budget	Project Cost At Completion
Income			
Commonwealth Government Grant Contribution		1,500,000	5,000,000
State Government Grant Contribution			250,000
Total Income	-	1,500,000	5,250,000
Expenditure			
Operating	-	-	-
Capital Construction	(7,493,780)	(12,980,360)	(16,250,000)
Total Expenditure	(7,493,780)	(12,980,360)	(16,250,000)
Project Result Surplus/(Deficit)	(7,493,780)	(11,480,360)	(11,000,000)

The net deficit forecast will be funded in the following manner:

Funded By :	\$
(Over Project Life)	
Proposed Borrowings	10,920,000
Reserve Transfer	
- Asset Sustainability Reserve – Energy Efficiency	80,000
	11,000,000

Council have received \$3.5m of the Commonwealth Governments \$5.0m contribution and \$250k of the State Governments contribution to this project.

Sam Willoughby International BMX Facility

	2021-22 Actual YTD 31/01/2022	2021-22 Budget	Project Cost At Completion
Income			
City of Onkaparinga Contribution	-	375,000	750,000
State Government Grant Contribution	-	-	3,550,000
Total Income	-	375,000	4,300,000
Expenditure			
Operating	-	-	-
Capital Construction	(3,789,581)	(3,787,198)	(6,050,000)
Total Expenditure	(3,789,581)	(3,787,198)	(6,050,000)
Project Result Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,789,581)	(3,412,198)	(1,750,000)

The net deficit forecast will be funded in the following manner:

Funded By :	\$
(Over Project Life)	
Reserve Transfer	
- Asset Sustainability Reserve	1,750,000
	1,750,000

Council have received the State Governments contribution and \$375k of City of Onkaparinga's \$750k contribution to this project.

Southern Soccer Facility

	2021-22 Actual YTD 31/01/2022	2021-22 Budget	Project Cost At Completion
Income			
State Government Grant Contribution	-	-	2,500,000
Total Income	-	-	2,500,000
Expenditure			
Operating	-	-	-
Capital Construction	(3,766,163)	(5,199,383)	(7,000,000)
Total Expenditure	(3,766,163)	(5,199,383)	(7,000,000)
Project Result Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,766,163)	(5,199,383)	(4,500,000)

The net deficit forecast will be funded in the following manner:

Funded By :	\$
(Over Project Life)	
Reserve Transfer	
- Asset Sustainability Reserve	4,500,000
	4,500,000

Council have received the State Governments contribution to this project.

Sundry Debtors Report - Ageing report as at 31 January 2022

Appendix 3

Debtor	Total Balance	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	90+ Days	Percentage of total 90+ day balance	Comments for 90+ Day balances
General Total	14,589.61	13,173.41	250.00	66.20	150.00	950.00	1%	Made up of 1 out of 9 debtor in this category. This account has subsequently been settled in February.
Neighbourhood Centres Total	4,024.00	2,464.00	800.00	.00	760.00	.00	0%	
Regulatory Services Land Clearing Total	9,905.60	2,221.52	4,793.14	.00	.00	2,890.94	3%	Made up of 4 out of 12 debtors, with one account totalling \$1,725.35.
City Property Facilities Total	89,027.02	24,615.57	17,709.49	4,817.49	3,433.76	38,450.71	37%	Made up of 2 out of 21 debtors. Both of these accounts are being worked through
Civil Services Private Works Total	82,640.00	27,950.00	21,395.00	4,455.00	12,530.00	16,310.00	16%	Made up of 12 out of 41 debtors in this category with three accounts totalling \$2,350.00 relating to works not commenced, awaiting payment. Three accounts totalling \$4,740.00 are on payment plans. One account totalling \$1,350.00 is in the process of being transferred to their rates accounts as a charge on the land.
Swim Centre Debtors Total	26,941.25	14,033.95	12,360.10	547.20	.00	.00	0%	
Grants & Subsidies Total	48,720.10	44,000.00	4,720.10	.00	.00	.00	0%	
Environmental Health Inspections Total	19,209.32	4,715.90	3,004.50	1,129.42	1,995.00	8,364.50	8%	Made up of 43 out of 98 debtors, with none individually significant.
Regulatory Services Other Total	40,970.15	.00	3,267.00	.00	1,916.50	35,786.65	35%	Made up of 129 out of 154 debtors in this category, with none individually significant.
Marion Cultural Centre Total	1,567.70	1,477.70	90.00	.00	.00	.00	0%	
Living Kurna Cultural Centre Total	118.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	118.00	0%	Made up of 1 debtor. This account has been sent to the debt collector.
Local Government	27,437.09	27,437.09	.00	.00	.00	.00	0%	
Total	365,149.84	162,089.14	68,389.33	11,015.31	20,785.26	102,870.80		
Total Aging Profile		44%	19%	3%	6%	28%		

Category	Description
Employees	Anything that relates to CoM employees.
General	Anything that does not fit into one of the below categories.
Neighbourhood Centres	For hire of rooms in Neighbourhood Centres, etc. - usually charged out at an hourly rate. Also includes cultural workshops and tours.
Regulatory Services Land Clearing	When council has had to clear land due to non-compliance of owner.
Sporting Clubs & Other Leases	Rent, electricity, water, maintenance, etc. charged out to lessees.
Civil Services Private Works	Repairs or modifications to infrastructure (footpaths, kerbs, driveway inverts). Can be at resident request.
Swim Centre Debtors	Outdoor Swimming Centre - used for lane hire, school visits, etc.
Grants & Subsidies	Government grants and subsidies.
Environmental Health Inspections	Food Inspection fees.
Regulatory Services Other	Vehicle Impoundment fees and other regulatory services.
Supplier Refunds	Where a supplier owes the City of Marion funds. This category is used to keep track to ensure we have received payment for credits.
Development Services	Includes contribution from residents and/or developers for the removal and/or replacement of Council Street Trees and significant trees.
Living Kurna Cultural Centre	Relates to programs run through the LKCC.
Environmental Health Testing	Environmental testing fees.
Local Government	Transactions with other Local Government corporations.
Communications	Anything related to communications.
Economic Development	Events, etc. relating to economic development within the City of Marion.
Marion Cultural Centre	Hiring of the Marion Cultural Centre.

*any category that does not have any outstanding invoices will not be displayed.

Rates Report - Collection of Rates to 31 January 2022

ANALYSIS OF OUTSTANDING RATES AS AT 31 JANUARY 2022

	<u>Note</u>		% of Total Annual Rates
CURRENT	1	\$ 31,238,978	38.3%
OVERDUE	2	\$ 1,227,860	1.5%
ARREARS	3	\$ 1,287,731	1.6%
INTEREST	4	\$ 44,622	0.1%
POSTPONED	5	\$ 219,903	0.3%
LEGALS	6	\$ 35,512	0.0%
		\$ 34,054,607	41.7%
TOTAL ANNUAL RATES FOR 2021/22		\$ 81,668,804	

Note 1: Current

Current rates represent the total amount of rates levied in the current financial year that are not yet due for payment. For example at 1st January this represents Quarter 3 & Quarter 4 rates unpaid.

Note 2: Overdue

Overdue rates represent rates levied in the current financial year that remain unpaid past their due payment date. For example on 1st January, this represents rates from Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 that remain unpaid.

Note 3: Arrears

Rates in arrears represent rates and charges levied in previous financial years that remain unpaid .

Note 4: Interest

Interest represent the fines and interest applied to overdue rates and rates in arrears.

Note 5: Postponed

Postponed rates represent any rates amount due by seniors that have been granted a deferral, until the eventual sale of their property, as allowable under the Local Government Act. Interest is charged on these deferred rates and is recoverable when the property is sold.

Note 6: Legals

Legals represent any legal fees, court costs that have been incurred by Council in the collection of rates in the current financial year. These amounts represent costs that have been on-charged to the defaulting ratepayers and are currently outstanding.

13.5 WHS Monthly Performance Report – January 2022

Report Reference	GC220222R13.5
Originating Officer	Unit Manager WHS – Christian Stott
Corporate Manager	Manager People and Culture - Jessica Lynch
General Manager	Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison

REPORT OBJECTIVE

The objective of this monthly report is to provide Council with assurance that the City of Marion has effective strategies in place to meet its legal obligations as outlined in the Work Health and Safety Act (SA) 2012, and to monitor Council's core target of a 10% reduction of the Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR) from the previous year.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- Notes the report and statistical data contained therein.**

DISCUSSION

Targets and performance indicators have been established in order to measure the continual improvement of the program. Performance against these targets are outlined in **Attachment 1** which are measured in two ways:

- Positive performance indicators (PPI's); and
- Lag performance indicators (LPI's) Council's KPI is the achievement of a 10% reduction on last year's LTIFR of 14.4, to reach 12.95 or less in 2021-22. Current LTIFR now at 5.8.

The well-being of the staff involved is paramount and Management reviews each incident individually to ensure appropriate controls are in place to reduce or eliminate risk.

The organisation is continuing to implement various initiatives including the Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Strategic Plan 2019-23 (which has just completed its second year) to address compliance, key risks and reduce the LTIFR.

ATTACHMENTS

- WHS Monthly Performance Report January 2022 (1) [**13.5.1** - 4 pages]

WHS Monthly Performance Report – January 2022

City of Marion's HSE Vision is that **'We can all make a difference towards achieving zero harm, to people and the environment'**. We are specifically focused on further developing our leadership styles, organisational culture and systems committing to:

- Developing our people to lead the change across the City of Marion
- Embedding a culture of safety and wellbeing as a part of normal business practice
- Continually improving our WHS Management System (WHSMS) and Environmental Management System (EMS) to achieve best practice

Hazard and Near Miss Reports (Internal WHS SkyTrust reporting data)

Historical statistics inform us that when there is a healthy culture of Hazard/Near Miss Reporting, there is a consequential reduction in injuries to Workers. Hazards and Near Misses are reported to date for this financial year and are outlined in Table 1. They can be compared against those reported last financial year which are outlined in Table 2.

Table 1: Hazard and Near Miss Reports - Financial Year 2021/22

Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Total	Ave
8	6	6	4	4	5	5						38	5.42

Table 2: Hazard and Near Miss Reports - Financial Year 2020-21

Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	Jan-21	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Total	Ave
11	7	12	14	17	11	7	8	10	6	5	12	120	10

Lost Time Injuries Reported (Internal WHS SkyTrust reporting data)

Lost Time Injuries (LTI's) are those injuries where a whole work day or more has been lost due to a workplace injury. LTI's reported to date for this financial year are outlined in Table 3 and can be compared against those reported last financial year which are outlined in Table 4.

Table 3: Number of LTI's per month - Financial Year 2021/22

Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Total
0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0

Table 4: Number of LTIs per month - Financial Year 2020-21

Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	Jan-21	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Total
1	2	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	1	10

*Two LTIs occurring late in 2019-20 either sought further medical intervention or were investigated and accepted post June 2020.

Table 5: Outline of LTIs reported - Financial Year 2021/22

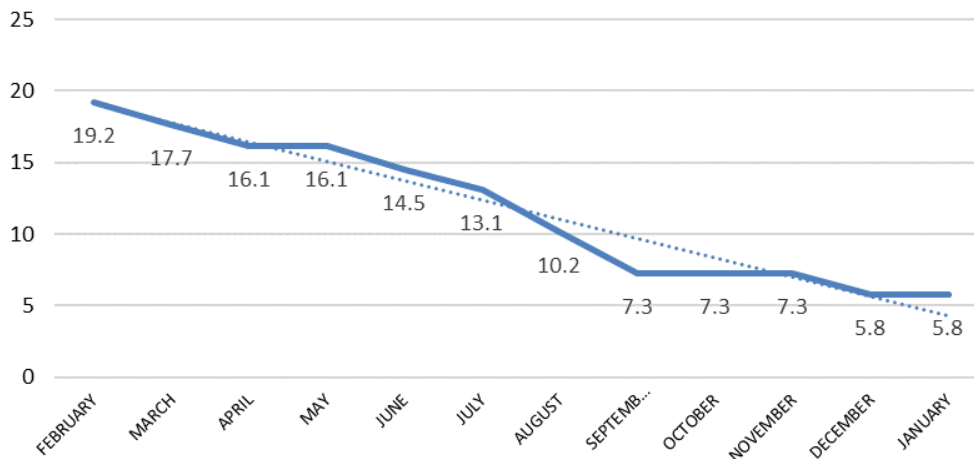
No.	Description of Incident	Mechanism of Injury	Injury Description
	Nil		

Rolling Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (Internal WHS SkyTrust reporting data)

Rolling injury frequency rate over a 12 month or greater period is a common monitoring for performance of WHS and Return to Work performance. It continues over financial and calendar years rather than starting from zero so that longer term trends can be observed and appropriate action taken to address upward trends and/or seasonal spikes in injuries..

The rolling LTIFR, outlined with a solid blue line in Figure 1 from internal incident report data, provides analysis of the average LTIFR over the last 12 months.

Figure 1: Rolling LTIFR over 12 months

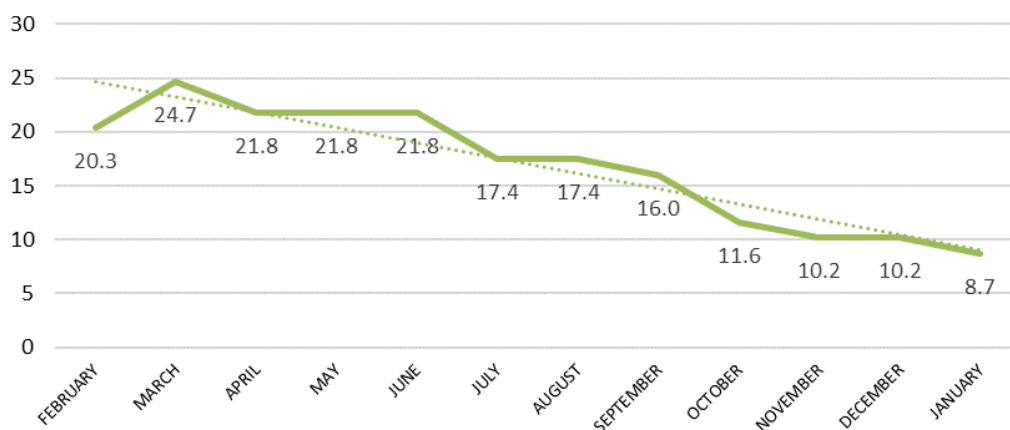


The current 12 month rolling LTIFR for the City of Marion is **5.8** which represents a **69%** reduction over the previous 12 months from.

Rolling Total Recordable Incident Frequency Rate (Internal WHS SkyTrust reporting data)

Total Recordable Incidents include fatalities, LTI's and incidents resulting in the employee receiving medical treatment and/or is certified as only fit to undertake suitable duties. The Rolling Total Recordable Incident Frequency Rate (TRIFR), outlined with a solid green line in Figure 2 from internal incident report data, provides analysis of the average TRIFR over the last 12 months.

Figure 2: Rolling TRIFR over 12 months

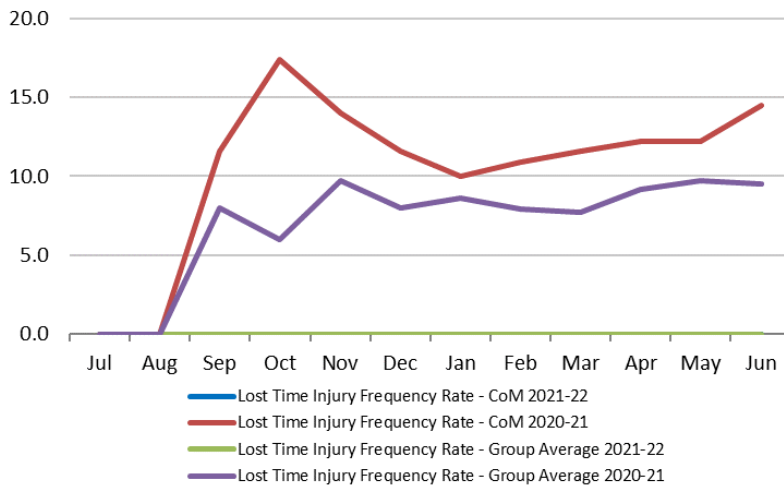


The current 12 month rolling TRIFR for the City of Marion is **8.7** which represents **57%** reduction over the previous 12 months.

Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LGAWCS Claims Data – (updated each financial year)

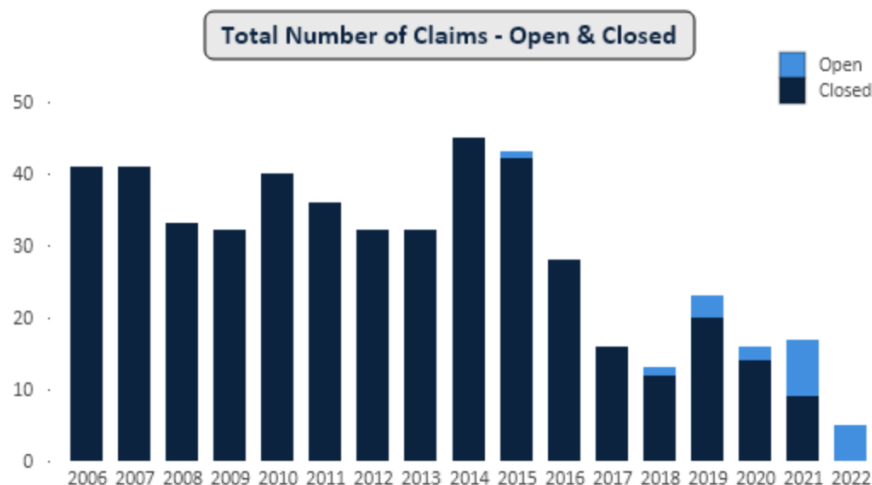
Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR), is an industry standard tool for measuring LTI's within a given reporting period which enables comparison to other organisations. Council's LTIFR is outlined in Figure 3, from the LGA's Member Portal data once claims have been determined and can be measured and monitored against our industry counterparts being the Group A Councils (¹GaC).

Figure 3: LTIFR compared against Group A Councils



The current LTIFR for the City of Marion (which would be represented in blue) is 0, compared to GaCs recording 0, with no claims being recorded this year to date.

Current Claims Status – Open / Closed

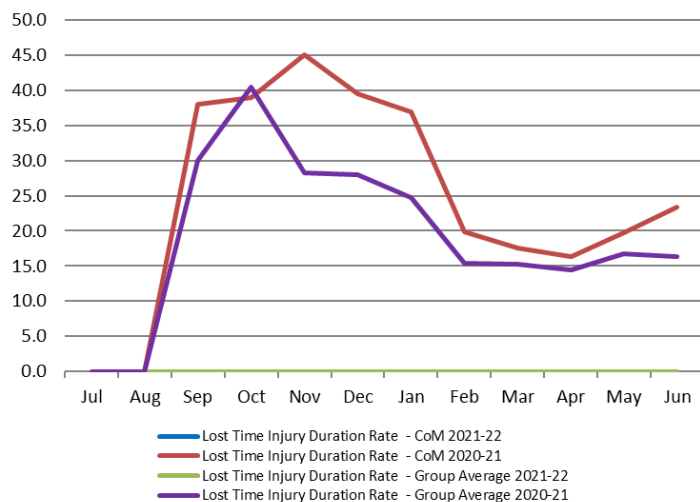


¹ GaC are metropolitan councils with more than 300 staff (Marion, Adelaide, Charles Sturt, Onkaparinga, Playford, Port Adelaide Enfield, Salisbury and Tee Tree Gully).

Lost Time Injury Duration Rate (LGAWCS Claims Data)

The Lost Time Injury Duration Rate (LTIDR), is an industry standard tool for measuring the average days lost from LTI's (severity of an injury) within a reporting period to enable comparison to other organisations. Council's LTIDR is outlined in Figure 4, data is sourced from the LGA's Member Portal once claims have been determined and can be measured and monitored against our industry counterparts being the GaC.

Figure 4: LTIDR compared against Group A Councils



The current LTIDR for the City of Marion (which would be represented in blue) is **0**, compared to GaCs recording **0**, with no claims being recorded this year to date.

13.6 Questions Taken on Notice Register

Report Reference	GC220222R13.4
Originating Officer	Governance Administration Officer – Anne Mitchell
Corporate Manager	Manager Office of the Chief Executive – Kate McKenzie
General Manager	Chief Executive Officer – Tony Harrison

REPORT OBJECTIVE

To receive and note the information contained within the *Questions Taken on Notice Register* provided in Attachment 1.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the 8 May 2018 General Council meeting Council resolved that ()::

Questions without Notice that were not answered at the same meeting will be entered into a register. This register will be tabled as an information report at the following meeting.

Under Regulation 9 of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013* (The Regulations):

(3) A member may ask a question without notice at a meeting.

(4) The presiding member may allow the reply to a question without notice to be given at the next meeting.

(5) A question without notice and the reply will not be entered in the minutes of the relevant meeting unless the members present at the meeting resolve that an entry should be made.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes the report ‘Questions Taken on Notice Register’.

ATTACHMENTS

1. GC220222 - QON Register [**13.6.1** - 1 page]

Questions Taken on Notice Register



Attachment 1

Report Reference	Meeting Date	Councillor	Responsible Officer	Question taken on notice during the meeting	Response
GC220208R11.1 Single Use Plastic Product Bans	8 February 2022	Cr Hull	Allison Byrne – Waste Education Officer Brendon Lyons - Acting Manager Engineering Assets and Environment	How can the organisation improve environmental objectives, in particular regarding events and functions to align to the City of Marion Policies and objectives?	<p>Improvements introduced since Council's ban on non-recyclable single-use plastic items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Embedding the 3-bin system and ban on non-recyclable single-use plastic items as standard council event management processes. • Waste audits after major council events to gather data and inform improvements to waste management, such as 'bin buddy' volunteers at major events to educate the public on effective use of public place recycling systems. • Waste reduction from decorations by production of more generically Council-branded signage designed to be reusable, and use of recycled corflute for signage production. • Utilising water refill stations where possible to reduce water bottle waste (noting that this has been impacted by covid restrictions). • Single-use plastic bans being introduced at State level supporting and strengthening City of Marion's ban by phasing items out of the supply chain altogether. <p>Opportunities for improvement include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carbon neutral events, which were identified for action in the <i>Carbon Neutral Plan 2020 – 2030</i> and the first trial of a carbon neutral event that will occur at the opening of the Mitchell Parks Sports and Community Centre later this year. • Banning balloons at council run events and developing community education resources to discourage use of balloons at family birthday parties in council reserves.

14 Workshop / Presentation Items**15 Motions With Notice****15.1 South Adelaide Basketball Club****Report Reference** GC220222M15.1**Council Member** Councillor - Telfer**MOTION****That Council**

1. Notes that at the General Council Meeting on 8th February 2022 Council received (in confidence) a Feasibility Study, associated Business Case and a project cost estimate for two indoor basketball courts to be constructed adjacent and to the south of the existing South Adelaide Basketball Club (SABC) Stadium.
2. Notes that at the General Council meeting of 14th December 2021, Council endorsed the project to be included on Council's Unfunded Initiatives List and for partnership funding to be sought.
3. Council will proceed with the project, subject to:
 - a. Funding from other sources of at least \$5,250,000 being obtained (including \$250,000 from SABC or Basketball SA);
 - b. Consideration of community consultation;
 - c. Receipt of a satisfactory Prudential Report per section 48 of the Local Government Act;
 - d. Solving car parking and traffic issues;
 - e. Any necessary agreements regarding land use with the Marion Sports and Community Club;
 - f. Development approval.
4. Authorises the Mayor and/or Chief Executive Officer or delegate/s to release information to key stakeholders in relation to the matter notwithstanding confidentiality orders.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION**SUMMARY**

Council requested a feasibility report and business case be prepared on a potential extension of two additional indoor basketball courts adjacent to the Marion Basketball Stadium off Norfolk Road.

The proposed redevelopment outlines a facility with two additional indoor FIBA level 2 basketball courts, associated court infrastructure and car parking.

The feasibility and business case considers the development of two new basketball courts, administration, kiosk and change rooms built in a structure to the south of the existing two-court stadium. Works also investigated include the redevelopment of the existing non-compliant courts to the south with two compliant indoor basketball courts in the future.

The business case recognises an under supply of indoor courts across the City of Marion and a strong need for additional indoor courts to cater for the year-on-year growth of the South Adelaide Basketball Club (SABC). An assessment of operating models indicates the proposed additional courts and amenities could be operated by the SABC and/or Basketball SA (BSA) under a lease with the City of Marion on a financially viable basis that not only allows SABC to grow, but also improves member experiences.

The project aligns with Council's objective of promoting an active and healthy community.

DISCUSSION

The shortage of indoor courts to support club sport in the City of Marion is well documented and has been discussed for several years. At the General Council meeting of 14 April 2015, Council resolved:

Sports Infrastructure

Report Reference: GC140415R02

Moved Councillor Pfeiffer, Seconded Councillor Byram that Council:

1. *Endorse investigations being undertaken with peak sporting bodies, relevant clubs, funding bodies and agencies to seek partnering opportunities for the development of plans and potential funding solutions for the following sports infrastructure:*
 - *Options for new soccer pitches and a BMX track in the South*
 - **Indoor multipurpose Stadium 4-8 Court (SA regional standard)**
 - *Edwardstown Oval Masterplan*
 - *Mitchell Park Sports and Community Club building upgrade*
2. *Note that consultation plans will be brought to Council for consideration after initial investigations are undertaken with peak sporting bodies, relevant clubs and agencies.*
3. *That potential funding opportunities relevant to the above sports infrastructure be actively pursued as they arise.*

The only action not completed from this list is 'Indoor multipurpose Stadium 4-8 Court (SA regional standard)'. Council is about to complete two indoor multipurpose courts at Mitchell Park. This leaves a shortfall of at least two courts based on our assessment of community need in 2015 ... 7 years ago. It may be noted that an expression of interest was widely publicised for the use of the Mitchell Park courts and there was little interest other than from basketball and volleyball clubs (and the Neighbourhood Centre).

To address the situation and move the conversation forward a staged concept proposal has been developed by the South Adelaide Basketball Club (SABC) and Basketball SA (BSA) for the existing site at Norfolk Road, Mitchell Park.

At the General Council Meeting on 15 December 2021 (GC211214.R18.2) Council formally considered the proposal and resolved the following:

1. *Note South Adelaide Basketball Clubs proposal for 2 additional indoor basketball courts.*
2. *Authorises (1) costing the establishment of 2 indoor basketball courts adjacent to (immediately to the South of) the existing Norfolk Road stadium, as proposed by the South Adelaide Basketball Club; and (2) updating of the 2018 business case regarding the demand for additional courts in southwestern Adelaide: With a report to be brought back to the first General Council meeting in February 2022.*

Following the meeting, Council staff engaged consultants to develop the feasibility proposal and business case assessment.

Feasibility Proposal

Building footprint includes:

- Two FIBA level 2 indoor basketball courts.
- Seating for 370 spectators.
- Amenities.
- Entry, admin space and kiosk,
- Player and referee changerooms including a first aid room; and
- Additional car parking and interconnecting roadway.

The tennis club building, court capacity and ability to continue operation of the tennis facility are not impacted by this proposal.

The proposal considers the site constraints and the flow of traffic generated by the redevelopment, the impact on Norfolk Road and the demand generated by the additional court infrastructure.

Car parking demand and supply have been assessed and the proposal outlines the overflow of car parking at peak demand. The car parking has been reviewed, understanding the precinct demands. Additional lighting to this area has been included in the cost estimate.

The footprint is set back from the western boundary due to the existing SA Water easement and the regulated trees adjacent

Business Case

Basketball SA's 2016 Facilities Report identified that the existing Marion Stadium *"....is nearing the end of its life and it is not fit for purpose. There are no social, club or administrative facilities, a lack of amenities and seating, and a growing list of maintenance concerns. The building has a forecast life of 3–5 years."*

The Report identifies upgrading the Marion Stadium as one of six critical actions to occur over the next five years (between 2016 and 2020). Each of the other five critical actions identified by BSA have either been completed or have commenced.

The Indoor Courts Review 2021 report prepared by Council staff highlights:

- an undersupply of indoor courts in the City of Marion,
- ageing facilities,
- a lack of compliant courts; and
- an over reliance on undersized school courts.

There were several other factors raised in this report that have resulted in Council committing to develop an Indoor Facilities Plan (IF Plan) by the end of the financial year 2021/22. The plan will outline options and future prioritisation of capital works to address identified gaps and deficiencies in indoor facilities within the City of Marion.

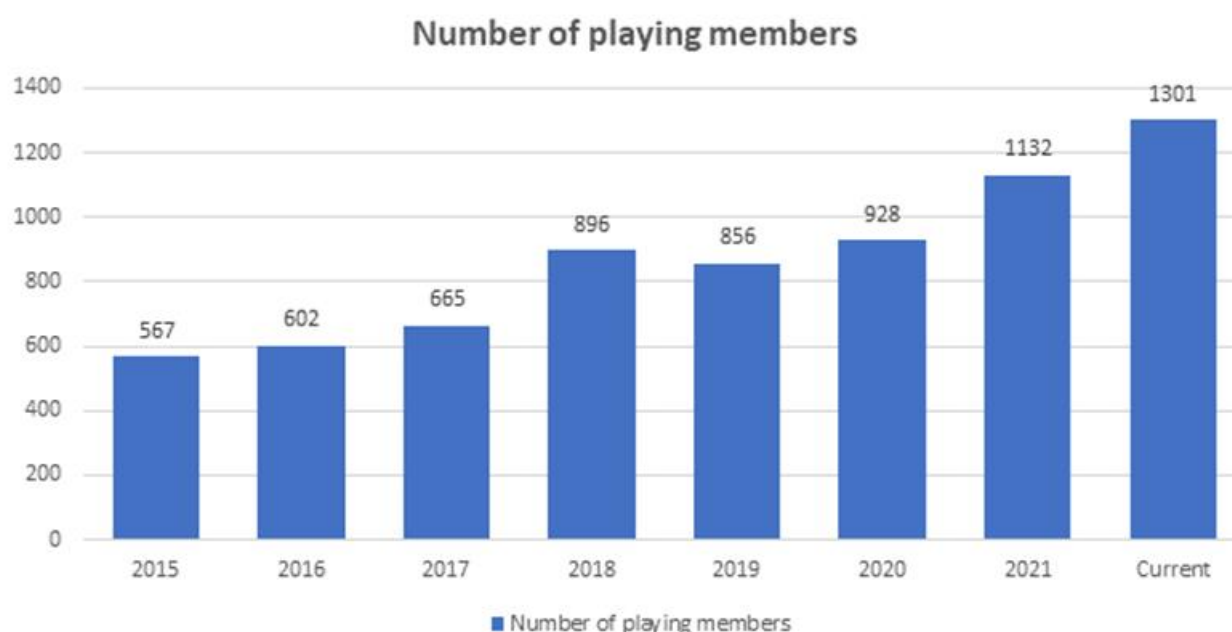
Given the current condition of the existing Marion Stadium, it is expected that future renewal or development of the Marion Stadium will be identified in the Indoor Facility Plan as a key or priority project.

The existing 2-court Marion Stadium (current home court for the SABC) is over 50 years old and no longer meets the SABC's functional needs. Significant capital works would be required to upgrade the existing stadium to bring it up to modern standards and this approach would not address the existing shortfall in the number of courts SABC needs to access. While the Marion Basketball Stadium is not suitable to host senior district games and meet the needs of the Club as a home court, it is suitable for continued use as a training venue and for underage domestic games.

The proposed new 2-court indoor stadium would provide the SABC with two additional courts, a compliant and fit-for-purpose venue to host senior games with seating and additional facilities such as a new kiosk, merchandise room, and an administration base to support the future operations of the SABC. The SABC proposal maximises the ongoing value of the existing Marion Stadium while addressing the Club's pressing need for additional courts and a fit-for-purpose home court.

The SABC has over 1,300 players, making them the largest sporting club in terms of participation in the City of Marion. The SABC utilises over 10 venues outside of their home court, including several single court school facilities which do not have full-size playing courts and are generally only hired in the absence of more suitable facilities.

Over the past seven years, the SABC has experienced a compound annual growth rate in playing members of over 12% per annum.



According to information provided by the SABC, approximately 81% of SABC's membership base resides in the catchment area surrounding the existing Marion Stadium with 41.9% of members residing within the CoM council area. Accordingly, the SABC is confident that the proposed location of the additional courts represents a location that is in the best interest of the club's existing members and will be suitable to support continued growth of the SABC.

The SABC estimates that with an additional two courts and the availability of additional court time at the Mitchell Park Sports & Community Centre (MPSCC), there will be room to accommodate another 200 new playing members – an increase of over 15%.

Should an acceptable funding model be put in place to support the capital costs of this project, and if the project progresses, the City of Marion will need to select a management model for the new stadium. Based on the recent growth of the SABC and the stadium's expected usage as a basketball only facility, the most appropriate management model would be for either SABC and/or Basketball SA to lease the facility from the City of Marion and for the lessee to operate the stadium and be responsible for all operational and maintenance costs.

Based on this management model, and discussions with the SABC and BSA, there is a high level of confidence that there is sufficient demand from basketball to ensure that the new courts and stadium will be highly utilised and that the lessee will be in a financial position to support the ongoing recurrent costs of operating the stadium. The recurrent costs of operations can be met by a combination of both reduced spending by the SABC on alternative venues currently being hired, and the ability to service additional SABC members creating new and increased revenue streams.

Response Received From	Manager City Activation – Charmaine Hughes
Corporate Manager	N/A
General Manager	Acting General Manager City Development – Tony Lines

STAFF COMMENTS

If this motion is successful, the above can be progressed.

Procedural comment – Kate McKenzie, Manager Office of the CEO

Pursuant to the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulation 2013, a member may submit a motion on notice via regulation 12. The motion received is not contrary or it does not revoke or amend an existing resolution of the Council. Therefore, under the meeting procedures, it can be considered and debated.

16 Questions With Notice

16.1 Sam Willoughby International BMX Facility damage

Report Reference	GC220222Q16.1
Council Member	Councillor – Bruce Hull

QUESTION

How much did the damaged surface cost to install?

How much will the damaged surface cost to replace?

Who is going to pay for the surface that has been damaged, State Govt, BMX Clubs, Councils or contractors?

Did Council ignore any contractors advice in regards to the opening/commissioning of the facility?

Did the contractor or anyone else suggest that the site was not ready for opening/commissioning?

Did anyone within Council have any concerns about the timing or preparedness of this site for opening/commissioning?

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

Response Received From	Acting General Manager City Development – Tony Lines
Corporate Manager	N/A
General Manager	N/A

STAFF COMMENTS

How much did the damaged surface cost to install?

The estimated replacement cost of the orange track surface is \$92k.

How much will the damaged surface cost to replace?

Refer above.

Who is going to pay for the surface that has been damaged, State Govt, BMX Clubs, Councils or contractors?

Final liability for who pays for the replacement of the orange track surface has not yet been agreed. It is unlikely that the State Government, the BMX clubs or other councils will contribute to the cost of any remedial works.

CoM has lodged an insurance claim for the site damages, and it is hoped that this will reduce the overall cost to CoM.

It was agreed that the black berms at the end of each track straight would be asphalted after the opening event. This is an outstanding part of the contractor's scope of work, i.e. will not come at additional cost.

Most other site damages are wholly due to the torrential rain and need to be remedied by CoM. All previously identified defects will be remedied by the contractor.

Did Council ignore any contractors advice in regards to the opening/commissioning of the facility?

Council received advice from the contractor that the track was ready and could be ridden 4pm 20 January 2022. However, this did not allow for the severity of the inclement weather. Council's contractor advised that:

- *"after the minimum curing time the track will be in a suitable condition to be ridden without damage"*
- *"agree that [while] the track can be ridden after the minimum curing time, it can still sustain damage. This would be the case moving forward generally regarding wear & tear when the track is used".*
- *"as outlined in my below email from yesterday, now that the track has been handed over to the end user (as of today 20/01/22) it is their responsibility to maintain it (including any damage caused by use) such is the nature of the product".*

Did the contractor or anyone else suggest that the site was not ready for opening/commissioning?

Refer above. Council was not advised not to use the track by any party.

Did anyone within Council have any concerns about the timing or preparedness of this site for opening/commissioning?

Practical Completion of the project had occurred, and Council accepted the contractor's advice that the track was ready. Council continually monitored the Bureau of Meteorology forecast of rain for the opening event, and the forecast varied from 40 mm early in the week before to no forecast rain on the Friday before to heavy rain occurring on the day.

16.2 Cove Sports Upgrade**Report Reference** GC220222F11.7**Council Member** Councillor – Matthew Shilling**QUESTION**

At General Council on 8/2/2022 Ms Hughes indicated that proceeding to a Section 48 report for the Basketball proposal was in line with Council policies. If we are following our policies, why has a Section 48 Report not been endorsed/commenced for the Cove Sports upgrade when feasibility plans for this site were endorsed in September 2021 and detailed plans have commenced and is over \$4million in price?

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Nil

Response Received From	Charmaine Hughes – Manager City Activation
Corporate Manager	N/A
General Manager	Tony Lines – General Manager City Development

STAFF COMMENTS

The Cove Sports Stage 1 project has had and needed a long lead in period. In October 2020 a community engagement report was undertaken to determine the best mix of sports on the site across stages 1 and 2. By June 2021 staff had identified multiple conceptual options based on the consultation and an update was provided at the June 2021 EM Forum. A concept was then selected by Elected Members. The General Council meeting on 14 September 2021 noted the feasibility study and business case (containing the Stage 1 concept design) and endorsed to proceed with further design development, with the production of a Section 48 report, and to seek external funding opportunities.

Since then the design has been refined to meet stakeholder feedback, to provide for the additional two courts requested at the September 2021 General Council meeting, and to redistribute car parking across the site. Staff are preparing an engagement plan with an anticipated release in March 2022. This will feed into the Section 48 report.

While the Cove Sports Stage 1 project has had a long lead time, it is a complex project considering a wide mix of sports.

By comparison, staff provided a confidential report on the SABC to General Council on 14 December 2021. The report sought budgetary approval on costing the establishment of two indoor basketball courts and updating the 2018 business case. It also recommended the project be added to the list of unfunded projects and to seek election commitments for funding.

There is no set order of project development that must be adhered to, but ultimately project feasibility, funding analysis, community engagement, conceptual design, (where relevant) a Section 48 report, final design and construction are required for 'major' projects. Council has often stipulated the timeframes for progressing projects, e.g. the two month period to prepare the SABC feasibility and costing and review the previous business case. Due to the shorter timeframes that was a less detailed report than that prepared for Cove Sports.

17 Motions Without Notice**18 Questions Without Notice****19 Other Business****20 Meeting Closure**

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