



**Minutes of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee
held on Tuesday, 8 October 2024 at 6.30 pm
Council Chamber, Council Administration Centre
245 Sturt Road, Sturt**

Present

His Worship the Mayor Kris Hanna

Councillor Ian Crossland

Councillor Renuka Lama (7:06 pm)

Councillor Luke Naismith

Councillor Amar Singh (6:44 pm – 8:35 pm)

Councillor Raelene Telfer

Councillor Jayne Hoffmann (Chair)

Councillor Sarah Luscombe

Councillor Nathan Prior

Councillor Matt Taylor

Councillor Jason Veliskou (6:39 pm)

In Attendance

Chief Executive Officer - Tony Harrison

General Manager City Services - Angela Allison

General Manager Corporate Services – Tony Lines

Manager Engineering, Environment and Assets - Mathew Allen

Unit Manager Engineering - Carl Lundborg

Coordinator Transport - Nathan Saxty

Unit Manager Environmental Sustainability - Rebecca Neumann

Senior Strategic and Policy Planner - David Barone

Unit Manager Planning & Development – Alex Wright

Executive Officer to the General Manager - Tracey Stringer

1 Open Meeting

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.30pm.

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**Moved Councillor Taylor****Seconded Councillor Telfer**

The following interests were disclosed:

- NIL

Carried

4 Confirmation of Minutes**4.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 10 September 2024**

Report Reference IEC241008R4.1

Moved Councillor Luscombe**Seconded Councillor Naismith**

That the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 10 September 2024 be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

5 Business Arising

5.1 Business Arising Statement - Action Items

Report Reference IEC241008R5.1

Moved Councillor Luscombe

Seconded Councillor Naismith

That the Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

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

Carried

6 Confidential Items - Nil

7 Reports for Discussion

7:02 pm Councillor Singh left the meeting

7:10 pm Councillor Singh re-entered the meeting

7:15 pm Councillor Singh left the meeting

7:20 pm Councillor Singh re-entered the meeting

7.1 Parking Management Guidelines - Implementation Review

Report Reference IEC241008R7.1

The Chair provided an overview of the agenda item for the Committee. The Parking Management Guidelines were initiated July 2022 and endorsed by Council 24th October 2023. The agenda item is the 12-month implementation review.

- Staff summarised key process improvements since the implementation of the Guidelines, including:
 - Case management in CRM Salesforce and an increase in first-call resolution
 - Introduction of a roster for traffic enquires
 - 60 new parking restrictions or alterations were applied with few complaints
 - Service Level Agreements were adjusted, aiming on reducing overdue cases
 - Improved transparency in decision-making and record-keeping for dispute resolution and reviews.
- Upward trends in parking-related requests can be attributed to:
 - Post-COVID traffic and parking behaviour changes
 - Increased population and urban infill
 - Growth in the number of vehicles per household
 - Increase in vehicle size.
- There has only been one Section 270 review in 12 months

- Roads less than the 7.2m minimum width requirement, must take into consideration that the road must allow a 3m gap between parked vehicles in accordance with the Australian Road Rules to allow access for emergency vehicles
- Requests for individualised parking guidelines outside of the scope of the Guidelines would only be undertaken in exceptional circumstances
- Duplications of parking issues raised by MPs affecting service level agreements - election cycles will impact the number of enquiries. Requests are initially triaged to identify any safety issues, and a standard response is provided. The case is then considered in accordance with priority similar to all other cases. Responses to traffic and parking enquiries have been streamlined; where required, MPs are acknowledged in the letter of response on the outcomes.
- Extensive discussion on when to “Inform” or “Consult”. The current practice is where only one option is possible, inform is the appropriate approach. However clearer rationale could be provided in the advice to effected residents. Where more than one option exists, consult is the appropriate approach. It is important to update members via ward briefings on parking controls that have a reasonable impact on the community. Consider further community education regarding parking guidelines – fine-tuning messaging.

Moved Councillor Telfer

Seconded Mayor Hanna

That the Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

1. Notes the report and presentation.
2. Notes that Councillors have provided feedback on changes regarding the Parking Management Guidelines.

Carried unanimously

7.2 Coastal Update

Report Reference IEC241008R7.2

The Chair provided an overview of the agenda item for the Committee. The purpose of the report is to provide an update on current programs related to coastal climate change responses.

New program – Climate Ready Coasts Program – led by the LGA and the State Government Coast Protection Board – improving the approach to coastal management and accelerating coastal hazard adaption planning in South Australia. Draft guidelines have been developed; the grant is now open to receive applications.

ACCN – Adelaide Coastal Councils Network – previously the Metropolitan Seaside Councils Network. The City of Marion is a financial member of the ACCN. The ACCN Strategic Plan 2024-26 has a focus on climate change.

It was noted the City of Marion coastline has some vulnerability; the seasons have been quite mild. 2024 season to conclude at the end of the year; a full report on the 4-yr monitoring program with recommendations for the next period will be presented in February 2025.

Field River Dunes Management Plan is an additional project. This is a significant environmentally sensitive site and a recognised Kaurna site. Protection of the Dune was discussed.

Moved Councillor Luscombe

Seconded Councillor Crossland

That the Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

1. Notes the update on the Climate Ready Coasts (CRC) Program and the Adelaide Coastal Councils Network (ACCN) including the *Adelaide Coastal Councils Network Strategic Plan 2022-2024* (Attachment 1).
2. Notes the update on the City of Marion Coastal Monitoring Program and proposal to continue a scaled-back coastal monitoring program for another four years (2025-2028) noting:
 - a. Available grant and council funding from the 2021-2024 program will be used to fund year 1 (2025).
 - b. A report will be brought to General Council in mid-2025 with a proposal for funding the remainder of the program with the likely split being:
 - i. \$25,000 Coast Protection Board grant to be spent over three years
 - ii. \$8,000 per year additional from City of Marion from 2026/2027, 2027/2028 and 2028/2029 (total \$24,000).
3. Notes the update on the Field River Dunes Management Plan.
4. Recommends to General Council that the existing \$20,000 budget is used to leverage Climate Ready Coasts grant funding of \$20,000 for the development of a Coastal Adaptation Plan for the whole City of Marion coastline (\$40,000 in total).

Carried unanimously

7:50 pm Councillor Crossland left the meeting
 7:54 pm Councillor Crossland re-entered the meeting
 8:03 pm Councillor Luscombe left the meeting
 8:05 pm Councillor Luscombe re-entered the meeting
 8:13 pm Councillor Naismith left the meeting
 8:15 pm Councillor Naismith re-entered the meeting
 8:35 pm Councillor Singh left the meeting
 8:35 pm Councillor Prior left the meeting
 8:38 pm Councillor Prior re-entered the meeting

7.3 Marion Centre and Environs Precinct Planning

Report Reference IEC241008R7.3

The Chair introduced the agenda item, to inform members of a proposal to undertake a planning process for the Marion Centre and surrounding environs that will inform future development opportunities.

Staff provided background to the item, including:

- The project has arisen from initial work by Council in preparation for the discussion paper as part of consultation for the Draft Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (GARP). Council was approached by the owners of Marion Centre, with a view to coordinating a position in moving forward strategically, to examine and explore opportunities.

The Committee discussed the opportunity.

- Encourages staff to look at 'big picture' planning
- Expressed concerns regarding the cost and value to the City of Marion and its residents, acknowledging more information on the precinct will be useful for future planning.

Moved Mayor Hanna

Seconded Councillor Telfer

That the Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

1. Notes the existing discussions held with Scentre Group and opportunity afforded through collaboration for this location.
2. Recommends that Council does not support an Urban Precinct and Partnership Program grant application in relation to Westfield Marion.
3. At a future Forum in 2025, Council and staff discuss the Marion Precinct and environs to define any directions, benefits and focus for Council and its ratepayers.

Carried unanimously

7.4 State Government Environmental Advocacy

Report Reference IEC241008R7.4

The Chair introduced the item, seeking feedback from the Committee on key environmental advocacy opportunities with the State Government. The list of opportunities was created to address a request from Mayor Hanna in preparation for lobbying Government/Opposition in the lead up to the state elections.

Discussion:

The Committee discussed the proposed list, providing feedback:

1. Waste – phasing out weekly landfill collections - provide data on the level of contamination
2. Waste – soft plastics
3. Waste - batteries & e-waste – influence packaging – how they're disposed of
4. Nature – we need better biodiversity protection laws in urban areas
5. Nature – Hills Face Zone: Rezoning of Hills Face Zone to be removed due to the challenges in developing the land.
6. Nature – Sturt River
7. Warradale Army Barracks – protection for remnant River Red Gum and open space values
8. Trees – conflicts with powerlines and other utilities
9. Water – rapid expansion of 'water sensitive urban design'

10. Climate Change – Hazard Mapping – to include wood heaters and gas homes-respiratory illness
11. Climate Change – Integrated Coastal Planning
12. Climate Change – Regional Climate Partnerships
13. Climate Change – Electrify Everything – fully electric homes, vehicles, sustainable living, health impact from wood smoke and gas.
14. Active and Sustainable Transport – also need other types of transport, more trains and trams; encouraging people to use more sustainable cars; strategic EV charging stations in remote and regional areas and on key transport corridors.

Moved Mayor Hanna

Seconded Councillor Veliskou

That the Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

1. Notes that Councillors have provided feedback on the environmentally focussed State Government Advocacy priorities.
2. Recommends the deletion of clause 5 from the environmentally focused State Government Advocacy priorities.
3. Recommends to Council the remainder of the environmentally focused State Government advocacy priorities be communicated to the State Government.

Carried unanimously

8 Reports for Noting - Nil

9 Workshop / Presentation Items - Nil

10 Other Business

11 Meeting Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 9.01 pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 12 DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024

CHAIRPERSON