

# Look East

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*Season's Greetings!*

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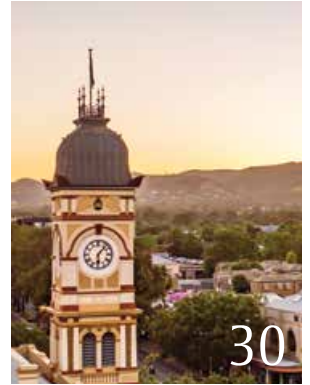
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*Time for take-off! Children celebrate the joy and excitement of Christmas onboard the Norwood Pageant's Rocket Ship.*



# Mayor's Message

## *Welcome to the 2022 summer edition of Look East*



**With the 2022 Local Government elections over, it's exciting to see a group of talented people join the Council, who I am confident will bring new and innovative ideas, enthusiasm and vigour to the Chamber.**

In West Norwood/Kent Town Ward, Grant Piggott was elected unopposed in place of Fay Patterson who did not seek a second term, while in Maylands/Trinity Ward, Victoria McFarlane recorded a convincing win to replace the retiring Mike Stock.

In St Peters Ward, Claire Clutterham takes over from the retiring Evonne Moore, with Josh Robinson joining Kevin Duke in Payneham Ward after Carlo Dottore decided not to re-contest the election after 39 years on the Council. Hugh Holfeld was elected to replace stalwart John Minney in the Torrens Ward.

My sincere thanks to the five Elected Members who are not continuing, all of whom provided valuable skills, local knowledge and experience to the Council.

I would also like to congratulate Councillors John Callisto, Kevin Duke, Connie Granozio, Garry Knoblauch, Christel Mex, Kester Moorhouse, Scott Sims and Sue Whittington who were re-elected.

On a personal level, I was truly humbled by the support I received during the campaign, but am also reminded of my responsibility as Mayor to lead a new Council and respond to the concerns, needs and aspirations of our community.

In this regard, it is not surprising that the key issues from four years ago: streets, infrastructure maintenance, waste management and local traffic, will continue to be the priorities for the Council. The community is also looking for action to address the loss of our built heritage, which helps to define our suburbs and give character to our streets.

At the same time, there is a real sense of excitement and anticipation with some of the Council's major projects currently being implemented and others that will start in the coming months. All of these projects aim to improve the liveability of our City.

As we come to the end of another eventful year, the festive season is a great opportunity for our community to come together to enjoy the many activities and attractions that form the Council's 'Christmas in NPSP' program.

The Council was particularly excited to see the return of the Norwood Christmas Pageant after a two year break due to COVID-19, while other favourites such as the Twilight Carols and Movie in the Park will provide great entertainment for families.

Residents of Ninth Avenue, from Royston Park to St Peters, will continue the wonderful tradition of their Christmas lights for the whole community to enjoy.

As we take a break to celebrate Christmas with family and friends, let's pause to consider our fellow citizens for whom the festive season can be a difficult time, as well as those experiencing hardship and social isolation. With this in mind, the Council is once again welcoming donations for the Give the Gift of Reading initiative. See page 12.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow Elected Members and Council staff, led by the Chief Executive Officer Mario Barone PSM, for their professionalism and dedicated work throughout the past year.

I also express heartfelt gratitude to the 200 passionate and selfless Volunteers who assist the Council to deliver a number of important services and programs which make a positive difference to the lives of many in our community.

On behalf of my wife Pina, and our children, Isabella, Christian and Charlotte, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Robert Bria  
Mayor**

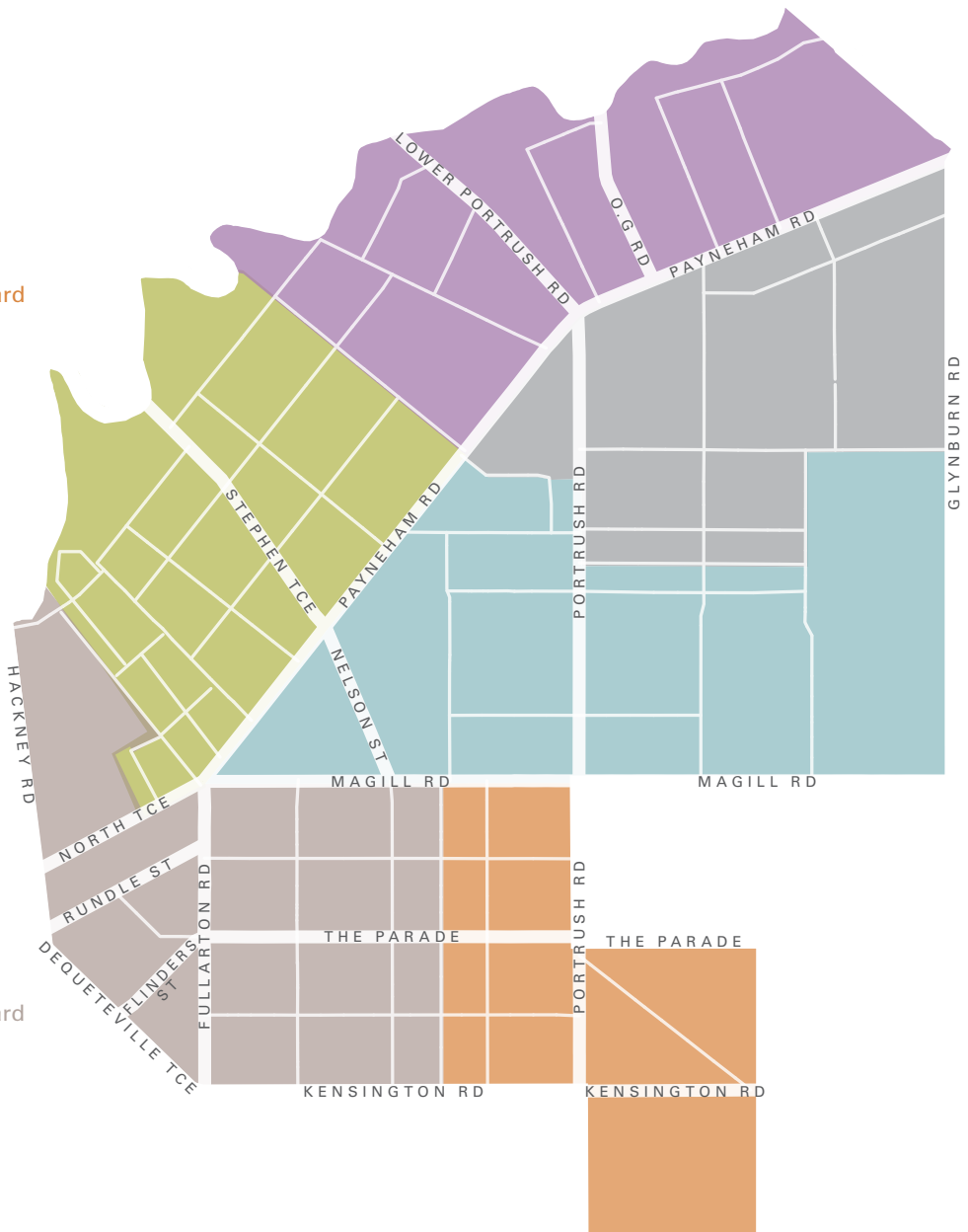
# Local Government Elections

## Voting in the 2022 Local Government elections closed on 10 November.

Mayor Robert Bria was re-elected, and eight Elected Members were returned to office – Christel Mex and John Callisto (Kensington/East Norwood Ward); Connie Granozio and Scott Sims (Maylands/Trinity Ward); Kevin Duke (Payneham Ward); Kester Moorhouse (St Peters Ward); Garry Knoblauch (Torrens Ward); and Sue Whittington (West Norwood/Kent Town Ward).

The Council also welcomed five new Elected Members in Victoria McFarlane (Maylands/Trinity Ward), Josh Robinson (Payneham Ward), Claire Clutterham (St Peters Ward), Hugh Holfeld (Torrens Ward) and Grant Piggott (West Norwood/Kent Town Ward).

- Mayor**  
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Scott Sims  
Victoria McFarlane
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- Torrens Ward**  
Garry Knoblauch  
Hugh Holfeld
- West Norwood/Kent Town Ward**  
Grant Piggott  
Sue Whittington



# Introducing your new Council



**Cr Christel Mex**  
*Kensington/East Norwood Ward*

Mickey Hart, drummer for the Grateful Dead, is famous for creating the acronym YOLO—you only live once. The term stuck with many, the idea to “enjoy yourself while you’re here”. For some, this means jumping from passion to passion, opportunity to opportunity, avoiding commitment in case something better comes along. We do this even when scrolling through Netflix to find the perfect movie, only to find ourselves too tired to watch anything.

After listening to an interview with Hart, I discovered that his meaning of YOLO was not about a fear of commitment, it was actually about making a deep commitment to something you care about.

Pete Davis recently published the book, “Dedicated: The Case for Commitment in an Age of Infinite Browsing”. He argues that commitments are actually an alternative to self-obsession. They free us to dedicate to something bigger than ourselves. He talks about how “infinite browsing mode” is entrenched in the modern world, from job hopping to fear of relationships and how “keeping our options open” leaves us ungrounded and unfulfilled. We want to keep our options open, yet we yearn for purpose and community connection.

Being elected to the Council is a motivating case for choosing things in life worth committing to, and putting in the long, slow, work of achieving them. To this thought, I wish everyone a happy and reflective Christmas, and hope that we can find some time thinking about what is important to us, our families, and our community.

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**Cr John Callisto**  
*Kensington/East Norwood Ward*

I am honoured to continue for a second term as your representative for the Kensington/East Norwood Ward. As I walk through our Ward, I feel we are so fortunate to have culture and heritage, whilst enjoying extensive shopping options, fabulous restaurants and lush green streets.

As your representative, I will endeavour to continue to communicate with you on a variety of issues that continue to impact our community and to deliver on outstanding key issues, whilst upholding our community spirit in this great City.

In this coming term, I seek to explore new and exciting initiatives which are vital to keeping this Ward and the wider community safe, sustainable and prosperous for the future.

This Christmas Season, it will be pleasing to see our marvellous Council facilities which include our Libraries, Swimming Pool, parks, and playgrounds, shopping precincts and gardens eagerly welcomed by the community.

I am so excited to witness the return of our premier events, the Norwood Christmas Pageant and the Tour Down Under which are back on the calendar.

On behalf of my wife, two daughters, three grandchildren and the furry grand dog, Parker. I take this opportunity to wish all our Volunteers, Resident Associations, community support organisations and residents, a healthy and safe festive season.

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**Cr Garry Knoblauch**

*Torrens Ward*

I am pleased to have been re-elected once again to represent the residents of Torrens Ward and I wish to thank all who voted.

I would like to congratulate all existing members who were re-elected and welcome the new Elected Members, Councillors Claire Clutterham, Hugh Holfeld, Josh Robinson, Victoria McFarlane and Grant Piggott. I am looking forward to working with the new Council.

We will face many challenges and I will continue to make a responsible contribution during the coming term. Ongoing concerns include parking and traffic management within the Torrens Ward which will continue to be addressed and resolved.

To those Elected Members not continuing I congratulate you on your many years of dedication and service to the community. In particular, John Minney, who for almost 50 years was outstanding as a Councillor on the Payneham Council, including some time as Mayor, and the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters after the amalgamation.

Family is so important, especially in these times with the ongoing COVID-19 issues, so appreciate those you care about and take nothing for granted.

On behalf of my wife, Peggy and family I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a prosperous and healthy 2023.

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**Cr Hugh Holfeld**

*Torrens Ward*

I would like to thank the residents of Torrens Ward for electing me as their representative and everyone who participated in the Council elections.

It has been a team effort for all those involved across the electoral process, and I would like to thank them all for their time and dedication.

Through the campaign I have enjoyed meeting many of you, and I will set out to follow issues raised with me.

I will strive to clean green spaces and establish systematic maintenance programs to safeguard our environment in our Council for many years to come.

After the impact of the pandemic, I aim to better assist and grow community clubs that are the cornerstone of our local area. Given our Ward is home to many houses of heritage value and new housing developments, a crucial balance must be found to protect heritage and the environment of neighbourhoods while ensuring quality housing for new residents.

It has been a busy year for all, and with Christmas quickly approaching it is the time to reflect and be thankful for the people in our lives.

This holiday season I hope we all find the time for those precious moments with family and friends, and I wish you all a happy holiday.

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**Cr Josh Robinson**  
*Payneham Ward*

Thank you to the residents of the Payneham Ward for the confidence you have shown in electing me to represent you for the next four years. I am both humbled and excited for the challenge ahead.

The time spent walking the Ward and meeting residents was invaluable in helping me to understand local concerns and seeing areas to be improved.

The community raised a lot of great points, including better maintenance of footpaths, tree maintenance including increasing road sweeping and the possibility of a market garden within Scott Street Reserve.

One of the issues I discussed was that I want to make sure development within our community is sympathetic to our local area. We have beautiful architecture, open spaces and a real sense of community and we need to continue to protect that.

As we move towards Christmas, a time for joy, fun and spending time with our family, I am really looking forward to spending some extra time with my wife and children.

Over this period, take the time to talk to your neighbours. Christmas, while a joyous occasion for most, can also be a time of loneliness and sadness for others. As a community, we want everyone to feel valued and included.

From my family, to you and yours, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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**Cr Kevin Duke**  
*Payneham Ward*

Thank you to the residents of Payneham Ward for entrusting me with the honour and responsibility of representing you on Council for the next four years.

Christmas is a joyful time of the year with many celebrations and gatherings of families, friends and work colleagues.

Christians celebrate the birth of Christ with the message of love, respect, and goodwill to all people.

It is a time of acknowledging the support of relatives and friends through sending Christmas cards and now also by emails, text messages and social media.

I wish to thank all the Volunteers of the Council in the many areas of Council services, sporting clubs, social and service clubs, music groups, churches, schools and aged care facilities.

These Volunteers, along with younger members of our community, in many clubs give freely of their time and talents to create a sense of belonging.

The Council is progressing in creating a safer and improved amenity for all residents with the progressive introduction of 40kph speed restrictions for all residential streets.

Finally, my family and I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas.

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**Cr Grant Piggott**

*West Norwood/Kent Town Ward*

I am delighted to have been elected to the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters as a Councillor for the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward. I am particularly excited about working with Sue Whittington to the benefit of our Ward and the broader City. I live in Kent Town with my wife, Alexandra and enjoy the lifestyle of inner city living.

I have most recently served for 12 years as a Council Member for the City of Burnside, including service on Development Assessment panels, Risk & Audit and CEO Committees and as a Board Member for East Waste for nine years.

My profession is event management starting from a base qualification as a Chartered Accountant. Much of my career has been at the Royal Agricultural & Horticultural Society of SA Inc. as General Manager, responsible for the commercial and operational development of the Adelaide Showground and the Royal Adelaide Show.

Alexandra and I have three grown up children—our daughter lives in London, my elder son in Melbourne and our younger son, a budding actor, lives in Adelaide. I am a long-suffering Adelaide Crows supporter.

From a Local Government point of view, I bring skills in governance and finance. My key areas of interest are for advocacy for good planning, a focus on community needs and protection of our rich lifestyle.

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**Cr Sue Whittington**

*West Norwood/Kent Town Ward*

Firstly, thank you for re-electing me as one of your Councillors. I was re-elected unopposed and it continues to be a great privilege to serve the community. I feel truly honoured to have represented the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward since 2000.

I have lived in Norwood for over 30 years and love the charm, sense of community, lifestyle and heritage environment of our City.

I care deeply about our City, and especially about preserving our built heritage and character, and about improving important local amenities such as parks, gardens, Libraries and Swimming Pools and public art programs, especially the installation of artworks in the public realm.

It is a joy to see that the Norwood Christmas Pageant has returned. This is a wonderful community event, and was sorely missed during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During summer please use and enjoy the facilities offered by our City's 72 parks and reserves, of which 29 have playgrounds. Our 23,000 street trees and the several thousand trees within those reserves, will give you some welcome shade!

Our three Libraries offer a free Home Delivery Service. If you, or someone you know, would like to use this service, simply contact your local Library branch.

A special thank you to all the Volunteers who contribute so much to our City, and a happy, healthy and safe Christmas to everyone.

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### **Cr Claire Clutterham**

*St Peters Ward*

I live in the St Peters Ward with my family. As an avid runner, I love to run through the streets of our beautiful Ward, and when I do, I am always reminded how lucky I am to live in such a wonderful part of South Australia.

I was delighted to recently be elected to the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters by the residents of the St Peters Ward. It was a privilege to meet members of the community whilst campaigning and I am looking forward to putting their ideas into action.

I plan to be visible in the community throughout my first term and will regularly check in with residents to understand the concerns of the community.

I am also motivated to ensure the Council continues to practice good governance, is open and transparent and is accountable to residents.

Christmas is a special time of year, a chance to relax, recharge for the year ahead and spend time with friends and family.

For some community members Christmas brings with it unique challenges, and I encourage everyone to reach out to those who do not have the benefit of friends and family, to check in and provide support.

I also extend a heartfelt thank you to those who work in essential services and hospitality, and who will be working over the festive season to ensure the safe enjoyment for the rest of the community.

I wish everyone a safe and happy festive season.

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### **Cr Kester Moorhouse**

*St Peters Ward*

I very much want to thank everyone who met with me during the election campaign and took the time to vote. When I was speaking with people I heard a lot of good ideas for our community. I want to keep hearing those good ideas, even when there isn't an election happening. So please feel free to contact me at any time to discuss local issues or just to have a chat.

I would like to send hearty congratulations to all Elected Members, including Claire Clutterham, who will be joining me in representing St Peters Ward. I look forward to working closely with her, and the rest of the Council, to get things done for our community.

During this term of Council I will push for our parks, Libraries and halls to be set up in such a way as to foster a sense of community, an expansion of the Council's program to replace the gravel on residents' verges with greenery and a review into how Council can offer best practice for its green waste collection program.

The St Peters St Streetscape Upgrade will be completed soon, and over the next few months we will also see works commence on upgrading Burchell Reserve, the Dunstan Adventure Playground and the River Torrens Linear Park Shared Path.

The long days of daylight savings summer are upon us and all the fun and excitement of a busy holiday season. What better time to take a moment to relax, to walk through our neighbourhoods and enjoy the outdoors. The newly installed Seed Mix sculpture at Hackney's Old Mill Reserve, the Ninth Avenue Christmas Lights, and the St Peters Billabong are particular star attractions.

In this season of goodwill, I wish you and your friends and your family all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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**Cr Connie Granozio**

*Maylands/Trinity Ward*

It has been a privilege to serve the Council over the past four years, and I was delighted to be re-elected for another term. I sincerely thank all the people who took the time and interest in the future of their community and voted in the Council elections. In recent months Council staff and residents have been working to address a number of traffic and road issues in Trinity Gardens. While progress has been made, I will continue to work with the Council and residents towards delivering solutions in this area.

I have lived in the Maylands/Trinity Ward for more than 35 years. I married my husband John in 1986 and together we have raised three children, which has been fantastic due to the schools, parks and recreational facilities and the beautiful amenity of the area.

I was elected to the Council in 2000 and have thoroughly enjoyed representing the Maylands/Trinity Ward for the past 22 years. I have also served on a number of other committees, including the Development Assessment Panel, Australia Day Awards Committee, Swimming Centres Committee and the Magill Road Precinct Committee.

In my spare time I enjoy walking and spending time with my family and friends, and I also love to travel.

I would like to extend a big thank you to all of our Volunteers for their dedication and support, which is saving the Council thousands of dollars annually. I thank too all of the residents who have raised issues with our Council in an effort to increase services in the community.

I wish everyone a safe and happy festive season and a prosperous New Year.

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**Cr Scott Sims**

*Maylands/Trinity Ward*

Firstly, thank you to the community for supporting me. It's a humbling experience to be re-elected and I look forward to serving the community in the next term of the Council.

I would also like to thank all the Council's staff, Volunteers, community organisations and my fellow Elected Members, for their hard work and dedication over the last year.

I am happy to report that the Council is undertaking a major investment in the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre and an upgrade to Cruickshank Reserve, Maylands. The Council has also continued to invest further funding on footpath repairs, road upgrades and the Trinity Valley drainage and flood prevention infrastructure upgrade. Considering the terrible weather events experienced in the eastern states and South Australia in November, this is a significant win for our community.

Nevertheless, we must continue to strive to do even more for ratepayers and residents. I am going to advocate for neighbourhoods in our Ward with a focus on further investment in our roads and footpaths.

I'd also like to urge any residents to be vigilant regarding COVID-19 and undertake all the necessary vaccinations. I want everyone to stay safe. Together we will stop the further spread of COVID-19.

Finally, I wish all residents a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year. May Father Christmas bring many fun presents to the residents in our area.

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**Cr Victoria McFarlane**

*Maylands/Trinity Ward*

I'm so grateful to have been given the opportunity to serve the people of Norwood Payneham & St Peters as a Councillor. Thank you, Maylands and Trinity Gardens, for putting your trust in me.

This Christmas will be my first time serving on the Council and I'm keen to learn how we work together as a community, especially over this special time of year.

It feels like the first time in a couple of years that Christmas is back on the table, I'm so glad!

Families are travelling again and people are celebrating; there's a real sense of expectation and joy in the air.

This year, I'll be spending Christmas with my extended family, some of whom will be flying in from overseas. There'll no doubt be some robust Christmas Carols at our local church, overindulging on Christmas Day, some beach cricket and a few burnt ears.

I'm so looking forward to the New Year when I'll start learning what it is to serve our great community.

With a professional background in finance, strategy, asset management, clean tech and a bent for continuous improvement, I believe I have some good skills to offer and I'm keen to get involved.

Wishing you and your family a very Happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

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WISHING YOU ALL  
A MERRY  
*Christmas*

AND A SAFE NEW YEAR  
FROM THE MAYOR AND  
ELECTED MEMBERS

To find out more about Council and Committee meeting dates and times for 2023 please visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au/councilmeetings](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au/councilmeetings)



Children enjoy the Gingerbread Float

## Norwood Christmas Pageant welcomed back with open arms!

**Following a two-year forced break, the Norwood Christmas Pageant once again rolled into our City, with a sea of smiling faces, festive cheer and a bumper crowd lining The Parade.**

There was much anticipation leading up to the iconic event and the roar of applause was almost deafening when Santa arrived just after 10am on 26 November.

The Council's staff had been working around the clock to ensure Santa's special float looked absolutely magical, following rain damage in 2020.

Eager and keen eyes in the crowd also would have noticed the Princess Float which this year had a more regal look, matching the beautiful costumes lovingly stitched by a dedicated team of Volunteers.

Another new float, Rocking Around The Christmas Tree, featuring a large Christmas tree and a rock n' roll theme added some groove to the event!

It takes a huge amount of planning, time and love to bring the Norwood Christmas Pageant to the community and the Council would like to thank all the participants, Volunteers and spectators who helped make this event one to remember!





*Christmas wreath workshop*

# Christmas on Parade

## Christmas Wreath Workshop

Create your own Christmas wreath this festive season with the experts at Blooms Flowers on The Parade, Norwood.

You will be provided with a selection of beautiful foliage to create your very own Christmas wreath. Instructor Cathie will guide you on combinations and elements that complement each other to create a piece of art that you will proudly hang on your door.

This workshop, on Saturday 10 December, is the perfect Christmas activity to share with your friends and family.

### Did you know?

The word wreath comes from the Old English word *wriþan*, meaning 'to twist', and over the centuries, wreaths have been associated with a variety of cultures.

It's believed that wreaths date back to the Persian Empire, ancient Egypt, and ancient Greece.

These days, the wreath is a widely adorned Christmas decoration in our community, mainly on front doors and generally denotes the spiritual belief of everlasting life.

## Christmas Art Installation

Adelaide based muralist and visual artist, Alexandra Bellas has painted a series of three artworks which are to be admired and enjoyed at the Memorial Gardens, located at the front of Norwood Oval, during the festive season. This pop-up art display adds vibrancy to the western end of The Parade, inviting visitors to explore each installation and share their photos on social media by tagging [#christmasonparade](#)

## Brighten The Parade

To get into the Christmas spirit and add more colour and festive cheer to businesses along The Parade, the Council has invited school children to 'collaborate' with the renowned artist. Students from schools throughout our City have added their own twist to the artist's template with plenty of colour and flair!

Look out for these colourful and unique adaptations of Alex's designs throughout participating businesses.

To find out more about what's happening on The Parade this Christmas and to book tickets to the wreath workshop visit [www.theparadenorwood.com](http://www.theparadenorwood.com)



*Festive Gallery on Osmond*

## Festive Gallery on Osmond

**Norwood's very own open-air Christmas tree gallery, Festive Gallery on Osmond, returns for the seventh year, showcasing the creative talents of children from local schools.**

Students have decorated wooden Christmas trees and Christmas presents which are displayed along Osmond Terrace for everyone to enjoy.

The community are now invited to visit the display and vote for their favourite group of decorations. The People's Choice Competition is hosted on The Parade Norwood Facebook page.

The group of decorations with the most 'likes' by 12 noon on Tuesday 3 January 2023, will win the school or childcare centre a \$500 Parade gift card, plus \$500 to a charity of their choice. This initiative is supported by the Norwood Parade Precinct Committee.

## Give the Gift of Reading

**This Christmas the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters is once again welcoming donations for the Give the Gift of Reading initiative.**

You can Give the Gift of Reading by donating a new children's reading book, colouring or activity pack to be gifted to a South Australian child in need, as part of the Backpacks 4 SA Kids program.

Help make Christmas memorable for a young person by leaving your unwrapped gift under the Christmas tree at any of the Council's Libraries or Norwood Town Hall.

Donations will be accepted until 23 December 2022.





# Council opening times

## Christmas and New Year

### Norwood Town Hall

#### December 2022

Friday 23	8.30am–3.00pm
Saturday 24	Closed
Sunday 25	Closed
Monday 26	Closed
Tuesday 27	Closed
Wednesday 28	8.30am–5.00pm
Thursday 29	8.30am–5.00pm
Friday 30	8.30am–3.00pm
Saturday 31	Closed

#### January 2023

Sunday 1	Closed
Monday 2	Closed
Tuesday 3	8.30am–5.00pm

### Norwood Swimming Centre

#### December 2022

Friday 23	6.00am–7.30pm
Saturday 24	8.00am–5.00pm
Sunday 25	Closed
Monday 26	8.00am–7.00pm
Tuesday 27	8.00am–7.00pm
Wednesday 28	6.00am–7.30pm
Thursday 29	6.00am–7.30pm
Friday 30	6.00am–7.30pm
Saturday 31	8.00am–7.00pm

#### January 2023

Sunday 1	8.00am–7.00pm
Monday 2	8.00am–7.00pm
Tuesday 3	6.00am–7.30pm

### Council Works Depot

#### December 2022

Friday 23	8.30am–3.00pm
Saturday 24	Closed
Sunday 25	Closed
Monday 26	Closed
Tuesday 27	Closed
Wednesday 28	8.30am–3.00pm
Thursday 29	8.30am–3.00pm
Friday 30	8.30am–3.00pm
Saturday 31	Closed

#### January 2023

Sunday 1	Closed
Monday 2	Closed
Tuesday 3	8.30am–5.00pm

*After hours emergency works will be responded to.*

### Libraries

#### December 2022

	Norwood	Payneham	St Peters
Friday 23	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Saturday 24	Closed	Closed	Closed
Sunday 25	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday 26	Closed	Closed	Closed
Tuesday 27	Closed	Closed	Closed
Wednesday 28	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–1.00pm
Thursday 29	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Friday 30	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Saturday 31	Closed	Closed	Closed

#### January 2023

Sunday 1	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday 2	Closed	Closed	Closed
Tuesday 3	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm

### St Peters Child Care Centre & Pre-School

The St Peters Child Care Centre & Pre-School will be closed from Saturday, 24 December 2022 and will re-open on Tuesday, 3 January 2023.

### Payneham Community Centre

Closed from 3.00pm Friday, 23 December 2022 and will re-open at 9.00am on Wednesday, 28 December 2022. Closed from 3.00pm Friday, 30 December 2022 and will re-open at 9.00am on Tuesday, 3 January 2023.



Volunteers , Savia and Vinod Coelho

# Building connections through Volunteering

## **Savia Coelho describes moving to South Australia from Mumbai, India, as a “daunting experience”.**

While navigating immigration red tape, juggling being a mother to two young children, Savia and her husband Vinod felt a huge amount of uncertainty.

This all changed when Savia and Vinod, of Payneham, choose to volunteer with the Council.

“My husband and I thrive around people. I started off as a Volunteer at the Payneham Library and then my husband and I became Volunteers as part of the Friends of the Billabong Program,” Savia says.

“We really love spending time amidst the gum trees with our two young kids... building a deeper understanding of the people and environment we live in,” she says.

“The only way you can make a new country your own is by keeping an open mind and open arms. And that’s what I decided to do and I jumped into volunteering to find a sense of belonging and community.”

Savia also uses her marketing skills to assist with Sustainable Communities SA as well as one-off events such as Pop-Up Wheel Park and Raising the Bar, in which she co-hosted a session at the 2021 event.

“I’ve loved every experience and my skills have grown so much. It’s hard to pick a favourite event as each bring out a different part of me and each teaches me something new and pushes me out of my comfort zone,” Savia says.

“The Raising the Bar event in 2021 was a definite highlight—standing up in front of people and introducing the next speaker was equal parts excitement and nerves.”

Savia says that as new arrivals to Australia and then the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, volunteering was the absolute gateway in building connections and making a home here.

*“We don’t walk around like tourists. We’ve gotten our hands dirty and become one with the people.”*

“No matter if you’re young or old, busy or relatively free, new to the City or lived here forever, whatever your situation — Volunteering is a great experience.

“It is also the most humbling experience in a first-world country. All the inhibitions and mental hurdles I had just melted away as I discovered how people are willing to put their trust in you if you are willing to put your best efforts into something.”





*Gabriella Cavuoto and her family at the European Café*

## Behind the Business - European Café

**With her mobile phone ringing constantly, deliveries arriving through the door and her three sons preparing for a busy night ahead, restaurant owner Gabriella Cavuoto is beaming.**

Boasting her trademark welcoming smile, Gabriella describes the history of her family business, the European Café, which is the oldest restaurant on The Parade.

“We have been here for 43 years. We were the first pizza shop to open on The Parade and people keep coming back over the years because we haven’t changed. People want consistency and that’s what we are—consistent.”

Gabriella, her husband Giorgio and three sons, Gianni, Ricardo and Julian, work around the clock to ensure the European Café delivers exceptional service with modern and traditional Italian cuisine.

Like a majority of hospitality businesses across the state, the Cavuoto’s faced the significant financial burden as

a result of the COVID-19 pandemic with a 75% drop in income.

But the third generation business has had an “amazing recovery”.

“When the state borders opened and we had very strict restrictions, we had police in the restaurant on Saturday nights counting the number of patrons and turning people away from the door.”

“I understand they had a job to do but it was tough asking people to socially distance when people want to be together, to be close and be comfortable.

“The Council did a fantastic job helping businesses—the outdoor dining fee relief was a great help as were the Taste of the Parade vouchers.

“We had a few familiar faces come in to use the vouchers and about 20 new customers who have now become regulars. It really helped and we appreciated it a great deal.”

With busy nights accommodating more than 100 people plus a private function room, Gabriella says the future is looking very bright for the European Café, which is commonly described as an “institution”.

“But we are a family business so it will depend on what the next generation of my family want to do,” the grandmother of four says with a grin.

And what would Gabriella say to anyone who hasn’t been to the European Café yet?

“We make everything here, from our renowned gnocchi to our huge range of desserts, so come along and try good, honest food, you will love it.”

The European Café is featured in Series 2 of the Council’s Behind the Businesses Podcast which is available now. To listen visit [npsp.sa.gov.au/btb](http://npsp.sa.gov.au/btb)

# Child Care Centre revamp results in happy little possums

By building a stimulating outdoor environment, with imaginative nature play areas and a bike track, the St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool also created something quite unexpected.

The new outdoor play space has “a calming vibe and the children want to be outside all the time”, even sleeping outdoors whenever possible.

Childcare Centre Director, Alice Parsons, says sleeping outside which is a very unique form of relaxation, following plenty of activity and social engagement, is known as the “possum theory”.

“We put beds out underneath the pergola and the children love it. We have noticed a huge difference in their energy levels in the afternoon,” Ms Parsons said.

“Sleeping outside originally started because of COVID-19. We did everything we could to stop the spread of germs, and have an open environment and then we noticed how much happier children are in the afternoon.”

The outdoor space which was designed by Wax Designs, following consultation with parents and caregivers, was then constructed by LCS Landscapes. Both are South Australian businesses.

The redeveloped yard also features child friendly plants and garden spaces, a sensory path to walk and crawl along, an inbuilt mud kitchen and new sandpit, lush grass, a water tank, a water funnel play feature, a large built in wooden tee pee, a talking tube, a large chalk board, a fire pit, a small bridge over a rock bed and a new deck.

The Centre’s First Nation’s mural, which represents children, the sun and the earth, was created by Kaurna artist, Tjimari.

While the children at the Centre were too busy having fun to provide their feedback on the new play space, their parents certainly had a lot to say:

“We have been using the Centre for 12 years and absolutely love it. Such great carers and educators who are invested in the children’s development and progress.”

“It has a great community feel so please be a part of it.”

“I just wanted to say how happy we are with St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool. Everyone has been so warm and welcoming and our daughter has formed strong bonds with her educators.”

The St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool currently has vacancies for children aged zero to five. To find out more contact the centre Director, Alice Parsons on 83621843 or by emailing [aparsons@npsp.sa.gov.au](mailto:aparsons@npsp.sa.gov.au)



**St Peters  
Child Care Centre  
& Preschool**

42 Henry Street, Stepney  
[www.npsp.sa.gov.au](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au)





*I just wanted to say how happy we are with St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool. Everyone has been so warm and welcoming and our daughter has formed strong bonds with her educators.*





# From little things, big things grow!



Students from Marryatville Primary School

**When Marryatville Primary School found out it had received \$1000 to create a beautiful garden, they took the opportunity very seriously!**

St Peters Rotary Club, in partnership with the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, offered the grant to help the school make a positive difference to the environment.

“Once we got the fabulous news that we would be receiving \$1000, the Year 1 Wombats and the Year 3 Pod Panthers buddied up—big and little buddies together,” Year 1 teacher, Penny Harris said.

“The student led project taught the children so much but also instilled, in all 53 children, a deep appreciation of the environment and appreciation of the beauty of the natural world,” she added.

“At one point, there were so many helpers in the garden all we saw was super happy kids covered in dirt, compost and mud yelling out happily when they had found a worm!”

These were the steps involved in creating the beautiful new garden and courtyard:

- sun mapping the courtyard to see what the plants needed and what kinds of plants would grow best in the area;
- researching local wildlife including Rainbow Lorikeets, Kookaburras, Koalas, Possums, Noisy Miner Birds, Magpies, Crows, Black Cockatoos, Worms, Ladybirds and Monarch Butterflies;
- students and teachers taking part in a local neighbourhood walk and asking the neighbours what was growing best in their gardens. Many generous people also donated cuttings;

- studying what 'companion plants' were especially for fruit trees;
- learning how to use garden sprayers and how to dilute our worms wee to fertilise our garden beautifully;
- designing and researching Butterfly Gardens and what locally would attract minibeasts to the garden to create an ecosystem to study lifecycles and;
- lastly, the students decorated river stones by drawing pictures of the things they loved and what inspired them.

Mrs Harris said even the consistent rain didn't dampen the student's spirits.

“Something amazing happened, the kids took true ownership of the space and began bringing in little fairy houses, and garden statues to bring some magic and truly add a junior primary touch.”



## A Golden Idea

Seven-year-old Goldie, of Marrayatville Primary School, was a little bit envious of the beautiful garden on the other side of the school that the older students enjoyed.

Goldie, who is in the Year 1 "Wombats" instead had a recreation area that was described colloquially as the "concrete jungle of ugliness".

Not one to usually speak up with bold ideas, it took a lot of courage for Goldie to raise the possibility of turning this area into a "beautiful and happy place with lots of colour".

Goldie's idea originally came from her great want to welcome back families on site after COVID-19 restrictions. She told her class and teacher, Mrs Harris:

"I want to create a garden. I know we already have one at school for the big kids. But I want one closer for the little kids. I want a fun place where my Mum and family feel like they belong and can help outside.....It would be a little bit of home, but at school. Is that a good idea? Then, maybe all the Mums and Dads might come back."

As a result, the idea turned into "The Learning Family Project" to help the children's families feel welcome back on the school site.

Using the funding from the St Peters Rotary grant and support from Bunnings at Kent Town as well as many donations from the Marrayatville community, the Year 1 Wombats, Year 3 Pod Panthers, school staff and parents worked around the clock to create a beautiful, vibrant and colourful new space.

"We chose colours that were the school colours – blue and yellow and now I keep spotting butterflies in there," Goldie said.

"In Autumn we will also have fruit from the trees we planted."

Visiting the school and the glorious garden, it is obvious that Goldie's determination to brighten the courtyard has had an overwhelmingly positive effect on the whole school.

"It is such a nice place for everyone to sit and wait and even water the plants," Goldie, who also loves gardening at home, said.

Goldie describes her favourite gardening moment as "dancing in the rain" and placing decorated stones in the garden, with her classmates who were determined to keep gardening despite tumultuous weather.

When asked what Goldie would suggest to other young students who have a brilliant idea but might be a little bit shy: "Just go for it," she replied gleefully.

*Goldie (top right) and classmates with Rotary representatives*



# Why drive when you can walk or ride?

**Did you know that some of our City's best landmarks, restaurants, coffee spots and even the Norwood Town Hall could be within a short walking or riding distance from your house or business?**

Before you get in your car think about the benefits of alternative transport including:

- it's fun;
- it's free;
- you save money on petrol;
- play a small part in reducing global warming;
- it's good for your health, fitness and well-being;
- you'll get fresh air. It's the best kind;
- enjoy the sites of our beautiful City;
- stop and smell the roses in the leafy green streets;
- walking or cycling can be faster than driving in peak times; and
- visit some amazing art, sculptures and mosaics.



## **KOSTER PARK, TRINITY GARDENS**

Walk off the calories before you consume them! Our City boasts some of the best picnic spots in the state with many also having BBQ facilities and shaded lawn areas.



## **SEED MIX, OLD MILL RESERVE, HACKNEY**

While it may be a little optimistic to walk to all of the major art works in the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters in one session, it is definitely doable on a bike or scooter. To find out more about the Council's public art visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au)





Make a Splash

**NORWOOD SWIMMING CENTRE**

Whether it's laps or a casual splash, there is nothing quite like cooling off with a refreshing swim after 'walking' up a sweat! The Norwood Swimming Pool is the ideal way to finish your exercise routine!



Shop on Magill Road

**MAGILL ROAD**

There is just so much to see, explore and immerse yourself in on Magill Road. The best way to delve into this charming precinct is by walking or riding and that means you don't need to worry about finding a carpark.



Play a casual game

**SYD JONES RESERVE, FIRLE**

It's important to stretch before a vigorous workout, so why not walk to your next game of football, cricket, tennis or basketball. Our City has a huge array of sporting facilities. To find out where visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au)



Dine at your favourite Restaurant or Cafe

**DINING IN OUR CITY**

It's very tempting to overindulge in one (or two or three) of the many restaurants, cafes, bars and hotels along The Parade. Play it safe and leave your car at home.

# Around the City

*Updates from the Council and a look at what's happening in and around your local area.*

Each of the projects carried out by the Council works towards the four outcomes of its Strategic Management Plan, *CityPlan 2030: Shaping Our Future*. Together reaching these outcomes helps to achieve the Council's overall goal of Community Well-being.

 Social Equity

 Cultural Vitality

 Economic Prosperity

 Environmental Sustainability



## *Felixstow Basketball Court*

### **New device to discourage noise**

In what is believed to be a South Australian first, the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has purchased a rim blocking device to be installed at the Felixstow Reserve Basketball Court.

The device, which was created by two industrial design students at Monash University under the brand name BSquared, will be installed in mid-December.

It works by automatically blocking the basketball ring at 8pm each night and then unblocking it again at 8am, ready for play.

The decision was made to purchase the device, following community consultation with a range of stakeholders, including local residents and regular users of the court, in May 2022.

In addition to the rim blocking device, the Council has also installed a new sign at the court outlining the rules relating to hours of play.

The Council chose to undertake extensive community consultation to better understand the views of more local residents and the broader community and to determine which option was best for the Council to pursue in relation to the basketball court.





Artist Nicholas Uhlmann with Seed Mix

## Seed Mix

### Striking sculptures pay homage to history

**A series of striking sculptures in Old Mill Reserve, Hackney, are the latest major art installations on display in our City.**

The sculptures, Parrot Gumnut, Germinating Wheat Grain and Golden Wattle, celebrate the contrasting cultures of the Kurna people with early colonist grain processing, and the history of the Reserve.

Collectively titled, Seed Mix, the sculptures were designed and created by South Australian contemporary artist Nicholas Uhlmann.

Nicholas describes his art as “organic constructivist sculpture” which involves a distinct method of wrapping a steel armature in layers of thin metallic strips.

“Seed Mix ties the whole story together and aims to celebrate nature as the star of the Old Mill Reserve experience” Nicholas said.

An established and celebrated artist, Nicholas has held 12 solo shows and exhibited in more than 50 outdoor sculpture events throughout Australia and overseas.

Seed Mix is the fourth major artwork to be commissioned as part of the Council's Quadrennial Public Art Program.

The Council's Quadrennial Public Art Program not only provides incredible opportunities for artists but also an indelible cultural experience for residents, visitors and the wider community.

To find out more about Nicholas visit [www.nicholasuhlmann.com](http://www.nicholasuhlmann.com) or on instagram @nicholas\_uhlmann\_sculpture

## Did you know?

**There are 27 stunning art pieces, from mosaics to murals and sculptures, throughout our City!**

To see Seed Mix firsthand and find out more about the Council's other art installations scan the QR code for a link to the Council's Public Art Map.





*Peter Reschke, Team Leader Regulatory Services*

## Meet our Staff

### **Peter Reschke, Team Leader Regulatory Services**

When Peter Reschke was a young boy he was determined to have a career that involved road signs.

True to his ambition, Peter has spent most of his working life checking, policing and regulating signs in the community.

“My dream job as a child was working with signs, I was intrigued by roadworks,” he said.

Peter, who is the Council’s Team Leader Regulatory Services, joined the Council in January 2022, after 10 years at the City of Adelaide where he had various roles including Parking Officer, Acting Work Group Leader, City Works Permits Officer, and Community Safety Officer.

“After working with the City of Adelaide for many years in Regulatory Services, predominantly parking enforcement, I felt I had a lot more to offer and I wanted to pursue a leadership role,” he said.

“Since being with the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters I have been instrumental in improving processes in order to progress and streamline operations.

“I constantly strive to do my very best to assist a customer and resolve their issue. This is not always easy but it is so important to always try and provide the best outcome.”

Peter, who has completed a Diploma of Leadership and Management and a Diploma of Business, embraces the lighter side of life by watching reruns of his favourite TV show, The Simpsons.

“I also really enjoy maintaining my home and spending time with my family.”

As well as his day to day responsibilities, Peter is overseeing the implementation of the Council’s On-Street Parking Policy which was adopted this year, following community consultation last year.

The Council developed the Policy to help manage on-street parking requirements to ensure it:

- provides fair and equitable access in mixed use zones;
- optimises the use of on-street parking to best meet the needs of the precinct; and
- ensures the management of on-street parking is clear and transparent.

There are three parking precincts involved in the implementation of the Plan and the first area includes Kensington, Marryatville and Heathpool.

Initiatives being undertaken include timed parking control zones, which aim to increase the turnover of vehicles.

To find out more or to read the policy visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au/ospp](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au/ospp)



## *NPSP celebrates 25 years!*

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters celebrated its 25th birthday in November 2022.

The City was established on 1 November 1997 following the amalgamation of the City of Kensington and Norwood, the City of Payneham and the Town of St Peters.

Mayor Robert Bria, who was recently elected for a sixth term, said 2022 not only marked the quarter of the century milestone, but it was also the Council's largest investment in major infrastructure projects to benefit the entire community.

This investment includes funding for the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre redevelopment, which is expected to be open in 2024.

Our community can also look forward to upgrades to Burchell Reserve, Dunstan Adventure Playground, St Peters Street Streetscape and The Parade!

For more information about all of the Council's major projects visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au/majorprojects](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au/majorprojects)

## *Splash into the Norwood Swimming Centre this summer*

Due to the major redevelopment of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre, water lovers are reminded that the Norwood Swimming Centre is the place to cool off this summer, while works are underway at Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre.

The Norwood Swimming Centre, on Phillips Street Kensington, is set amongst some beautiful shady gums, creating a backyard setting with showers, a kiosk and BBQs.

The Centre is open seven days a week, except Christmas Day and Good Friday during the swim season so make sure you get into the swim of things!!



## *St Morris Reserve to be redeveloped*

**Have your say!**

The community will benefit from new play equipment and enhanced amenities at St Morris Reserve, which will be redeveloped in order to provide flood prevention infrastructure.

This project is part of the Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Upgrade, which is jointly funded by the Australian Federal Government and the Council.

The upgrade and enhancement of the Reserve at the corner of Green Street and Seventh Avenue, will be part of a

stage of a multi-million-dollar program to manage flooding in the suburbs of St Morris, Trinity Gardens, Maylands and Stepney.

To find out more about the consultation process and how you can have a say early next year, please contact the Council's Manager Communications & Community Relations, Simonne Whitlock on 83664528 or [swhitlock@npsp.sa.gov.au](mailto:swhitlock@npsp.sa.gov.au)



Smart School Crossing, William Street, Norwood

## *NPSP receives two commendations at Planning Institute Awards*

Two of the Council's planning projects have received recognition at the highly respected Planning Institute Australia Awards, which were held in November.

The Council's Smart School Crossing, at William Street, Norwood, received a commendation in the Technology & Digital Innovation category.

It is the first of its type in Australia.

From the street, the Smart Crossing looks like any Koala Crossing, but inside the switchboard, a bidirectional radar measures the speed of incoming and outgoing traffic along William Street.

The data feeds into a remote monitoring dashboard in real-time display. The speed and volume analytics are then used to evaluate driver behaviour.

The collection and analysis of the data helps the Council to deliver best-practice, integrated transport planning.

Planning is now underway to assess the feasibility of installing similar technology at other locations in our City.

The second commendation was awarded to the Felixstow Neighbourhood Urban Renewal Reserve and Detention Basin in the Climate Change & Resilience category.

The State Government's SA Housing Authority and the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters delivered the project together.

The Council's involvement was largely centred around the creation of a sustainable stormwater management system.

The project highlights the importance of undertaking urban renewal projects while adapting to the impacts of climate change.





Jo Quigley from Send a Gourmet Basket and Mayor Bria

## Mayor's Business Commendation Awards

The Mayor's Business Commendation Awards recognise small businesses that make a significant contribution to the City, and that have been operating in the City for a minimum of 10 years.

The four Award categories are:

- 10+ Years Bronze Commendation
- 25+ Years Silver Commendation
- 50+ Years Gold Commendation
- 3+ Generational Family Business Commendation

The Awards are based on a self-nomination process. The following recipients received their Awards at the Council's 2022 mid-year business networking function which was held at Fine and Fettle, at Stepney.

The following businesses received an Award for:

### **25+ years of trading**

#### **DeConno & Blanco Insurance Brokers**

The family business has operated on Payneham Road since opening in 1978. With three generations working in the office, the staff are considered the 'lifblood' of the business.

### **James Thredgold Jeweller**

James has been in the jewellery industry since 1984, when he started as an apprentice before opening James Thredgold Jewellery on The Parade in 1997.

### **10+ years of trading**

#### **Send a Gourmet Basket**

This family-owned business focuses on providing quality customer service along with delicious food and wine. Send a Gourmet Basket provides high quality gift hampers for individuals and corporate clients.

To read more about James' success, including being crowned the 2022 Eastside Business Award Hall of Fame winner, visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au/eba](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au/eba)

To find out more about the Mayor's Business Commendation Awards visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au/mbca](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au/mbca)

# A Day of Fashion



## Celebrating style and sustainability

The Council's recent A Day of Fashion was a resounding success with two sold out events, including a Sip & Swap and an industry panel discussion, promoting sustainability in the high-turnover fashion industry.

The panel discussion, In Conversation With... Fashion Talk, was at capacity, prompting the panellists to congratulate the Council for highlighting the issue of sustainability.

The discussion was hosted by Stacey Pallaras from fashion magazine Cocktail Revolution, with university researchers and advocates Erin Skinner, Kyla Raby and Josie McKenzie on the panel.

"It was inspiring to see so many people wanting to join a conversation about the sustainability issues that exist within the fashion industry and interested in knowing what they can do in response." Kyla said.

"Thanks to the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters for including this panel event in the program, inviting us to share our research, and to all those who came along on the day or viewed the recording afterwards."

Erin Skinner praised the Council for hosting "such a great day and above all else, including sustainability".

"The street was buzzing with fantastic energy and conversation about what we can do to make for a fairer and more sustainable fashion industry. Sustainability can be stylish and the panel attendees showed this in spades!"

## Sales surge

A Day of Fashion was Exurbia's most lucrative day of trading since opening on The Parade in November 2021.

Senior Sales Consultant Juanita Sentence, from the outdoor adventure store said the weather was lovely which meant their regular customers would be undertaking some type of adventure such as hiking in the hills or climbing.

"It was nice to meet new customers on the day, who may not have known we are on The Parade but the Garage Sale caught their eye and this can only be accounted for by the foot traffic because of A Day of Fashion on The Parade" she said.



## Sip & Swap success

From SABA to Gucci, Country Road and French Connection, Sip & Swap was a style aficionado's dream.

Waiting with anticipation, queues formed outside the Don Pyatt Hall, just off The Parade, reminiscent of a Boxing Day sale—but right here in Norwood.

Pleasingly, no 'swappers' were left disappointed with about 100 items remaining out of a total of 600 on offer.

National co-ordinator of the clothing exchange, Kirsten Fredericks, said the clothes swap brought a "valuable dimension to A Day of Fashion on The Parade".

"The excitement generated amongst the attendees during the event and the positive feedback afterwards are a testament to sustainable fashion and the City of Norwood Payneham & St Perers ability to provide an event that was both fun and sophisticated."

The remaining items from Sip & Swap were donated to a variety of Op Shops along The Parade, including Elcies, which is operated by Lutheran Care.

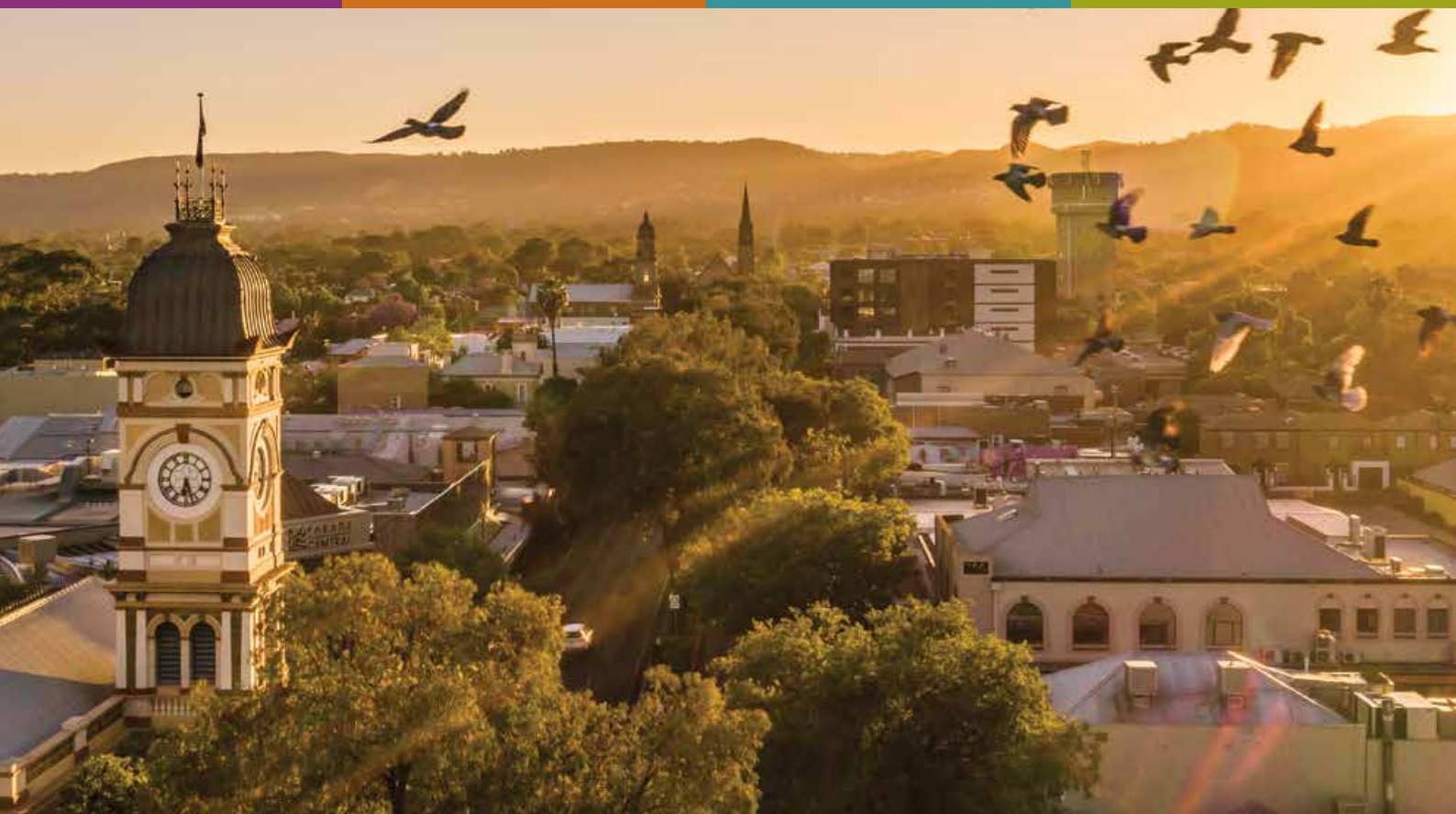
Lutheran Care Op Shop Manager Babs Deane said Elcies was thrilled to be a recipient of about 100 beautiful second-hand clothing pieces.

*"We really appreciate the generosity of the community and the Council in receiving these goods. Proceeds from our Op Shops go directly to supporting people experiencing hard times or who have reached crisis point."*

A Day of Fashion, which is fully funded by the Council from the Separate Rate collected from businesses in the Norwood Parade Precinct, will return next year.



# 2021–2022 Annual Report Summary



**During 2021–2022, the Council continued to deliver on its vision of fostering a prosperous, vibrant and sustainable community.**

Guided by *CityPlan 2030: Shaping Our Future*, the Council's priorities focused on improving infrastructure, enhancing public spaces, strengthening its business precincts, engaging the community and ensuring that we work towards a sustainable future.

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters 2021–2022 Annual Report provides a comprehensive overview of the Council's performance, achievements, challenges, governance and financial management.

The Council is committed to transparent reporting and accountability to all of our stakeholders. The Annual Report is the primary means of advising our progress towards the outcomes and objectives outlined in the Council's strategic management plan, *CityPlan 2030: Shaping Our Future*.

The following pages provide a summary of the 2021–2022 Annual Report, including the projects, services and initiatives which were undertaken by the Council during the year, some of the challenges faced, and plans for future projects. An overview of the Council's financial performance is also included.

The full version of the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters 2021–2022 Annual Report can be viewed online at [www.npsp.sa.gov.au](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au)



# Strategic Direction

The Council's strategic direction is guided by four outcomes or Pillars which contribute to the realisation of the Council's Vision and are based on the four Pillars of the Quadruple Bottom Line (QBL) framework. The four outcomes are Social Equity, Cultural Vitality, Economic Prosperity and Environmental Sustainability.

We exist to improve the Well-being of our citizens and our community, through:

**Social Equity**

**Cultural Vitality**

**Economic Prosperity**

**Environmental Sustainability**



**For our City, adding the fourth pillar of culture to the traditional Triple Bottom Line (TBL) of environmental, social and economic sustainability highlights the importance of protecting and enhancing our City's unique character and sense of place.**

The objectives set out in *CityPlan 2030: Shaping Our Future*, which outline the priorities for what needs to happen to achieve the four outcomes, reflect the community's aspirations, the policy commitments of the Council and the likely trends and issues which our City will face over the course of *CityPlan 2030*.

*CityPlan 2030* plays a pivotal role in guiding the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters towards the community's vision for the future. Achieving the strategies contained in *CityPlan 2030* requires transparent and accountable governance structures and processes which are both flexible and responsive to the future opportunities and challenges that will present themselves.

It will also require a positive 'can-do' attitude and approach to ensure that we realise the future which we want for ourselves and the next generation, rather than just 'letting things happen'.

# Year In Review

## *Performance Highlights*

### Outcome 1: Social Equity

An inclusive, connected, accessible and friendly community



### 2021–2022 Achievements

- ✓ Introduced a wide-range of new technologies and initiatives as part of the Council's Smart City Plan commitments.
- ✓ Reduced the speed limit to 40km/h (from 50km/h) in Norwood and Kent Town following community consultation.
- ✓ Delivered 17,954 hours of Home Community Care Services to senior citizens.
- ✓ Adopted the Council's new On-Street Parking Policy.
- ✓ Engaged with young people through a range of programs—including the Skill Sessions, Poolside and Canvas Youth Arts.
- ✓ Constructed Nino Solari Commemorative Path—benefitting cyclists and pedestrians.
- ✓ Provided \$57,850 to 27 community groups through the Community Funding Program.
- ✓ The Council's 208 Volunteers dedicated 5264 hours of service across a variety of programs.
- ✓ Continued to increase the Council's social media profiles on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.

### Challenges

- Increasing the number of citizens who engage with our Council through digital channels.
- Striking a balance with residents, business operators and visitors in regards to on-street parking expectation.
- Volunteer recruitment and retention impacted by COVID-19.

### The year ahead

- Delivery of the Capital Works Program.
- Continuing to deliver the initiatives in the Council's Wayfinding Strategy
- Further develop The Parade Masterplan, including the upgrade of George Street with wider footpaths to make it more pedestrian friendly and safe.
- Finalising the conversion of Rosemont Lane to a public road.



## Outcome 2: Cultural Vitality

A culturally rich and diverse city, with a strong identity, history and sense of place



### 2021–2022 Achievements

- ✓ 842 Development Applications were lodged with the Council.
- ✓ Hosted 2022 History Festival event—Down at the Local.
- ✓ More than 100 art works featured in Art on Parade.
- ✓ Welcomed 284 new citizens into our community.
- ✓ Issued 225 busking permits.
- ✓ More than 2000 people attended the Concerts in the Park events.
- ✓ 16 schools and childcare centres took part in Festive Gallery on Osmond.
- ✓ Hosted Pianos in the Park for the fifth year.
- ✓ Commenced and completed detailed design of the Burchell Reserve upgrade.
- ✓ Hosted South Australian Living Arts (SALA) across various venues throughout our City.

### Challenges

- For the second year in a row, the much loved and iconic Norwood Christmas Pageant was cancelled.
- Events staff continued to work closely to manage events in a COVID-19 safe manner.

### The year ahead

- Work will commence on the redevelopment of Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre.
- The Tour Down Under will return with the Council hosting the Stage 3 Start in January 2023 after a forced break due to COVID-19.

# Year In Review

## *Performance Highlights*

### **Outcome 3: Economic Prosperity**

A dynamic and thriving centre for business and services



### **2021–2022 Achievements**

- ✓ Delivered more than 40 actions from the Economic Development Strategy.
- ✓ Created Taste of The Parade vouchers to boost the hospitality sector.
- ✓ Hosted the Eastside Business Awards to recognise the best small businesses in the City, as voted by the public.
- ✓ James Thredgold Jeweller was inducted into the Eastside Business Awards Hall of Fame.
- ✓ Delivered The Parade Precinct Business Boost program.
- ✓ Launched Eastside Design for Living Publication.
- ✓ Developed and delivered the Win a FIAT competition.
- ✓ Developed and delivered the Spend to Win competition.
- ✓ Hosted Spring Shopping Day in which 55 businesses took part.
- ✓ Presented six Business Growth Workshops.
- ✓ Delivered the Mayor's Business Commendation Awards.
- ✓ Issued 42 e-newsletters to the business community.
- ✓ Delivered two business networking events.

### **Challenges**

- Continuing to improve engagement with the business precincts.
- Meeting the ongoing challenges of building a robust and sustainable local economy.
- Navigating and understanding the impacts of inflation rises and post-pandemic behaviour.

### **The year ahead**

- Continuing to implement the Council's Economic Development Strategy.
- Continuing to support local businesses and attract more trade and investment to the City.
- Working with business operators and traders to boost the local economy by developing new initiatives, events and support for local businesses.



## Outcome 4: Environmental Sustainability

A leader in environmental sustainability



*Tree pruning in our City*

### 2021–2022 Achievements

- ✓ Completed the Street Tree Planting Program, which involved planting 523 additional trees over the course of the program.
- ✓ Collected 4500 tonnes of waste through the street and footpath cleaning program.
- ✓ Made 140 purchases that had recycled-content products or materials.
- ✓ Collaborated with St Peters Rotary Club to offer funding grants for environmental initiatives.
- ✓ Diverted 566 kilograms of batteries from landfill.
- ✓ Continued to implement initiatives from the Corporate Emissions Reduction Plan.
- ✓ Commenced construction work on the St Peters Street Streetscape upgrade.
- ✓ Finalised the Gross Pollutant Trap program, preventing rubbish entering the River Torrens.

### Challenges

- Engaging more residents to participate in environmental initiatives and programs.
- Encouraging residents and business owners to comply with recycling policies.
- Encouraging green cover on private land.

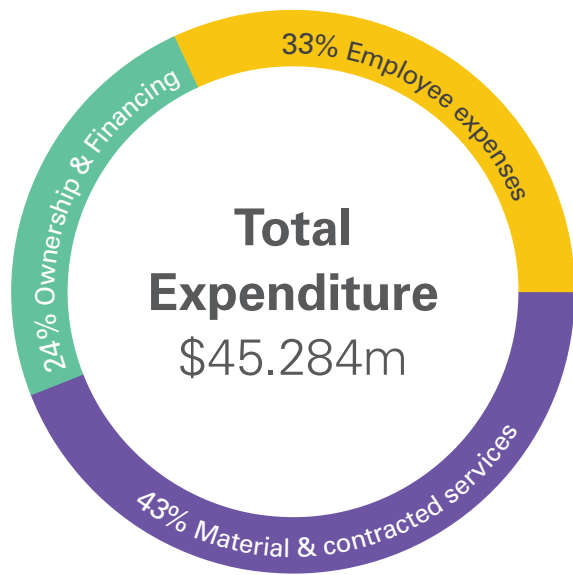
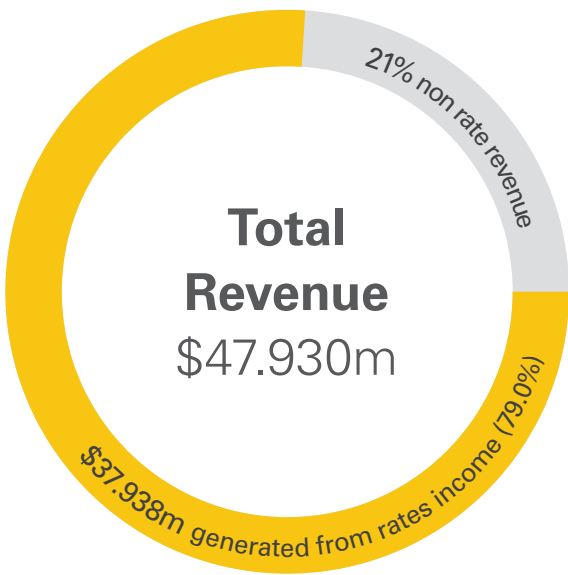
### The year ahead

- Continuing to implement key objectives in the 2020–2030 Corporate Emissions Reduction Plan.
- Implementing energy and water efficiency measures.
- Continuing to identify open spaces for greening links to wildlife habitat.



# Year In Review

## *Financial Summary*



### Residential Rate Increase

**3.57%**

Average residential rate increase from 2020-2021  
= \$54/year based on a mean property valuation of \$686,000

### Operating Surplus

**\$2.645 m**

Up on 2020-2021 by 238%





*Financial Goal: A City which delivers on our strategic outcomes by managing our financial resources in a sustainable and equitable manner.*

### Total Assets

\$564.146m



● Infrastructure, property and plant equipment	\$564.146m
● Cash and cash equivalents	\$11.393m
● Other assets	\$4.719m

### Total Liabilities

\$27.767m



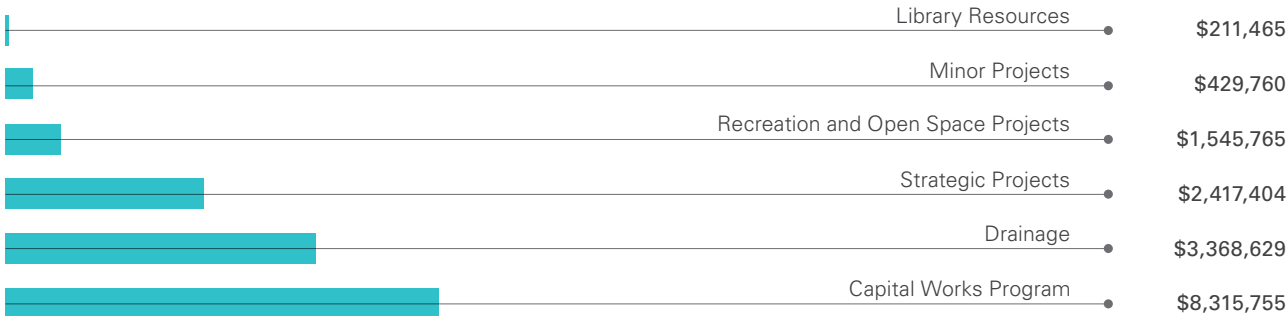
● Total borrowings	\$9.549m
● Trade payable	\$13.031m
● Other liabilities	\$5.188m

### Net Assets \$536.379m

7.4% increase from 2020–2021

### Capital Expenditure

\$16.292m



# Year In Review

## Income and Expenditure

### Income

Council rates are a form of property taxation and are the main source of funding for the activities undertaken by the Council. In the 2021-2022 financial year, rates represented 79% of total income compared with 77% in 2020-2021.

The Council collected \$34.897 million in General Rate Revenue. As part of the COVID-19 Financial Support Package to business, the Council had a zero rate increase and did not collect The Parade Separate Rate, a reduction in rate revenue in the order of \$215,000 compared to prior years.

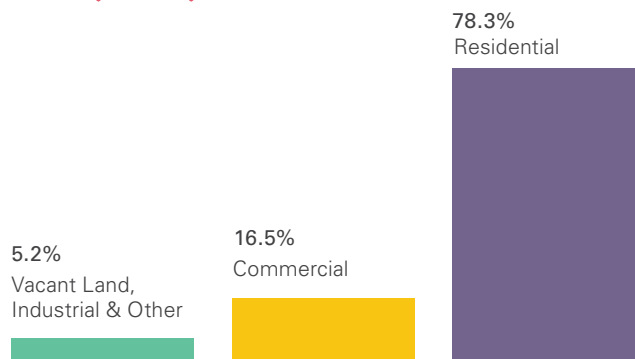
The Council supplements rate revenue with grants and user fees in order to provide services, facilities and projects for the community. Some of the services provided are required to be delivered by the Council under the *Local Government Act 1999*, while others services and programs are delivered to meet community needs or to deliver on community expectations.

Income from all sources to fund the services and programs provided by the Council in 2021-2022 was \$47.807 million (a 5.6% increase from 2020-2021).

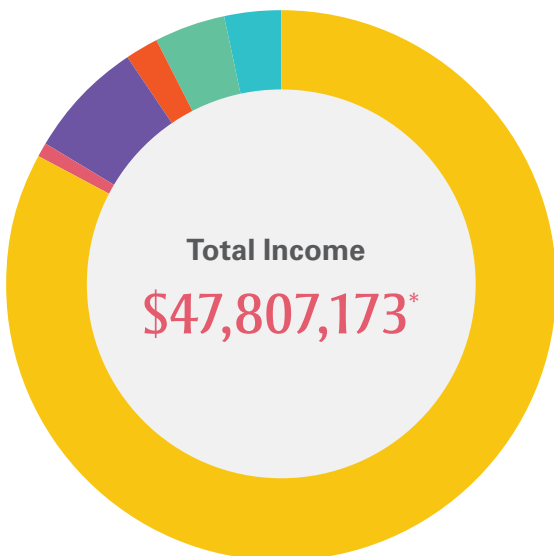
The Council granted \$1.021 million of rate rebates to eligible property owners during the year.

### General Rates Sources

**\$34,767,608<sup>#</sup>**



<sup>#</sup>The Council granted \$1.021 million of rate rebates to eligible property owners during the year and charged \$93,831 in penalties for late payments of rates.



Rates	\$36,575,676
User charges	\$3,561,156
Grants, subsidies and contributions	\$3,432,789
Statutory charges	\$2,002,942
State Government charges (NRM Levy)	\$1,388,046
Other Income	\$846,563

\*Excludes Gain on Equity accounted Council Businesses



## Expenditure

During 2021-2022, the Council spent \$42.934 million to deliver its continuing services, with a further \$0.748 million to provide special events and programs, or for the introduction of new services, initiatives and programs. The Council also collected \$1.388 million on behalf of the State Government for its Regional Landscapes Levy.

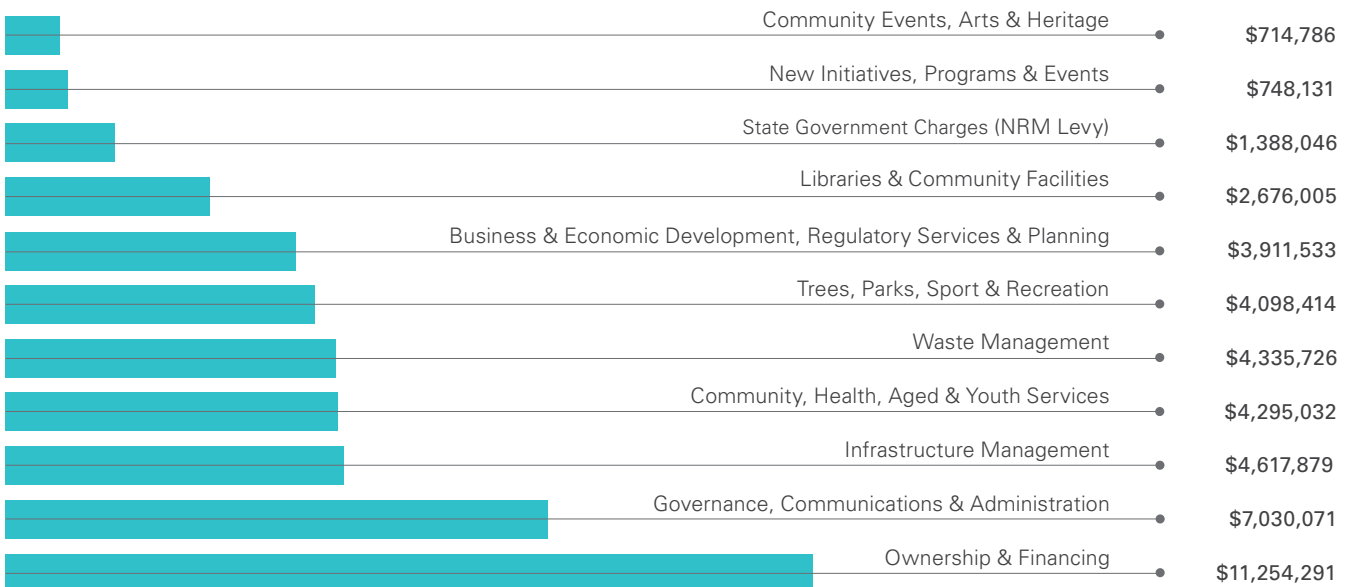
Initiatives included events such as the Concerts in the Park, Movie in the Park, Canvas Youth Arts and Events and Wheel Park. Strategy, project and governance reviews included the second year of the Footpath Defect Rectification Program, Traffic and Integrated Transport Solution and City-wide Parking Review. Environmental initiatives included the development of an Emissions Reduction Plan, climate adaptation projects through the Resilient East partnership, greening verges, native plant giveaways and the planting of additional street trees. Economic Development & Planning initiatives included the development of the Smart City Plan and contributions to economic development initiatives such as Raising the Bar Adelaide and the Eastside Business Awards.



● Events	\$71,590
● Strategy, project and governance reviews	\$371,031
● Environmental initiative	\$114,610
● Economic development and planning	\$190,899

## Total Expenditure

\$44,321,784\*



\*Excludes loss on Equity accounted Council Businesses

# The Year Ahead

This map and list detail the major and significant projects and their total project value which are planned for delivery across the City during 2022–2023, for the benefit of the community.



## Social Equity

Civil Infrastructure  
Whole-of-Life Works Program  
\$644,000

Buildings Whole-of-Life  
Works Program  
\$1,154,500

Recreation & Open Space  
Works Program  
\$460,000

Acquisition of library stock  
\$202,000

Youth Development Strategy  
\$45,000

Street lighting renewal  
and upgrade  
\$100,000

Biennial Community Survey  
\$30,000

Cycling Plan 2021–2026  
Year 1 Implementation  
\$25,000

40km/ph Speed Evaluation  
Stepney & Maylands  
\$25,000

## Cultural Vitality

Tour Down Under  
\$55,000

## Economic Prosperity

Eastside Business Awards  
\$40,000

Raising the Bar Adelaide  
\$37,000

Business & Networking Events  
\$20,000

## Environmental Sustainability

Stormwater drainage  
Whole-of-Life Works Program  
\$7,584,000

Greening of Verges Program  
\$25,000

Urban Greening Program  
\$25,000

## Concerts in the Park

\$120,000

## Burchell Reserve Upgrade Project\*

\$3,233,000  
(Total cost \$3.2m)



## Raising the Bar

City-wide event

\$37,000

\* Ongoing major project



### Cruickshank Reserve

\$890,000

### Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre Redevelopment Project\*

\$16,500,000 (Total cost \$24m)



### Additional street trees

City-wide

\$100,000

### Dunstan Reserve Adventure Playground Project\*

\$1,285,000

(Total cost \$1.35m)

### Private laneways to public roads conversion

\$190,000

### River Torrens Linear Park Shared Path Upgrade Project

\$2,771,000

Total cost \$2.79m)



### St Peter's Street Streetscape Upgrade Project\*

\$3,076,000 (Total cost \$4.45m)

### The Parade Masterplan & George Street Upgrade\*

\$2,461,000



# Upcoming Events

There is so much to see and do in our City over summer.



## Movie in the Park

10 December  
6.30pm–10.30pm  
Adey Reserve, Firlé

Round up the family and catch a free screening of The Santa Clause, starring Tim Allen, at our open air cinema. The movie will start at 8.30pm. Bookings essential.

## Movie Nights at the Pool

13 January & 10 February  
6.30pm–10.30pm  
Norwood Swimming Pool, Kensington

We are bringing the cinemas to the Norwood Swimming Pool this summer and showing two favourites for you to watch, whilst you lounge in the pool. \$5 entry.



## Pop-up Wheel Park

14–29 January  
Drage Reserve Carpark, Felixstow

A dedicated Wheel Park is popping up in the summer holidays! Bring along your favourite set of wheels, be it a bike, scooter or skates and enjoy a fun and free day out!

Don't forget to play it safe and bring your safety gear, including helmet.

## Australia Day Celebrations

26 January, 9.30am–11am  
St Peters Street Civic Plaza, St Peters

The Council hosts a special citizenship ceremony on Australia Day to welcome new citizens into our community. The Australia Day Awards are also presented at this event giving recipients the opportunity to celebrate this momentous occasion with their family and friends. Bookings essential.



## Australia Day at Norwood Splash

26 January  
12.30pm–3.30pm  
Norwood Swimming Pool, Kensington

Celebrate Australia Day by the pool with giant inflatable pool toys, inflatable waterslide, some classic Australian tunes and a sausage sizzle. \$5 entry.

## Norwood Splash

19 February & 19 March  
12.30pm–3.30pm  
Norwood Swimming Pool, Kensington

Cool off this summer at Norwood Splash. Bring the kids down to the Norwood Swimming Pool for some extra fun in the sun. Challenge yourself on the pool inflatable, the fastest time will win a prize! \$5 entry.



## Concerts in the Park

Calling all music lovers, family and friends. Come along and enjoy local live music. At one of the events below.

### Jazz in the Park

11 February  
4pm–8pm  
Koster Park, Trinity Gardens

### Melodies in the Park

11 March  
4pm–8pm  
Joslin Reserve, Joslin

### Symphony in the Park

1 April  
4pm–8pm  
(Location to be determined closer to the date.)

## St Peters Fair

25 March, 11am–3pm  
Linde Reserve, Stepney

Serving up a feast of fun for families and friends with live music, delicious food and an oval full of free children's entertainment. St Peters Fair is like a country fair right in the heart of our City.



# Upcoming activities at your local Libraries.

Enjoy a range of fun activities at the Council's Libraries these school holidays.



## Summer Reading Club

1 December – 30 January  
Payneham Library  
Norwood Library  
St Peters Library

Discover a world of stories with your Library this summer. Challenge your reading over the school holidays and enter our competition to win one of three \$100 Dillons Norwood Bookshop vouchers. Pick up a reading log pack from your nearest Library to get started.



## Movies at the Library

14 December, 2pm  
Payneham Library  
*Bridget Jones' Diary*

18 January, 2pm  
Payneham Library  
*Edie*

15 February, 2pm  
Payneham Library  
*Bohemian Rhapsody*

Join us for a movie at the Library. Have a chat over a cuppa and then settle down and enjoy the movie on our big screen. Doors open at 1.45pm. Free event. No bookings required.

## Make a Christmas Bird Garland

19 December  
Ages 4 and up  
2pm–3pm  
St Peters Library

Come along for a creative afternoon and make your own beautiful paper Christmas bird garland to decorate your home. Free event. Bookings essential.



## Make a Christmas Lantern

20 December  
Ages 4–12  
10am–10.45am  
& 11am–11.45am  
Payneham Library

Using a glass jar, tealight and other craft supplies, come and make your own Christmas lantern to add beautiful festive flair to your home. Free event. Bookings essential.

## Family Yoga

21 December  
Ages 4–11 and their parents/caregivers  
10.30am–11.30am  
St Peters Library

Join Tammy from Blooming Hearts Yoga and Wellness for a gentle and calm morning of yoga for the whole family. Free event. Bookings essential.



## Family Christmas Movie Afternoon

22 December  
Ages 3–12  
2pm–4pm  
Payneham Library

Come along to watch 'A Boy Called Christmas' (rated PG). Bring your own snacks and pillow, get comfy and relax. Free event. Bookings essential.

## January School Holiday program

1–31 January  
Payneham Library  
Norwood Library  
St Peters Library

Join us for a huge range of fun activities these January holidays! Discover new skills and information about the world around you, and get creative. Pick up a brochure from one of our Libraries, or check our website.



**BOOK HERE**

Explore more events and activities on the Council's website, visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au)

Australia Day @

NORWOOD

SPLASH

THURS. 26 JANUARY  
12.30PM – 3.30PM

\$5 ENTRY

Free BBQ, PRIZES  
AND INFLATABLES!

NORWOOD SWIMMING CENTRE

