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Message from Mayor Robert Bria

Welcome to the summer edition of Look East



As 2025 draws to a close, we reflect with pride on a year of significant progress, bold initiatives and community resilience across the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters.

Guided by our *CityPlan 2030* vision, we've delivered transformative projects and hosted inclusive events to strengthen our sense of community.

The completion of the new stateof-the-art Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre is now only a few months away and is generating considerable excitement and a sense of anticipation amongst residents.

Stages 2 & 3 of the \$34 million Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Project are complete, with work on Stage 4—which includes an upgrade of St Morris Reserve and retention basin—also nearing completion to help provide flood protections for homes and businesses in the local area.

We are also at the half-way point of the upgrade to George Street, Norwood, which is being delivered as Stage 1 of the implementation of The Parade Masterplan, and will transform this important section of The Parade precinct into a vibrant public space with more trees, seating and lighting and facilitate increased community activity.

Our local economy continues to perform strongly with consumer spending in our City reaching almost \$2 billion in the 2024–2025 financial year, marking an all-time high.

Creditor Watch's Business Risk Index reported Norwood Payneham & St Peters having the lowest risk of business failure of any council in Australia for 16 consecutive months, affirming our position as one of Australia's most economically resilient council areas.

And our City's reputation for hosting major events received a boost, with two matches played at Norwood Oval as part of the 2025 AFL Gather Round, which, combined with the Norwood Food & Wine Festival, helped to generate \$15.6 million for the local economy over three days.

As we head into 2026, the final year for this term of the Council, we do so with a great sense of confidence and momentum. We will continue our commitment to invest in infrastructure, support local businesses, and deliver services that enhance the quality of life for all residents.

The upcoming festive season is a reminder of the importance of looking out and caring for one another, particularly those at risk of social isolation, and working together to build a stronger community where everyone who calls the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters home feels safe, connected and included.

The spirit of community is beautifully captured by Liana Pisani, a Year 5 student from East Adelaide School, who was announced as the Overall Winner of the 2025 Mayor's Christmas Card Competition. Congratulations Linda and all winners and entrants in the competition.

I extend my congratulations to Rita Excell and Sandy Wilkinson, who were recently elected to the Council following the Supplementary Elections. I am looking forward to their contributions and working together over the remainder of the Council term.

On behalf of the Elected Members, Council staff and Volunteers, I extend my warmest wishes for a joyful and Holy Christmas and safe and Happy New Year.

Robert Bria Mayor



Capturing the joy of Christmas

Mayor's Christmas Card Competition

From magical snowy scenes to warm Aussie barbecues to festive family celebrations, students from local schools hand-drew and digitally designed unique artworks that captures the joy of Christmas.

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters celebrated the unlimited creativity of local students through the Mayor's Christmas Card Competition, which invites all Kindergarten to Year 6 students to showcase their artistic talents and share what Christmas means to them.

Mayor Robert Bria, who initiated the competition in 2006, said the standard of entries continues to impress.

"The creativity and thought that our young artists put into their designs is always remarkable.

"Each artwork reflects a unique perspective of what Christmas means to our community, from togetherness and kindness to joy and colour." And with such a high calibre of entries, Mayor Bria confirmed it was a challenging task to select the winners.

Mayor Bria had the honour of hosting a reception on Monday 27 October for all the finalists and their families to present the awards.

More than 100 submissions have been proudly displayed in the foyer of the Norwood Town Hall, offering the opportunity for the community to appreciate the artistic creations of these bright, young minds.

The winning design from each year level has been printed on the official Christmas cards sent out by the Mayor and Council administration with the overall winner's artwork also featuring on the cover of this edition of Look East.

Congratulations to all of the children who participated in the 16th Mayor's Christmas Card Competition and in particular the winning entries from each year level.













Overall Winner Liana, Year 5 East Adelaide School

PreschoolHarriet
Paradise Kindergarten

Reception Ava Wilderness School

Year 1 Ira East Adelaide School

Year 2Alana
St Ignatius College



Year 3Lucas
St Ignatius College



Year 4Alexander
St Andrew's School



Year 5 Maiya East Adelaide School



Year 6Latif
St Peter's College

WHAT'S ON THIS CHUSTMAS







Sing-along at Twilight Carols

Saturday 6 December From 4pm, Linde Reserve

Bring your festive cheer to the annual Twilight Carols on Saturday 6 December for an unforgettable evening filled with an array of activities.

Linde Reserve will be filled with food trucks, a stage set with kids' entertainment, an opportunity to have your face painted and plenty of Christmas-themed crafts. Sing-along with bands and a choir, singing both traditional and pop carols.

And don't miss the opportunity to tell Santa what you want for Christmas!

Shine bright on The Parade

Until 5 January 2026 Norwood Memorial Gardens

Ever wanted to stroll among the stars?

We are lighting up Norwood Memorial Gardens with giant gold stars, creating a stunning backdrop for locals and visitors alike to capture a bit of 'sparkle' this Christmas.

Visit at dawn, sunset or after dark and make sure to tag #paradenorwood so everyone knows you've experienced this magical sight on South Australia's premier mainstreet.

This spectacular display will be in place until 5 January 2026.

Summer Movies at The Pool

Saturday 17 January & 14 February 2026, 7.30pm Norwood Swimming Centre

This summer we play host to two movie nights by the pool.

Enjoy a night poolside as we transform Norwood Swimming Centre into an open-air cinema. Float in the water, relax on the grass and enjoy two movies this summer.

Saturday 17 January—Trolls (2016)
Saturday 14 February—Ruby Gillman,
Teenage Kraken (2023)

Generosity, the kindest gift of all

Each Christmas, the Council invites donations to the Give the Gift of Reading initiative.

Donate new children's books, colouring books or activity sets to brighten the lives of South Australian kids in need through the Backpacks 4 SA Kids program. You can also leave an unwrapped gift under the Christmas trees located in the Council's libraries or at the Norwood Town Hall. Donations are accepted until 24 December 2025.

CELEBRATE A GREENER Christmas

Christmas is a time of joy, giving and often, excess. But with a few thoughtful choices, we can make the season more sustainable without losing the magic.

Here's some handy tips to Avoid, Reduce, Re-use, Recycle and Compost this festive season:

Avoid wasteful traditions

Instead of guessing, ask loved ones what they truly want—or gift experiences like a movie night or a charity donation. Swap plastic-filled advent calendars for a reverse advent calendar: add a daily item to a box and donate it to charity on Christmas Eve.

Skip plastic trees and opt for a real one that can be mulched after the holidays. Make your own crackers using recycled paper and fill them with homemade

treats. And when it comes to food, plan ahead, serve smaller portions, and embrace leftovers—especially on Boxing Day, Australia's National Leftovers Day.

Reduce consumption

Less really can be more. Consider Kris Kringle gift exchanges to cut down on shopping stress and waste. If gifting battery-operated items, include rechargeable batteries and a charger. You can recycle your batteries at the Norwood Town Hall.

Re-use with creativity

Decorations don't need to be new. Reuse last year's ornaments or craft your own from old cards, paper or natural materials like pinecones. Pre-loved gifts and items

made from recycled materials also make thoughtful, eco-friendly presents.

Recycle right

Recycling is more than tossing items in a bin. Clean and sort recyclables like glass jars, cans, foil trays and cardboard. Scrunch foil into a ball and flatten boxes to save space. Only paper wrapping is recyclable—if it doesn't tear easily, it likely contains plastic.

Compost your food waste

Food scraps, including meat and dairy, can go into your green-lidded FOGO bin. To avoid smells, freeze scraps in newspaper until bin night. Composting reduces methane emissions and turns waste into garden gold.



*Terms and conditions apply.



For more information about What's on this Christmas, scan the QR code or visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au/events

Take an 'Elfie' with our playful Elves!

Nelly, Norman, Peter and Poppy are back to spread cheer all over our City this Christmas!

You'll find these mischievous elves popping up at our Libraries, Twilight Carols and other festive events across the City.

If you spot one of our little friends, be sure to snap a selfie for your chance to win a gift voucher.* Bring out your inner elf this Christmas and join in the fun!

Season's Greetings from your Elected Members



Cr Christel Mex
Kensington/East Norwood Ward

This time of year reminds us of the simple but powerful things that make our community special—kindness, connection and care for one another. Whether it's checking in on a neighbour, lending a hand to a local community group or supporting our small businesses, every act of generosity strengthens the fabric of our City.

Let's also take a moment to be kind to our environment to walk or cycle where we can, to reduce waste and to appreciate the beautiful parks, trees and green spaces that make our neighbourhoods so vibrant.

Our community thrives when we look out for each other and take pride in the place we share. Over the holiday period, I encourage you to slow down, enjoy time with family and friends, and take the opportunity to get to know those who live nearby.

Thank you to all who contribute—Volunteers, local businesses and residents—for making our City a wonderful place to live.

Wishing you a safe, happy and sustainable Christmas, and a bright start to the New Year.

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Cr John Callisto
Kensington/East Norwood Ward

It has been another fabulous year in the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, full of culture and entertainment for family, friends and visitors in the Kensington/East Norwood Ward.

I am looking forward to all the Council events scheduled for the festive season and in the New Year. It is always a pleasure to be part of such exciting events and to catch up with many residents and visitors coming to our City.

The highly anticipated Norwood Christmas Pageant and Music in the Park events are always entertaining for everyone including my family and the wider community.

The high turnout of locals and visitors to our precinct is always a great opportunity for me to mingle and see our local businesses flourish. Let us continue to support and encourage these great events occurring in our City.

I am excited to see the continued development of our major projects such as the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre and the George Street Upgrade come to fruition in the New Year.

This year, I have continued to enjoy meeting and assisting residents and business owners to enable them to seek the best and most appropriate outcomes. I extend a warm welcome and congratulate the many new residents that have chosen to live in this Ward.

I acknowledge and sincerely thank our very dedicated Volunteers, resident associations, community sporting organisations and support organisations for their dedication and time in working with our community.

Have a wonderful festive season and I look forward to serving you in the New Year.

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Cr Garry Knoblauch
Torrens Ward

As we commence the final year of the term of the present group of Elected Members, I wish to welcome and congratulate the two successful candidates of the recent by-elections, Rita Excell and Sandy Wilkinson. I also wish to acknowledge the valuable service to the community of former Councillor Sue Whitington during her many years as an Elected Member of our Council, and wish her well in her retirement.

In the past twelve months, of particular interest to the residents of Torrens Ward, various traffic management issues have progressed. For example:

- the installation of speed cushions on Langman Grove Felixstow has been completed;
- the implementation of 40 km/h speed limits across the suburbs of St Peters, Joslin, Royston Park and Marden has been completed and will be monitored for 12 months; and
- Council staff are liaising with staff of the State Government
 Department for Infrastructure and Transport regarding access
 in and out of those suburbs via arterial roads and at the time
 of writing, it is noted that community engagement sessions
 were conducted by the Department in early November.

It is hoped that this will result in a positive outcome and improvements to enhance safety amenity and local access for all residents and users of those suburbs.

The redevelopment of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre is progressing well with completion scheduled for mid 2026.

On behalf of my wife, Peggy and our family I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a prosperous and healthy 2026.

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Cr Hugh Holfeld

Torrens Ward

This month, a neighbour of mine has begun moving out. I will be sad to see them go as they have been wonderful people to have over the fence. Whether it be a smile and a wave or having a chat or sharing something from the garden, they have helped cultivate a kind and caring community connection. I only wish that we got to know them better.

In a world that is fighting for our attention, I encourage us all to take the time to not look far outward, but side to side. It's these connections to the people in our community near us that turn our houses to homes. Whether it be new neighbours or ones who have been there since before the streets were paved, those shared moments together foster a welcoming neighbourly community.

Year in and year out Council staff and Volunteers put in tremendous effort that keeps our Council thriving. They cover such a range of services and support that are at the heart of our community.

I am very excited for the opening of the new Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre in the new year. The new pools and facilities will have so much to offer all users for generations to come. Looking forward to diving in and seeing you there!

This holiday season I hope we all find the time for those precious moments with loved ones, and I wish you all a safe and happy festive season.

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Cr Josh Robinson
Payneham Ward

Season's greetings!

As we head into another festive season, this is a great time to look back at the achievements of the Council over the past 12 months.

With the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre Redevelopment now well underway, the Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Upgrade continuing and a number of parks and recreation spaces redeveloped, we have had a very productive and busy year.

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank our wonderful Volunteers who do so much for our community, our staff members who continue to work incredibly hard and all members of our community who contribute to our wonderful City.

I'd like to acknowledge that for people in our community there are cost of living pressures which make this time of year difficult. And while Christmas is usually a time of joy, that is not the case for everyone.

I am very fortunate to have wonderful neighbours surrounding me, who I can lean on for support and a friendly chat. This time of year is a great time to meet your neighbours, introduce yourselves and make new friends. It is the people within our community that makes the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters such a wonderful place to live.

To you and yours, I wish you all a safe, enjoyable and Merry Christmas.

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Cr Kevin Duke
Payneham Ward

Christmas is a special time for people of all ages for celebrating friendship and exchanging gifts as an expression of this friendship.

Christians celebrate the birth of Christ in a stable at Christmas with his redeeming love. This has its origins in pagan practices with Christians reframing pagan beliefs with Christian beliefs. Pagans worshipped the sun god Sol Invictus on December 25, which in the Northern Hemisphere is near the winter solstice, the invincibility of the sun was seen to restore everything.

The Council facilitates community growth through many organisations that unite citizens of various ethnicities and beliefs through the provision of physical facilities such as parks and gardens, sports grounds, libraries, halls, meeting rooms for groups such as musicians, and playgrounds for children. It is the many members of these organisations who volunteer their time and personal resources that create a sense of belonging for other residents. Resident associations also play a pivotal role in connecting residents with the Council.

Residents quite rightly associate the Council with the provision of infrastructure in our roads, footpaths, stormwater drainage, street trees, public lighting and rubbish collection, all of which only occur because of the efforts of all Council staff.

We now have 40km/h speed limit for the majority of our road network and we are working on making it 100%. Also, consideration will be given for the installation of traffic calming devices to further improve the amenity and safety for all residents. The construction of the new swimming centre is progressing well as is the major upgrade to our stormwater system.

My family and I wish you all a happy Christmas and a safe New Year.

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Cr Grant Piggott West Norwood/Kent Town Ward

One of the pleasures of Christmas is that it allows us to look back on the year almost past and reflect on the joys of living in a place like the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters.

The call from Council staff to contribute to the end of year version of Look East reinforces this sentiment.

My year as a Council Member has been a positive one. The Council delivers such an abundance of services. It plays a major part in contributing greatly to why we all enjoy living here—the City's infrastructure, its facilities, the events it supports, the libraries, pools and open spaces and the function it plays as a backstop to the community. I am able to bask in the reflected glory as a Council Member.

This City is quality—good housing and facilities, access to a wide range of shops and businesses, many locally conducted events and nice people. I am delighted to be a resident of the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters.

I wish everybody a wonderful holiday season.

All the best.

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West Norwood/Kent Town Ward

As the most recently elected Councillor to the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, I would like to extend my gratitude to all of the people who were among the 25% of eligible voters that exercised their right to vote in the recent supplementary election for the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward.

I am especially grateful for the nearly 40% of those voters that voted for me and thereby indicated their support for me in my quest to have the currently largely unprotected historic buildings, in Norwood particularly, protected from demolition.

I met many of you whilst on the hustings and was heartened by the support for this plight that was conveyed to me, which I think provides a mandate from you to make this happen.

I have a bit of work to do in this space and only a year before the next full Council election to get things underway.

I also heard about some of the other Council issues such as commuter parking, which is the bug bear of many residents.

I welcome any approaches that you may have with respect to Council matters as your Ward Councillor.

We have not long now before Christmas is upon us and I would like to take this opportunity to extend my best wishes to everyone for the Festive Season whatever faith you are. Enjoy your families and friends and remember those people who have neither at this time.

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Cr Rita Excell
St Peters Ward

As the year draws to a close, I send my warmest wishes for a Christmas season filled with love and cherished moments with those you hold dear.

Thank you, to the residents of St Peters Ward for trusting me to represent you. In the short time since my election, I've been deeply moved by the spirit of our community. I am passionate about ensuring every dollar you contribute brings real value and positive change to our neighbourhoods.

I am also deeply thankful for our dedicated Council staff and the incredible Volunteers who give so much to our community. A special mention goes to the Friends of the Billabong, who have welcomed me into their group and taught me so much about native plants and the local habitat of this site.

Looking ahead to the New Year, I am committed to continuing to navigate the challenges of our Council's investment decisions and bringing a clear focus to the community benefits that must flow from this investment.

On a positive note, I am personally looking forward to the outcomes the St Peters, Joslin, Royston Park and Marden Precinct Access Study, championed by our local member Cressida O'Hanlon MP. Hopefully this will address the reasons why drivers choose to use our local streets as an alternative to the main roads.

The Christmas season offers us all a chance to pause and reflect, I hope you find peace and inspiration in the memories of the year gone by and the promise of new beginnings.

Wishing you and your loved ones a season of happiness and togetherness.

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Cr Kester Moorhouse St Peters Ward

Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas!

We are fortunate to live in a community with so many different things to see and do. Our Council has 72 unique parks and reserves, each offering its own opportunity to discover the great outdoors—playgrounds, ovals, gardens, wetlands, sporting facilities, public swimming pools and even two outdoor pianos!

The Council also provides a range of services that lay the foundation upon which our community can thrive. The Council offers exercise classes, a home support program and radio broadcast training for young people. Council facilities like the much cherished Payneham Community Centre and the Beulah Road Community Hall offer community groups a place to meet. The Council's Cultural Heritage Centre uses its significant archival collection to assist with historical enquiries and regularly hosts art exhibitions.

There is also something for everyone at the Council's Libraries—arts and crafts workshops, story time and early learning literacy programs for kids, one-on-one computer and mobile phone tech help, free library book home delivery and book clubs welcoming new members. Your Library membership also gives you free access to the Kanopy movie and TV show streaming service. Check it out.

I wish to extend my hearty congratulations and welcome to the winners of the two recent Council supplementary elections, Cr Rita Excell and Cr Sandy Wilkinson.

My thanks to Council staff, Volunteers and community groups for all their hard work. I wish you all peace, hope and happiness this Christmas and in the year to come.

If there are any Council matters you would like to discuss, feel free to email me or call on 0402 655 101.

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Cr Connie Granozio
Maylands/Trinity Ward

As your Councillor for the Trinity Gardens/Maylands Ward, it is both a privilege and a pleasure to serve our vibrant community.

The past year has been exceptionally busy for the Council, with a range of significant projects and events taking place. I am particularly proud of the strides we've made in enhancing our infrastructure, particularly as Stage 4 of the Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Upgrade is nearing completion. I understand this project comes with some disruption for residents however the outcome for the City will deliver vast improvements for stormwater management and flood prevention.

Being delivered as part of this project, is the redevelopment of St Morris Reserve. This component of the project will be complete by Christmas, ready for the community to enjoy in the warmer weather.

As we approach the end of 2025, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Council's dedicated Volunteers. Their passion and generosity are truly inspiring. They offer not just their time and talents, but open their hearts to uplift others in our community. My fellow Elected Members and I are immensely proud of their unwavering support and selfless contributions.

In the midst of the upcoming holiday season hustle and bustle, let us also pause to appreciate the local businesses that enrich our economy and enhance the fabric of our City. Their dedication is integral to the vibrant tapestry we all cherish, and I encourage everyone to support these businesses whenever possible.

Thank you for your continued support, and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a joyful, safe and prosperous 2026!

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Maylands/Trinity Ward

As the year draws to a close and festive lights begin to twinkle across our suburbs, I extend warm wishes for a joyful and peaceful Christmas season. I hope everyone enjoyed the Norwood Christmas Pageant—thank you to the many Volunteers who made it possible. May your homes be filled with laughter, your hearts with peace, and your tables with good cheer as we welcome a happy, healthy New Year.

This season offers a simple invitation: lean into goodwill. Small acts—checking on a neighbour, supporting a local café, pausing to smile in the street or at the park—make a real difference. Too often we limit ourselves to polite nods and brief pleasantries; the barrier between 'hello' and a proper conversation can feel surprisingly high. Yet relationships start in the small, ordinary moments.

Building a community asks for a little effort and a belief that our neighbours are worth getting to know. Conversation doesn't need to be perfect; it just needs to begin. Shared places—playgrounds, libraries, churches, concert venues, cafés and local parks—are natural settings for those first steps. Sometimes the bravest, most neighbourly thing we can do is say hello, offer a smile, or invite someone to join us for a coffee.

If more of us reach out, our social trust and sense of belonging will grow.

I also offer a warm welcome to Cr Rita Excell and Cr Sandy Wilkinson, recently elected to Council in the by-elections.

Thank you for looking out for one another this season. Wishing you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with warmth, connection and community spirit.

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Cr Victoria McFarlane
Maylands/Trinity Ward

Happy Christmas! In 2024, TimeOut Magazine named Norwood the 35th coolest neighbourhood in the world—and 2025 has carried that momentum forward, marking another remarkable year for our City.

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters achieved record consumer spending of nearly \$2 billion and was recognised as Australia's number one city for lowest business failure risk—a testament to the depth, resilience and innovation of our 7,000+ local businesses.

We delivered a vibrant calendar of events from Raising the Bar Adelaide and AFL Gather Round to the Norwood Food & Wine Festival. We also welcomed hundreds of new citizens and thousands of residents and visitors to concerts and performances.

Our Volunteers—the heartbeat of our City—continue to inspire. From supporting seniors and libraries to graffiti removal, environmental restoration, heritage projects, and even pet care, their generosity and commitment are the lifeblood of our community. Alongside our Depot and Administration teams, they embody the very best of civic pride and service.

We planted 500 trees, resealed seven kilometres of roads, reconstructed more than six kilometres of kerbing, and replaced almost six kilometres of footpaths. Considerable progress was made on the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre redevelopment, the Trinity Valley Stormwater Upgrade and we opened the new clubrooms at Cruickshank Reserve—just a taste of what's been achieved.

The Council debated long-term strategic planning and capital investment to ensure our City remains vibrant, sustainable and fit for purpose well into the future. Together, we've achieved so much—and there's still more to come.

As we reflect on the year and whether you are celebrating Christmas, Hanukkah or simply time with those you love most, may your season be filled with love, peace and joy!

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WISHING YOU ALL A MERRY



AND A SAFE NEW YEAR FROM THE MAYOR AND ELECTED MEMBERS

To find out more about Council and Committee meeting dates and times for 2026 please visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au/councilmeetings



Shop local. Experience local.

There's plenty to love right here on our doorstep. Shop, dine, explore and relax in the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters this summer.



The Parade

The Parade, Norwood is a dynamic destination offering a unique blend of shopping, dining and cultural experiences, with two major retail anchors making it a one-stop-shop.



Magill Road

Magill Road is home to an array of furniture and antique stores, ultra-modern homeware and decorator centres, stylish fashion boutiques, artgalleries and cutting-edge hair and beauty salons.



Glynde Corner

Discover Glynde Corner, a vibrant precinct offering a diverse selection of Australia's finest food and beverages, from handmade pasta and award-winning wines to artisan gelati and craft beer.



Payneham Road

With cafés, pubs, professional and medical services and more than 50 bridal and specialty retail stores,

Payneham Road offers a unique mix of convenience and choice.



Eastside Wine & Ale Trail

Sip and savour the flavours of the east on a self-guided tour of boutique cellar doors, gin distilleries and craft breweries just a stone's throw from the Adelaide CBD.



Food Secrets Bus Tour

Discover the City's culinary gems on a Food Secrets Bus Tour. Enjoy an immersive tasting experience from artisan coffee and handmade treats to a delicious local lunch.

Revitalising Rosemont Lane

Mitigating flood risk and protecting trees

Tucked quietly between William Street and Kensington Road in Norwood, Rosemont Lane may seem like an ordinary laneway—but for the residents who live alongside it, this short stretch of road has been the focus of a major transformation.



For years, Rosemont Lane was a privately owned, unsealed laneway servicing 21 adjoining properties. Eleven of those homes relied on it as their main vehicle access. During heavy rain, however, residents were faced with flooding as a recurring problem.

With no stormwater drainage infrastructure in place, rainwater pooled at the western end of the lane, making it difficult for vehicles to pass and creating ongoing maintenance challenges.

"We are grateful that the Council stepped in to address the increasingly concerning stormwater drainage issue for some of our neighbours but with the primary design focus on the conservation of the magnificent mature trees that overhang the lane," says local resident Peter Scriver.

Turning a private laneway into a public road

In 2021, after hearing concerns from local property owners, the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters commenced the process of converting Rosemont Lane from a private laneway into a public road, in line with the Council's Private Laneways Policy and the Local Government Act 1999.

Under this policy and legislation, the Council can assume ownership and responsibility for private laneways that have fallen into disrepair—even though it has no legal obligation to do so. This allows the Council to deliver practical, long-term solutions for drainage, access and safety issues affecting residents and the broader community.

"Private laneways often don't have a known owner or any formal infrastructure such as kerbing and drainage systems," says Lisa Mara, General Manager, Governance & Civic Affairs.

"By converting them to public roads, we can bring them up to Council standards, implement essential infrastructure and ensure they are maintained."

Following consultation with residents, the Council officially converted Rosemont Lane to a public road in June 2022, paving the way for much-needed infrastructure upgrades.

Designing a sustainable solution

With the conversion complete, the Council proceeded to develop a stormwater solution that would address the flooding problem without compromising the local environment.

A unique challenge presented at Rosemont Lane is six mature Red Gum trees growing along the northern boundary. Located on private property, these trees are ecologically and aesthetically significant to the local streetscape and preserving their health was a key priority.

The Council's City Arborist was involved throughout the process to ensure that any works close to the trees did not damage their roots or prevent oxygen access to the soil.

As a result, the Council opted for an innovative, environmentally sensitive approach using permeable interlocking pavers instead of traditional asphalt or concrete.

This surface treatment allows rainwater to seep through, supporting stormwater management while maintaining airflow and moisture for the Red Gum roots. It's a 'soft' drainage solution that reflects the laneway's low-traffic, residential character.

"Permeable paving is a great example of sustainable urban design," says Project Manager, Stuart Pope.

"It manages water naturally, reduces runoff, and helps protect the health of mature trees."

What the upgrade includes

The reconstruction of Rosemont Lane has delivered a major upgrade to both infrastructure and safety. Key components of the project include:

- construction of an underground water storage system and pump station;
- installation of a rising main and new power supply for the pump station;

- permeable paving adjacent to significant trees;
- concrete kerbing and new asphalt surfacing;
- a new pedestrian footpath and driveway crossover; and
- additional drainage outlets along Rosemont Street.

To manage excess rainwater, an infiltration basin has been constructed at the western end of the lane. This underground feature collects and stores stormwater before it slowly soaks into the surrounding soil. The basin—approximately one metre deep and filled with crushed rock—will help reduce flooding while naturally replenishing groundwater.

"The construction was carried out professionally and I'm pleased with the result. With the recent inclement weather, I can see that the stormwater infrastructure is doing exactly what it's intended to do," adds Mr Scriver.

A collaborative approach

The total construction cost of upgrading Rosemont Lane is \$620,000 with the project jointly funded through the Council's Capital Works Program and a \$470,990 grant from the Federal Government's Roads to Recovery Program.

The Council's approach to Rosemont Lane reflects its broader commitment to progressively upgrading private laneways across the City—many of which were built decades ago without stormwater drainage, surfacing or maintenance arrangements.

By bringing these laneways into the public network, the Council not only improves infrastructure but enhances access, safety and environmental outcomes for the wider community.

Balancing infrastructure and environment

This project has been guided by a philosophy of balance—improving essential infrastructure while protecting the natural character of the area.

Through careful design and consultation, the Council has ensured that engineering solutions complement the surrounding environment.

Before construction began, exploratory work was undertaken to locate the Red Gum tree roots to confirm the most suitable pavement and drainage options. Any roots exposed during construction were carefully pruned under arborist supervision to avoid long-term damage.

This approach aligns with the Council's Urban Tree Strategy, which recognises the importance of preserving mature trees as part of the City's green canopy coverage and climate resilience.

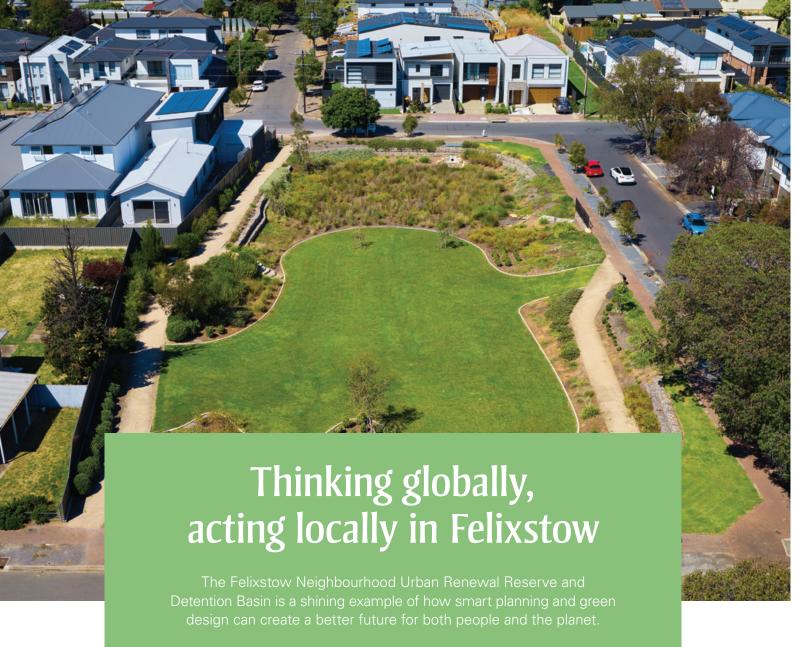
Practical solutions that support sustainability

Completed in September 2025, the upgraded laneway and new infrastructure have transformed stormwater management, provided safer access for vehicles and pedestrians, and added protection for mature trees—all while maintaining the quiet, residential feel that local residents value.

Mr Scriver shares his appreciation for the Council's approach, saying, "The varied tones of the porous pavers and the dappled-shade like patterns in which they were laid was a delightful surprise. Altogether the design has maintained the peace and tranquillity that the laneway and surrounding natural environment offer, while improving access and mitigating the previous flooding issue."

What began as a practical response to flooding has grown into a model project for sustainable infrastructure and community partnership.





Just six kilometres from Adelaide's CBD, this project is part of the Felixstow Neighbourhood Urban Renewal—a partnership between the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters and SA Housing Trust to deliver sustainable stormwater management as part of an urban renewal project.

Through this powerful collaboration, an ageing area has been transformed into an award-winning modern, sustainable and welcoming neighbourhood that brings residents closer to nature.

A place for the whole community

As part of the State Government's five year Neighbourhood Renewal Program, outdated and aged public housing properties have made way for a fresh mix of affordable and private homes, surrounded by open space that everyone can enjoy.

The broader housing development area is located on low-lying land that is

periodically subject to flooding during major rain events. With the increased housing density on the new development, effective stormwater management for the area was a key component of the renewal program to ensure the future sustainability and safety of the area.

Following a comprehensive assessment of stormwater drainage options and consideration of how they could potentially improve the local amenity and enhance the lifestyle of local residents, the preferred stormwater management approach was determined to be a landscaped detention basin, together with an open reserve.







The project was celebrated at the 2022 Planning Institute of Australia South Australian Awards for Planning Excellence, receiving the Climate Change and Resilience Commendation Award.

Three years on, the reserve is now flourishing and stands as a model for future urban renewal projects across Adelaide.

The basin holds around 4,300 cubic metres of water, temporarily storing stormwater during major rain events before draining away. This approach not only prevents flooding but also adds a beautiful new green space to the neighbourhood.

Bordered by Shirley, Fraser and Reid Avenues, the reserve includes open lawns for play and picnics, shady trees, accessible paths, and a rain garden planted with native species.

Designed to be both safe and attractive, the detention basis has been transformed from essential infrastructure into a vibrant, green community park.

Green design for a healthy environment

The development of green stormwater drainage infrastructure as part of this urban renewal project demonstrates how innovative design can protect the environment.

The detention basin and rain garden naturally filter stormwater before it flows into the River Torrens, removing litter and pollutants such as phosphorus and nitrogen. This keeps our waterways cleaner and supports local plants and wildlife.

Native plantings such as Grevillea, Westringia, and Eremophila attract birds and insects, creating small but important habitats within the area. With more than 3,000 square metres of green space, the reserve also helps cool the area and strengthens our City's resilience to climate change.

Working together for a sustainable future

The reserve and detention basis serve as more than just essential infrastructure and a park. They are proof that with thoughtful, innovative design, we can create places that are practical, beautiful and built to last—spaces that connect people, celebrate nature, and make our City more sustainable for generations to come.

Growing together at Linde Community Garden

Tucked away in the heart of Linde Reserve in Stepney lies one of our community's most treasured green spaces—the Linde Community Garden. Here, vegetables, friendships, and community spirit grow side by side.





This year, the garden received a welcome boost thanks to a \$2,845 Community Grant from the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters. The funding helped complete an important project in replacing the timber edging around the last of the garden's 65 raised beds.

Strengthening the garden

For 12 years, Linde Community Garden has been part of the local landscape. Over time, much of the original timber garden bed edging began to deteriorate and break down and were at risk of collapsing.

"Replacement of the edging has been a vital project for our Volunteers as it has ensured the long term structural soundness of all garden beds and a solid edging for pathways," says Chris Brideson, Chair of the Linde Community Garden.

Recognising its importance, members replaced the old timber with a sustainable alternative made from recycled plastic and sawdust fines.

This material is durable, eco-friendly, and will last at least 25 years—a long-term investment in the garden's future.

The project completed the final 15 beds, meaning all 65 raised beds now have strong, sustainable edging.

A community effort

This upgrade didn't happen overnight. Over the years, support from both the Council and Rotary helped gradually replace the edging on most of the garden beds. The latest grant allowed the final stage to be completed.

"It's been a real team effort," adds Chris. "With the additional support from the Council and hard work by our members and Volunteers we've been able to improve the garden and secure its future in a much shorter timeframe than anticipated."



The new recycled edging strengthens the garden while supporting organic, sustainable gardening practices, making Linde Community Garden a model for environmentally conscious community projects.

A place for everyone

Beyond the plants, what makes Linde Community Garden special is its people. Run entirely by Volunteers, the garden has 73 members, including singles, couples, families, and people with disabilities. Ages range from toddlers to a vibrant 94-year-old gardener!

"Many of our members have been drawn to the garden by the opportunity to work alongside others, learn about organic gardening, food production and share ideas and skills."

Accessibility is a priority. Raised beds and paved pathways make it easy for people using wheelchairs or mobility aids to participate fully, ensuring that everyone can enjoy the physical, social, and mental benefits of gardening.

Growing connections

Community spirit blooms alongside the plants. Every Thursday morning, members gather for morning tea, a chat and a laugh—informal moments that strengthen friendships and build community.

The garden also hosts regular pizza lunches, bringing members together for shared meals that celebrate the fruits (and vegetables!) of their labour.

Young learners from St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool maintain their own plot, visiting regularly to learn where food comes from and the joy of nurturing plants.

A shared harvest

One of the garden's core philosophies is that while members care for individual beds, everyone shares in the harvest. This encourages generosity, ensures no produce goes to waste and fosters a sense of belonging.

"It's not just about what you grow in your own bed, it's about what we grow together—in the garden and as a community."

This shared approach makes new members feel part of something bigger, even if they have little gardening experience. It's a place to learn, contribute and belong.

A thriving future

With new edging across all 65 beds, the garden is now in its strongest position. The recycled material ensures structural soundness and safe pathways, securing the garden's future as a welcoming, sustainable community space.

"Being able to give the garden beds a new lease of life has given the whole garden a lift. Planting, watering and weeding have all become more efficient, and this is reflected in the range of healthy crops now being grown."

Linde Community Garden thrives as a vibrant, productive, organic haven in the middle of the City—proof of what happens when people come together with a shared purpose. Hands get dirty, friendships blossom and community spirit flourishes.



If you're interested in getting involved scan the QR code or visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au/ communitygarden





From gardens to growth Hannah Jenkins blossoms as opportunities arise

When Hannah Jenkins joined the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters as a horticulture trainee in November 2022, she didn't imagine how quickly her career—and her confidence—would bloom.

"I progressed to a full-time position in April 2024, even though I still had about six months left of my Certificate III in Horticulture," Hannah recalls.

"It was amazing to be able to work fulltime while still completing my studies and I am so grateful to the Council and my colleagues for supporting me through this stage."

Since starting at the Council, Hannah has grabbed every opportunity that's come her way — from mastering machinery like ride-on mowers and chainsaws to enhancing her knowledge about soil types, pests and pruning.

"I've achieved more than I could have imagined," she says proudly.

Hannah's enthusiasm for learning and dedication to her work and the Council's vision hasn't gone unnoticed.

In July 2025, she began a new chapter—a secondment in the Citizen Services Unit at the Norwood Town Hall.

"My role involves handling all sorts of enquiries from the community—from rates and infringements to requests for service such as tree pruning and clean-up jobs," she explains.

"I wanted to widen my skill set and learn about different areas of Council's operations. This opportunity allows me to do exactly that."

The experience has brought both challenges and rewards.

"In Citizen Services, being the first point of contact can be tricky—knowing exactly how to respond to and manage an enquiry while balancing the customer's expectations and time constraints," she says.

"But it's also incredibly rewarding to help people and know they are appreciative when their enquiries or concerns are resolved."

Her time in Parks and Gardens continues to hold a special place in her heart.

"I love working outdoors and that it keeps me active. Trees are particularly important to our community and a vital part of a healthy environment so it's important we care for and protect them."

Looking ahead, Hannah hopes to keep growing—personally and professionally.

"I am grateful for the opportunities to work across different areas of the Council. I love learning new skills and understanding how all the functions of Council fit together.

"I'm very interested to pursue further study in Business Administration and explore other career paths that fulfil my professional aspirations," she says.

From studying nursing and receptionist work to horticulture and now administration, Hannah is proof that curiosity and courage can take a career in wonderful new directions.



Meet our Volunteer

Mike Baldwin

For Mike Baldwin, volunteering is all about giving back to the community, staying connected, and offering a helping hand where it's needed most.

Since 2020, Mike has generously given his time to the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters as both a Justice of the Peace (JP) and a member of the Council's Graffiti Removal team.

Mike first became a JP during his career with the Attorney General's Department, where the appointment was a requirement of his position.

Following his retirement in 2020, he knew it was important that he continue using his skills and expertise to help others.

"Justice of the Peace services allow community members to have free, easier and local access to a legal representative who can witness and certify specific documents," Mike explains.

"It's something useful for others, and it keeps me connected to people."

Shortly after joining the Council as a Justice of the Peace, Mike was invited to volunteer with the Graffiti Removal team.

With experience driving larger vehicles and handling equipment, he saw it as another way to make a difference and jumped at the opportunity.

"It helps maintain the local environment, keeping it respectable and allowing members of the community to retain pride in the areas they live and work."

For Mike, the most rewarding part of volunteering is simple.

"Giving something back to the community without asking for anything in return and enjoying the interaction with community members wherever possible. Volunteering can sometimes also provide a person with a purpose."

Mike's commitment to volunteering doesn't stop there.

For more than 17 years, he has been involved with Holmesdale Tennis Club—starting out by helping with odd jobs before taking on multiple leadership roles. Today, he is the club's

President, Junior Coordinator, and coach, continuing the proud tradition of the small community club that has been part of Adelaide's eastern suburbs since 1935.

"Smaller community clubs rely on volunteers to stay viable," Mike says.

"It's rewarding to know you're providing a welcoming environment where people can experience the benefits of sport. Recently, we've also introduced wheelchair coaching to make the club more inclusive."

Reflecting on his career in finance, regulation and business management, Mike says volunteering has provided him with a new kind of purpose in retirement.

And his advice for anyone considering volunteering?

"If you have any spare time, it can be a very rewarding experience. As a JP, I've had elderly people thank me simply for taking time to show empathy. As part of the graffiti team, people passing by often call out a word of thanks. Small things like that make it all worthwhile."

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



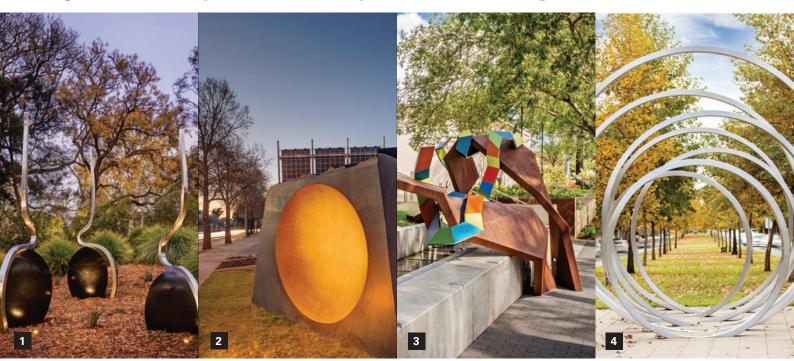
Cultural Vitality



Economic Prosperity



Environmental Sustainability



Council secures \$100K grant for fifth major public artwork

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters is celebrating a major win for the arts, having secured a \$100,000 grant from CreateSA, through the Government of South Australia, to commission its fifth Quadrennial Public Artwork.

"This grant is not only a recognition of our dedication to creativity in the community, but also a vote of confidence from the State Government in our ability to deliver impactful and inspiring works, says Mayor Robert Bria.

Following an initial shortlisting process, a selection panel chose a preferred artistic team that is now developing detailed designs.

The new artwork will be installed on Osmond Terrace and unveiled in August 2026, joining a proud legacy of public art in the City.

- 1 Seed Mix (Hackney, 2022)
- Perpetual Sun (Stepney, 2018)
- 3 Fallow (St Peters, 2014)
- 4 Spectrum (Norwood, 2010).

Mayor Bria adds, "This fifth installation will further cement our City's reputation as a champion of creativity and cultural expression".



Pedals of progress: Council shores up safer streets with \$55,000 grants funding

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters is celebrating a significant win for local cyclists, pedestrians and road users, thanks to funding secured through the State Bicycle Fund 2025–2026. The Department for Infrastructure and Transport has awarded the Council \$55,000 to support the detailed design of three exciting active transport projects—each aimed at making our streets safer, more accessible and more sustainable.

Three projects, one vision

Here's what's on the horizon:

Shared path and traffic calming for Richmond Street, Hackney

A \$20,000 grant will fund detailed design of a new three metre wide shared-use path, safer crossings, and raised platforms that will transform Richmond Street, between Hackney Road and Torrens Street, into a haven for pedestrians and cyclists alike.

Roundabout upgrade at High Street, Kensington

The roundabout at High and Thornton Streets is due for renewal in 2026–2027. With a \$15,000 grant, the Council will undertake detailed design in 2025–2026 to ensure the upgrade supports best-practice pedestrian and cyclist crossings.

Safer crossing point at The Parade and Sydenham Road, Norwood

The Council secured a \$20,000 grant to fund detailed design of a Bicycle Pedestrian Actuated Crossing (BPAC) at the intersection of The Parade and Sydenham Road. To be delivered as part of The Parade Masterplan, the crossing will be designed to improve safety and flow at this busy intersection.

A community on the move

These projects are more than just infrastructure upgrades—they're part of a broader commitment to creating a connected, people-friendly city. Whether you're a daily commuter, a weekend stroller, or a parent teaching your child to ride, these improvements will help make your journey smoother and safer.

Looking ahead

As the Council continues to invest in active transport, residents can look forward to a future where cycling and walking are not only encouraged but celebrated. With thoughtful planning and community support, the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters is pedalling toward a greener, healthier tomorrow.



Protecting inter-war homes: A win for local built heritage

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has successfully led the way in preserving an important part of our City's built heritage history with the adoption of the Inter-War Housing Heritage Code Amendment by State Planning Minister Nick Champion MP.

The adoption of the Inter-War Housing Heritage Code Amendment is a major achievement for local heritage protection as it ensures that the character, charm, and history of our City—found in its homes and streets—will be preserved for generations to come.

This significant decision gives new heritage protections to homes in distinctive inter-war architectural styles—in suburbs such as Heathpool, St Peters, College Park, Hackney, Marden, Marryatville, and Maylands—that reflect the City's development from the 1910s to the 1940s.

Homes built in the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters during the inter-war period, between 1912 and 1949, are recognised for their craftsmanship, style and connection to garden living.

These homes, built in popular inter-war styles such as Tudor, Spanish Mission, Art Deco and Californian Bungalow, blend beauty with practicality and are an important part of our City's visual identity.

The amendment introduces new planning rules to preserve inter-war homes that have historic and architectural importance. It does this in two main ways:

Local Heritage Places—19 homes have been given Local Heritage status, recognising the heritage value of those buildings.

Historic Area Overlay—In Heathpool, 32 properties have area-wide policy applied to preserve the historic character under a new Historic Area Overlay. This ensures that the look, feel and 'sense of place' of the streets remain consistent with their original 1910s to 1940s character.

"These dwellings represent an often-forgotten period of architecture between the World Wars," says Mayor Bria.

"To have these beautiful and unique properties listed meets an important objective of Council's Built Heritage Strategy."



To read more about the Inter-war Housing Heritage Code Amendment, scan the QR code or visit

www.npsp.sa.gov.au/interwarhousing

Agnes Goode: A century of legacy and leadership

One hundred years on, a pioneering community activist, social reformer and the first woman elected to the Corporation of the Town of St Peters, Agnes Goode's legacy continues to shape the civic landscape—most visibly through the Agnes Goode Kindergarten in Stepney, which was named in her honour.



Born on 31 January 1872 in Strathalbyn, Agnes Knight Goode (née Fleming) was raised in a family that valued education and civic duty.

After earning a bursary to attend Port Adelaide Model School, she qualified as a teacher in 1893 and began her career in Caltowie, in the state's mid-north. In 1896, she married William Goode, a sheep farmer from White's River near Port Lincoln.

Her move to Adelaide in 1915 marked the beginning of her most impactful public work. Deeply influenced by the suffrage movement, Agnes became a vocal advocate for legal justice and representation for women and children.

She believed that law reform should permeate all aspects of civic life, championing causes such as early childhood education, the appointment of female police officers, and equal guardianship rights for women.

During World War I, Agnes emerged as a key figure in the 'Win-the-War

Campaign', serving as Vice-President of the Women's State Recruiting Committee. Her leadership and eloquence were widely recognised and in 1917 she was appointed a Justice of the Peace along with 13 other women. Like Agnes, many were from the State Children's Council.

By 1919, Agnes was presiding over South Australia's State Children's Court and serving on the National Council of Women.

Breaking barriers

Agnes Goode's political ambitions were as bold as her convictions. In 1924, she became a parliamentary candidate, running for the seat of Adelaide under the Liberal Federation banner. Though unsuccessful she persisted, later standing for a seat on the Adelaide City Council.

Her breakthrough came in 1925 when she was elected to the Corporation of the Town of St Peters Council, representing the Hackney Ward. This historic victory made her the first woman to represent this Council and the local community—a position she held until 1935.

Champion of children and community

Agnes' passion for early childhood education led her to help establish the Hackney Free Kindergarten in 1926, housed in the Methodist Mission Hall on what is now Richmond Street.

Her commitment to social welfare extended to her roles as Visiting Justice to the Adelaide Gaol and the Institution for Inebriates (1923–1930), and as an official visitor to the Parkside Mental Hospital (1919–1925). She also held key positions in the Liberal Federation of Women's Association, serving as Treasurer, Secretary and newsletter editor.

Another significant acknowledgment of Agnes' talents was her appointment in 1917 as the female voice on the State's Advisory Board of Censors for Films.

Importantly, her tireless work earned her a reputation as a formidable and principled advocate who never hesitated to challenge the status quo.

A legacy that endures

In 1919, Agnes Goode bought a charming home with a wonderful garden on Payneham Road and lived there for nearly three decades. Agnes passed away on 20 February 1947, but her influence and legacy are very much alive.

In 1949, the Stepney Free Kindergarten in Cornish Street was renamed the Agnes Goode Kindergarten, as a tribute to her enduring contributions to childhood education and community welfare.

As we celebrate the centenary of the election of this remarkable woman who so passionately served our community, we remember Agnes Goode not only as a trailblazer but as a woman whose vision and determination helped shape a more just and inclusive society.

Her story is a powerful reminder of the impact one individual can have—and why her name still resonates in the heart of our community.

George Street Upgrade: Building a greener, safer future for Norwood

The George Street Upgrade is moving full steam ahead, on time and on track, to deliver a new streetscape with wider, accessible footpaths, trees and garden beds, improved lighting and inviting public spaces.

This transformation is all about creating a place that promotes a safe, healthy and welcoming environment for locals and visitors.

Construction began in early September 2025 and is being rolled out in four carefully planned stages to minimise disruption and maintain access for residents and businesses.

Progress you can see

Stages 1 and 2 are now complete and Stage 3 will be complete in early December. The project extends from Harris Street, where essential new

stormwater drainage

infrastructure has been installed— an important step toward improving local stormwater management and supporting long-term sustainability for the precinct.

This was followed by Stage 2, stretching from Wall Street to Webbe Street on the eastern side of George Street (adjacent to Parade Central) and included new drainage, kerbing, driveways, paving and landscaping.

Meanwhile, Stage 3 works from Webbe Street to The Parade will be completed in early December 2025, delivering upgraded infrastructure, paving and new greenery.

To support local traders and visitors, construction will pause during the Christmas trading period (6 December 2025 – 2 January 2026), making it easier for everyone to access The Parade and enjoy the festive atmosphere while crossing off the Christmas shopping lists.

The project will resume in the New Year on the western side of George Street, including an exciting upgrade to the entrance of the iconic Norwood Concert Hall.

The George Street Upgrade is scheduled for completion in March 2026.



To read more, subscribe for project updates or watch the construction progressing on George Street, scan the QR code or visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au/georgestreet

Lend a hand and spread some cheer this Christmas

The Christmas season is a time of warmth, generosity and connection—and one of the most meaningful ways to embrace its spirit is by supporting those around you.

Whether you're checking in on the people next door or lending a hand through community initiatives, small acts of kindness can make a big difference.

By being a thoughtful and considerate neighbour, you help build a stronger, more welcoming community for everyone.

Here are some simple ways you can spread goodwill and help make our community a great place to live this Christmas:



Check in on elderly or isolated neighbours.



Offer to help with simple tasks like bringing bins in, collecting mail or watering gardens.



Share surplus homegrown produce and homemade treats with those living nearby.



Donate to a local charity, food drive or Christmas appeal.



Support local businesses when shopping for food, gifts and festive supplies.



Attend community events and encourage others to join in.

A small gesture can help foster a community where everyone feels valued at Christmas and beyond.

2024–2025 Annual Report Summary



During 2024–2025, 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 2024–2025 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 2024–2025 Annual Report, including the projects, services and initiatives which were undertaken by the Council during the year, some of 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 2024–2025 Annual Report can be viewed online at www.npsp.sa.gov.au

Year in review

Performance highlights

Outcome 1: Social Equity

An inclusive, connected, accessible and friendly community

2024-2025 Achievements



- ✓ Delivered 18,000 hours of Community Care Services to almost 600 citizens.
- √ The Council's 225 Volunteers dedicated 9,989 hours of service across a diverse range of programs and services.
- Delivered a range of initiatives that create safer road environments for all users.
- ✓ More than 10,700 people improved skills and knowledge while building social connections and resilience through Lifelong Learning Programs in the Council's Libraries.

Challenges

The Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre Redevelopment budget increased from an initial \$24 million in 2020 to \$60 million in 2024 due to the economic impacts following the COVID-19 pandemic, including inflation, skill shortages, and supply chain disruptions. To ensure financial sustainability, the Council has rescheduled proposed projects over the next 10 years.

- Complete Stage 4 of the Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Upgrade including the upgrade of St Morris Reserve.
- Implementation of traffic management initiatives including 40km/h speed limits and the On-street Parking Policy.
- Continue and complete construction of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre Redevelopment.

Outcome 2: Cultural Vitality

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

2024-2025 Achievements



- √ 811 Development Applications were lodged with the Council.
- Delivered a range of initiatives that seek to preserve and enhance the City's built heritage as part of the implementation of the Council's Built Heritage Strategy.
- ✓ Hosted 18 exhibitions at The Gallery at St Peters Town Hall, showcasing 77 local and South Australian artists.
- ✓ Welcomed 247 new citizens to our City.

Challenges

The Council's outdoor events are susceptible to the impacts of extreme weather events. in In March 2025, the popular St Peters Fair was cancelled due to extreme hot weather forecast, in the interest of ensuring the safety of patrons, staff and suppliers.

- Development of the Council's fifth Quadrennial
 Public Artwork to be installed on Osmond Terrace.
- Continue to explore heritage protection opportunities through the Council's Built Heritage Strategy.
- Development of a Public Art Masterplan.
- Arts and Culture Plan Year 3 implementation.

Year in review

Performance highlights

Outcome 3: Economic Prosperity

A dynamic and thriving centre for business and services

2024-2025 Achievements



- ✓ Appointed Jane Reilly OAM as an Ambassador of the Feed Secrets initiatives.
- Launched an online video series celebrating local business owners.
- Hosted the Shop The Parade and Win a Subaru Crosstrek Hybrid resulting in \$629,000 in expenditure in The Parade Precinct.
- ✓ Delivered the Mayor's Business Commendation Awards.
- More than 120 traders representing 55 local business representatives attended the Council's mid-year networking event.

Challenges

With a diverse mix of business sectors operating in the Council area, it continues to be a challenge to ensure they are all represented and supported through initiatives outlined in the Economic Development Strategy.

- Continue to implement and roll out initiatives from the Council's Economic Development Strategy.
- Deliver the ninth annual Eastside Business Awards with a refreshed and more competitive approach.
- Develop a new Economic Development Strategy.

Outcome 4: Environmental Sustainability

A leader in environmental sustainability

2024-2025 Achievements



- ✓ Introduced a range of energy reduction initiatives at Council owned facilities.
- ✓ Continued the Native Plant Giveaway.
- ✓ More than 3,000 tonnes of kerbside recycling waste was diverted from landfill.
- ✓ Continued the transition to low emission Council-owned vehicles.
- ✓ Worked closely with East Waste to educate citizens about waste and recycling.
- ✓ Achieved 100% waste diversion at the Council's Concerts in the Park event series.

Challenges

Engaging more residents and business owners to participate in environmental initiatives and programs, including complying with recycling policies.

- Continued support of Resilient East which aims to strengthen resilience of the Council and its community in respect to the impacts of climate change.
- Urban tree canopy mapping and analysis in partnership with Green Adelaide.
- Continuation of the Urban greening Program including Tree Incentive Vouchers and the Native Plant Giveaway.

Year in review

Civil Infrastructure Capital Works Program

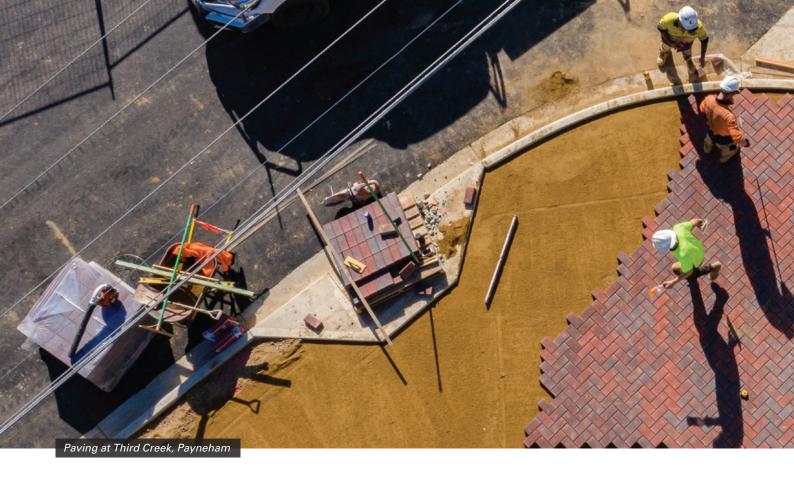
The Council works tirelessly and invests significantly to ensure that our community benefits from the exceptional delivery of ongoing capital works for the safety and well-being of residents, business operators and visitors to our City.

A summary of the 2024–2025 Civil Infrastructure Capital Works Program

Street	From	То	Re-seal	Kerb & Water Table	Footpath
College Park					
Bailol Street	North Terrace	Rugby Street	\checkmark	\checkmark	-
Goss Court	Harrow Road	End	\checkmark	\checkmark	-
Evandale					
Alexander Street	Janet Street	End	✓	✓	-
Belinda Street	Janet Street	Bakewell Road	✓	✓	-
Felixstow					
Ashleigh Avenue	Redden Avenue	Fisher Street	✓	✓	٨
Forsyth Grove	OG Road	End	✓	-	-
Fraser Avenue	Reid Avenue	Shirley Avenue	✓	✓	-
Thrower Avenue	Reid Avenue	Briar Road	✓	✓	-
Glynde					
Henry Street	Avenue Road	Barnes Road	-	-	۸
Joslin					
Lambert Road	Payneham Road	First Avenue	✓	√	-
Lambert Road	Tenth Avenue	End	+	+	-
Kensington					
Hughes Avenue	End	Bridge Street	٨	٨	-
Regent Place	The Parade	End	#	#	-
Kent Town					
Grenfell Street	The Parade West	Fullarton Road	٨	✓	-
Marden					
Beasley Street	Battams Road	Caleb Street	✓	✓	٨
Duke Street	Payneham Road	End	٨	✓	-
Peter Court	Marden Road	End	✓	√	-

Street	From	То	Re-seal	Kerb & Water Table	Footpath
Norwood					
Austral Place	Harris Street	End	+	-	-
Boskenna Avenue	North Street	Charles Street	-	-	٨
Charles Street	Kensington Road	William Street	✓	✓	-
Edward Street	Beulah Road	Magill Road	✓	✓	-
Fisher Street	Fullarton Road	Charlotte Place	٨	✓	-
Harris Street	Edward Street	George Street	+	+	-
Prosser Avenue	George Street	Queen Stret	✓	✓	-
Sheldon Street	Sydenham Road	Osmond Terrace	٨	٨	-
Wadham Lane	Fullarton Road	Clarke Street	✓	✓	-
Payneham					
Arthur Street	Henry Street	Payneham Road	-	-	✓
Charles Street	Arthur Street	End	✓	✓	-
John Street	Arthur Street	Ashbrook Avenue	✓	✓	-
Rosella Street	Portrush Road	George Street	-	-	✓
Payneham South					
Second Avenue	Ashbrook Avenue	Pam Street	✓	✓	-
Royston Park					
Fifth Avenue	Lambert Road	Battams Road	-	-	\checkmark
Sixth Avenue	Lambert Road	Battams Road	-	-	\checkmark
St Morris					
Breaker Street	Fifth Avenue	Seventh Avenue	-	-	٨
Seventh Avenue	Gage Street	Green Street	Δ	Δ	-
St Peters					
Eighth Lane	Stephen Terrace	Winchester Street	✓	✓	-
First Avenue	St Peters Street	Stephen Terrace	✓	✓	-
Seventh Lane	Stephen Terrace	End	✓	✓	-
Sixth Lane	Winchester Street	End	\checkmark	\checkmark	-
Third Lane	St Peters Street	Stephen Terrace	✓	✓	-
Trinity Gardens					
Amherst Avenue	Albermarle Avenue	Aberdare Avenue	✓	✓	-
Ashbrook Avenue	Albermarle Avenue	Aberdare Avenue	-	-	\checkmark
Avonmore Avenue	Albermarle Avenue	Aberdare Avenue	-	-	٨

- ✓ Programmed and delivered
- ↑ Programmed but rescheduled for delivery Q1 2025–2026
- # Programmed but rescheduled for delivery Q2 2025–2026
- + Programmed but rescheduled to align with George Street Upgrade in 2025–2026
- △ Programmed but rescheduled to align with Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Project Stage 4 in 2025–2026
- ↑ Programmed but not delivered. To be rescheduled upon review of Council's long-term renewal program
- + Programmed but rescheduled to align with Lambert Road Outlet Upgrade (financial year unconfirmed)

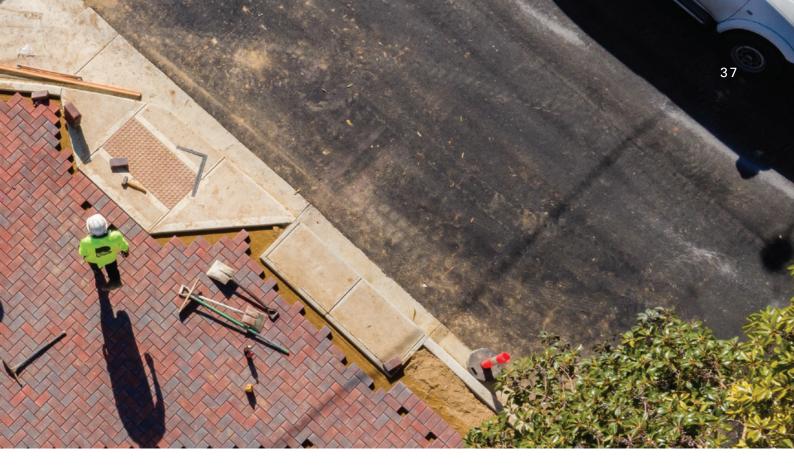


Capital Works carried forward

The following works were carried forward from 2023–2024 and delivered in 2025–2025:

Street	From	То	Re-seal	Karb & Water Table	Footpath
Evandale					
Elizabeth Street	Janet Street	Llandower Avenue	✓	✓	-
Morris Street*	Bakewell Road	Janet Street	-	✓	✓
Firle					
Arnold Avenue	Gage Street	Hampden Street	✓	-	-
Kensington					
Bowen Street	High Street	The Parade	✓	-	-
Marden					
Marden Road	Kent Street	Payneham Road	✓	-	-
Maylands					
Parsons Street	Phillis Street	Adelaide Street	✓	-	-
St Peters					
First Lane	Stephen Terrace	Westminster Street	✓	-	-
Stepney					
Ann Street	Henry Street	Payneham Road	✓	-	-

^{*} New project, not carried forward. Kerb renewal undertaken due to urgent stormwater management issues. Footpath renewal scheduled for 2025–2026 and brought forward to align with kerb renewal.



Additional Capital Works undertaken in 2024–2025

Following successful grant funding through the South Australian Government Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program the following works were undertaken:

Street	From	То	Re-seal	Karb & Water Table	Footpath
Glynde					
Marian Road	Avenue Road	Glynburn Road	-	-	✓
Payneham South					
Devitt Avenue	Aveland Avenue	Gage Road	-	-	✓
Royston Park					
Battams Road	Payneham Road	Second Avenue	-	-	✓
Battams Road	Sixth Avenue	Ninth Avenue	-	-	✓

Upcoming activities at our Libraries.

Enjoy a range of fun activities at the Council's Libraries these school holidays. From mindfulness workshops, arts and crafts and family movies, there is something for everyone to enjoy!

St Peters Library

101 Payneham Road, St Peters Tel. 8334 0200

Norwood Library

110 The Parade, Norwood Tel. 8366 4546

Payneham Library

2 Turner Street, Felixstow Tel. 8336 0333

December / January



Big Summer Read

Until 31 January 2026 | Free

Join thousands of young readers across Australia for the Big Summer Read. Sign up, read and win prizes! The Big Summer Read challenge encourages children to read regularly, explore new stories, and build confidence in their reading. It's not just about ticking off titles—it's about enjoying the journey, discovering favourite authors, and keeping minds active while school's out. Join online via the Council's website.

Christmas Crafternoon

17 December | 12 noon – 3pm | For all ages Payneham Library

Join us for a creative afternoon of Christmas craft, with lots of activities to choose from! Decorate your own ornaments, design festive wrapping paper and make all sorts of sparkly Christmas crafts to take home. Crafts will be suitable for primary school aged children—younger children will need some help from adults. Bookings essential.

Christmas Tiny Art Show

Until 24 December | For ages 0–17 St Peters, Norwood and Payneham Libraries

Get creative this Christmas! Pick up an entry form from the Council's Libraries and design your own tiny Christmas-themed artwork. All entries go into the draw to win a \$20 book voucher from Dillon's Bookshop in Norwood. All artworks will be displayed in the Libraries during December.

Summer Movie Festival

8, 15 & 22 January | 2pm-4pm | For all ages Payneham Library

Join us for a Family Movie Afternoon at the Library! Bring your pillow, grab a drink and settle in—we'll supply the popcorn. Sit back, relax and enjoy a fun family friendly movie while keeping cool this summer. Bookings essential.

Upcoming events

January

Walking Together with Kaurna

16 January | 10am – 1pm Felixstow Reserve Free For ages 12–30

Walk together on a guided journey along the Kaurna Interpretive Trail, learn traditional basket weaving at the Canoe Scar Tree and enjoy interactive games that explore cultural stories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



Tour Down Under: Men's Stage 2

22 January | **11.10am** The Parade, Norwood

Riders will begin on The Parade and head for the slopes of Norton Summit, then push further into the Adelaide Hills for a finish at Uraidla. Come along to The Parade and enjoy the spirit of The Tour.



Australia Day Celebrations

26 January | 9.30am-11am St Peters Street, 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.



Melodies in the Park

28 February | 4pm-8pm Joslin Reserve, Joslin

Through music, movement and imagination, Sea Star Rock, one of three acts, brings environmental education to life in the most colourful and entertaining way.



Tour Down Under: Women's Stage 3

19 January | 11.10am The Parade, Norwood

For the first time, the women's race will set off from The Parade, Norwood with two ascents of the punishing Corkscrew Road in their sights matched only by the five-kilometre descents of Montacute Road before finishing in Athelstone.



Australia Day at Norwood Splash

26 January 12.30pm-3.30pm (Pool open 8am-7pm) Norwood Swimming Centre \$5 entry

Celebrate Australia Day by the pool with the famous inflatable waterslide, inflatable pool toys, some classic Australian tunes and snacks.

Februrary



Jazz in the Park

7 February | 4pm-8pm Koster Park, Trinity Gardens

Swing, shuffle and smile with Lucky Seven, Adelaide's very own seven-piece ensemble bringing the timeless charm of 1950s Americana to life.

March

St Peters Fair

14 March | 10am-2pm 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.



Symphony in the Park

28 March | 4pm-8pm Richards Park, Norwood

Fusion Pops Orchestra is a powerhouse ensemble blending full orchestra grandeur with the energy of popular music.



KERBSIDE COLLECTION CALENDAR 2026

MISSED BIN COLLECTIONS. **REPAIRS & OTHER BIN ENQUIRIES**

CALL East Waste 8347 5111 EMAIL east@eastwaste.com WEBSITE eastwaste.com.au

KERBSIDE BIN PLACEMENT

Where practical, keep a minimum distance of 50cm between bins, and 1 metre between bins and parked cars, street trees, stobie poles and letterboxes. Please remove bins after they have been emptied on the day of collection.

THE GREEN ORGANICS BIN

Never put green organics in plastic bags.



Fruit & vegetables



Bread, pasta & rice



food



Meat, seafood & bones



clippings



Leaves, twigs & prunings



& tissues



Compostable takeaway



Items labelled compostable AS4736 or AS5810



NO plastic bags or wrapping



NO polystyrene



NO plastic packaged



NO clothing, footwear or textiles



NO plastic pots or containers

call East Waste 8347 5111.

THE YELLOW RECYCLING BIN



Paper & cardboard



Hard plastic containers



Hard plastic bottles with lids



Juice & milk cartons



Tins & cans



Glass bottles & iars



Empty aerosols



Clean



NO soft or wrapping



NO light globes



NO broken crockery or glassware



NO polystyrene foam



NO food or liauids

THE RED LANDFILL BIN

footwear

or textiles

Not all waste can be placed in the red bin. Please check.





plastics



Polystyrene foam



Clothing, footwear &



Disposable nappies & sanitary items



Broken crockery & glassware



Kitty litter crystals



Ropes & hoses

NEVER IN ANY BIN

Search 'hazardous waste' at npsp.sa.gov.au





batteries



NO electronic waste



NO liquid paint



materials, dirt

or rocks

NO

coolant or motor oil



NO chemicals or poisons

KITCHEN & GARDEN **ORGANICS**

Please use your green bin for all food scraps including fruit and vegetables, tea bags and coffee grounds, dairy products, egg and oyster shells, bones, meat and seafood as well as paper towels and tissues.

The Council provides a free kitchen caddy and annual supply of compostable bags to make it easy. These are available from Norwood Town Hall or any of the Council's Libraries.

HARD WASTE COLLECTION

Book a free 'at call' collection (limit of 2 per financial year) at eastwaste.com.au or

BATTERIES & E-WASTE

Do not place batteries or e-waste in any household bins due to fire risks. Find drop-off locations by searching 'batteries' or 'e-waste' at

FREE TV, COMPUTER BATTERY & HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL WASTE DROP OFF

npsp.sa.gov.au

Your nearest drop-off location is:

Campbelltown Works Depot, 6 Newton Road, Campbelltown

Open Monday to Friday 8.00am-3.00pm

ADDITIONAL BINS

Residents can lease additional yellow bins and green waste bins from Council. Fees apply. For further info search 'second bin' at npsp.sa.gov.au

COLLECTION MAP

COLLECTION DAY

Use this map to determine your collection day.

- MONDAY
- TUESDAY
- **WEDNESDAY**
- **THURSDAY**
- FRIDAY

EastWaste





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COLLECTION CALENDAR

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OCTOBER

- Green organics bin (fortnightly)
- Yellow recycling bin (fortnightly)
- Red waste to landfill bin (weekly)
- ☐ Public holiday collection as usual
- No collections on New Year's Day, Good Friday or Christmas Day. All collections will move to the next day for the remaining week.

DON'T KNOW WHICH BIN?

WHICHBIN.SA.GOV.AU or scan the QR code











JAZZ IN THE PARK

Saturday 7 February, 4pm-8pm Koster Park, Trinity Gardens MELODIES IN THE PARK

Saturday 28 February 4pm-8pm Joslin Reserve, Joslin SYMPHONY IN THE PARK

Saturday 28 March, 4pm-8pm Richards Park, Norwood





