

Kurna Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Kurna Nation and its people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land in the area now known as the City of Onkaparinga.

We recognise that this local living culture has developed over tens of thousands of years and that in today’s contemporary context, Kurna and other Aboriginal people are actively engaged in community life and bring their rich cultural heritage to the strong, vibrant communities we strive for.

We remember Kurna people’s spiritual relationship with country when we make decisions about our region and that the protection of places of importance to Kurna culture has an impact on the wellbeing and prosperity of Kurna and other Aboriginal people.

We recognise our leadership responsibility to Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities, local businesses, and service agencies by actively engaging in a shared journey towards reconciliation.

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Mayor's introduction

There is so much to love about our city.

As mayor, I'm lucky enough to talk to people every day who tell me what's great about living in Onkaparinga, and what they want for the future. Many also tell me about the challenges they see and what they'd like improved.

This Community Plan is where we describe council's long-term aims for the community, so we're focussed on what matters most. It's a key document for guiding our decisions, to make sure we direct our effort to what best serves people today and into the future.

Council shaped this Community Plan before the full impact of COVID-19 was known. My hope is that by the time it's launched, we'll be through the worst of it and ready to focus on what comes next. That's what this plan is all about.

It's our opportunity to show we've been listening locally, while paying attention to what's on the horizon nationally and globally.

It's our chance to simply and clearly state what we want to achieve for our city over the next 10 years, so our vision of strong, vibrant communities will stand up under any circumstances.

It's our way of showcasing to federal and state government the benefits of partnering to deliver real outcomes for the region.

It's our statement on what we believe needs extra focus right now – championing our natural environment, building on resource management and the circular economy, and supporting our communities to connect with the spaces and places they enjoy.

It's also our commitment to being transparent, honest and responsible, making sure our spending is in line with community expectations.

There are many ways council helps keep our city thriving, which many of our 173,000 residents may not be aware of. An event like COVID-19 reminds us just how important it is to provide these services and help our residents, businesses and visitors enjoy the best things our region offers.

That's why I believe this plan is the one we need. No matter what our communities face in the wake of COVID-19, we'll be here to support them.

I'm excited to work with you towards the future Onkaparinga we all want; one that emerges stronger from our challenges and ready to seize the next opportunity.

Erin Thompson

Mayor

Planning for our future

We plan for our city’s future by setting clear, responsive and responsible direction – then doing what we said we’d do to achieve it.

We do this through our Community Plan and supporting strategic plans.

The Community Plan 2030 defines why we are here. It represents our shared vision for the next ten years, and is reviewed every four years. It is balanced with our Long Term Financial Plan to ensure we work in a financially sustainable way.

How we turn this into action is through our strategic plans. Each strategic plan looks at a topic important to our city, and defines what we can, should and will do, to support our city’s progress.

What we do is informed by this strategic direction and our delivery plans, organisational priorities, legislated requirements and service delivery. This is represented in our Annual Business Plan and Budget, which sets out the actions we will undertake each financial year.

As we plan, we keep good governance, strong leadership, and professionalism firmly in mind. This means making sure the work we do each day contributes to creating the future our communities will thrive in.

| Plan | Annually | Year 4 | Year 10 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------|------------|
| Community Plan | Progress update | Review | Vision |
| Long Term Financial Plan | Progress update | Review | Projection |
| Strategic Plans | Progress update | Review | |
| Strategic Asset Management Plan | Progress update | Review | |
| Annual Business Plan and Budget | Reset | | |

About our Community Plan 2030

Our Community Plan 2030 outlines our big picture goals – the future we aspire for our city to achieve.

It sets the focus for our Council, painting a clear picture of the outcomes we want to bring to life – which add together to form our vision of strong, vibrant communities.

At the highest level, it considers what our city is made up of, what our residents, businesses and visitors value about our region, and what challenges we may face in the near future.

Our Community Plan 2030 guides decisions made in our strategic plans and is delivered through actions that our communities benefit from every day.

Our Community Plan 2030 has:

- one vision describing the aspirations our communities, elected members and staff have for our city
- four themes that help us to organise our plan
- eight key result areas that describe broad areas for action
- sixteen outcomes that describe what we aim to achieve with this plan and what success will look like. Five of these are highlighted for extra attention over the next four years.

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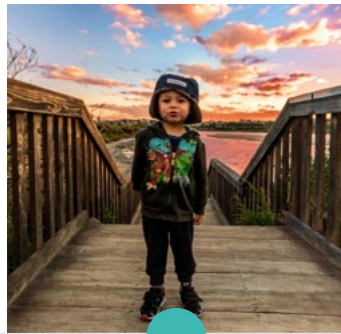
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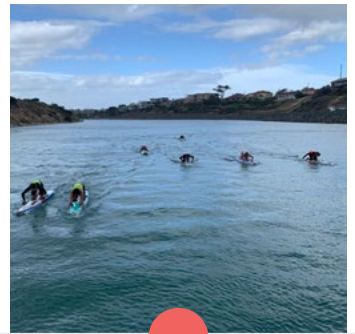
Our Plan

Vision: **strong, vibrant communities**

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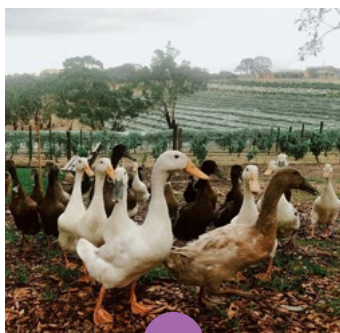


| Theme | People | | Place | |
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| Key Result Area | Our communities are connected, engaged and resilient | Our communities are active and healthy | Our city is green and inviting | Our city is a great place to live |
| Outcomes | We support our communities' strengths, advancing equity and inclusion for all. | ★ We connect people and the spaces they enjoy, including trails, open spaces and other places to be active. | ★ We are leaders in the transition from recycling to a circular economy. | We encourage sustainable residential development that improves our city's liveability, values our natural areas, and protects our Aboriginal and built heritage. |
| | We value local creativity, encourage diverse cultural expression, and respect our Aboriginal, European and other cultural heritage. | We provide opportunities for people to maintain and improve their health and wellbeing in ways that suit their preferences and abilities. | We manage our water resources for environmental benefit, and to create and maintain green spaces. | We look after our townships, centres and suburbs, making them safe, welcoming and easy for people to access and travel between. |

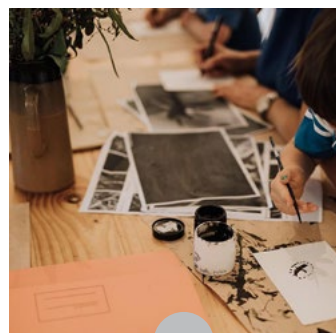
Our Community Plan is where we describe council’s long-term objectives for the city, looking ten years down the track. It was shaped by what our communities told us matters most and what’s coming up on the horizon that’s important to our region. It guides what we do today, to keep us heading towards the future we want to see.

★ **Focus outcomes:** the outcomes that need extra attention over the next four years.

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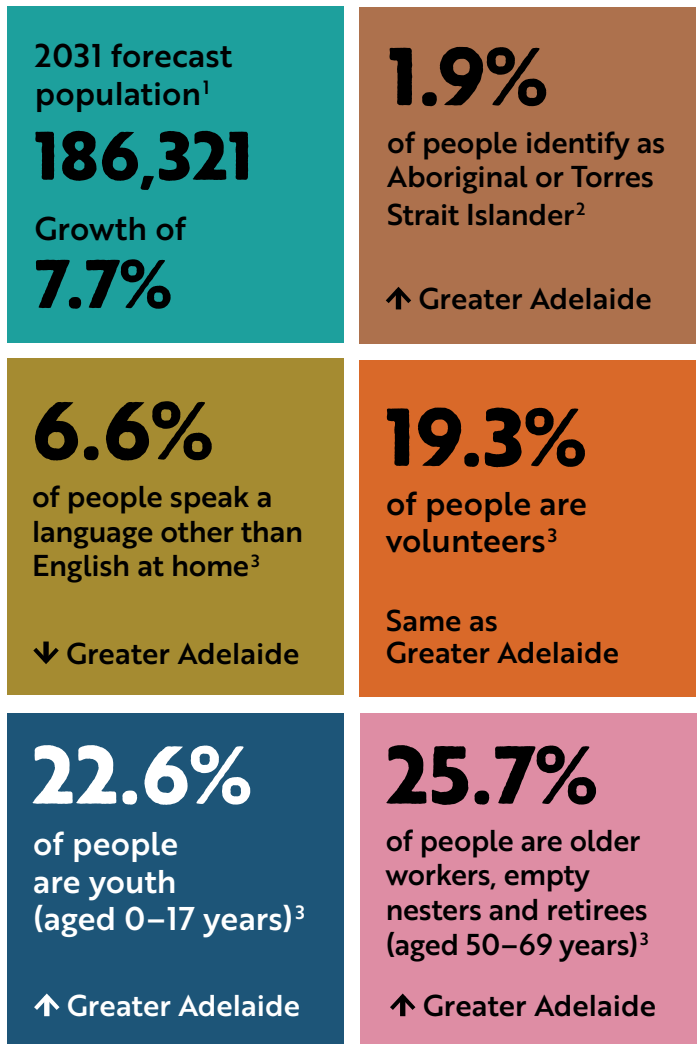


| Prosperity | | Performance | | Theme |
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| Our economy benefits everyone | Our region’s natural environment is thriving | Our communities trust council to deliver | Our ratepayers receive strong returns for their rates | Key Result Area |
| We support local job growth, investment and industry development. | ★ We champion our environment, reinforcing its strengths, regenerating its losses and protecting its vulnerabilities. | ★ We are transparent and accountable, sharing information in clear, accessible and timely ways. | ★ We efficiently and effectively deliver services, balancing cost, quality and responsiveness to community needs. | Outcomes |
| We encourage tourists to enjoy more of what’s on offer in our vibrant and diverse region. | We respond to the impacts of climate change, reducing emissions and building community resilience. | We make sure people can engage easily with us and ensure that their voices are considered when making our decisions. | We make financially sustainable choices for the long term. | |

Our city today

In 2020 our city is home to more than 173,000 people living in urban and rural communities, making it the largest South Australian council by population.

Our city extends over 518 square kilometres of diverse natural landscape including 31 kilometres of spectacular coastline, hills, vineyards, agricultural plains and national parks. We benefit from many public open spaces and recreational areas, vibrant creative and cultural communities, and a unique variety of industrial areas, commercial precincts and community centres and facilities.



1 South Australian Local Government Area (LGA) population projections 2016–2036, Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure, Government of South Australia

2 Estimated resident Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Non-Indigenous populations, Local Government Areas, 30 June 2016, Australian Bureau of Statistics

3 City of Onkaparinga Community Profile, profile.id.com.au/onkaparinga

4 Number of private dwellings by postcode: Australian Bureau of Statistics Table builder, 2016 Census data

5 City of Onkaparinga Economic Profile, economy.id.com.au/onkaparinga

6 Solar panel installations: Postcode data for small-scale installations, Clean Energy Regulator, Government of Australia

Greater Adelaide is an area defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics and includes the urban areas of Adelaide and surrounding non-urban areas where the population has strong links to Adelaide as capital city.

↑ Higher than ↓ Lower than

71,748

Dwellings⁴

88.1%

of housing is detached dwellings³

↑ Greater Adelaide

\$1,190

Median weekly household income³

↓ Greater Adelaide

29.4%

of households are couples with children³

↑ Greater Adelaide

11.1%

of housing is medium or high density³

↓ Greater Adelaide

12.7%

of households are one-parent families³

↑ Greater Adelaide

41.4%

of households have a mortgage³

↑ Greater Adelaide

9,330

Local businesses⁵

56.6%

of employed residents work outside our region³

7.2%

unemployment rate⁵

↑ Greater Adelaide

25.8%

of people aged over 15 years have a trade qualification³

↑ Greater Adelaide

17%

of people employed in our region work in retail⁵

↑ Greater Adelaide

39.8%

of houses have solar panels⁶

↑ South Australia

What our community says

Our 2019 Community Survey was completed by 1042 of our residents. The responses we received provides valuable information about what residents like best about living in our city, their hopes for the future, how they use what is on offer here, and what they think we should prioritise when planning for the future. Here are some key findings:

Best assets

81%

believe the best thing about living here is the diverse and unique natural environment, including proximity to beaches, vineyards, hills and national parks

Ten-year vision

#1

A sustainable environment

#2

A connected, friendly and supportive community

#3

Clean and well-maintained natural environment and streetscapes

Desired change

Better residential development planning and practice

24%

Improved open space maintenance, accessibility and usability

22%

More protection and maintenance of our natural environment

17%

What council should focus on over the next ten years

#1

Outdoors/
open spaces

#2

Environment
protection/
management

#3

Economic
growth/local
business/
tourism

Community values

76%

agree cultural
diversity has a
positive impact
on the community

54%

agree that their
household income
is enough to meet
their needs

84%

agree their
neighbourhood
is a good place to
live

30%

feel they could
change something
about where they
live

57%

believe there
are not enough
employment
opportunities
within our city

80%

agree it is
important to
support local
artists

80%

believe they have
something to
contribute to the
community

77%

are concerned
about climate
change

Our challenges

With a diverse economy, good infrastructure, beautiful natural environments, enviable lifestyles, and resilient and resourceful communities, we are well-positioned to achieve our vision of strong, vibrant communities.

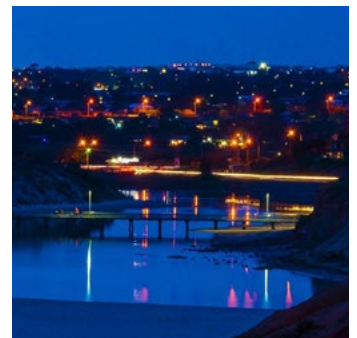
However, over the lifetime of this plan we will encounter challenges in bringing our vision to life.

Our key challenges include:

Climate change

Our changing climate poses significant social, economic and environmental threats to our city. In response, our communities are seeking greater focus on both adaptation planning and emissions reduction.

This challenge is addressed via the outcomes on page seven under the key result area ‘Our region’s natural environment is thriving’.



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Recycling

With international markets no longer available, local markets need to be expanded to ensure that kerbside recycling can continue to meet community expectations.

This challenge is addressed via the outcomes on page six under the key result area 'Our city is green and inviting'.

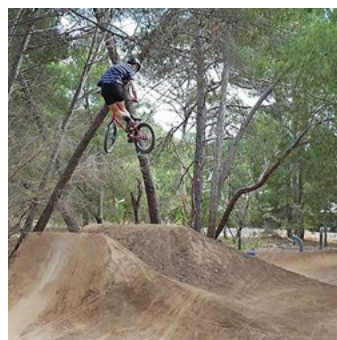


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Sports infrastructure and facilities

Changing community demand for sporting infrastructure and facilities poses significant challenges to us as a council and for sporting groups in our region.

This challenge is addressed via the outcomes on page six under the key result area 'Our communities are active and healthy'.



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Delivering our plan

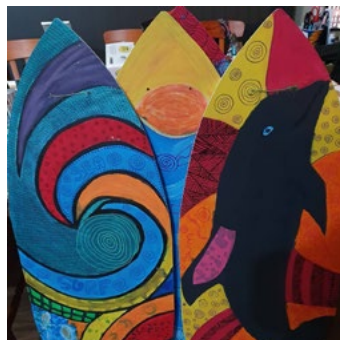
We are committed to delivering the aspirations set in this plan, so our residents, businesses and visitors can continue to enjoy all our region has to offer.

Over the next four years, this plan will guide our decision making so we remain on track to deliver its outcomes, particularly the five focus outcomes of priority to elected members.

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We will do this through:

- our strategic plans, which set directions and initiatives on specific topics, aligned to the Community Plan 2030
- our Strategic Asset Management Plan, Long Term Financial Plan, and Annual Business Plan, which ensure we are sustainably investing in the activities that meet community needs
- delivering the daily work that allows us to provide the services, programs and projects which support our city to thrive.

We will track progress at a high level in a number of ways. This includes using evidence-based research from a range of sources and direct engagement with our communities, including via our annual community survey that monitors how our residents experience the city and what's priority to them. Measures will also be included in our strategic plans, to enable on-going monitoring and review.

| Theme | Plan |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| People | Arts and Cultural Development Strategic Plan – review 2021 |
| | Community Capacity Strategic Plan – due 2020 |
| | Disability Access and Inclusion Plan – due 2020 |
| | Libraries Strategic Plan – review 2022 |
| | Sport and Active Recreation Strategic Plan – review 2020 |
| Place | Local Area Plan – due 2020 |
| | Masterplans – due 2020+ |
| | Open Space Strategic Plan – review 2022 |
| | Road Network Plan – review 2022 |
| | Trails and Cycling Strategic Plan – review 2021 |
| Prosperity | Climate Change Response Strategic Plan – due 2021 |
| | Economic Growth and Investment Strategic Plan – due 2021 |
| | Green Cities Strategic Plan – review 2022 |
| | Tourism Strategic Plan – review 2022 |
| | Waste and Recycling Strategic Plan – review 2021 |
| Performance | Annual Business Plan – yearly |
| | Long Term Financial Plan – review 2021 |
| | Strategic Asset Management Plan – due 2020 |



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