

# Look East

City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters Newsletter • Summer Edition 2023



## Season's Greetings!

Congratulations to Wen Shuen, Overall Winner of the 2023 Mayor's Christmas Card Competition

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# Mayor's Message

## Welcome to the 2023 Summer edition of Look East



**I am sure you noticed the fantastic cover of this year's Look East and I would like to congratulate Year 5 student Wen Shuen Kong, from Norwood Primary School, the overall winner of the Council's 2023 Mayor's Christmas Card competition.**

Wen's stunning picture highlights the many cultures which celebrate Christmas in our City.

Congratulations to all the students from Pre-school to Year 6 who entered the competition and made judging a very challenging task.

With the end of the year fast approaching, it is timely to reflect on the past twelve months. At the Swearing-in Ceremony for Elected Members in November 2022, I said to the new Council we had been elected at a time of great challenge and unprecedented opportunity for our City.

One year on, I firmly believe the Council is meeting these challenges and seizing new and exciting opportunities with confidence and a strong sense of purpose to deliver for our citizens and improve their quality of life.

In addition to the Council's record \$13 million capital works program of footpaths, kerbs and water tables, drains and road reseals, the Council is getting on

with the job of taking action on key strategies and delivering major projects.

In 2022–2023, the Council planted a record 666 new street trees — well above the annual target of 500 new trees set out in the Tree Strategy (2022–2027). Importantly, two thirds of these trees were planted in local suburbs with the lowest tree canopy coverage, such as Glynde, Payneham and St Morris, with the aim of improving amenity, providing more shade and to create cooler streets over the long term.

In St Peters, the St Peters Street Upgrade was completed in March, the Dunstan Adventure Playground is due for completion soon and the redevelopment of Burchell Reserve is well underway.

Elsewhere, work has commenced on Stages 2 and 3 of the \$20 million Trinity Valley Stormwater drainage project in Firlie, St Morris and Trinity Gardens to help prevent flooding in those suburbs, and construction of the new \$1.4m clubrooms and facilities at Cruikshank Reserve, Maylands is progressing well.

Work on the highly anticipated Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre is expected to start in early 2024.

This Summer's events season is an opportunity for the community to get outdoors and enjoy what our City has to offer. The Men's Stage 2 start of the Town Down Under and Australia Day celebrations in January will be followed by the popular 'Concerts in the Park' series to be held at Koster Reserve (Trinity Gardens), Joslin Reserve (Joslin) and Richards Park (Norwood), followed by the very popular St Peters Fair.

The Council is excited that Norwood Oval will again host two matches as part of the 2024 AFL Gather Round. These matches

will build on the outstanding success of this year's Gather Round, which injected millions of dollars into the local economy, gave our City invaluable national exposure and enhanced our reputation as a place for major events. See page 14 to find out more.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank citizens and business operators who have taken part in our Community Survey. The Community Survey is made up of 30 questions relating to the Council's services, programs and infrastructure. If you participated in the Survey, your feedback is greatly appreciated! The results will be released next year.

In closing, I sincerely thank my fellow Elected Members as well as the Council staff, led by Chief Executive Officer Mario Barone PSM, for their outstanding work during the year.

My thanks also to the more than 200 Council Volunteers who selflessly devote their time, energy and skills to help make our community more inclusive and socially connected.

As we prepare to take a break to spend time with family and friends in the coming weeks, I encourage you to make a special effort with those less fortunate and help ensure everyone who calls the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters home can experience the joy of the Festive Season.

On behalf of my wife, Pina, and our family, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

I hope you enjoy this edition of Look East.

**Robert Bria  
Mayor**

**Mayor's 14th Christmas Card Competition  
Overall Winner. See page 2**





# Capturing the colour of Christmas

## Mayor's 14th Christmas Card Competition



Mayor's Christmas Card Competition entrants

**The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has officially welcomed the holiday season with the 14th Mayor's Christmas Card Competition, an event that continues to captivate the hearts and minds of our local community's youngest artists.**

The tradition invited local children to engage in a fun and festive activity, capturing the spirit of Christmas through drawing, painting and decorating festive scenes.

A total of 132 entries were received from nine different schools.

Mayor Bria had the honour of hosting the event on Thursday 2 November, with all of the competition winners, finalists and their families.

All submissions are now being proudly exhibited and displayed in the foyer of the Norwood Town Hall, offering a delightful opportunity for the wider community to appreciate the young artists' creativity.

The overall winner of the competition received a Wacom Graphic Tablet, a cutting-edge tool to further explore their talent and a book recounting the history of the Adelaide Christmas Pageant. All the winners, including the finalists, received prizes to acknowledge their achievements and contributions to the community.

For the finalists, there was an additional special treat, 10 copies of their entries were also turned into Christmas Cards, providing a unique opportunity for them to share their creativity with their loved ones during this festive season.

**Congratulations to all the winners of this year's Mayor's Christmas Card Competition.**

### Overall winner

Wen Shuen - Norwood Primary School

### Pre-School

1st Prize: Jonathan - St Andrew's School

2nd Prize: Ira - Hackney Kindergarten

### Reception

1st Prize: Evan - Trinity Gardens Primary School

2nd Prize: Anneliese - East Adelaide Primary School

### Year 1

1st Prize: Isla - Norwood Primary School

### Year 2

1st Prize: Anh - East Adelaide Primary School

2nd Prize: Alexander - St Andrew's School

3rd Prize: Mia - St Joseph's Memorial School

### Year 3

1st Prize: Maiya - East Adelaide Primary School

2nd Prize: Noa - East Adelaide Primary School

3rd Prize: Liana - East Adelaide Primary School

### Year 4

1st Prize: Samuel - East Adelaide Primary School

2nd Prize: Grace - St Andrew's School

3rd Prize: Francesca - Prince Alfred College

### Year 5

1st Prize: Phoebe - Norwood Primary School

2nd Prize: Yalena - Norwood Primary School

3rd Prize: Linda - Norwood Primary School

### Year 6

1st Prize: Zia - Trinity Gardens Primary School

2nd Prize: Pearl - St Joseph's Memorial School

3rd Prize: Annie - St Joseph's Memorial School





# WHAT'S ON THIS Christmas



## Christmas lights on Ninth

Residents of Ninth Avenue, are again bringing joy to our local community this festive season with their annual Christmas lights display.

From Battams Road in Royston Park to Stephens Terrace in St Peters, the houses along Ninth Avenue will sparkle and shine until the years end, creating a magical festive atmosphere.

The Council is proud of the significant contribution made by all the residents of Ninth Avenue. Thank you for creating a vibrant community spirit, not only within your neighbourhood but across our City.

## Take an 'elfie' with our cheeky Elves!

Nelly, Norman, Peter & Poppy will be popping up all over our City throughout Christmas!

The four mischievous Elves can be seen at our Libraries, Ninth Avenue Christmas Lights, Movie Nights at the Pool and many more locations!

The plush toys are on the move so you need to be quick enough to catch them and when you do, make sure you take a pic and tag @cityofnpsp for your chance to win a \$100 gift voucher.\* Terms and conditions apply

Have your 'elf a cheeky little Christmas!



## Generosity – the kindest gift of all

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

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

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

Donations will be accepted until 23 December 2023.



## Shine bright on The Parade

Have you ever wanted to take a walk with the stars?

It may not be the Hollywood Walk of Fame but this Christmas, the Norwood Memorial Gardens are aglow with two giant walk-through illuminated stars, providing the perfect picture opportunity.

Take advantage of the giant stars at dawn, sunset or after dark and make sure to use #paradenorwood so everyone knows you have been to South Australia's Premier Main Street!

This stellar spectacle will be on display until 2 January 2024.



## Norwood Christmas Pageant delights thousands of children and their families

With their eager little faces and arms waving frantically, Santa was welcomed into our City by thousands of excited children and their families at the Norwood Christmas Pageant on Saturday 18 November.

Thousands lined The Parade for the iconic event which is the biggest in South Australia, outside the Adelaide Christmas Pageant.

There was much anticipation leading up to the big day and the roar of applause was almost deafening when Santa arrived mid-morning.

The Council's staff and Volunteers had been working around the clock to ensure Santa's special float looked absolutely enchanting after a magical makeover.

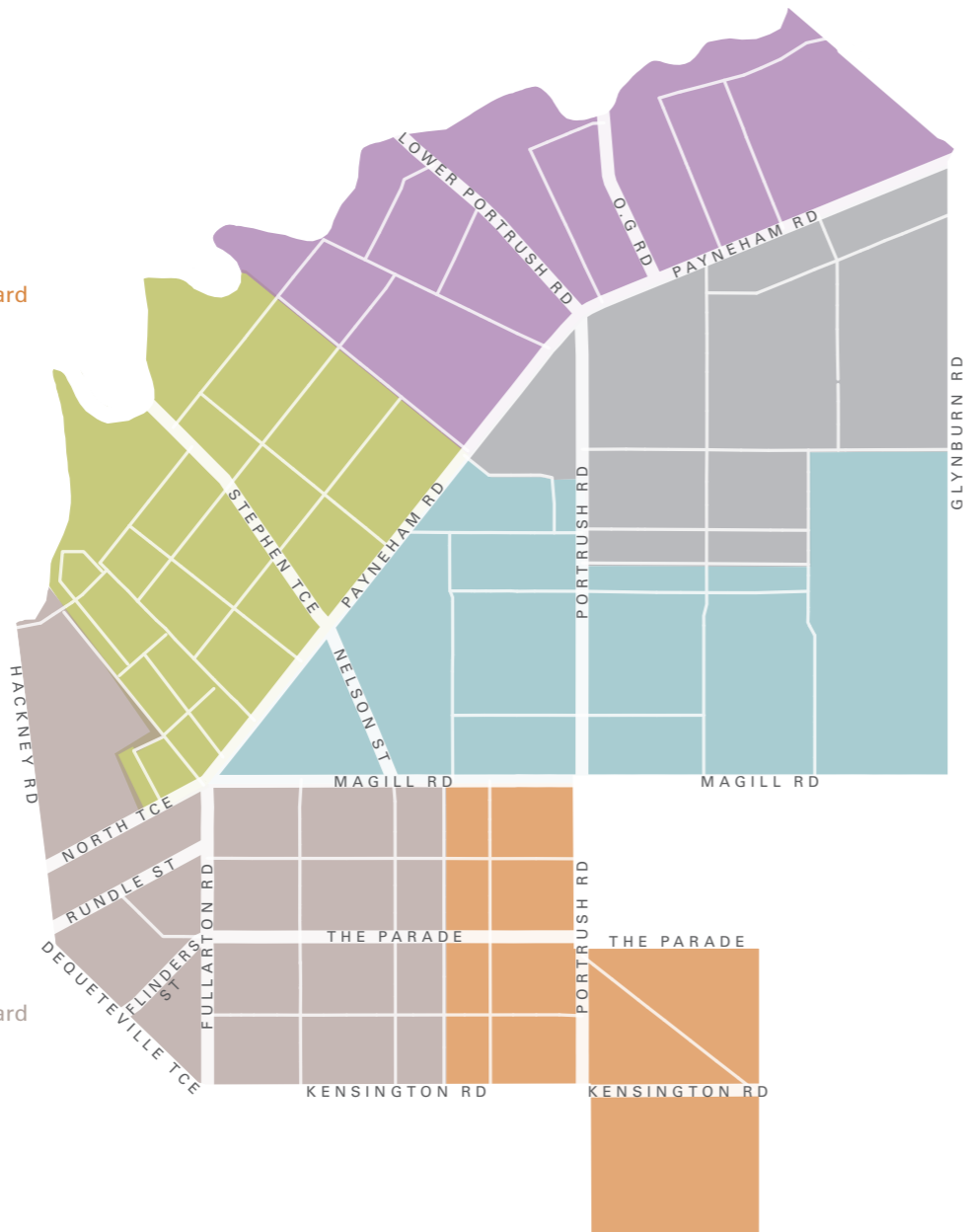
For those eager eyes in the crowd counting the floats, here is the final tally: six Council floats and 64 entries from the community, which includes schools and bands!

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



# Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from your Elected Members

- Mayor**  
Robert Bria
- Kensington/East Norwood Ward**  
Christel Mex  
John Callisto
- Maylands/Trinity Ward**  
Connie Granozio  
Scott Sims  
Victoria McFarlane
- Payneham Ward**  
Kevin Duke  
Josh Robinson
- St Peters Ward**  
Claire Clutterham  
Kester Moorhouse
- Torrens Ward**  
Garry Knoblauch  
Hugh Holfeld
- West Norwood/Kent Town Ward**  
Grant Piggott  
Sue Whittington



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

Do you feel awkward talking to new people? Do you avoid acquaintances in the supermarket? When you pass a neighbour in the street, do you give a little smile but avoid speaking?

In a world of endless potential for connections, so many people still feel alone. According to the latest ABS figures, 38% of us live alone here in NPSP. In Australia, 28% of us are experiencing social loneliness.

Some say that commitment issues are impacting our ability to connect with people. We create invisible bubbles between our neighbours and ourselves. While we may exchange pleasantries, barriers in the air create an almost physical effort to say something more meaningful.

Relationship building may involve a commitment to the belief that neighbours are worthy of getting to know. Making small talk can be hard - especially when you're not sure whether you're doing it well. But conversations are a central part of relationship-building.

This holiday season many of us will find ourselves in social situations which are golden opportunities to build connections with those around us. Coffee shops, churches, libraries, and concert venues are all shared spaces where mingling can take place.

But you may need to put yourself out there. I feel great when a neighbour smiles at me with a big hello and asks about my pup. And I enjoy doing the same. I think doing more of this will improve our community's social trust and happiness. Merry Christmas everyone, and thanks for looking out for each other.

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

I am honoured to continue for a second term as your representative for the Kensington/ East Norwood Ward. We are so fortunate in this Ward to have a diverse culture, treasured heritage, green street canopies, whilst also being able to enjoy extensive shopping options and fabulous restaurants.

As your representative, I will continue to be your advocate on a variety of local issues that impact our community and deliver on key matters, whilst upholding our community spirit in this great city.

Through my involvement with various Council Committees, I seek to explore and consider new initiatives which are vital in keeping this Ward and the wider community safe, sustainable, and prosperous for the future.

This festive season, be sure to enjoy our marvellous Council facilities which include the Libraries, Norwood Swimming Pool, playgrounds, shopping precincts and glorious parks/ gardens blooming this time of year.

I hope you had a fabulous time at the Norwood Christmas Pageant and will enjoy the many other events scheduled for the festive season.

As an avid cyclist, I am looking forward to the Tour Down Under in January 2024. Come and join the fun during this great event and the many more future events planned for 2024!

On behalf of my family, I take this opportunity to wish all our Volunteers, Resident Associations, community support organisations and residents of our City, a healthy and safe festive season.

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**Cr Garry Knoblauch**

*Torrens Ward*

It has been an interesting year working with the new Council, which is a mixture of five new Elected Members, five who have served many terms and four in between. This combination ensures a variety of opinions and attitudes on Council matters resulting in a healthy environment for debate.

However, the issues which continue to be amongst the most important to residents are still traffic management and parking related.

In the Torrens Ward, the consultation for a 40kph speed limit in Marden has concluded and the findings will soon be reported to the Council.

It is hoped that the installation of other traffic controls in the Marden and Royston Park can receive priority in future budget considerations. The alterations to the intersection of Langman Grove and Briar Road have been completed and funding will be sought for the installation of speed cushions on Langman Grove in next year's budget.

The 2023–2024 Annual Business Plan contains several important projects such as the upgrade of Burchell Reserve, Cruikshank Reserve and Dunstan Adventure Playground plus the Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage system. The Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre Redevelopment is also planned and is most important to the whole City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters community and beyond. We look forward to this important major project progressing.

Christmas is a time for families so find time to celebrate together. On behalf of my wife Peggy and our family I wish you a Happy Christmas and a healthy and prosperous 2024.

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**Cr Hugh Holfeld**

*Torrens Ward*

I would like to take a moment to thank all Council staff and Volunteers and appreciate all their efforts. They work tirelessly to keep our Council running smoothly all year round and it is easy to take their service as a given. They are truly the heart of our Council, covering such a range of support and services that benefit and make our community.

Over the summer I encourage everyone to take advantage of our wonderful Council spaces and events. Our parks, reserves, and ovals are perfect for all recreational and sporting activity, cool off at the Norwood Swimming Centre, or get involved in your local sporting or cultural club events. There is a large breadth and scope of activities, so if you are looking to get out and about, there is something for all ages and needs.

For many this has been a year for rebuilding and managing after the changes we have faced, especially with the growing economic pressures. I hope this holiday season we all get the chance to have a moment to step back and reset, while having the opportunity to make treasured memories with the loved ones in our lives.

I wish you all a happy holiday season.

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**Cr Josh Robinson**

*Payneham Ward*

What a year! It's been an incredibly busy but rewarding first 12 months on the Council of Norwood Payneham & St Peters. As a Council, we have achieved a lot. Among other things, we have approved multiple upgrades to our infrastructure, park and recreation area upgrades and, of course, Gather Round at Norwood Oval.

I continue to constantly walk around the Payneham Ward with my family and it is interesting to see what is happening. There appears to be a lot more development throughout the area and a lot of work has been done to improve the footpaths and tree pruning has occurred along most of the streets.

I've had the opportunity to meet a lot more residents in the past 12 months and it is without doubt the favourite part of my role. Meeting and interacting with neighbours and local residents was and continues to be my main motivation for joining the Council.

Christmas is almost here and I'm looking forward to spending extra time with family and friends over the break. My two-year-old doesn't quite understand Santa yet, but my five-year-old certainly makes up for it.

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

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

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**Cr Kevin Duke**

*Payneham Ward*

Christmas is a joyful time of the year with many celebrations and gatherings of families, friends and work colleagues. Christians celebrate the birth of Christ with the message of love, respect, and goodwill to all people. It is a time of acknowledging the love and support of relatives and friends through sending Christmas cards, emails and text messages.

I want to acknowledge the amazing contributions of Volunteers in the many areas of the Council's services, Libraries, sporting clubs, social and service clubs, music groups, churches, schools and aged care facilities, who give freely of their time supporting members of our community.

I understand the frustrations of residents with the closure of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre, pending the construction of a new aquatic facility. The Council is determined to create a facility to service the community for the next fifty years.

The Council is continuing to maintain our roads, footpaths, parks and sporting facilities. I understand residents' desire for traffic controls to create a safer and improved amenity for all road users. This task has been embraced by the Council with the adoption of an evidence-based process embracing clearly defined areas. We are progressing with the 40kph speed restrictions for residential streets. The Council is also aware of residents' annoyance at planning changes that result in denser development and increased kerb side parking that restricts the flow of traffic on narrow streets.

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

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**Cr Grant Piggott**  
West Norwood/Kent Town Ward

Wow, where did that year go? My first year as a Council Member of the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has been an enjoyable one and opened my eyes to the energy throughout the City. We live in a special part of Adelaide, the envy of many.

This year has been a busy year for our Council, like all years. The breadth of services provided by the City is vast, far beyond the roads, reserves and rubbish, and it is great that we are able to contribute to the City's arts, community groups and culture to the greater good.

The Council continues to invest in the City's assets through capital projects, upgrading reserves, improving our section of Linear Park along the River Torrens and vital—but largely unseen—work to eliminate flooding issues through the Trinity Valley Stormwater Project.

As a Council Member, I am fortunate to have the Kent Town Residents Association in play. They provide valuable input into Council matters and their activities build the community spirit of Kent Town.

My parting thought is that, most of all, the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters is fun—we enjoy quality housing and facilities, access to a wide range of shops and businesses, many locally conducted events and nice people. I really do enjoy living here.

I wish everybody a wonderful holiday season and look forward to doing it all over again next year.

All the best.

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**Cr Sue Whittington**  
West Norwood/Kent Town Ward

It is a great privilege and a pleasure to continue in my role as Councillor for the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward.

Ours is a wonderful City. Its history is evident in our built heritage, which needs vigilant guardianship lest the character of our environment deteriorate.

An equally important part of that environment is public open space, where we are so well served by our numerous parks and gardens. My favourite is Richards Park, at the northern end of Osmond Terrace. It is a beautiful tree-filled space, with a kids' playground, BBQ facilities, a mini-amphitheatre where each Summer an orchestra entertains us. It was heart-warming last year to watch the little children dancing to the music.

And then of course there is Linear Park, where we have recently redeveloped the Felixstow wetlands and the Reserve with excellent family friendly facilities. Things have certainly come a long way since the days when migrant families picnicked on the Osmond Terrace median!

So this Christmas, celebrate the outdoors with your family. And if for any reason you can't get out, then don't forget that our three Libraries offer a home delivery service.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas, and a very happy and safe 2024.

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**Cr Claire Clutterham**  
St Peters Ward

It has been a privilege to be an Elected Member on the Norwood Payneham & St Peters Council.

The past 12 months have been exciting and it has been honour to meet members of the community, particularly in the St Peters Ward, where I live, while also making important decisions that impact the wider City now and into the future.

As always, I am determined to be visible in the community and I regularly check in with residents to understand their needs and concerns.

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

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

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

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

I wish everyone a safe and happy festive season.

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**Cr Kester Moorhouse**  
St Peters Ward

"Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas!

What I love most about the Christmas season is the time spent with friends, family and community: the ingredients for a happy life.

As such, it's a nice idea to reach out to those who may be feeling lonely as the big day approaches. What better way than with a shared visit to the Christmas Lights of Ninth Avenue!

A year has passed since the last Council elections and we have been very busy, with our new Councillors a great addition to the team. As part of the AFL Gather Round, two great games were played at Norwood Oval, the St Peters Street Upgrade has now been completed and works on the Dunstan Adventure Playground, Burchell Reserve and Torrens Linear Path Upgrades are well underway.

Since the election I have introduced a much-needed Council investigation into the feasibility of weekly kerbside food and garden organics waste collection. I have also brought the Council on board in advocating for reforms to the State Government planning system, to legally allow the Council to bring in tighter restrictions on large scale two-storey additions to heritage listed houses in our historic areas.

A big "thank you" to Council staff, Volunteers and community groups for making Adelaide's East side the best side. I wish you all health, hope and happiness this Christmas and in the year to come.

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

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**Cr Connie Granozio**

*Maylands/Trinity Ward*

It has been a privilege to serve the Council over the past 23 years.

This year it has been fantastic to see work underway at Cruikshank Reserve, in Maylands, and I am very excited to see the new facilities.

It is also pleasing that the Trinity Valley Drainage Upgrade is progressing so well and I thank Council staff for their hard work in managing this project.

I would also like to thank residents for their patience as the underground structural work gets underway. It is a significant body of work but residents, businesses and property owners will benefit greatly from this stormwater and flood prevention infrastructure.

I was elected to the Council in 2000 and have thoroughly enjoyed representing the Maylands/Trinity Ward for the past 23 years.

As a small business owner, I support local traders and I was absolutely delighted that the Eastside Business Awards crowned Cheeky Grin, in Firlie as the Best Coffee and Sueno Hair in St Morris as the Best Hair/Beauty Salon in the awards.

I have also been very happy to see tree planting on Glynburn Road, St Morris.

I would like to extend a big thank you to all of the Council's Volunteers. Volunteering is kind-hearted and dedicated, it also saves the Council thousands of dollars annually.

I thank too all of the residents who have raised issues with our Council in an effort to increase services in the community.

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

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**Cr Scott Sims**

*Maylands/Trinity Ward*

Another year has passed and I feel very grateful to be given the opportunity to serve the people of Norwood Payneham & St Peters as an Elected Member.

I would especially like to acknowledge and thank the Council's staff, community organisations and my fellow Elected Members for their hard work and dedication in 2023.

I am happy to report that the Council is progressing with its plans to upgrade the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre and Cruickshank Reserve, Maylands. The Council has also continued to invest in funding on footpath repairs, road upgrades and the Trinity Valley drainage and flood prevention infrastructure upgrade.

As always, I continue to strive to do even more for ratepayers and residents and will always advocate for neighbourhoods in our Ward with a focus on further investment in our roads and footpaths.

I wish all residents a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year. I would especially like to say thank you to Volunteers and for those people in our community who go the extra mile to ensure those less fortunate don't go without food or company.

I hope Father Christmas brings many fun presents to the residents in our area!

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**Cr Victoria McFarlane**

*Maylands/Trinity Ward*

This is my second Christmas serving on the Council and I'm grateful to the communities of Maylands and Trinity Gardens for putting their trust in me.

One of the highlights of the year has been welcoming our new Australian citizens as they choose to become citizens of Australia.

I find it a tremendous privilege to witness this milestone in so many new Australians lives. I believe Australia is still very much the lucky country and a nation that gives so many refugees and immigrants a hope and a future.

Other highlights have been spending time with community groups and businesses across the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters. It's small and medium businesses, church groups, and community groups like Rotary and bowling clubs that help to create a wonderful place and feeling of belonging in our City.

As we prepare for the year ahead, I am keen to learn how we can continue to work together — connecting with and advocating for residents, community groups and local business. This was, and still is, my motivation for running for Local Government.

If you see me out and about in our great City with Harry the hound, please do stop and say g'day!

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

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WISHING YOU ALL  
A MERRY

Christmas

AND A SAFE NEW YEAR  
FROM THE MAYOR AND  
ELECTED MEMBERS

To find out more about Council and Committee meeting dates and times for 2024 please visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au/councilmeetings](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au/councilmeetings)





Gather Round announcement in 2024



Norwood Oval, Gather Round 2023

# Gather Round on South Australia’s Premier Main Street

*Two epic matches at Norwood Oval in April 2024*

**In fantastic news for footy fans, the local community and the visitor economy, Norwood Oval on South Australia’s Premier Main Street, The Parade, has once again been selected to host two matches in next year’s AFL Gather Round.**

The Brisbane Lions will take on North Melbourne in a twilight match on Friday 5 April, while Richmond will go to head to head with St Kilda on the Sunday afternoon, 7 April 2024.

Mayor Robert Bria said the Council and the local community were absolutely ecstatic with the news.

“To say we have been waiting with anticipation is an understatement. Gather Round 2023 was an outstanding success for the Council, Norwood Football Club and the local community, so we are thrilled with the announcement,” he said.

“The vibe and excitement at Norwood Oval and along The Parade was electric this year, and I speak on behalf of thousands when I say...bring on Gather Round April 2024!”

The Council has been working behind the scenes organising events and activities since May in the hope of a positive announcement by the AFL, so the recent Gather Round announcement by the State Government and AFL means the Council can move forward with certainty to deliver a memorable ‘Football Festival’ on The Parade and throughout our City.

Norwood Parade Precinct Committee Member, Mario Boscaini, who is also the Director of Boscaini Investments and owner of the Parade Central, Norwood along with this family, has urged all businesses to get on board and join in the events and excitement associated with Gather Round.

“To hear the news that Norwood Oval was successful in securing two matches for next year’s AFL Gather Round is a credit to the Norwood Payneham and St Peters Council.

“I urge all businesses on The Parade to get behind this awesome event together with the return of the Norwood Food & Wine Festival to be held at the same time.”

*“This presents an excellent opportunity for local businesses, particularly in the hospitality sector, to showcase the vibrancy and quality of our community once again.”*

Joshua Baldwin - Munro Real Estate, The Parade Norwood

Joshua Baldwin, the Principal and Executive Director of Munro real estate which is located on The Parade, also welcomed the announcement.

“As an engaged member of the Norwood Parade Precinct Committee as well as the Economic Development Committee, I am delighted with the AFL’s decision to have two Gather Round games at Norwood Oval in 2024.”

“This presents an excellent opportunity for local businesses, particularly in the hospitality sector, to showcase the vibrancy and quality of our community once again.”

The 2023 Gather Round resulted in a direct injection of \$2.25 million into the dining and entertainment sector in Norwood, so with these additional activities planned for 2024, the Council expects this figure to climb even further.

After this year’s Gather Round, the Council had a very constructive debrief with the AFL and Norwood Football Club about what worked and where things can improve, while also taking into account the feedback from the Premier, Gillon McLachlan and Andrew Dillon.

“We discussed that there is no better place to watch a match at Norwood Oval than from the Western Stand, so we want more interstate visitors to have the opportunity to experience the feeling they are sitting right on top of the action,” Mayor Bria said.

At its meeting in May this year, the Council unanimously voted to express its interest to the AFL and the State Government to be involved in future Gather Rounds.

The Council also allocated funding in the 2023–2024 Budget for events and activities associated with the 2024 Gather Round and for a new generator for lights at Norwood Oval.





Tolga Okar and Claire Gower

## Planting for a greener future

**There are more than 20,000 street trees in the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters and 7,000 trees in parks and reserves.**

The Council also has a target of planting 500 street trees each year as part of its 2022–2027 Tree Strategy.

In 2022–2023, this goal was exceeded when 666 street trees were planted across our City.

The Council's City arborist, Matthew Cole explains why they were planted, and where and how citizens can help care for them during the hottest time of the year.

A combination of factors are considered regarding tree planting locations and the Council aims to plant trees in the locations that need them most.

*"Overall, the Council's underlying approach to tree planting is to plant the right tree in the right place at every available opportunity."*

While it is well-documented that larger trees provide greater benefits, practical constraints sometimes necessitate the use of smaller trees, particularly in areas with overhead power lines.

There is also a lot of thought behind selecting tree species for planting in the road verge or nature strips.

Additionally, where a street may have an aging tree stock or species that are no longer performing, it may be necessary to introduce a new species into the street.

In accordance with the Council's Planting Palette, outlined in the Tree Strategy 2022–2027, the selection of a species is guided by its compatibility with the local environment and the character of the location.

This selection process relies on careful observation of the performance of existing trees in the area and the availability of planting space. Some other important factors that inform the choice of tree species can be growth habit, growth rate, native versus exotic – which generally means evergreen vs deciduous, proximity to dwellings and infrastructure, tolerance to hot and dry weather, as well as the presence of underground infrastructure such as water mains, gas pipes, NBN, and overhead infrastructure, like phone lines and power cables.

When it gets really hot, the best thing Council and citizens can do is work together to keep street trees thriving.

The Council watering truck aims to visit each newly planted tree two to three times a fortnight. This occurs for three seasons following planting.

Where our Citizens have a young tree nearby, providing an extra bucket of water can go a long way, particularly where the soil inside the green well is looking dry.

The Council's trained arboricultural staff will take care of any formative pruning that may be required.

To read the Council's Tree Strategy 2022–2027 visit our website.

## Stepping Out to meet new friends

**The Stepping Out Program is a service provided by the Council which matches people experiencing loneliness with citizens who help to expand their lives and social circles.**

In the Winter edition of Look East, Tolga Okar shared his story about why he enjoyed being a Volunteer with Stepping Out.

In this edition, Tolga's Stepping Out companion and City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters resident, Claire Gower tells us why the Stepping Out Program can help create friendships for life.

Claire Gower is an entertainer and mime artist who loves nothing more than being on stage and making people laugh in comedy variety shows.

But due to ongoing and serious health issues and a very realistic fear of catching COVID-19, Claire spent many months alone in her unit in Marrayatville.

When Claire's bird escaped, the loneliness became more prevalent.

So when City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters employee Maria Do Conno, who co-ordinates the Stepping Out Program, phoned to ask if she is still interested in having a Volunteer visitor "the timing was perfect", Claire says.

Claire accepted and was introduced to Tolga Okar.

"Tolga has taught me that I am worthwhile and that I can help somebody. I think I have taught him how to view things with a different approach, particularly when it comes to Australian culture."

"He loves to chat and he loves to listen as well. It's really interesting to learn about his culture and his background."

Claire and Tolga have visited different churches in order to understand different faiths, which has deepened their friendship even further.

Claire says anyone experiencing loneliness should contact the Council and ask for information about the Stepping Out Program.

"I would say give it a go. Be open to new friendships. We live in such a multicultural country and Tolga and I have taught each other so much. He is such a wonderful man."

To find out more about the Stepping Out Program contact the Council's Community Care Services Project Officer Maria De Conno on 8366 4519.





# 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

## The Wall Street Journal shines spotlight on Dillons and The Parade

One of the world's most recognised newspapers, *The Wall Street Journal*, heaped praise on *The Parade*, sparking a media frenzy across South Australia in early November.

The article, *Why Adelaide Might Secretly Be Australia's Coolest City*, particularly focussed on Dillons Bookshop, with the quote below accompanied by a large picture of the iconic retailer.

"Dillons, on *The Parade*, has such a wonderful collection of books and every section has something that's just a little bit off-kilter. Plus, there are tons of other cute spots to check out around there."

Mayor Robert Bria said while it is common knowledge locally that *The Parade* is a great Main Street, receiving international recognition is always welcome.

The *Wall Street Journal* is a New York City-based business and economic-focused daily broadsheet and is the second-largest newspaper in the United States.

"I am absolutely thrilled such a respected newspaper such as *The Wall Street Journal* is helping to spread the word about *The Parade* on a global scale."

"I would like to acknowledge and congratulate Ross and Sue Dillon, the founders of Dillons Bookshop for this incredible acknowledgment."



### Ross and Sue Dillon's secret to success

Ross and Sue Dillon have such pride in their iconic bookshop, Dillons, they need not bother with self-promotion.

"I don't believe in self-praise as recommendation. We prefer not to tell people how good we are," Ross Dillon says cheekily.

So it came as a complete shock when *The Wall Street Journal* listed Dillons Bookshop as one of the reasons Adelaide Might Secretly Be Australia's Coolest City.

When asked why he thought Dillons made it onto *The Wall Street Journal's* prestigious list Ross laughed and said: "Because it's the best one!"

"Norwood is a tourist destination and Dillons Bookshop is extremely well known—it is right in the heart of *The Parade*. It's got a big range, great staff and it's been successful for a long time."

Sue added that of Dillons' 20 staff, some have been there for 20 years.

"They are just fantastic. They are very personable and they love their job and I think that is very important. They also make our job very easy," she said.

Sue and Ross have owned Dillons for 35 years, over which it has expanded six times to an impressive 700sqm.

Both Sue and Ross agreed it is their customers' consistent love of reading which has contributed to shops' success.

"Norwood is a great demographic for reading and we are very thankful for that."

Dillons Bookshop is located at 160–166 *The Parade*, Norwood.



## Norwood Swimming Centre update

The Norwood Swimming Centre has been open to the public since Saturday 4 November.

The Council is still providing a 26 week swimming season as per previous years.

Facilities at the Pool include a:

- shaded toddler pool;
- 50 metre main pool;
- inflatable obstacle course (every Sunday between 12.30pm and 3.30pm from December to the end of February);
- change rooms;
- shower and bathroom facilities;
- BBQs; and
- kiosk.

### A note from the Editor

At the time of going to print, the Council was in the final stages of selecting a contractor for the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre Redevelopment.

It is expected that this decision will be made by the end of December with construction to commence in early 2024.

In the meantime, there is plenty of room to splash about, or do laps, at the Norwood Swimming Centre.





Don Dunstan, 1975

## Don Dunstan's vision still alive after 50 years

Almost 50 years after it first opened, the Dunstan Adventure Playground has been transformed into a play zone for children and a family fun facility for future generations.

In 1975, the St Peters Council received funding to create an Adventure Playground for children aged between 10 and 16 years.

But the playground was only partially built because too many residents complained about it. So the Council designed a new park but needed additional funding to create and install the play equipment.

It was then Premier Don Dunstan who assisted the Council by organising the State Government to allocate funds to complete the Dunstan Adventure Playground. The new Playground included an obstacle bike track with tunnels, slides, slopes and the infamous flying fox!

In 2021, the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters continued ex-Premier Dunstan's vision by announcing the redevelopment and upgrade of the Dunstan Adventure Playground.

The upgrade to the playground, which was funded by the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters with \$450,000 from the State Government's Open Space Grant Program, honours Don Dunstan's original vision with adventure themed play equipment including a new slide, swings, and the flying fox.

The Playground will be open from 4 December and the Council thanks the community for their patience while the construction work was undertaken.

## The ideal Christmas gift which boosts the local economy

Not only are The Parade Gift Cards a perfect Christmas present, they also provide a funding boost back into the local economy.

The concept of the card was created by the Council's Norwood Parade Precinct Committee in order to help support the local economy.

Data compiled for the Council's Annual Report has revealed that in 2022-2023, The Parade Gift Card was loaded 117 times generating \$4,400 in direct revenue into the local economy.

The Parade Gift Card is available from the Norwood Town Hall and can be purchased and loaded with as little as \$10 up to \$1,000.

The cards are the ideal gift and can be used at businesses within The Parade Precinct, including restaurants, coffee shops, boutiques, homewares, florists and more.

To purchase The Parade Gift Card visit the Norwood Town Hall.



Competition winners, Mario and Lucia Staltari

## Shop the Parade and Cruise Europe

Mario and Lucia Staltari thought they were lucky when they won three meat trays over successive weekends at their local pub.

But that rapidly faded in comparison to when they received a phone call from the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters.

Just four days before departing on a six-week holiday to Europe in July 2023, the Valley View husband and wife were told they had won.....a holiday of a lifetime, to Europe!

The Shop The Parade and Cruise Europe competition is valued at over \$14,000 and attracted 2,900 entries, based on purchases at 159 different Parade Precinct businesses.

The holiday which includes return airfares, a balcony cabin on the Avalon Waterways Danube Symphony Cruise, begins in

Budapest, Hungary and concludes in Vilshofen, Germany, with \$2,000 spending money.

Still shaking his head in disbelief, Mario said he and Lucia both regularly visit The Parade.

"The Parade brings people from all over Adelaide," Mario said.

"We love it—the restaurants, the atmosphere, we love everything about it."

"So, when I saw the competition in the Mac Centre, at Norwood, and how easy it was to enter, I just did."

Mario, who is recently retired from 50 years' working in the finance sector, says he is looking forward to relaxing on the river cruise, which is renowned for its peacefulness and serenity.

Lucia, who owns her own hairdressing business in Royston Park, Hair Mode on Battams, says it will be the "holiday to end all holidays".

"We both agree that we are very, very lucky and we are grateful," she said.

The competition prize was possible thanks to Travel Associates Norwood, their partner company Avalon Waterways and the Norwood Parade Precinct Committee.

In total, \$482,327 was spent within The Parade Precinct providing the economic boost which the competition was created to generate.

Anyone aged 18 or older could enter the competition by making a purchase of \$25 or more at any Parade Precinct business and entering online.

The Norwood Parade Precinct Committee will be hosting another competition in 2024.





## Thermal Imaging Cameras now available to borrow

The Council has recently purchased thermal imaging cameras and citizens are welcome to borrow them.

The cameras are beneficial because they detect areas of heat loss and unwanted heat gain.

The Council aims to enable the community to:

- improve the thermal comfort of their homes so they stay warmer in winter and cooler in summer;
- reduce energy bills by helping citizens to understand usage and areas to reduce consumption;

- adapt to a changing climate; and
- reduce cost-of-living pressures.

The Council also has Home Energy Toolkits which offer a simple process for citizens to undertake an energy audit which will help provide clarity in relation to your household's energy consumption.

To borrow a thermal imaging camera, visit one of our three Libraries or place one on hold via the online catalogue.

## Enjoy free entertainment this summer!

It can be tricky to find activities for every day of the school holidays. But Kanopy has you covered!

The Kanopy streaming service has critically-acclaimed movies, inspiring documentaries, award-winning foreign films and independent films and educational videos.

Kanopy Kids has a huge range of shows and stories for the youngest members of the family too.

Enjoy the ad-free experience on your TV, mobile phones, tablets and online.

If you are a member of one of Council's three Libraries then the streaming service is free!

All you need is your Library card number for registration and your pin for login. Once registered, the world of entertainment is at your fingertips.

For more information visit our one of our three Libraries.

## Council opening times Christmas and New Year

### Norwood Town Hall

#### December 2023

Friday 22	8.30am–3.00pm
Saturday 23	Closed
Sunday 24	Closed
Monday 25	Closed
Tuesday 26	Closed
Wednesday 27	8.30am–5.00pm
Thursday 28	8.30am–5.00pm
Friday 29	8.30am–3.00pm
Saturday 30	Closed
Sunday 31	Closed

#### January 2024

Monday 1	Closed
Tuesday 2	8.30am–5.00pm

### Norwood Swimming Centre

#### December 2023

Friday 22	6.00am–7.30pm
Saturday 23	8.00am–7.00pm
Sunday 24	8.00am–5.00pm
Monday 25	Closed
Tuesday 26	8.00am–7.00pm
Wednesday 27	6.00am–7.30pm
Thursday 28	6.00am–7.30pm
Friday 29	6.00am–7.30pm
Saturday 30	8.00am–7.00pm
Sunday 31	8.00am–7.00pm

#### January 2024

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

### Council Works Depot

#### December 2023

Friday 22	8.30am–3.00pm
Saturday 23	Closed
Sunday 24	Closed
Monday 25	Closed
Tuesday 26	Closed
Wednesday 27	8.30am–3.00pm
Thursday 28	8.30am–3.00pm
Friday 29	8.30am–3.00pm
Saturday 30	Closed
Sunday 31	Closed

#### January 2024

Monday 1	Closed
Tuesday 2	8.30am–5.00pm

*After hours emergency works will be responded to.*

### Libraries

#### December 2023

	Norwood	Payneham	St Peters
Friday 22	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Saturday 23	10.00am–1.00pm	10.00am–1.00pm	10.00am–4.00pm
Sunday 24	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday 25	Closed	Closed	Closed
Tuesday 26	Closed	Closed	Closed
Wednesday 27	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–1.00pm
Thursday 28	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Friday 29	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Saturday 30	10.00am–1.00pm	10.00am–1.00pm	10.00am–4.00pm
Sunday 31	Closed	Closed	Closed

#### January 2024

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

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

The St Peters Child Care Centre & Pre-School will be closed from Saturday, 23 December 2023 and will re-open on Tuesday, 2 January 2024.

### Payneham Community Centre

Closed from 3.00pm Friday, 22 December 2023 and will re-open at 9.00am on Wednesday, 27 December 2023. Closed from 3.00pm Friday, 29 December 2023 and will re-open at 9.00am on Tuesday, 2 January 2024.



# 2022–2023 Annual Report Summary



## Strategic Direction

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

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

- Social Equity**
- Cultural Vitality**
- Economic Prosperity**
- Environmental Sustainability**



**During 2022–2023, 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 2022–2023 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 2022–2023 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 2022–2023 Annual Report can be viewed online at [www.npsp.sa.gov.au](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au)

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

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

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

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



# Year In Review

## Performance Highlights

### Outcome 1: Social Equity

An inclusive, connected, accessible and friendly community



Norwood Splash, Norwood Swimming Centre

### Outcome 2: Cultural Vitality

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



SALA, The Gallery at St Peters

#### 2022–2023 Achievements

- ✓ Undertook community engagement regarding the St Morris Reserve Upgrade project.
- ✓ Delivered 18,242 hours of Home Community Care Services to senior citizens.
- ✓ Undertook engagement and consultation with young people on the Council's draft 2024–2026 Voice & Vision of Young People Action Plan.
- ✓ Received two Commendations at the South Australia Planning Institute Australia Awards.
- ✓ Engaged with young people through a range of programs – including Wheel Park, Norwood Splash and Canvas Youth Arts.
- ✓ Provided \$58,554 to 17 community groups through the Community Funding Program.
- ✓ The Council's 220 Volunteers dedicated 6271 hours of service across a variety of programs and services.
- ✓ Continued to increase the Council's social media profiles on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.
- ✓ Undertook traffic management reviews and surveys to ensure the safety of our community.

#### Challenges

- Experienced low levels of engagement in relation to the Access & Inclusion Survey.

#### The year ahead

- Delivery of the St Morris Reserve Upgrade project.
- Undertake the 2023 biennial Community Survey with local residents and businesses.
- Continue to implement a range of Smart City initiatives across the City.
- Review of the Community Funding Program to ensure it is meeting the objectives of the program.

#### 2022–2023 Achievements

- ✓ 768 Development Applications were lodged with the Council.
- ✓ Hosted Stage 3 of Tour Down Under on South Australia's Premier Main Street, The Parade.
- ✓ Undertook consultation on the 2024–2027 Arts & Culture Plan.
- ✓ More than 140 art works were featured in Art on Parade.
- ✓ Welcomed 180 new citizens to our City.
- ✓ Successfully hosted three Concerts in the Park events.
- ✓ Construction commenced on the much-loved Dunstan Adventure Playground.
- ✓ Unveiled the Council's fifth Quadrennial Major Art Project, Seed Mix at Old Mill Reserve, Hackney.

#### Challenges

- Ongoing underground works at the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre to prepare for the major redevelopment.
- Engaging more traders to participate in Art on Parade.

#### The year ahead

- Continue to work with the AFL and State Government to secure AFL matches at Norwood Oval as part of the 2024 Gather Round, with associated street activations on The Parade.
- Complete construction of the Dunstan Adventure Playground.
- Commence construction of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre.



# Year In Review

## Performance Highlights

### Outcome 3: Economic Prosperity

A dynamic and thriving centre for business and services



Raising the Bar, Lambrook Wines

### Outcome 4: Environmental Sustainability

A leader in environmental sustainability



Kitchen Caddy

#### 2022–2023 Achievements

- ✓ Continued to deliver a range of actions and initiatives in accordance with the Council's Economic Development Strategy.
- ✓ Shop The Parade & Cruise competition to assist the travel sector.
- ✓ Hosted the successful Eastside Business Awards for the sixth year and Gelato Bellasimo was inducted into the Hall of Fame.
- ✓ 55 businesses participated in A Day of Fashion.
- ✓ Continued to promote The Parade Gift Card, which generated \$4400 in direct revenue to local traders.
- ✓ Launched Invest in NPS, a website for business operators who are starting a new business or relocating a business to our City.
- ✓ Delivered the Mayor's Business Commendation Awards.
- ✓ Issued 44 e-newsletters to the business community.
- ✓ Delivered two business networking events, which were attended by 217 people.
- ✓ Hosted the annual Raising the Bar event in 10 venues across the City.

#### Challenges

- Continuing to improve engagement with the business precincts.
- Navigating and understanding the impacts of inflation rises, including a commercial rate rise higher than previous years.
- Developing unique economic drawcards to retain and attract businesses to our City.

#### The year ahead

- Continuing to implement and roll out initiatives from the Council's Economic Development Strategy.
- Undertake an economic and strategic options analysis to inform the Council's strategic planning process for the Employment Zone in Glynde and Stepney.

#### 2022–2023 Achievements

- ✓ Introduced a range of energy reduction initiatives at Council owned facilities.
- ✓ Planted 666 street trees across the City.
- ✓ More than 3000 tonnes of kerbside recycling waste was diverted from landfill.
- ✓ Diverted 5620 tonnes of kerbside green organic waste from landfill.
- ✓ Continued to implement initiatives from the Council's Corporate Emissions Reduction Plan.
- ✓ Continued the transition to low emission Council-owned vehicles.
- ✓ Worked closely with Resilient East to educate citizens about climate change and household waste.
- ✓ Hosted tours of St Peters Billabong, assisted by Friends of the Billabong Volunteers.
- ✓ Installed smart irrigation controllers at 25 reserves to improve water efficiency.

#### Challenges

- Engaging more residents to participate in environmental initiatives and programs, including complying with recycling policies.
- Encouraging green cover on private land.

#### The year ahead

- Continuing to implement key objectives in the 2020–2030 Corporate Emissions Reduction Plan.
- Implementing energy and water efficiency measures.

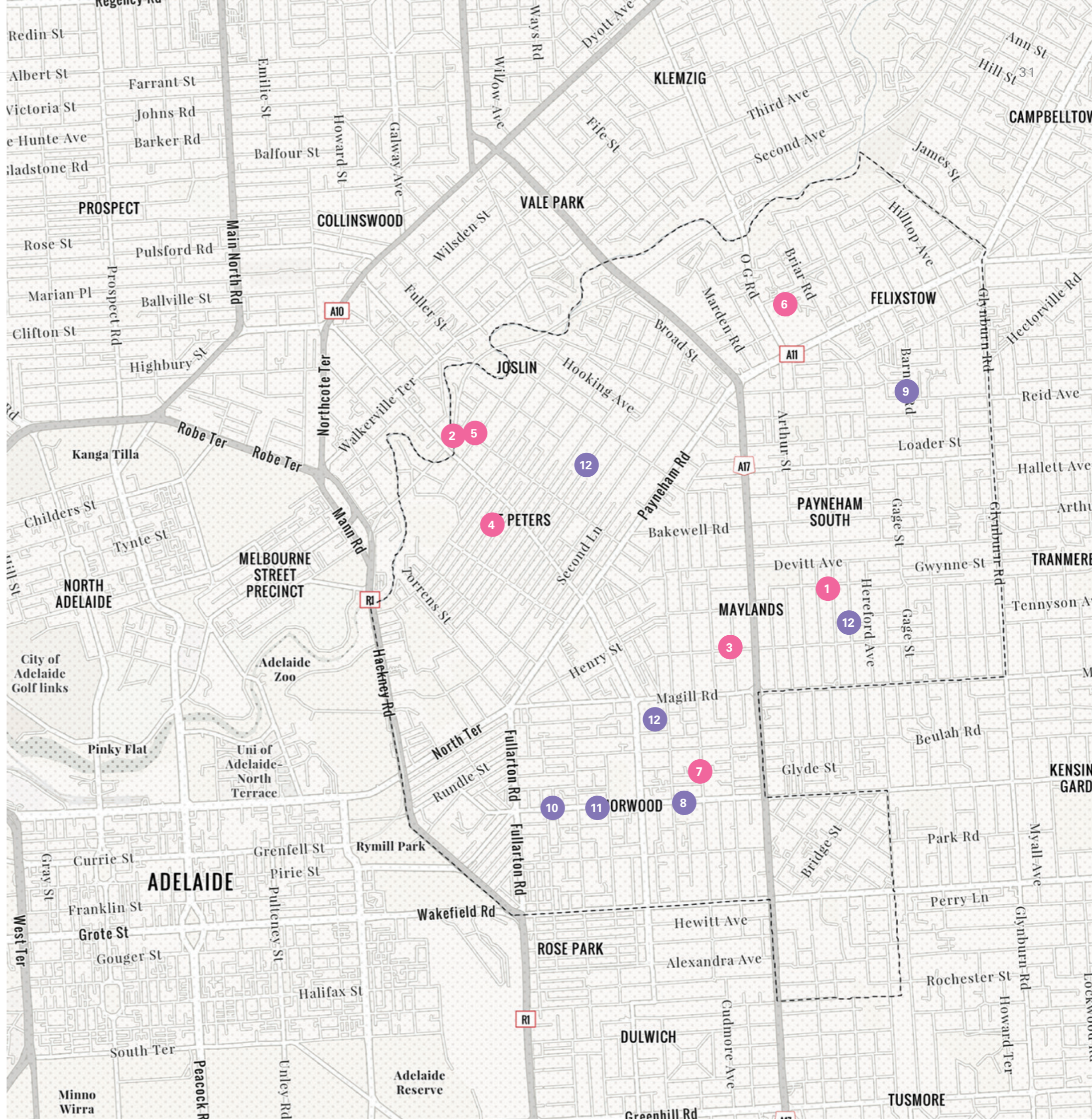


# The Year Ahead

This map and list includes some of the projects and events which are planned for delivery across the City during 2023–2024, for the benefit of the community.

1. Trinity Valley Drainage Upgrade
2. Linear Park Path Upgrade
3. Cruickshank Reserve Facility Upgrade
4. Burchell Reserve Upgrade
5. Dunstan Adventure Playground Redevelopment
6. Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre Redevelopment
7. George Street Upgrade
8. Tour Down Under
9. Food Secrets of Glyde
10. Norwood Christmas Pageant
11. Art on Parade
12. Concerts in the Park

● Projects ● Events





# Upcoming Events

## 13 January

### Movie Nights at the Pool

7.30pm–10.30pm  
 Norwood  
 Swimming Centre  
 \$5 entry

Experience the magic as we transform our poolside into an open-air cinema, where you can float, relax, and indulge in the adventure of movie nights this summer season.



For more information about upcoming events visit [www.npsp.sa.gov.au](http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au)

## 26 January

### Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony

9.30am–11.00am  
 St Peters Street  
 Civic Plaza,  
 St Peters

The Council hosts a special citizenship ceremony on Australia Day to welcome new citizens into our community.



## 17 January

### Tour Down Under - efex Stage 2

11.10am–12.00noon  
 The Parade,  
 Norwood

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has welcomed the exciting opportunity to be an integral part of the Santos Tour Down Under.



## 10 February

### Jazz in the Park

4.00pm–8.00pm  
 Koster Park,  
 Trinity Gardens

Calling all music lovers, family and friends. Come along and enjoy local live music. This event is part of the Concerts in the Park series.



## 26 January

### Australia Day at Norwood Splash

12.30pm–3.30pm  
 Norwood  
 Swimming Centre  
 \$5 entry

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



## 16 March

### St Peters Fair

11.00am–3.00pm  
 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.





# Upcoming activities at your local 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

## Christmas Calligraphy Workshop

9 December

For ages 14+  
10.30am–11.30am  
St Peters Library  
\$5 per person  
Bookings essential

Learn elegant calligraphy with Sarah from The Ink Quay. Create beautiful gift tag lettering for Christmas using dip pens and ink. All materials provided for a fun and creative workshop. Kits available for those continuing their calligraphy journey.

## Make your own Christmas Crackers

9 & 14 December

For ages 14+  
1.30pm–3.30pm  
St Peters Library  
\$5 per person  
Bookings essential

Join us for a creative afternoon and make your own unique Christmas crackers! Christmas crackers are lots of fun to make but they can be a bit fiddly, so please note this workshop is for people aged 14 and up only. Materials provided to make 12 crackers per person.

## Decorate Gingerbread Cookies

20 December

For ages 6+  
11.00am–11.45am  
St Peters Library  
\$5 per person  
Bookings essential

Come and decorate Gingerbread cookies for Christmas. Ice and decorate pre baked cookies and then take them home to eat!

## Mega Christmas Crafternoon

21 December

For ages 4–12  
1.30pm–3.30pm  
Payneham Library  
\$5 per person  
Bookings essential

Get into the Christmas spirit with a Mega Christmas Crafternoon. Make a Christmas stocking, Christmas mosaic, a reindeer decoration, a Christmas card gift, tealight snowman and more!

## Tabletop Escape Rooms

16 January

For ages 7–11  
3 sessions available  
11.00am–12.00pm  
1.00pm–2.00pm  
2.30pm–3.30pm  
Payneham Library  
Free

Join us for a fun afternoon where you will be challenged to solve puzzles to complete a game mission. You will work together in small teams to follow clues. The game consists of a number of locked boxes arranged on a table, with 1 team playing at each table. You will be provided with hints and assistance during the game.

## Mandala Workshop

18 January

For ages 5+  
11.00am–12.30pm  
St Peters Library  
Free  
Bookings essential

Please join us for a Mandala workshop and get the opportunity to create a Mandala from scratch, make a beautiful sand art Mandala and create a stunning stained glass Mandala using cellophane.



MORE INFO

Please be advised that event details may undergo changes or reach full capacity. For more information visit [npsp.sa.gov.au](http://npsp.sa.gov.au)



Australia Day @  
**NORWOOD**  
**SPLASH**

FRI. 26 JANUARY  
12.30PM – 3.30PM

\$5 Entry

Free BBQ, prizes  
and inflatables!

Norwood Swimming Centre

