

Over winter we have sent out a number of emails to members (Community Alliance and Planning Reform; Men's Shed in the City; Community Safety; SECRA submission to the Victoria Park Community Land Management Plan; Adelaide City Councillors considering getting rid of Wards) but we are conscious that some of our members don't use email so we try to get out three to four hard copy newsletters each year.

Luckily your committee also has the opportunity to discuss issues face-to-face with members as we run into each other outside the post office, in a local café or supermarket, or walking in Victoria Park. Peter Smith, CEO of the Adelaide City Council, recently said that the Council was keen to embrace the concept of "social capital" and asked for a definition. We suggested one measure of "social capital" could be the number of people who say "hello" to you as you walk down the street.

SECRA has been talking about social capital since the organisation's inception: neighbourhoods (and residents' groups) depend on social capital. When it is in short supply (ironically, often during so-called "good times"), neighbourhoods suffer.

SECRA Chairperson, John Underwood, and Secretary, Heather Nimmo, are attending a workshop at the Adelaide City Council on 6 August with other residents' and precinct organisations to address how their organisations can be involved in the future of the city.

**We hope our elected representatives on Council don't vote to get rid of Wards (neighbourhoods) at their meeting later that day. If they do we might have to get rid of *them* at the next election.**

**1. SALA on Hutt**

At our last committee meeting we decided to make a donation of \$100, via the Hutt Street Precinct Association, to *SALA on Hutt*, which is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year (2-25<sup>th</sup> August). See the SALA program for more details of events.

**2. Clipsal 500**

It is good to see how many people are now using Victoria Park – and the refurbished fitness circuit - for informal recreation. The Park is starting to look like a park.

Members of the SECRA committee met with representatives of the Clipsal 500 staff with Adelaide City Council staff in attendance. An ACC staff member chaired the meeting and took minutes. The following is from those minutes:

- **Set up and Pack down of the Clipsal 500 ...** SECRA members noted there is a perception of not a lot of activity happening once the event finishes. The SAMSB explained that the pack down of the event is based on removing infrastructure firstly from Rymill Park (Park 14), followed by Park 15 and 16. To pack down Clipsal at a faster rate the SAMSB explained that additional resources would need to be employed from interstate. SECRA also raised the timing of the pack down of marquees after the event and whether this could be reviewed. **Action:** The priorities of the pack down order will be reviewed by ACC and the SAMSB. The SAMSB will also raise the set-up/pack down time frame with the new Engineer Contractor – iEDM.
- **Footprint of event ...** raises concerns for SECRA members regarding access to Park 16. SECRA explained there was a public perception that the footprint had expanded over time. The SAMSB said they would review the site maps over previous years. ACC suggested that a FAQ page on the Clipsal website that addresses these types of question may assist with the public perception regarding the footprint and set up. **Action:** SAMSB to consider a FAQ page on their website.
- **Fence Line.** SECRA asked if the fence line along the sweat track near Halifax Street could be moved slightly further east. The SAMSB agreed to review the current location of the fence line.
- **Parking.** During the event parking is currently provided for disability parking, VIPs and 900 volunteers. ACC will work with the SAMSB to consider other viable parking options for the event.
- **Halifax Entry Statement.** SECRA raised the condition of the area south of the Halifax Entry Statement. This area is heavily compacted due to vehicle movement and parking in this area by multiple parties. ACC explained that under the

current master plan this is an unirrigated dry land grass area. However it is being investigated whether this area can be irrigated.

- **Advertising.** SECRA identified that advertising for windows is still on the track in Park 16 and should be removed. SECRA also identified that when structures are erected in the Park Lands for the event they still have some advertising on them from the previous year. **Action:** ACC advised they would follow this up. Following on from this under the Act there is no information regarding advertising. However following the consultation by the SAMSB with ACC regarding the declared area and declared period, Council requested that advertising on footbridges should be screened from view except for a week before and a week after the declared period.

### 3. **Expert Panel on Planning Reform**

The State Government has established an Expert Panel on Planning Reform to review the State's planning system and advise the State Government and Parliament on potential reforms by December 2014. The review is a timely opportunity to take stock of the existing arrangements for planning and development control in South Australia and Adelaide and to explore ideas for improvement with community input.

The Adelaide City Council is committed to being actively involved in the State-led Planning Reform process, and to working collaboratively with the Panel. As part of a three staged approach, the Council is seeking your feedback by **16 August 2013** to help shape and influence Council's Formal Submission to the Expert Panel. In the first stage, the Council has prepared three papers and guiding principles as part of its contribution to the review and these papers can be viewed at the Council's web site <http://www.adelaidecitycouncil.com>.

### 4. **African Mural in the South East.**

Phil Allan of *Afrikarts Australia* (0431 213 409) writes to us:

“We are seeking ideas or public art in the South East Corner. We are looking to merge the styles of our African artists with Australian themes. There are 2 types of public art for which *Afrikarts* will be applying for grants:

*Permanent murals:* we need to find an available wall space in a public area. Ideally a rendered wall is better for murals than a brick wall. If we find an available space and have the permission of the property owner, then we put in a proposal to council with our idea for the mural. Council then decide whether we can use the space (mainly whether there are any heritage impediments) and how much funding they will provide.

*Non-permanent art* (murals and sculptures): we need to put in a grant application detailing our design, type of art, locations and budget.

**We would like ideas from residents, service providers and business owners.”**

### 5. **Neighbourhood Watch**

Glenyss Steedman attended the meeting of the new Neighbourhood Watch group for our area on Tuesday evening 1st August. It's great to see the return of this valuable community/SA Police involvement.

They are still organising themselves and most of the evening was involved in administration. They have combined with other local Neighbourhood Watch groups to produce a very good newsletter which is paid for by advertising. You may have already received a copy of this and I believe that they intend to produce it monthly outlining their activities, associations and including an extensive list of Police Crime news. Welcome Neighbourhood Watch.

Area 153/154 City Southeast Coordinator: Adam Scaffidi. “News and updates posted at the Box Factory Community Centre and at [www.facebook.com/NHWCE](http://www.facebook.com/NHWCE).”

### 6. **Frome Street Bikeway**

The section of the proposed Frome Street Bikeway from Glen Osmond Road, through the Park Lands, Charlotte Street, Castle Street and Regent Street South to Carrington Street is open for consultation which closes on 15<sup>th</sup> August. It is proposed that both Charlotte and Castle Streets be one way for motor vehicles and both ways for cyclists. The proposal can be viewed at the Council's web site <http://www.adelaidecitycouncil.com>.