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SECRA AND ADELAIDE'S PARK LANDS

The South East City Residents Association (SECRA) was established fourteen years ago by residents who were concerned about the then Government's proposal to construct a large permanent structure in the centre of Victoria Park.

Since its establishment SECRA has responded to many consultations involving not only Victoria Park but also other areas of the Park Lands. The reasoning behind this is two fold. Firstly residents of the south east of the city do not limit their enjoyment to only south east Park Lands and secondly what precedents are set in other areas of the Park Lands may lead to them being implemented in the south east Park Lands.

ADELAIDE SOUTHERN PARK LANDS GOLDEN WATTLE PARK/MIRNU WIRRA (PARK 21 WEST)

Park 21W is bounded by Greenhill Road, Goodwood Road, South Terrace and Sir Lewis Cohen Drive. The original plan was to have change rooms and a car park for 150 vehicles located in the centre of the park between the ovals. The South West City Community Association (SWCCA) and SECRA put in submissions opposing this location and, while objecting to car parking on the Park Lands, advocated that the change rooms and a smaller car park, if deemed necessary, should be located along the boundary and not in the centre of the park.

As a result of our submissions the plan has been changed to reflect our concerns and the change rooms and a smaller car park are to be now located along the Goodwood Road boundary. It is very pleasing to have our concerns taken on board and reaffirms our commitment to work with the City of Adelaide administration to ensure positive outcomes.

Also it is proposed to reroute the current Park Lands Trail that crosses Anzac Highway through the centre of Park 21W so that users of the Trail will no longer need to go to the intersection of Goodwood and Greenhill Roads to connect with the Trail.



----- Park Lands Trail

RYMILL PARK/MURLAWIRRAPURKA (PARK 14) DRAFT MASTER PLAN & CLMP



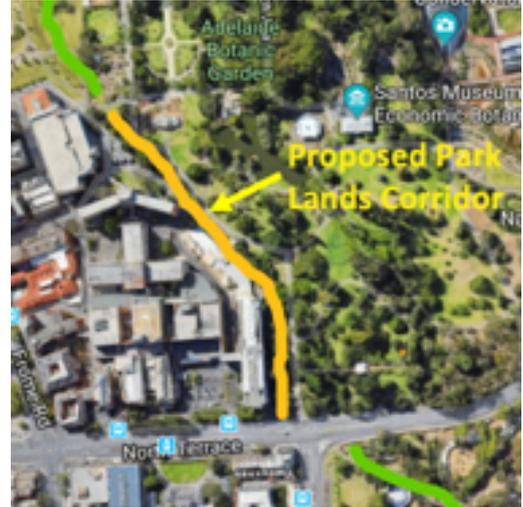
Consultation has just closed on the Rymill Park Draft Master Plan and Community Land Management Plan. The City of Adelaide held a community consultation day in Rymill Park on Sunday 8 December 2019 at which the plans could be viewed and feedback forms submitted.

There were differing views on whether the lake should be retained as an ornamental lake or be developed as wetlands. In its submission SECRA suggested that *"perhaps a lake could be developed that incorporates an area of native vegetation together with an area for recreational activities"*. The plan includes replacement of the current playground with an inclusive play space and toilet block that meets the needs of all. SECRA suggested that additional disabled parking should be provided in the existing car park adjacent to the Bowling Club to cater for those persons using the inclusive play space

DEVELOPMENT PLAN AMENDMENT (DPA) FOR LOT FOURTEEN (OLD ROYAL ADELAIDE HOSPITAL) INNOVATION DPA

In its submission SECRA raised concern about the staged development of both commercial and government activity on Lot 14 that is located on Park Lands. Also there is no reference to any of the site being returned to Park Lands. SECRA believes the list of development types outlined in the DPA should be reduced minimising commercial operations and that the list of approved uses should be reduced to exclude uses such as hotels, serviced apartments, tourist accommodation, light industry, and motels

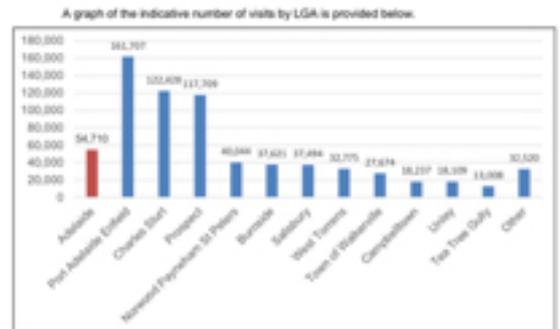
Lot 14 is seven hectares and with the site being vacated and redeveloped SECRA is most concerned that none of the site is to be returned to Park Lands. The identification of spaces in the "public realm" within the DPA is misleading as it involves tree-lined roads, plazas, forecourts and landscaped open spaces which are not consistent with the general understanding of a "Park Lands" environment. At a very minimum SECRA is of the view that a Park Lands corridor, incorporating a trail, should be created along the eastern boundary of the site to link the Park Lands Trail that currently ends at the corner of East Terrace and Botanic Road. This would then provide a continuous Park Lands trail around the city. The DPA seeks to support policies that include tourism and with a continuous trail through Park Lands around the city Adelaide could be promoted as the only major city in the world with such a unique tourist walking and cycling experience.



ADELAIDE AQUATIC CENTRE

The City of Adelaide is currently seeking the views of the community on what services and facilities they value and wish to see at the Adelaide Aquatic Centre together with the views of the community on the draft proposal from the Adelaide Football Club to establish an administration and training base in Denise Norton Park / Pardipardinyilla (Park 2). SECRA considers the occupation of the Park Lands by the Multimillion Dollar Adelaide Football Club is inappropriate regardless as to what conditions are imposed by Council. Over time what guarantees are there that these conditions will be adhered to? The Adelaide Football Club's unsolicited proposal to redevelop the Adelaide Aquatic Centre by incorporating their new headquarters would not have occurred if successive City of Adelaide Councils had taken action to address the financial burden of the aging Aquatic Centre. The need to take such action has been known for at least two decades and yet while other suburban and Fleurieu Councils have made decisions regarding their swimming centres it beggars belief that no such action has been taken by past City of Adelaide Councils to redevelop the Adelaide Aquatic Site with a swimming complex that is fit for purpose.

The Draft Needs Analysis shows that of those persons using the Adelaide Aquatic Centre 22.6% are from the Port Adelaide Enfield council area, 17.1% from Charles Sturt, 16.5% Prospect and only 7.7% from Adelaide.



SECRA opposes the relocation of the Adelaide Football Club to the Adelaide Park Lands and is of the view that the City of Adelaide Council should be pursuing all alternatives to address the problem of the aging Adelaide Aquatic Centre before considering such an unsolicited proposal. One such alternative would be to consult with the above Councils with a view to redeveloping the Adelaide Aquatic Centre as a joint venture.

SECRA encourages members to access <https://yoursay.cityofadelaide.com.au> and advise the City of Adelaide that **"the unsolicited proposal from the Adelaide Football Club should be rejected and the Council should pursue all other alternatives to address the problem of the aging Aquatic Centre"**.

This consultation process concludes on **19th February 2020**.

SECRA MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

SECRA membership renewals for 2020 are due on 1st January 2020. For those SECRA Members who have not yet renewed their SECRA membership payment can be made by post to SECRA, PO Box 7017, Hutt Street, Adelaide or electronically to BSB 105-148, Account No. 024 710 940 (please include initials and surname as payment reference)



The SECRA committee wishes all residents an enjoyable Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous new year.

