

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE COUNCIL

MINUTES

The 167th Meeting of the South Australian Heritage Council (the Council) was held at 81 – 95 Waymouth Street, Adelaide on Thursday 18 June 2026.

Statement of Acknowledgement

The Chairperson acknowledged that the land that the Council members meet on today is the traditional lands for Kurna people and that the Council respect their spiritual relationship with their country. The Chairperson also acknowledged the Kurna people as the custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kurna people today.

The Chair also acknowledged that Professor Gini Lee was meeting via electronic means on Adnyamathanha Country.

Heritage Council: Chair: Ms Sandy Verschoor Members: Ms Eleanor Walters, Mr Jamie Botten, Professor Gini Lee, Ms Michelle Toft, Ms Ellen Liebelt and Mr Tim Lloyd.

Secretariat: Ms Megan Thomas, Heritage Assessment Officer, (DEW) and Ms Bev Voigt Manager, Heritage South Australia (DEW).

Guests and DEW Staff: Ms Kym Pryde, Director Planning and Heritage, DEW; Mr Leonard Blazeby, Principal Policy Officer, DEW; Dr Louise Bird, Principal Heritage Assessment Officer DEW; Dr Thomas Mackay, Senior Heritage Assessment Officer; Mr Chris Burns, Heritage Assessment Officer, DEW; and Ms Jade Ryles, Heritage Assessment Officer, DEW.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Ms Verschoor, Chair, welcomed all to the 167th meeting of the Council.

There were apologies from Mr David Brooks and Mr David Hanna.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Agenda

The agenda was adopted.

Declarations of conflict of interest

Professor Lee noted that her property is located in the vicinity of the Blinman Diapir State Heritage Place (Item 9.1). It was noted that Professor Lee would still participate in the decision-making discussion.

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The Council considered the draft minutes of the 28 May 2026 meeting and approved them with the following amendments:

- In relation to Item 5.2 (in camera) – Ms Liebelt noted several minor wording and grammatical changes.
- Remove the paragraph in Item 6.2 in relation to Keswick Barracks that starts with “It was noted that Mr.....”

RESOLUTION:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Approved** the minutes of the 28 May 2026 meeting subject to the amendments described above.

4. ACTION ITEMS

The Council noted the status of the action items.

Action: Noting a clash of meeting dates, it was agreed that Ms Fiona Singer, Chair of the State Aboriginal Heritage Committee, would instead meet with Ms Verschoor at a mutually convenient time.

RESOLUTION:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Noted** the action items.

5. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

Ms Verschoor noted that she had no report for this meeting.

6. IN CAMERA DISCUSSION

The Council held an in-camera discussion pursuant to section 7 (6) of the *Heritage Places Act 1993*.

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7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION / DECISION

7.1 Former A.A. Stenross & Company Boatyard, 97 Lincoln Highway, Port Lincoln. On Barngala Country – Object assessment

Mr Chris Burns, Heritage SA, noted that on 21 February 2021, a member of the public nominated the Former A. A. Stenross & Company Boatyard, 97 Lincoln Highway, Port Lincoln for listing as a State Heritage Place in the South Australian Heritage Register.

On 14 August 2025, the Council confirmed the Former A. A. Stenross & Company Boatyard in the Register as a State Heritage Place as it satisfies criteria (b) and (d) under s16(1) of the *Heritage Places Act 1993* (the Act).

Assessment of the Former A. A. Stenross & Company Boatyard Collection for entry in the Register as a State Heritage Object was noted by the Council in the Report on Status of Assessments at its 12 December 2024 meeting.

The Axel Stenross Maritime Museum Inc provided Heritage South Australia with a Collections MOSAiC export of the catalogued collection, comprising 3,334 objects. Heritage South Australia estimated that approximately 750 objects may be associated with A. A. Stenross & Company and therefore relate to the heritage significance of the State Heritage Place. Approximately 155 of these objects are understood to have been donated to the museum since Stenross' death in 1980, with provenance for many items difficult or impossible to verify.

Given the collection is well catalogued, appropriately managed and protected by the museum, and the significant resources required to assess it, DEW recommended removal of the A. A. Stenross & Company Boatyard Collection from the Assessment List.

Council discussed the differing management and protection arrangements for movable heritage objects compared with a State Heritage Place. It was noted that the museum collection is cared for however registration under the *Heritage Places Act 1993* would be required for statutory heritage protection.

Ms Verschoor noted that, while the objects are not considered at risk, they have heritage value. Council therefore agreed to reprioritise assessment of the collection rather than remove it from the Assessment List. Ms Verschoor further suggested that a representative sample of the collection be assessed in future, rather than the collection in its entirety.

Action: A redrafted letter will be prepared and will be approved out of session by Ms Verschoor.

RESOLUTIONS

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Determined** not to remove the A.A. Stenross & Company Boatyard Collection from the Assessment List.
- **Discussed and requested** redrafting of the letter to be sent to the Museum, with approval out of session by Ms Verschoor.
- **Recommended** that a representative sample of the collection is reprioritised.
- **Requested** a draft policy on how object collections are assessed and prioritised.

7.2 Blue Plaque application for Judd House, 7 Judd Street, Elizabeth. On Karna Country

It was noted that on 21 August 2025, the South Australian Heritage Council received an application for a blue plaque for Judd House located at 7 Judd Street, Elizabeth (SHP 12787). As the current procedure for blue plaques favours more recent SHPs, the Chair of the Council, Ms Sandy Verschoor, determined that a Better Heritage Information Summary of State Heritage Place (BHI SSHP) should be prepared to assist the Council in deciding if the application should be approved at its 30 April 2026 meeting.

A BHI File Note has been prepared for Judd House and is different to a BHI SSHP.

A review of the file for Judd House identified several errors with the listing. In 1997, the *City of Elizabeth Heritage Survey* highlighted that Judd House represents the 20th century 'rather than just the 19th century' and that it is 'not the only surviving representation of this farming tradition in Elizabeth'. Additionally, Judd House is specific to the Elizabeth area, which is in the Hundred of Munno Para. Much of the land within the Hundred of Munno Para has similar associations as Judd House and there are several LHPs and SHPs that demonstrate this history.

Council discussed this matter with DEW including the number of requests for plaques, how many had been offered by DEW and the procedure for the plaques.

The Council noted that the procedure could be improved for clarity, noting that a plaque can only be given to places that have a Council endorsed Summary of State Heritage Place.

Action: DEW to update the procedure in relation to blue plaques and provide to Council for approval.

Action: DEW to revise the letter and provide to Ms Verschoor out of session.

Action: DEW to provide Council with information about the blue plaque program including who has been contacted for a plaque and how many accepted.

RESOLUTIONS

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Noted** the content of the Department for Environment and Water BHI File Note for Judd House, 7 Judd Street, Elizabeth (State Heritage Place # (SHP) 12787).
- **Determined** that a blue plaque will not be allocated to Judd House (SHP 12787) at this time.
- **Requested** that the letter will be updated and approved out of session to explain that their application has been unsuccessful.
- **Requested** an amendment to the Blue Plaques Procedure to clarify the allocation of Blue Plaques.

7.3a Status of Assessments

Dr Bird noted there are 267 places waiting to be assessed.

In April 2026, Dr Susan Avey, Senior Heritage Architect for Heritage SA, advised the Assessment Team that 217 St Vincent Street, Port Adelaide contains an unusually intact nineteenth-century warehouse interior. Dr Avey further advised that this interior may soon be threatened by potential redevelopment. Dr Avey has not yet observed the interiors of 221 and 225 St Vincent Street, Port Adelaide.

Based on Dr Avey's advice, Heritage SA recommends that the Council nominates 217, 221 and 225 St Vincent St, Port Adelaide for consideration as State Heritage Places and the prioritisation of the assessment be determined at a later date.

Council noted that the existing State Heritage Area (SHA) and associated Heritage Standard protects the external envelop of the building only. Consideration as a SHP would allow for assessment and potentially protection of the whole building including the intact warehouse interior if the threshold is met.

RESOLUTIONS:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Noted** the contents of this paper.
- **Approved** adding 217, 221 and 225 St Vincent Street, Port Adelaide to the Assessment List, noting a broader review and consideration around prioritisation of assessments has been requested by the Council.
- **Noted** the nominator of the Former Mount Gambier Roller Flour Mill was notified after the 30 April 2026 meeting of the Council's decision not to expedite assessment and that the place would likely be demolished before being assessed.
- **Approved** the removal of Former Mount Gambier Roller Flour Mill, 2 Sturt Street, Mount Gambier from the Assessment List as it was demolished in May 2026.

7.3b Status of Assessment – Priority 3 options

Ms Pryde noted that some places nominated by the public have been on the Assessment List for some time.

To help alleviate this back log, it was suggested that a prioritisation matrix be created. This may result in identification of some nominations that could be addressed swiftly and could identify thematic or location gaps.

Short form assessments are to be presented to the Council for places being recommended as not satisfying the section 16 criteria of the *Heritage Places Act*

1993. The Council noted that it can request the preparation of a full Heritage Assessment Report if it requires further information to that presented in the short form assessment.

Communication with nominators for places should be on an annual basis providing them an update on the status for assessment. Correspondence if the nomination is rejected to include that the Council would reconsider a new nomination if substantive new information is provided.

The Council requested that public nominations should be progressed before Council priorities are assessed to reduce the backlog of public nominations. The Council also requested that assessment of Council nominated places continue if it is known that the place is subject to a redevelopment proposal.

Mr Botten noted that he no longer wished to defer heritage listing of the Park Lands. Ms Pryde noted that Crown Law advice has been sought in relation to this matter and that the advice is imminent.

Action: DEW to develop a matrix to further refine the prioritisation of nominations and present this to the Council within 3-months.

Action: Public nominations to be assessed as a priority until the backlog is reduced, noting that Council nominated places under threat may continue to be assessed as a priority.

RESOLUTION:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Noted** that the department will conduct further work on how the priorities are presented and will be brought back to Council within three months.

7.4 Strategic Action Plan 2026-27: projects and budget allocation

Action Plan for 2026-27

The Council considered an action plan for 2026/27 as suggested by DEW. The Council approved it without amendment.

Allocation of budget

It was noted that Council has an approved budget of \$223,000 for projects in 2026-27.

Council agreed to allocate budget to the following projects:

- Blue Plaques: \$15,000
- Regional meeting: \$15,000
- Annual Heritage Forum: \$15,000
- Heritage Strategy for SA: \$30,000

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- Local Government workshop: \$5,000
- To establish a sub-committee of the SAHC: \$5,000
- Project management: \$25,000
- Marketing and Communications: \$25,000
- Adaptive Reuse Case Study: \$25,000
- Further research on the economic value of heritage: \$20,000
- Conservation Grants additional funding: \$30,000

Total: \$210,000 (meaning that \$13,000 remains unallocated at this point in time).

It was noted that further work is required to scope these projects.

Action: DEW to provide to Council project outline for each project at the Council strategic meeting in September.

RESOLUTIONS:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Discussed** and **Approved** its Action Plan for 2026-27
- **Discussed** and **Approved** its projects for 2026-27.
- **Noted** that allocations of remaining funds would be revisited at a future meeting.

8. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PROVISIONAL ENTRY IN THE SA HERITAGE REGISTER

8.1 Beltana Lime Kilns, Lot 1055, Old Beltana Road, Beltana. On Adnyamathanha Country.

On 17 August 2023, the South Australian Heritage Council identified Beltana Lime Kilns for assessment upon recommendation of a Council member, as it may satisfy one or more of the s16(1) criteria of the *Heritage Place Act 1993*.

An Assessment of Beltana Lime Kilns recommends that Beltana Lime Kilns likely satisfies criteria (a) under s16(1) of the *Heritage Places Act 1993* for listing as a State Heritage Place.

A Summary of State Heritage Place and Heritage Assessment Report have been prepared for the Council's consideration and to determine whether the place should be provisionally entered as a State Heritage Place in the South Australian Heritage Register.

Professor Lee indicated that while there is no evidence that the Adnyamathanha People have a close connection with the lime kilns, they may have an association with the creek. She posits that we cannot assume that the named creek does not have a total lack of association as a result of no written evidence. She concludes that it is important to note but that no changes are needed to the report.

The Council agreed that this place is likely to satisfy criterion (a) and agreed to provisionally enter it in the South Australian Heritage Register.

The Summary of State Heritage Place document was approved.

RESOLUTIONS

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Is of the opinion** that the whole of the land below:
Place: Beltana Lime Kilns, Adnyamathanha Country.
Address: Lot 1055, Old Beltana Road, Beltana
Title Information: R 5327/206 H833900 S1055
(the Place) is of heritage significance under section 17(2)(a) of *Heritage Places Act 1993*; and
- **Provisionally entered** the Place in the South Australian Heritage Register (under section 14(1)(a) of the Act as a State Heritage Place;

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- **Considered** that the place satisfies the following criteria under section 16(1) of the Act:
 - (a) It demonstrates important aspects of the evolution or pattern of the state's history.
- **Approved** the Summary of State Heritage Place to be provided to the owner(s) of the Place and the public in the three-month consultation period for the Place.

9 ITEMS FOR REVISION

9.1 BETTER HERITAGE INFORMATION (BHI)

The Better Heritage Information Project is helping to ensure that information about South Australia's State Heritage Places is accurate, up to date and easy to access. These places are already entered in the South Australian Heritage Register as State Heritage Places. They were listed at a time when minimal information was required to register them.

Council considers additional information for these places by reviewing reports under Section 14(6) of the *Heritage Places Act 1993*: The Council may include other information in the Register, or hold other information in association with the Register, as the Council thinks fit.

It was noted that 21 BHI Reports were provided to Council at this meeting. Fourteen (14) for consideration and endorsement to go to public consultation and seven (7) for approval of the information contained in them and for that information to be added to the content of the Register under section 14(6) 'hold other information in association with the Register'.

- Enorama Diapir Locality - Diapir Reef Complex, Flinders Ranges National Park (SHP 16229)
- Oraparinna Diapir Locality, Flinders Ranges National Park (SHP 14797)
- Mount Desire Dyke (SHP 14805)
- Blinman Dome Diapir, via Blinman (SHP 14794)
- Arkaba Creek Diapir, Arkaba Station (SHP 14791)
- Christmas Cove (SHP 14751)
- Red Cliff Point, Winninowie Conservation Park (SHP 14817)
- Lime Kiln and Jetty (SHP 10112)
- Bank of Adelaide – Former (SHP 10321)
- National Mutual Building – Former (SHP 11634)
- Gold Battery & Office (SHP 14252)
- Mount Torrens Gold Battery (SHP 13288)
- Echunga Goldfield - Jupiter Creek Diggings (SHP 10460)
- Office - Observatory House (SHP 13392)
- Yarwondutta Rock and Quarry (SHP 17059)
- Pildappa Rock (SHP 17058)
- Coralbignie (Houlderoo) Rocks (SHP 17062)

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- Lakes Kanunka, Pitikanta and Ngapakaldi (Cenozoic Vertebrate Fossil Sites) (SHP 14418)
- Lake Callabonna Fossil Reserve (SHP 14268)
- Saltia Creek Rhythmite Locality (SHP 14818)
- Ucontichie Hill (SHP 17061)

The Council considered and discussed all reports provided to them.

The Council agreed that in instances where 'recent' or 'current' are used within reports, a date should also be included.

RESOLUTIONS:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Approved** the correction to the Entry in the Register – Register Name for the following State Heritage Places:

Register Name (Original)	Proposed New Register Name
Enorama Diapir Locality - Diapir Reef Complex	Enorama Diapir Geological Monument
Oraparinna Diapir Locality, Flinders Ranges National Park	Oraparinna Diapir Geological Monument
Mount Desire Dyke	Mount Desire Dyke Geological Site
Blinman Dome Diapir, via Blinman	Blinman Diapir Geological Site
Arkaba Creek Diapir, Arkaba Station	Arkaba Breccia Intrusion Geological Site
Red Cliff Point, Winninowie Conservation Park	Red Cliff Point Geological Site
Lime Kiln and Jetty	Wool Bay Lime Kiln and Jetty
Bank of Adelaide – Former	Former Bank of Adelaide
National Mutual Building – Former	Former National Mutual Life Association Office Building
Gold Battery & Office	Former Petersburg Cyanide Works
Mount Torrens Gold Battery	Former Mount Torrens Cyanide Works
Echunga Goldfield - Jupiter Creek Diggings	Echunga Goldfield Jupiter Creek Diggings
Office – Observatory House	Observatory House

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- **Endorsed** the content of the Better Heritage Information Summary of State Heritage Place (BHI SSHP) documents listed below and for those BHI SSHP documents to be provided to owners for a 3-month public consultation period.

State Heritage Place	Date Confirmed in the Register
Enorama Diapir Locality - Diapir Reef Complex, Flinders Ranges National Park (SHP 16229)	9 October 1997
Oraparinna Diapir Locality, Flinders Ranges National Park (SHP 14797)	9 October 1997
Mount Desire Dyke (SHP 14805)	30 March 1998
Blinman Dome Diapir, via Blinman (SHP 14794)	9 October 1997
Arkaba Creek Diapir, Arkaba Station (SHP 14791)	9 October 1997
Christmas Cove (SHP 14751)	13 June 1996
Red Cliff Point, Winninowie Conservation Park (SHP 14817)	9 October 1997
Lime Kiln and Jetty (SHP 10112)	28 November 1985
Bank of Adelaide – Former (SHP 10321)	8 November 1984
National Mutual Building – Former (SHP 11634)	8 November 1984
Gold Battery & Office (SHP 14252)	21 October 1993
Mount Torrens Gold Battery (SHP 13288)	20 November 1986
Echunga Goldfield - Jupiter Creek Diggings (SHP 10460)	5 April 1984
Office - Observatory House (SHP 13392)	11 September 1986

Having considered written submissions where relevant:

- **Approved** the proposed changes to BHI SSHP for the following State Heritage Place:
 - Yarwondutta Rock and Quarry (SHP 17059)
- **Noted** that no submissions were received for BHI SSHP:
 - Pildappa Rock
 - Coralbignie (Houlderroo) Rocks
 - Lakes Kanunka, Pitikanta and Ngapakaldi (Cenozoic Vertebrate Fossil Sites)
 - Lake Callabonna Fossil Reserve
 - Ucontitchie Hill
- **Approved** the BHI SSHP documents and the inclusion of the information contained in the documents to the content of the South Australia Heritage Register under s14(6) of the *Heritage Places Act 1993* 'hold other information in association with the Register' for the following State Heritage Places:

- Yarwondutta Rock and Quarry (SHP 17059)
- Pildappa Rock (SHP 17058)
- Coralbignie (Houlderoo) Rocks (SHP 17062)
- Lakes Kanunka, Pitikanta and Ngapakaldi (Cenozoic Vertebrate Fossil Sites) (SHP 14418)
- Lake Callabonna Fossil Reserve (SHP 14268)
- Saltia Creek Rhythmite Locality (SHP 14818)
- Ucontitchie Hill (SHP 17061)

9.2 Southwark Hotel, 77 Port Road, Thebarton. On Kaurna Country.

This matter was deferred to a future meeting.

RESOLUTION:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Deferred** to next meeting.

10 ITEMS FOR NOTING

10.1 Correspondence

Noted.

RESOLUTION:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Noted** the Correspondence.

10.2 Delegations Report

Noted.

RESOLUTION:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Noted** the Delegations Reports.

10.3 Department for Environment and Water (DEW) Report

Noted.

RESOLUTION:

The South Australian Heritage Council:

- **Noted** the DEW Report

Any Other BusinessColonel Light Building

Ms Verschoor discussed the protection and recognition of the Colonel Light Building, 25 Pirie Street, Adelaide and it was noted it is on the Assessment List.

Meeting with the Minister

Ms Toft noted that she is scheduled to have a meeting with the Minister and will be speaking about local and state heritage and integrated listing. She wanted to notify and receive support from Council.

Action: DEW to redistribute the integrated listing place mat.

Adelaide Park Lands and Moto GP

The impact on the Park Lands of the Moto GP was discussed. Ms Verschoor asked if an impact assessment has been completed? It is noted that Moto GP will primarily impact Park 16, which due to its historical uses including Victoria Park (horse racing 19th - 20th centuries) and the Formula 1 car racing likely has State heritage value as a racing precinct. Mr Lloyd identified that Park 17 might also be impacted by the Moto GP event as it may be used for car parking. It was noted by the Council that Park 17 is also highly likely to satisfy one or more of the section 16 criteria under the *Heritage Places Act 1993*, for reasons different to those for a State Heritage Area listing. Ms Verschoor wished to identify mapping for Moto GP to better determine impact.

Council discussed the need for photographs of the Park Lands to capture current condition of trees and capture historical evidence / documentation. Action: It was suggested that this request be sent to the City of Adelaide.

CLOSE OF MEETING

Ms Sandy Verschoor closed the meeting at 1:45pm



Ms Sandy Verschoor
Chair

Date: 1 October 2026