



## GREEN ADELAIDE BOARD

### MINUTES OF MEETING NO 1

held from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm  
on Wednesday, 22 July 2020  
at Noel Lothian Hall, Adelaide Botanic Gardens

**PRESENT:** Presiding Member: Chris Daniels  
Members: Adrian Skull  
Claire Boan  
Dena Vassallos  
Felicity-ann Lewis  
Kelvin Trimper  
Trixie Smith

**APOLOGIES:** Louka Parry  
Jeffrey Newchurch

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Brenton Grear, Director, Green Adelaide  
Joyce Osborne, Executive Officer  
Marguerite Swart, Manager, Business and Governance  
Louisa Halliday, Manager, Strategy and Performance  
Katharine Ward, A/Manager, Operations  
Hugh Kneebone, A/Manager, Communications and Engagement

**GUESTS:** Lucy Sutherland, Director Botanic Gardens  
Leonie Scriven, Deputy Director Collections, Botanic Gardens

#### 220720-1-1 MEETING PROCEDURE

##### 220720-1-1.1 Welcome

The Presiding Member welcomed the board members to the first official meeting of the Green Adelaide Board.

He introduced Lucy Sutherland and Leonie Scriven who gave a brief overview of the Botanic Gardens and expressed a desire in working with the Board.

##### 220720-1-1.2 Apologies

Apologies were received from Louka Parry and Jeffrey Newchurch

##### 220720-1-1.3 Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no conflict of interests expressed.

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**Consent Schedule**

*The Board **confirmed** the items within the consent schedule be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

220720-1-1.5

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**

*The Board **confirmed** the minutes of the Introductory meeting held on 19 June 2020 as a true and accurate record.*

**CARRIED**

220720-1-1.6

**Matters Arising from Previous Meetings**

Not applicable for this month.

220720-1-1.7

**Resolution Register**

Not applicable for this month.

**BOARD MATTERS**

220720-1-2.1.1

**NRC Inquiry**

The Board discussed the NRC Inquiry and all agreed that a submission needs to be made. It was agreed that a shorter letter be prepared for the deadline outlining the role of Green Adelaide and offering to host them on a tour of the region to view the issues and opportunities. The letter will also seek an extension so that a more detailed submission can be prepared incorporating board member feedback. The NRC of Parliament would also be informed the outcomes of their Inquiry would be referenced in preparation of the Green Adelaide Plan. Board members were asked to forward items for inclusion to Executive Officer in the next 3 weeks.

*The Board:*

2.1.1.1 **Noted** that the Natural Resources Committee of Parliament is undertaking an inquiry into urban green spaces

**CARRIED**

2.1.1.2 **Approved** the delivery of a submission from the Presiding Member that captures the purpose of Green Adelaide for the Natural Resources Committee of Parliament Inquiry and invites them on a tour of specific sites in the region.

**CARRIED**

2.1.1.3 **Approved** the request to submit a second submission in a calendar month or as it suits the NRC, providing more detail on the issues and opportunities facing Green Adelaide

CARRIED

**220720-1-2.1.2 Local Government Engagement Strategy**

The Board discussed the Local Government Engagement Strategy and acknowledged that it is a useful short term strategy but needs more work for long term relevance. The Board discussed doing an audit on what Councils are doing and what collaborations they undertake relevant to the role and priorities of Green Adelaide. A one-off event to bring together the CEOs and Mayors of the regions councils was also discussed. Board members were asked to submit ideas to the Executive Officer.

*The Board:*

2.1.2.1 **Noted** the draft Local Government Engagement Strategy for further development

CARRIED

2.1.2.2 **Approved** the development of a process for the Green Adelaide Board to meet with the CEO's and Mayors of the regions councils within 2 months with the details to be developed by Green Adelaide staff.

CARRIED

**220720-1-2.1.3 Planning Reform Update**

The planning reforms were discussed and members agreed that the reforms did not go far enough to support urban greening initiatives. The board agreed that a letter be sent to the Minister for Environment and Water highlighting this challenge and seeking the Minister's support to engage with his Cabinet colleagues to strengthen the reforms consistent with the government's Green Adelaide agenda. Members were asked to submit items for inclusion in the letter to be sent to the State Planning Commission to the Executive Officer by 27 July.

*The Board:*

2.1.3.1 **Noted** that the implementation of the new planning system will be completed by the end of 2020

CARRIED

2.1.3.2 **Approved** preparation of a draft letter to the State Planning Commission on the Planning and Design Code outlining the purpose aims and objectives of Board.

CARRIED

2.1.3.3 **Approved** the drafting of a letter to the Minister outlining the Board's concerns that the government's agenda on planning reforms may not support the Minister's objectives for Green Adelaide; and letter to be sent within 2 weeks

CARRIED

2.1.2.4 **Noted** that the draft letter to the State Planning Commission will be circulated to board members and submitted within 4 weeks.

CARRIED

2.1.2.5 **Approved** the recommendation for Michael Lennon, Chair of the State Planning Commission to be invited to the August Board meeting.

CARRIED

#### 220720-1-2.2.1 Water affecting Control Policies

The Board discussed the item and noted that the opportunity to review and refine the WAA control policies on an as-needs basis is still possible.

*The Board:*

2.2.1.1 **Approved** the submission of the Green Adelaide Water-Affecting Activities Control Policy to the Minister for approval.

CARRIED

2.2.1.2 **Approved** the continuation of the existing Best Practice Operating Procedures and Current Recommended Practice.

CARRIED

#### 220720-1-2.2.2 Gawler River Stormwater Management Plan

*The Board:*

2.2.2.1 **Supports** in principle the preparation of a stormwater management plan for the Gawler River downstream of the confluence of the North and South Para Rivers and encourages the inclusion of cultural heritage considerations into the brief for the plan.

CARRIED

2.2.2.2 **Noted** the hydrological, and environmental characteristics of the catchment that should be incorporated into consideration of the catchment boundary for a proposed stormwater management plan in the Gawler River area:

CARRIED

2.2.2.3 **Approved** that Green Adelaide staff provide advice on the catchment boundary.

**CARRIED**

220720-1-3.2

**Director's report**

*The Board;*

3.2.1 **Noted** the Director's report

**CARRIED**

**FINANCE**

**Finance Report** – *(not applicable this month)*

**PAPERS TO NOTE**

**Register of Interests**

**Common Seal Usage**

**Delegations and Authorisations**

**Financial Support for H&F and N&Y Landscape Boards**

**Grassroots Grants Program**

**Letter from PIRSA re SA Wild Dog Policy**

Letter to be written back to PIRSA endorsing policy as it stands.

*The Board noted information papers 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5 and 4.6*

**CARRIED**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**MEETING CLOSED – 3.10 pm**

Chris Daniels  
Presiding Member



Date: 20 / 8 / 2020

