

# **Meeting notes**

Kings Reserve Master Plan Community Reference Group (CRG)
Thursday 2 May 2024. Meeting opened by Mayor Coxon at 6.04pm.

Thebarton Community Centre, cnr South Rd and, Ashwin Parade, Torrensville SA 5031

### 1. Opening / Welcome / Acknowledgement of Country - Mayor Michael Coxon

West Torrens City Council acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional Country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past, present, and emerging.

We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and spiritual relationship with the land, sea, waterways and sky.

We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

We have built a beautiful city. However, we further recognise that the process of settlement resulted in the dispossession and dislocation of the Kaurna people and that we are always mindful of this.

### 2. Attendance / Apologies - Mayor Michael Coxon

CWT representatives	Community representatives
Mayor Michael Coxon	Dr Emma Dawes
Shanti Ditter General Manager Communities	Ms Roxane Adams
Teresa Desteno Community Planner & Property Advisor	Dr Rebecca Bilton
Thomas Campbell Children, Youth & Families Officer	Ms Narelle Walker
Cr Zoi Papafilopoulos, Thebarton Ward	Mr Tom Slowinski

**Apologies:** Cr Graham Nitschke, Thebarton Ward, Ms Lisa Allison

#### 3. Meeting notes from previous meeting confirmed by CRG without amendment.

- 4. Business Shanti Ditter
  - Questions from meeting held 4 April 2024
    - Information provided to Members prior to this meeting was noted.

- Additional question raised regarding existing bird populations. Response referred the group back to the design principles which aim to address existing and future habitat for wildlife.
- Further discussion regarding pathways and connectivity with Thebarton Oval, especially during lock-out times. CWT acknowledged the importance of connectivity however felt that until SCAP has made a decision on the AFC proposal, this group should move forward with design based on current information. Refinements can then be made once further information is available.
- Roxane requested to make a presentation. Due to timing, it was suggested the
  presentation be circulated to members and time made available at the next
  meeting to discuss should it be required.

## City Collective Update

- Members were advised that City Collective were approached to address the group at tonight's meeting however, it was felt premature to attend at this time given SCAP have amendments to the plans that first need to be addressed.
- Review Design Principles and Draft Design Brief for changes or confirmation
  - The group worked through the draft provided with the following comments to be incorporated into the document:
    - Include reference to the changing nature of the space e.g. lock-outs for AFC training etc.
    - Make reference to Thebarton Oval, Brickworks Marketplace and South Road in Design Principles.
    - o Ensure we reflect the community's current and *future* values.
    - Create a new design principle to reflect community values
    - o Add "Beauty" as it is not specifically captured in Design Principles.
    - Add Netball to active recreation
    - Fencing not only for children but for dogs also
    - With regard to surveillance, it should not take up the creation of interesting hidey-spots used for 'play experiences'
    - o Add 'Nature' to Culture and History section.
    - o Add reference to addressing climate change.
    - Add water play to key components and leave water plaza in additional opportunities.
  - Discussion around the following areas, which will be deferred for discussion with Designer at future meetings:
    - Natural beauty of the site such as materials used at reserve ie bark chips instead of soft-fall rubber in areas where accessibility is not a concern. Colour of rubber softfall to also be considered (natural tones rather than bright colours that don't age well)
    - Existing Wildlife population especially through construction. What exists already and where will they go during the construction of the project. Green

- Adelaide may have intelligence on existing wildlife. AFC may also have given consideration to this through the Development Application.
- o Consideration to what is native and what is not (both flora and fauna)
- Consideration of stormwater detention/retention that may create habitat for wildlife that is safe for families.
- Irrigation of the site especially active spaces to reduce 'dust-bowl' effect in summer.
- Additional opportunities are items this group would still like considered by the designer however may be removed subject to space and budget.
- Timeframe: Updated draft provided to the group by Monday. Members provide feedback by Thursday/Friday to ensure Brief is forward to Design Consultants by the end of next week.
- Proposed list of Landscape Architects to provide a proposal based on Design Brief
  - Three companies were suggested by the CWT and agreed to by the group. One additional company may also be approached to provide a proposal for the site. Council's Administration will undertake this procurement process in line with Council policies.
  - It is envisaged the approved Consultant will be available to attend our next meeting to be held on 13 June 2024.
  - AFC or City Collective will also be invited to attend the next meeting.
- 5. Other business Mayor Michael Coxon
  - Nil
- 6. Next meeting and close Mayor Michael Coxon
  - 13 June 2024, 6pm at Thebarton Community Centre.
  - Meeting closed at 7.10pm