



# QUARTERLY INNOVATION

Elected Member Information Briefing

19 October 2021

# Purpose



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- To share innovations for the first quarter of 2021/22 (July – September)



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## WE ARE A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY THAT VALUES ITS HERITAGE AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.

### GOAL 1

#### ACCESSIBLE, HEALTHY & CONNECTED COMMUNITY

We connect our community with each other and with their places, and empower them to live healthy lives.

##### THEME 1. 1 TRANSPORT NETWORK

We are a City that is connected to places through an integrated, efficient and people friendly transport network for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.



##### THEME 1. 2 HEALTH & WELLBEING



We build capacity for people to be active, healthy and connected, and provide inclusive and safe environments for all.

##### THEME 1. 3 SERVICES & FACILITIES

We provide convenient access to a diverse range of information, services, activities and facilities for our community.



### GOAL 2

#### SUSTAINABLE CITY

We sustain and improve our natural and built environments for today's and future generations.

##### THEME 2. 1 CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION & RESILIENCE

We limit our impact on the climate, and are prepared and adaptable to the impacts of climate change.



##### THEME 2. 2 SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES



We conserve resources through efficient practices, investment in technology, waste avoidance, and a commitment to reuse, recycle and repurpose.

##### THEME 2. 3 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

We protect and enhance the environment and its biodiversity across natural landscapes, waterways, open spaces and across our suburbs.



### GOAL 3

#### DYNAMIC & PROSPEROUS PLACES

We have a strong and competitive economy that supports our unique and vibrant places and culture.

##### THEME 3. 1 PLACEMAKING

We have a spatial vision that guides the development of integrated, attractive and vibrant precincts that support diverse land uses and housing choice.



##### THEME 3. 2 CITY VIBRANCY



We are a City well recognised for our social and cultural diversity, creativity, arts, events, heritage, natural environment, educational and medical facilities.

##### THEME 3. 3 PARTNERSHIPS

We partner with neighbouring Councils, Government, universities, the private sector, not-for-profit organisations and community groups to maximise community and economic outcomes.



### GOAL 4

#### EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP

We are a professional and innovative Council with responsible leadership that is valued by its people, community and partners.

##### THEME 4. 1 GOOD GOVERNANCE

We are transparent and accountable, make informed decisions, demonstrate integrity and empower our community to have a voice and participate in a meaningful way.



##### THEME 4. 2 ORGANISATIONAL IMPROVEMENT



We are efficient and effective with a culture of positive change and innovation to deliver sustainable outcomes and value-for-money services that meet community needs.

##### THEME 4. 3 COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

We are easy to do business with and commit to a customer-centric approach that delivers positive experiences and builds trust.





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# Engineering and Horticulture



# Road Rehabilitation



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## Investigating the following currently:

- Road pavement seal – glass fines
- Pavement Stabilisation – Foam
- Sub-grade stabilisation – Biological Process



# WSUD Initiatives



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- Continued significant focus on opportunities
- Smart Tank Trial
- Smart Irrigation Refinement

**Promotion & Education Focus** – e.g. Green Adelaide, Industry, Staff

# Capital Delivery Improvements and Mapping



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## Capital Delivery Improvements

- Targeting a more 'streetscape' focussed CWP for 22/23
- Creation of Spatial Layers to identify:
  - Physical project overlaps
  - Project/work clash detection
  - Collaboration/creative opportunities



## Weed Spatial Mapping

- Trialling expansion of Forestree (Tree Mment) Software



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# Development and Community Safety



# Property



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## Building Asset Management System

- Reporting on the condition of council owned buildings
- Provides for capital renewal prioritisation
- Data is up to date and is maintained “live”

## Heritage Standards Reference Group

- Key stakeholders and experts
- Heritage Standards for the Public Realm
- Collegiate engagement



# Community Safety



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## Community Safety Body Cameras

- Vision / audio is real time
- Emergency (e.g. medical / violent) officer can raise alarm
- Deters abusive behavior



# Development Services



## Pre-lodgement and Design Review

- Local Design Review Scheme implemented
- Considering costs and benefits

## Civil Penalties and Enforceable Voluntary Undertakings

- First and only council to implement new powers
- Flexibility to deal with breaches / non-compliance
- Aim is to be resolution led and reduce legal costs



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# Organisational and Community Development



# Aboriginal & First Nations Consultancy Panel



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- Mayoral and Elected Member advisory services
- Cultural Awareness Inductions
- Cultural Heritage Recordings and Research
- Management of Cultural Heritage Places
- Salvage and Excavation
- Cultural Practices for Events
  - Welcome to Country Ceremony
  - Smoking Ceremony
  - Dance (Corroboree)
  - Traditional Music (Yidaki)
  - Showcasing Artwork
- Education, Tours, & Cross-Cultural Awareness Training
- Cultural Walks and Experiences
- Cultural Consultations
- Language and Naming of Public Places



# Partnerships to Deliver Community Outcomes



- **Move it Mondays** : Various sporting clubs
- **Game on Grant** : Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing and the Cities of Holdfast Bay & Marion
- **Post Covid Kick Start** : Inner Southern Council's Collaboration
- **Library** : Greening Australia, Australian Bureau of Statistics (Census Hubs), Australian Electoral Commission ( potential early voting centres)



# Blackwood Community Hub : Project Engagement Survey



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Project Team – level of engagement satisfaction

Aligned to Council Values:

- Respect
- Team Work
- Customer Driven
- Innovation
- Accountability
- Wellbeing



Insight into wide culture / climate over the time period of the project



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# Corporate Services and Innovations



# Corporate Services & Innovation



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## Procurement & Sustainability

- VendorPanel Trial
- EOI Process for Community Renewable Energy

## People & Culture

- Learning Management System (Velpic)
- Recruitment Process – Engineering
- New EAP Provider

## Finance & Rates

- Direct Debit Payments
- Council's in Focus Cost Categories

## Technology & Customer Communications

- Leases and Licences Module
- Heritage and Trail App
- Councillor Contact Map
- Task / Project Management System (IT Team)



# Promotion and Acceleration of Community Renewable Energy Transition

## Progress Update



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# Purpose:

To provide an update on:

- Progress on work to promote and accelerate a community renewable energy transition



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# What we've done:

## Put an EOI on Tenders SA

- To partner with Council
- Develop a model
- Access to renewables for no up-front cost
- No cost to Council



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# The Response:

- 205 downloads
- 15 interviews
- 14 submissions



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# The Prevailing Model:

- Virtual Power Plant
- Self-funding
- Options for no cost to Council
- Options for full administrative cost recovery
- Options for revenue loops

# The Selection Panel:

- Talk to interested parties
- Review all submissions
- Shortlist down to a handful



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# Next Steps:

- Council report
- Request for funding for experts (\$20,000)
- Experts to inform a Council decision whether to progress any further



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# Experts to Consider:

- Financial implications (internal)
- Risk (internal)
- Governance (internal)
- **Legal implications (external)**
- **Renewables technology (external)**



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# Next Steps



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1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Progress Council Report – 9 November 2021

Information Session on 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Innovations – February 2022