

Elected Member Briefing

CLG HSPR/CLMPs

Aug 22



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Purpose

1. To recap the process for the development of the HSPR and CLMPs
2. To summarise expert advice
3. To summarise issues raised by community
4. To inform decision-making

PRESENTATION OUTLINE

1. HSPR & CLMPs

- Purpose
- Drafting process
- Advice & Reviews
 - Working Group/URPS/Prof Freestone/Heritage SA/Legal

2. Community engagement – early feedback

3. Community issues



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Heritage Places Act 1993

➤ Heritage Places Act

- Obligation on Council manage activities, infrastructure & public places within CLG State Heritage Area consistent with heritage values set out in Statement of Significance.



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Heritage Framework

DOCUMENT	PURPOSE
Statement of Significance	The South Australian Heritage Register listing and context and description of the heritage values.
Heritage Standards Colonel Light Gardens State Heritage Area	Prepared under PDI Act to guide decisions relating to development proposals. Include Principles and Acceptable Standards for development.
Heritage Standards for the Public Realm Colonel Light Gardens State Heritage Area (HSPR)	Prepared to guide activities being development and/or operational works in public realm. Include Principles and Acceptable Standards for public works.
Community Land Management Plans (CLMPs)	Prepared under Local Government Act 1999, CLMPs guide how public land is managed which is transparent and appropriate. All land owned by council or under council's care control & management, other than roads or where a specific exemption is in place, is classified as community land. CLMPs to be consistent with other official plans and policies about conservation, development and use of land (including any official policies for protecting State heritage).
Operational Management Plan	Internal City of Mitcham document used to guide processes for undertaking public works. May include Master Plans for sites.
Technical Data Sheets Manual (TDSM)	Detailed technical information to inform Council's public works and any other works in CLG.



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Purpose of HSPR + CLMPs

➤ Overall purpose

Guide Council's management and development of public infrastructure & land in CLG in line with State Heritage Area Statement of Significance



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Purpose of HSPR

- To inform development of CLMPs
- To guide merit-based assessment of:
 1. Proposals for development of public infrastructure
 2. Proposals that constitute development (under PDI Act) in the CLG State Heritage Area



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Purpose of CLMPs

➤ CLMPs

- Guide the management of community land
- Are consistent with Heritage Standards, HSPR & other Council approved strategies/plans/policies



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Challenge – Interpreting Reade’s Vision

- Interpreting Reade’s vision after more than 100 years of change is challenging
- There are differing views:
 - One perspective – re-establish as close to Reade’s original plans when development 1st occurred
 - Another perspective – Reade anticipated there would be development/change over time; so allow change – but retain key features that encapsulate Garden City principles



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HSPR Drafting Process

1. HSPR Working Group – initial HSPR drafting
2. Translation by URPS – modern policy format
3. Academic Inputs & Reviews
4. Heritage SA Review
5. Legal advice
6. Community Consultation



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HSPR Working Group

➤ Membership:

- Community members with knowledge and/or expertise:
 - Dr Christine Garnaut – leading academic (Garden Suburbs)
 - Philip Knight – long standing CLG Heritage advocate
 - Janet Scott – resident with a keen interest in heritage
 - Marko Klobas – President CLG Residents Association
 - Debra Taylor – former State planner
- Council staff (x3)



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HSPR Working Group

➤ HSPR Terms of Reference

- To assist the Council analyse, collate and document the rich heritage of Colonel Light Gardens
- To provide advice to Council – regarding gaps in existing heritage documents relating to CLG
- To provide recommendations for Principles and Acceptable Standards required for management of the public realm in CLG

HSPR Drafting Process

1. Working Group - HSPR Drafting

- Appointed as outlined – Terms of Reference
- Multiple meetings / extensive group discussions
- Agreed format & content of HSPR
- Drafted text based on agreements of Working Group
- Reviewed / edited text at subsequent meetings
- Some clauses introduced without agreement of Working Group – subsequently reviewed & removed by WG
- Finalised draft HSPR (22Jan22 version)
- Not all smooth sailing



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HSPR Drafting Process

2. Translation by URPS of HSPR into modern policy

- Working Group:
 - agreed Scope of Work for URPS work
 - nominated Debra Taylor to work with URPS
- URPS translation project
 - undertaken by Anita Allen (URPS)
 - some additional content added to strengthen HSPR
 - Input / review by Debra Taylor (Working Group)
- Working Group review:
 - undertook line-by-line review of translated HSPR
 - signed off final version for presentation to Council

HSPR Drafting Process

3. Academic Inputs/Reviews

- Associate Professor Christine Garnaut
 - Member of HSPR Working Group
 - academic knowledge applied during HSPR drafting & review
- Professor Robert Freestone (UNSW)
 - independent review of heritage context & HSPR framework
 - advice previously provided to Council
 - recent 3rd review - only minor grammatical changes required



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HSPR Drafting Process

4. Heritage SA Review

- support intent and contents of City of Mitcham '*Heritage Standards for the Public Realm, CLG*' document, as it provides clear guidance on future management of parks and streetscapes within CLG
- heritage values have been carefully considered
- HSPR Standards may be able to be incorporated into Heritage SA published *Heritage Standards (CLG State Heritage Area)* in future, as the two documents align in content and intent



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HSPR Drafting Process

5. Legal Reviews/Advice

- Draft HSPR + CLMP documents forwarded to Council's lawyers
 - confirmed to meet legal requirements
 - advice provided on several key points of contention



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HSPR Drafting Process

6. Community Consultation

- 2 rounds of community consultation
- Current consultations (July 2022):
 - updated draft HSPR + CLMPs for Mortlock & Reade Parks
 - closed 5.00pm 31 July 22
- HSPR feedback - early themes:
 - greater number of participants
 - larger proportion of respondents from CLG (<100% more)
 - several clear themes emerging:
 - Clear support for the HSPR – wider community
 - Clear support for the HSPR – CLG community
 - Support of the review process (academic, Heritage and engagement)



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CLMP Drafting Process

- Drafted by staff + reviewed by Council lawyers
- Amendments after 1st round community consultation
- Referred for 2nd round consultation – July 2022



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CLMP Drafting Process

- Community feedback early themes:
 - Mortlock Park CLMP:
 - No major themes – community generally supportive
 - *Add Heritage Standards Colonel Light Gardens State Heritage Area* to Section 5.2 (agreed)
 - Reade Park CLMP:
 - No major themes – community generally supportive
 - *Add Heritage Standards Colonel Light Gardens State Heritage Area* to Section 5.2 (agreed)



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Other Community Issues

1. Open space allocations at Mortlock & Reade Parks
2. Purchase of Internal Reserve by adjoining landowners (Tidworth Reserve)
3. Copyright - HSPR document



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Summary – An Extensive Process

- Built with Community
- Reviewed and supported by Academics, Lawyers and Heritage SA
- Overwhelming community support, but still divergent views
- Future proposals will still be assessed, consulted on, and then decided on their merits



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Next Steps

1. Discussion 9th of August
2. Decision 23rd of August
3. Information for an informed decision



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Any Questions?

