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Overall Winner. See page 2**

Mayor's Message

Welcome to the 2024 Summer edition of Look East



Congratulations to Linda, a Year 6 student from Norwood Primary School, who's entry was judged as the overall winner of the 2024 Mayor's Christmas Card Competition.

Linda's stunning picture on the cover of this edition of Look East, is a reminder of the joy and hope of the festive season.

Congratulations and well done to all of the other winners who submitted pictures for the Competition.

Where has the year gone? It seems like only yesterday the new Council was elected but here we are already halfway through the 4 year term.

As I reflect back on the past 12 months, I am reminded of the flurry of activity and unprecedented levels of investment that the Council has made in infrastructure and facilities across our City.

This time last year, a number of major capital projects were still in progress. These projects have now either been completed or are well underway.

In the coming months, work will start on new projects such as the upgrade of George Street, Norwood, which is the first stage of The Parade Masterplan. In the meantime, good progress is being made on the redevelopment of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre.

The Council has also worked on a number of key strategies and policies, including the review of *CityPlan 2030: Shaping Our Future* and the 2024–2034 Long-term Financial Plan, to help lay the foundation for the next decade.

As the weather gets warmer, the Council's exciting Summer events program is a great opportunity to get together with neighbours and friends and enjoy our beautiful city.

I encourage you to attend these events, starting with the Santos Tour Down Under and Australia Day celebrations in January, followed by the popular Concerts in the Park series in February and March and finally the annual St Peters Fair.

In closing, I sincerely thank my fellow Elected Members, who once again, have shown great leadership and focus during a challenging time for Local Government.

My thanks also to the dedicated and professional Council staff, led by Chief Executive Officer Mario Barone PSM, who have worked closely with Elected Members to deliver our community's priorities.

I also want to acknowledge the incredible work done by the Council's 220 Volunteers who, day in and day out, selflessly give their skills, time and energy to help others in our community and make our City a more inclusive and connected place to live, work and play.

And finally, a big thank you to the residents and business owners of our City. Your feedback and participation in consultation processes, attendance at community events and interactions with staff and Elected Members, is critical to a healthy local democracy.

This year has been a year of progress and achievement, giving our City great confidence and momentum going into 2025 and beyond.

The Council looks forward to working with our community to help ensure our record of success continues into the future.

From my family to yours, best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

I hope you enjoy this edition of Look East.

**Robert Bria
Mayor**



2024 Mayor's Christmas Card Competition entrants

Capturing Christmas Joy with Local School Children

Mayor's Christmas Card Competition

Children from local schools and preschools have captured the spirit of Christmas through drawing festive scenes for the 2024 Mayor's Christmas Card Competition.

This year marks the 15th year the Council has invited children from preschool to Year 6 who live or attend school in the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters to participate in the Mayor's Christmas Card Competition. The competition brought together a variety of truly creative and colourful submissions.

"It's always wonderful to see the creativity and imagination of our young residents come to life through their Christmas artwork," says Mayor Robert Bria. "The Competition is a fantastic way for children to embrace the festive season and share their unique perspective on what Christmas means to them."

Congratulations to all of the children who participated in the 15th Mayor's Christmas Card Competition and in particular the winning entries from each year level.

A panel of judges, including Mayor Bria, awarded first, second and third prizes to children from each year level, as well as the overall competition winner. Each winner received copies of their artwork turned into Christmas Cards to share their unique designs with loved ones.

Mayor Bria had the honour of hosting a reception held on Monday 21 October to present the awards with all finalists and their families.

This year over 300 submissions are proudly exhibited in the foyer of the Norwood Town Hall, offering an opportunity for the wider community to appreciate the creations of the young artists who took part in the competition.



Overall Winner
Linda
Norwood
Primary School



Preschool
Madeleine
Margaret Ives
Preschool



Reception
Della
Norwood
Primary School



Year 1
Zixian
St Josephs
Memorial School



Year 2
Isla
Norwood
Primary School



Year 3
Marco
St Josephs
Payneham



Year 4
Yiwei
Norwood
Primary School



Year 5
Cynthia
Norwood
Primary School



Year 6
Talia
St Josephs
Payneham

WHAT'S ON THIS Christmas



Norwood Christmas Pageant, the countdown has begun!

Saturday 23 November | 10am Start | The Parade, Norwood

Each year the local community joyfully gathers to celebrate the festive season at the Norwood Christmas Pageant and this year will be no different!

The Pageant starts at 10am from the Norwood Memorial Gardens (corner of Woods Street and The Parade) and follows The Parade up to and around Queen Street, with over 60 community groups and bands dressed to impress spreading cheer.

Be on the lookout for the spectacular Council floats that will delight young and old alike. Marvel at the charming mini Norwood Town Hall, Gingerbread House, Rocket Ship and lively Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree floats. Don't forget to wave to our special Pageant Princesses and of course, Santa!

It takes a huge amount of planning, time and love to bring the Norwood Christmas Pageant to the community

each year and the Council would like to thank all the participants, Volunteers, staff and the spectators who make this event one to remember.

Join the crowds that line The Parade on Saturday 23 November to see all the Pageant favourites and of course the main-man himself — it's a celebration you won't want to miss.



Sing-along at Twilight Carols

*Saturday 7 December
From 4pm, Linde Reserve*

Bring your festive cheer to the annual Twilight Carols event on Saturday 7 December for an unforgettable evening filled with an array of activities.

From 4pm, Linde Reserve will be filled with food trucks, a stage set with kids' entertainment, an opportunity to have your face painted and plenty of Christmas-themed crafts. Sing-along with bands and a choir, singing both traditional and pop carols.

And don't miss the opportunity to tell Santa what you want for Christmas!



For more information about What's on this Christmas, scan the QR Code or visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au/events



Shine bright on The Parade

*Until 3 January 2025
Norwood Memorial Gardens*

Ever wanted to stroll among the stars?

We are lighting up Norwood Memorial Gardens with giant gold stars, creating a stunning backdrop for locals and visitors alike to capture a bit of 'sparkle' this Christmas.

Visit at dawn, sunset, or after dark and make sure to tag #paradenorwood so everyone knows you've experienced this magical sight on South Australia's Premier Main Street.

This spectacular display will be in place until 3 January 2025.



Summer Movies at The Pool

*Saturday 7 Dec & 15 Feb
Norwood Swimming Centre*

This summer we play host to two movie nights by the pool, kicking off with a Christmas favourite.

Enjoy a night poolside as we transform Norwood Swimming Centre into an open-air cinema. Float in the water, relax on the grass and enjoy two movies this summer.

Saturday 7 December - The Grinch (2018)
Saturday 15 February - Flubber (1997)

Generosity – The kindest gift of all

Each Christmas, the Council calls for donations for the Give the Gift of Reading initiative.

Donate new children's books, colouring books, or activity sets to brighten the lives of South Australian kids in need through the Backpacks 4 SA Kids program. You can also leave an unwrapped gift under the Christmas trees located in the Council's libraries or at the Norwood Town Hall. Donations are accepted until 23 December 2024.

Take an 'Elfie' with our playful Elves!

Nelly, Norman, Peter & Poppy are back to spread cheer all over our City this Christmas!

You'll find these mischievous elves popping up at our Libraries, Norwood Swimming Centre and other festive events across the City.

If you spot one of our little friends, be sure to snap a selfie for your chance to win a gift voucher.* Bring out your inner elf this Christmas and join in the fun!

**Terms and conditions apply.*

Snap a picture with me and tag @cityofnpsp for your chance to win a \$100 gift voucher*

Season's Greetings *from your Elected Members*



Cr Christel Mex

Kensington/East Norwood Ward

Are you being consistently 'dinged'? Do you have hundreds of un-opened emails with subject lines screaming at you? I know I am, and I probably missed your email about that lifted paver or your SMS alerting me to illegal dumping—and I'm so sorry! It seems we are all suffering in the new 'attention economy', where companies relentlessly compete for our limited attention, often leaving us feeling overwhelmed and distracted.

Dr Graham Burnett, a Princeton professor, describes this phenomenon as 'human fracking', likening it to the aggressive extraction of a dwindling resource (e.g. your attention span).

There is a huge cost to us not being able to focus anymore. Our problem-solving ability breaks down as we are soaked with information delivered to us like we are drinking from a fire hose. We lose our creativity because this only happens when we have quiet time to connect ideas and create new ones. We can only do things well when we focus on one thing at a time.

This Christmas let's make a stand and take back some of our precious time which is the most vital thing we have as humans.

Enjoy quiet moments with family, friends, new neighbours and your pets. Have a picnic under a tree. And most of all, have a Merry Christmas everyone, and I look forward to your voice calls next year!

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Cr John Callisto

Kensington/East Norwood Ward

It has been a fabulous year, full of culture and entertainment for family, friends, and visitors to the Kensington/East Norwood Ward. As an avid cyclist, the return of the Tour Down Under in January was truly a highlight and I am looking forward to the 2025 TDU. It is always great to be part of such exciting events and to catch up with many residents and visitors.

The highly anticipated Norwood Christmas Pageant and Music in the Park events are always entertaining for everyone including my family and the wider community.

The absolute fantastic dual event this year, which saw the combined Gather Round and the much anticipated return of the Norwood Food & Wine Festival saw our City shine. The high turnout of locals and visitors to our precinct is always a great opportunity for me to mingle and see our local businesses flourish. Let us continue to support and encourage these great events occurring in our City.

I am excited to see the continued development of some major projects such as the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre and the George Street Upgrade in the new year.

This year, I have continued to enjoy meeting and assisting residents and business owners to enable them to seek the best and most appropriate outcomes. I extend a warm welcome and congratulate the many new residents that have chosen to live in this Ward. I acknowledge and sincerely thank our very dedicated Volunteers, Resident Associations, Community Sporting Organisations and Support Organisations for their dedication and time in working with our community.

Have a wonderful Festive season and I look forward to serving you in the new year.

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Cr Garry Knoblauch

Torrens Ward

At the halfway mark of the term of this present group of Elected Members, Traffic Management continues to be a major concern for many residents of Torrens Ward. However, some progress has been made. The installation of speed cushions on Langman Grove, Felixstow is approved and will take place this financial year.

The adoption of 40kph speed limits in the Marden and Royston Park areas is only waiting on approval of the Department for Infrastructure and Transport.

The installation of traffic control devices in the Marden and Royston Park areas, although supported by the Traffic Management & Road Safety Committee, has been put on hold. The outcome of extensive consultation showed that, whilst many supported the 'proposed integrated traffic management intervention plan', there is a significant level of strong opposition. The community as a whole is not ready for the installation of traffic calming devices that result in the loss of on-street parking and/or the inconvenience of indirect access to properties. Evaluation will be carried out, following the implementation of the 40kph limit to identify locations of excessive speed and determine the need for traffic management devices. Traffic islands will be designed for installation at the intersections of Lower Portrush Road with River and Beasley Streets.

Something to look forward to is the development of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre which commenced in February this year and is due for completion in early 2026 and will be something to be proud of.

On behalf of my wife, Peggy and our family I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a prosperous and healthy 2025.

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Cr Hugh Holfeld

Torrens Ward

Firstly, a much deserved thank you to all Council staff and Volunteers as all their efforts should be appreciated. They work tirelessly to keep our Council running smoothly all year round and it is easy to take their service as a given. They are truly the heart of our Council, covering such a range of support and services that benefit and make our community.

I encourage everyone to take advantage of our wonderful Council spaces and events. Our parks, reserves, and ovals are perfect for all recreational and sporting activity with family and friends. We are lucky to have accessible green space throughout our City, including the Linear Park that has seen recent path upgrades. This summer is forecast to be a hot one, so make sure to cool off at the Norwood Swimming Centre or escape the heat at one of our three libraries.

The Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre redevelopment is well underway. I understand it has been a long wait for many, but the new swimming centre will have lots to offer for all members of the community with a top-quality aquatic facility upon it's opening in 2026.

This holiday season I hope we all find the time for those precious moments with loved ones, and I wish you all a safe and happy festive season.

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Cr Josh Robinson

Payneham Ward

Seasons Greetings!

As we head into another festive season, this is a great time to look back at the achievements of Council over the past 12 months.

With the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre now well underway, the Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Upgrade continuing and a number of parks and recreation spaces redeveloped, we have had a very productive and busy year.

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank our wonderful Volunteers who do so much for our community. Our staff members who continue to work incredibly hard and all members of our community who contribute to our wonderful City.

I'd like to acknowledge that for people in our community there are cost of living pressures which make this time of year difficult. And while Christmas is usually a time of joy, that is not the case for everyone. I am very fortunate to have wonderful neighbours surrounding me, that I can lean on for support and a friendly chat. This time of year is a great time to meet your neighbours, introduce yourselves and make new friends. It is the people within our community that makes the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters such a wonderful place to live.

To you and yours, I wish you all a safe, enjoyable and Merry Christmas.

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Cr Kevin Duke

Payneham Ward

Christmas is a time for celebrations at work, in the community and with families. Many people make it a time to celebrate the birth of Christ with the message of love, respect and goodwill to all people. In Australia we have the fortune of sharing this celebration with persons of many different nationalities and religious beliefs.

As a community, it is time to recognise the amazing contributions from individuals, families, sporting and social clubs, service clubs, music groups, churches, schools and aged care organisations. This also includes the great number of Volunteers assisting the Council in the delivery of services to the community.

Residents will be pleased to see the progress made on the new Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre, which is not just a replacement for the old centre, but a greatly expanded water recreation facility for residents of all ages.

Over \$11.6 million will be spent on upgrading the stormwater drainage within the suburbs of St Morris, Trinity Gardens, Maylands and Stepney to protect properties against possible flood damage. There is far greater rainwater run off now with the State Government forcing increased densification of housing.

A speed limit of 40kph will be introduced in more Council suburbs soon and the need for traffic calming devices will be considered.

The Council is vigilant in maintaining its infrastructure with budget allocation to roads, footpaths, drainage via gutters, existing gutter and storm water drainage.

My family and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year.

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Cr Grant Piggott

West Norwood/Kent Town Ward

My second year as a Council Member of the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has again been an engaging one. We live in a special part of Adelaide, the envy of many and enjoy a special energy throughout the City.

The importance of Councils is often understated and I believe this is true of our Council. The breadth of services provided by the City is vast, far beyond the roads, reserves and rubbish, and it is contributing greatly to the fabric of its suburbs—the City's events, libraries, open spaces, arts, community groups and culture to the benefit of residents.

The Council will turn the year facing financial challenges in coming years to achieve the construction of the \$60 million Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre due for completion in 2026. This will be a world class facility, but the magnitude of the project will require recasting of the City's finances including significant levels of debt for 10+ years, rate increases and close monitoring of expenditure.

The City is quality—we enjoy good housing and facilities, access to a wide range of shops and businesses, many locally conducted events and nice people. I am delighted to be a resident of the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters.

I wish everybody a wonderful holiday season.

All the best.

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Cr Sue Whittington

West Norwood/Kent Town Ward

It is a great privilege to be your Councillor for the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward.

Our City is fortunate to have so much historical built heritage, but sadly this needs constant guardianship or the character of our daily living environment will deteriorate. Please make every effort in support of the City's historical conservation.

An important part of our environment is public open space, where we are so well served by our many parks and gardens. My favourite remains Richards Park, at the northern end of Osmond Terrace, which is a beautiful tree-filled space, with a kids' playground, BBQ facilities and a mini-amphitheatre where each summer an orchestra entertains us. And then there is Linear Park, with the Felixstow wetlands and the Reserve with its excellent family facilities.

I'm looking forward to the eventual re-opening of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre. This represents a major investment in the future of our City—a facility for the generations to come. In the meantime, enjoy the Norwood Swimming Centre this summer.

So celebrate the outdoors with your family this Christmas. And if for any reason you can't get out, then don't forget that our three Libraries offer a home delivery service. Just give them a call to arrange.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas, and a very happy 2025.

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Cr Claire Clutterham

St Peters Ward

As the 2024 calendar year draws to a close it is a chance to reflect on what has been a productive and successful year for the Norwood Payneham & St Peters Council. Being an Elected Member of the Council is a privilege; we live in one of the most peaceful and prosperous parts of the world and it is an honour to work hard to ensure that our piece of the earth remains just that.

This year has seen the completion of a number of incredible projects the Council has undertaken for the benefit of the community; the modernised and contemporary Dunstan Adventure Playground and the sustainably re-designed Burchell Reserve spring to mind.

The provision by the Council of high quality open green spaces for residents to use for social gatherings, exercise and relaxation is critical to the promotion of physical and mental health.

The holiday season can be wonderful but also challenging, as people reflect on the year that has been, think of loved ones who are no longer with us and navigate many social expectations. I encourage everyone to reach out to those who may find the festive season difficult, to provide comfort and support.

I also extend a heartfelt thank you to those who work in essential services and hospitality, and who will be working over the festive season to ensure the safe enjoyment for the rest of the community.

I wish everyone a safe and happy festive season.

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Cr Kester Moorhouse

St Peters Ward

Christmas is a season of peace and goodwill. Friends, family and neighbours coming together to be merry with Kris Kringle gift exchanges, Christmas cracker puns, picnic feasts and to watch Home Alone Two: Lost in New York! Here in St Peters, we can also enjoy a walk along Ninth Avenue for the splendid annual Christmas Lights display.

But Christmas is also a time for reflection. If you read the international news at the moment, there are many gruesome stories about wars raging across our globe. Lives are being lost. It's easy to feel helpless. I certainly don't have all the answers when it comes to questions of war and peace. Perhaps one small thing we can do is take a moment to remember those that have been lost to war, in the hope their memory will steer us towards a path of peace.

A big thank you to Council staff, Volunteers and community groups for their hard work this past year. I wish you all health, hope and happiness this Christmas and in the year to come and welcome you to check out our newly refurbished Burchell Reserve and Dunstan Adventure Playground.

If there are any Council matters you would like to discuss, then feel free to email me or call on 0402 655 101.

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Cr Connie Granozio
Maylands/Trinity Ward

As your Councillor for the Trinity Gardens/Maylands Ward, it is both a privilege and a pleasure to serve our vibrant community.

The past year has been exceptionally busy for the Council, with a range of significant projects and events taking place. I am particularly proud of the strides we've made in enhancing our infrastructure, notably the completion of Stages 2 and 3 of the Trinity Valley Drainage Upgrade. This significant infrastructure project continues to be essential for stormwater and flood prevention.

The Council's ongoing initiative to increase tree planting across the City is crucial for improving tree cover, enhancing our urban environment and making our City more sustainable for future generations. Additionally, the eagerly awaited Koster Park Playground, nestled between Ashbrook and Avonmore Avenue, has become a beloved destination for families in our area. The new playground facilities not only enhance the park's amenities but also pay homage to its charm and rich history, creating a welcoming space for all.

As we approach the end of 2024, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Council's dedicated Volunteers. Their passion and generosity are truly inspiring. They offer not just their time and talents, but open their hearts to uplift others in our community. My fellow Elected Members and I are immensely proud of their unwavering support and selfless contributions.

In the midst of the upcoming holiday season hustle and bustle, let us also pause to appreciate the local businesses that enrich our economy and enhance the fabric of our City. Their dedication is integral to the vibrant tapestry we all cherish, and I encourage everyone to support these businesses whenever possible.

Thank you for your continued support, and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a joyful, safe, and prosperous 2025!

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Cr Scott Sims
Maylands/Trinity Ward

Another year has passed, and I feel very grateful for the opportunity to serve the people of Norwood Payneham & St Peters as an Elected Member. I especially want to acknowledge and thank the Council's staff, community organisations, and my fellow Elected Members for their hard work and dedication throughout 2024.

I'm pleased to report that the Council is making progress on plans to upgrade the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre. Additionally, we've continued to invest in footpath repairs, road upgrades, and the Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Upgrade.

As always, I strive to do even more for ratepayers and residents, advocating for our neighborhoods with a focus on further investment in traffic management.

I wish all residents a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year. Special thanks to our Volunteers and to those in our community who go the extra mile to ensure those less fortunate have food and company during the festive season.

May Father Christmas bring many fun presents to the residents in our area!

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Cr Victoria McFarlane
Maylands/Trinity Ward

Happy Christmas!

Whether you're winding down or gearing up for Christmas, may it be a season full of peace, hope and joy!

This year TimeOut Magazine named Norwood the 35th coolest neighbourhood in the world! That's a proper feather in our collective cap and a true testament to the awesome people who, live, work and play in our great City. It's also a testament to our many wonderful Volunteers, depot and administration staff who daily serve and invest their time in making our City the great place it is. I love this City!

This year, your Council has been busy! We turned the sod on the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre, continued on the Trinity Valley Stormwater Drainage Upgrade, completed Dunstan Adventure playground and the Cruickshank Reserve Facility Upgrade, planted hundreds of trees, upgraded footpaths, hosted the very successful second year of the AFL Gather Round, community lunches and hosted events to connect with our entrepreneurs and business leaders across the City, just to name a few things. We've also been busy working through and debating long-term strategic plans, working through capital plans and budgets to help shape and create an even more desirable City long into the future.

Together this City has achieved so much and there's even more to come.

We all celebrate and experience Christmas and this time of the year differently. As we reflect on the year that's been—the good, the not so good and the continuing challenges, it's my prayer that you, your family and friends will find those important times to unwind and experience peace, joy and connection.

Happy Christmas and Happy New Year!

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WISHING YOU ALL
A MERRY

Christmas

AND A SAFE NEW YEAR
FROM THE MAYOR AND
ELECTED MEMBERS

To find out more about Council and Committee meeting dates and times for 2025 please visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au/councilmeetings

Council Opening Hours

Christmas and New Year

Norwood Town Hall

December 2024

Monday 23	8.30am–5.00pm
Tuesday 24	8.30am–3.00pm
Wednesday 25	Closed
Thursday 26	Closed
Friday 27	Closed
Monday 30	8.30am–5.00pm
Tuesday 31	8.30am–3.00pm

January 2025

Wednesday 1	Closed
Thursday 2	8.30am–5.00pm
Friday 3	8.30am–5.00pm

Norwood Swimming Centre

December 2024

Monday 23	6.00am–7.30pm
Tuesday 24	6.00am–7.30pm
Wednesday 25	Closed
Thursday 26	8.00am–7.00pm
Friday 27	6.00am–7.30pm
Saturday 28	8.00am–7.00pm
Sunday 29	8.00am–7.00pm
Monday 30	6.00am–7.30pm
Tuesday 31	6.00am–7.30pm

January 2025

Wednesday 1	8.00am–7.00pm
Thursday 2	6.00am–7.30pm
Friday 3	6.00am–7.30pm

Council Works Depot

December 2024

Monday 23	8.30am–5.00pm
Tuesday 24	8.30am–3.00pm
Wednesday 25	Closed
Thursday 26	Closed
Friday 27	Closed
Monday 30	8.30am–5.00pm
Tuesday 31	8.30am–3.00pm

January 2025

Wednesday 1	Closed
Thursday 2	8.30am–5.00pm
Friday 3	8.30am–5.00pm

After hours emergencies will be responded to.

Libraries

December 2024

	Norwood	Payneham	St Peters
Monday 23	Closed	Closed	9.30am–5.00pm
Tuesday 24	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Wednesday 25	Closed	Closed	Closed
Thursday 26	Closed	Closed	Closed
Friday 27	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm
Saturday 28	10.00am–1.00pm	10.00am–1.00pm	10.00am–4.00pm
Sunday 29	1.00pm–4.00pm	1.00pm–4.00pm	Closed
Monday 30	Closed	Closed	9.30am–5.00pm
Tuesday 31	1.00pm–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm	9.30am–5.00pm

January 2025

Wednesday 1	Closed	Closed	Closed
Thursday 2	Normal Opening Hours Resume		

St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool

The St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool will be closed from 3.00pm on Tuesday, 24 December 2024 and will re-open on Thursday, 2 January 2025.

Celebrating Burchell Reserve

As we unveiled the newly redeveloped Burchell Reserve, it was important to reflect on the site's rich history and celebrate the exciting upgrades to this cherished community space.

Burchell Reserve, St Peters was officially opened on Sunday 27 October by Mayor Bria and official guests with a cutting of the ribbon, Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony led by Kaurna elder, Uncle Tamaru.

The community embraced the open space, play equipment, courts and landscaping and enjoyed learning more about the history of the Reserve and stormwater drainage system.

Central to the story behind Burchell Reserve is Alfred Burchell, a significant figure whose dedication to both animals and people laid the foundation for the vibrant Reserve we enjoy today.

Born in Norwood in 1868, Alfred Burchell pursued his passion for animals at the South Australian School of Mines and Industries, qualifying as a farrier in 1888. In 1900, he and his family settled on Fifth Avenue in St Peters, where he established a successful horse hospital. His expertise contributed not only to the welfare of horses but also to the community's overall well-being.

Alongside his practice, Alfred owned land on nearby Sixth Avenue, where he cared for horses—land that would later become known as Burchell's Paddock. By the late 1930s, after retiring from his veterinary practice, Alfred recognised the pressing need for recreational spaces for local children.

He proposed selling his land to the Town of St Peters for the creation of a playground. The Council responded positively, purchasing one allotment in 1939 and an adjacent one in 1944, ultimately combining them to establish what we now cherish as Burchell Reserve.

In honour of Alfred Burchell's contributions, the Reserve was named after him when it officially opened. Alfred lived to see his former horse paddocks transformed into a beloved recreational area for families and children. He passed away on 14 October 1945, leaving behind a legacy of care and community spirit.

Burchell Reserve stands as a testament to our rich local history while also playing a crucial role in our local ecosystem. Originally part of a floodplain for Second Creek and the River Torrens, the area has faced persistent flooding challenges. In the 1880s, significant changes redirected Second Creek, leading to the development of 'The Avenues'. However, the low-lying land to the northwest of Sixth Avenue, including Burchell Reserve, remained largely undeveloped until Alfred's vision came to fruition.

Today, Burchell Reserve serves not only as a valuable open space but also plays a vital role in managing stormwater and reducing flood risks for local properties.

In this respect, a key feature of Burchell Reserve is the billabong located near the playground, designed to temporarily store and filter stormwater runoff after light rainfall.

For heavier rains, a substantial 670m³ (ie equivalent to 670,000 litres) concrete tank situated beneath the courts collects stormwater, allowing it to be released gradually back into the stormwater drainage system.

During extreme weather events, such as a 1-in-100-year rain event, this underground detention tank can overflow into the Reserve. While this might temporarily cover the playground area and paths with shallow water, it will only be for a short time until the water safely drains away and full accessibility and use of the Reserve is restored.

This project has been jointly funded by the Australian Government (National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program) and the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, reflecting a commitment to creating a safe and enjoyable environment for everyone.

As we all enjoy the newly developed Burchell Reserve, we not only cherish a vibrant Reserve but also honour the vision of a man who dedicated his life to the happiness of our community.



To see video footage of the Burchell Reserve Redevelopment Project, scan the QR Code or visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au/major_projects

Alfred Burchell 1868–1945





The recent \$4.2 million redevelopment of Burchell Reserve included:

new stormwater drainage system, including a raingarden and underground detention tanks;

walls, fences and stonework;

multipurpose courts for tennis, basketball, netball and 4-square;

improved accessibility with stairs, ramps and paths;

safety lighting;

public toilets;

new playground equipment;

barbeque and picnic facilities; and

new park furniture.



Keeping the Kids Active and Occupied This Summer

Have you taken time to explore your local area and uncover its hidden gems? We've put together some exciting activities that will help you relax, recharge and discover local favourites that make our City special. Your next great adventure is closer than you think!

START
HERE

DUNSTAN ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND, ST PETERS



SLIDE & EXPLORE

Looking for a perfect spot for your young ones to explore and let their imaginations run wild? This newly redeveloped adventure playground is the ultimate destination featuring the famous slippery slide!

With new BBQ facilities, toilets and shaded areas, this playground is designed for both fun and comfort. Bring the family for a day of exploration and adventure!



Dunstan Adventure Playground | *Winchester Street, St Peters*

STROLL THE SUBURBS

Discover the beauty of our natural environment as you stroll along the banks of the River Torrens/Karrawirra Pari. Whether you're meandering through the peaceful suburbs toward the CBD or heading up to Campbelltown, there's so much to enjoy!

Take your time to stop at charming rest areas along the way and don't miss the award-winning Nature Play area at Felixstow Reserve. Put on your walking shoes and embark on an unforgettable journey through these stunning landscapes!

River Torrens Linear Trail and Felixstow Nature Play | *Langman Grove, Felixstow*



FELIXSTOW RESERVE - NATURE PLAY

ADMIRE ART

SEED MIX - OLD MILL RESERVE, HACKNEY



Did you know that our City is home to a vibrant collection of hidden and celebrated art pieces, each with a fascinating story connected to our history and land?

Start your adventure by seeking out the giant spider tucked away in Linde Reserve. Wander through Old Mill Reserve to learn about the rich history of Hackney or visit St Peters Street to admire the colourful Fallow sculpture.

Download our Public Art Trail brochure from our website!



Looking for a refreshing way to spend your day? Head over to the Norwood Swimming Centre for a leisurely swim or to tackle a few laps.

With plenty of shaded areas and grassy spots, it's the ideal place to relax and unwind.

And don't miss out on visiting on Sundays, when we set up a giant inflatable obstacle course for the kids! Whether you're swimming, relaxing, or cheering on the young ones, there's something for everyone!



Norwood Swimming Centre
32 Phillips Street, Kensington

MAKE A SPLASH



NORWOOD SWIMMING CENTRE, KENSINGTON

Our Libraries at
Norwood, St Peters
& Payneham



ST PETERS LIBRARY, ST PETERS

OCCUPY YOUR MIND

Our three libraries are the perfect sanctuary, brimming with the latest books, DVDs and children's games. Relax in our inviting community spaces or borrow a book to take home and enjoy. With a wide array of events and activities scheduled during the school holidays, there's always something exciting happening!

Before your visit, check out our offerings online to discover what treasures await.



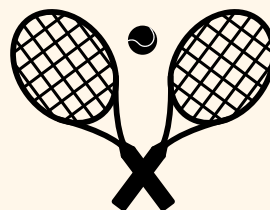
PLAY A CASUAL GAME

Enjoy the benefits of regular exercise and fresh air with a visit to our City's fantastic outdoor play areas!

Start your adventure at Payneham Oval Reserve, where you can enjoy a game of

tennis or let the kids play on the nearby playground.

Syd Jones Reserve offers a half-court for basketball and a mini bouldering wall for climbing enthusiasts. With over 10 tennis courts and 26 playgrounds



scattered throughout the City, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Find out more about sporting facilities in our City.



Re-dedication of the St Peters Heroes Memorial

On 22 February 1922, Sir Archibald Weigall, officially unveiled the Memorial in memory of the supreme sacrifice and service of the men of St Peters.



The St Peters Heroes Memorial is located on St Peters Street, St Peters and forms part of the ANZAC Avenue of Honour, which was dedicated by the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters in 2014.

In 2019, the St Peters Residents Association was successful in obtaining a grant to place two plaques on the Memorial listing the names of 145 men from the former Town of St Peters Council area who died in the Great War.

On 11 November 2024, an additional plaque listing the names of the 89 men from the former Town of St Peters Council area who died as a result of their service in the Second World War was officially unveiled by Her Excellency, the Hon Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia.

“In my role as Governor, I am frequently reminded of the service and sacrifice that countless South Australians have made to protect our way of life. Memorials, such as the St Peters Heroes Memorial, serve as vital reminders of their courage and sacrifice. It also offers our community a space to personally reflect and express gratitude for their legacy—a legacy that enables us to enjoy the freedoms they fought so hard to protect.” said Her Excellency, the Hon Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia.

The additional plaque was once again a result of the research and work undertaken by Mr David Cree, President of the St Peters Residents Association and members of the Association, with a grant from the Government of South Australia’s ANZAC Day Commemoration Fund.

The Council commends the St Peters Residents Association for its important contribution to the history of St Peters.

The Ceremony was attended by a number of descendants of the St Peters heroes, some of whom travelled from Melbourne, Canberra, Brisbane and elsewhere in Australia for the re-dedication.

“We gather in the presence of a solitary soldier, who since February 1922 has kept vigil over the memories of the 145 Great War and now the 89 Second World War St Peters Heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice...” Mayor Robert Bria.

St Peters Street Project Wins Prestigious Awards

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters' \$4.45 million upgrade of St Peters Street achieved remarkable recognition at the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) Awards 2024, winning four prestigious State Awards in June 2024 and two National Awards in October 2024.



From left to right: Joe Miller-Norman (Dryside Engineering), Jamie Walker (Plot Works), Alex Game (Landskap), Mayor Robert Bria, Jared Barnes (City of NPSP) and James Butterworth (Landskap)

The Landscape Architecture Awards celebrate the accomplishments of landscape architects across Australia, providing a platform for both public and peer recognition.

At the 2024 State Awards, the St Peters Street Upgrade Project received accolades in the following categories: Infrastructure Award of Excellence; Water for Life Award; and Healthy Parks, Healthy People Award.

Additionally, the project earned the inaugural Minister for Planning's Award, which was presented to Mayor Robert Bria by Hon Nick Champion, Minister for Planning.

Most recently, at the 2024 National Awards, this Project received accolades in the following categories:

- Climate Positive Design Award; and
- Award of Excellence for Infrastructure.

This transformative project was part of the Council's 'complete streets' approach, which integrates the timing of replacing and renewing various assets, including footpaths, kerbs, road reseals and stormwater drainage.

The upgrade has delivered streetscape infrastructure that:

- provides safe and accessible movement for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists;
- encourages physical activity and supports mental well-being;
- maximises green landscaping and shade tree planting for comfort;
- links movement between open spaces for both people and wildlife; and
- integrates green infrastructure and utilises recycled water for sustainability.

The Council extends its gratitude for the awards and acknowledges the efforts of Council staff, consultants and contractors involved in delivering the project, including Landskap (landscape architecture), Dryside Engineering, Plotworks and Cavocon.



Emma at The Gallery, St Peters Town Hall Complex

Enriching the Local Arts Scene

Emma Comley

Working in Local Government might not seem like the ideal path for someone with a rich artistic background, but for Emma Comley, her role as the Arts Officer for the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has been a perfect match.

With a diverse resume that includes roles as a photographer, graphic designer, gallery assistant, art installer and artist, Emma's creative journey has equipped her well for her current position.

At the heart of Emma's work is her collaboration with local artists to bring their visions to life, especially within The Gallery, located in the St Peters Town Hall Complex.

Each new exhibition offers a fresh opportunity for transformation, allowing the space to evolve according to the artist's needs and concepts. Emma thrives on this dynamic aspect of her job.

"I love the process of installing an exhibition and all the detail that goes with it," she says. The excitement of reinventing the space with each new installation keeps her motivated and inspired.

One of the most rewarding surprises Emma encountered upon starting her role was the warm welcome from the local arts community.

"Every encounter I've had with local creatives has been positive," she reflects.

Emma discovered that artists, studios and creative groups within the City are eager to connect and collaborate with the Council, enriching both the arts and the broader community.

Emma believes that the arts sector is a vibrant space for people to learn and connect, not only with the arts but also with one another. She encourages everyone to take advantage of the various opportunities available to them.

"Go out and meet people, attend exhibition openings and visit artist studios," she advises.

"Talk to artists about their projects and find out how you can get involved."

Emma's passion for the arts is infectious and she hopes to inspire others to reconnect with their creative selves, perhaps by exploring their artistic talents or participating in community art initiatives.

For Emma, working as an Arts Officer is not just a job; it's a way to foster creativity and connection within her community, making every day a rewarding experience.



Kapi Wala Exhibition opening night

Art & Culture thrives at The Gallery

The Gallery, located within the St Peters Town Hall Complex, has become a beloved cultural hub, connecting the community through art, creativity and shared experiences.

Over the past year, thousands of visitors have been drawn to the space, enjoying a wide range of exhibitions that celebrate local and international talent. The Gallery's charm lies in its ability to bring people together, fostering a strong sense of community and pride in the arts. From painting and sculpture to photography and digital art, the exhibitions at The Gallery provide an immersive experience that encourages engagement and connection.

Among the standout exhibitions was 'If Fabrics Could Speak', by multidisciplinary artist Catherine Fitz-Gerald. Through still-life images and digital storytelling, Catherine shared the stories of people from ages 6 to 91, each reflecting on their unique experiences with fabrics that held personal significance.

The accessibility of the exhibition was a key highlight. Catherine worked with Access2Arts to ensure that 'If Fabrics Could Speak' was accessible to all,

incorporating features such as tactile tours, Auslan interpreters and audio descriptions.

The Gallery isn't just a place to view art, it's a space that invites visitors to be part of the creative process. Throughout the year, artist-led activations allowed people of all ages and skill levels to engage directly with art. These hands-on experiences, from photography workshops to jewellery making sessions, provided an opportunity for the community to explore their creativity and learn new skills in a welcoming and inclusive environment.

One of the most memorable events at The Gallery was the 'Kapi Wala' Exhibition, held in collaboration with Iwiri Arts and KU Arts to celebrate NAIDOC Week. The event featured a moving performance by the Iwiri Choir, which was accompanied by an exhibition tour.

This powerful event highlighted The Council's commitment to celebrating cultural diversity and providing meaningful experiences that resonate deeply with our community.

Exhibitions at the Gallery have supported local artists by showcasing their work and offering opportunities for engagement and learning. Many artworks on display have found new homes, contributing to the vibrant arts scene and supporting the creative economy.

The Council has exciting plans to expand its offerings at the Gallery and ensure it remains a leader in accessibility and inclusivity.

Collaborations with Access2Arts and the Helpmann Academy are in the works, promising new and diverse exhibitions and events that will continue to inspire the community. Whether it's through art workshops, community events, or exhibitions, The Gallery remains a vital cultural space where creativity and connection thrive.

The Gallery has the ability to create meaningful connections through art and culture. The Council's objective is foster a place where everyone is welcome, whether you're an avid art lover or someone simply looking for a space to be inspired. Visit The Gallery, 101 Payneham Road, St Peters.

Around the City

Updates from the Council and a look at what's happening in and around your local area.

Each of the projects carried out by the Council works towards the four outcomes of its Strategic Management Plan, *CityPlan 2030: Shaping Our Future*. Together, reaching these outcomes helps to achieve the Council's overall goal of Community Well-being.



Social Equity



Cultural Vitality



Economic Prosperity



Environmental Sustainability



Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre - Pool Hall Building Concept

Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre Redevelopment Update

The redevelopment of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre into a modern aquatic leisure centre is well under way.

To date, the following works have been completed:

- demolition of the former buildings, pools and associated infrastructure;
- upgrades to the sewer main and water connections;
- earthworks and soil contamination management;
- concrete pours for the Learn to Swim and 25 metre pools; and
- installation of precast walls along the OG Road frontage.

Next stages include construction of the pool hall building, concrete pours for the 50 metre outdoor pool and installation of a new electrical transformer.



To see the concept video and to find out more about this Project, visit npsp.sa.gov.au/majorprojects or scan the QR code.

In the meantime, there is plenty of room to splash about, or do laps, at the Norwood Swimming Centre, Phillips Street, Kensington.



\$440,000 Federal Government Grant to be used for Footpath Upgrades

The Council will invest a \$440,000 Federal Government Grant into upgrading local footpaths, in addition to its funding allocation of \$950,000 for new footpaths in 2024–2025.

The Council will receive the funding as part of Phase 4 of the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (LRCI), which was established in 2020 during COVID-19, to support Councils across Australia.

The funding will be used to upgrade the following footpaths:

- Devitt Avenue (between Aveland Avenue and Gage Street), Payneham South.
- Battams Road (between Payneham Road and Ninth Avenue), Royston Park.
- Marian Road (between Avenue Road and Glynburn Road), Firl.

Norwood Payneham & St Peters Mayor Bria said the Council welcomed the funding.

“Spending this money on new footpaths continues to demonstrate the Council’s commitment to providing high quality infrastructure for our community”.

“As a Council, we have always placed a high priority on investing in basic infrastructure, so it was an easy decision

to construct new footpaths in these streets. This funding reflects our ongoing commitment to see all streets across the City have a paved footpath and this grant funding helps us commit to that vision,” said Mayor Bria.

The previous three phases of the LRCI funding which has been received by the Council, were spent on the following projects:

- (Phase 1) \$440,000 for the upgrade of Langman Grove, Felixstow (from Briar Road to Pembury Grove);
- (Phase 2) \$1.27m for the St Peters Street Upgrade Project, St Peters; and
- (Phase 3) \$889,000 for the new clubroom facility and toilets at Cruikshank Reserve, Maylands.

“Combined, the Council has received almost \$3 million in LRCI grant funding to improve infrastructure and facilities in our City and acknowledges the Federal Government for its ongoing support of these projects,” said Mayor Bria.

A New Look for St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool

The Council's owned and operated St Peters Childcare Centre & Preschool is excited to unveil its newly rebranded identity, marking a fresh chapter that aligns with its values of inclusivity and quality care.

The new logo, at the heart of the rebrand, features a simple yet playful design centred around a rainbow. Each arc of the rainbow represents the diversity of the children who attend the Centre—just as a real rainbow is made up of many different colours.

The decision to rebrand was driven by the desire to better reflect the Centre's mission of fostering an enriched, inclusive environment where every child feels welcome.

"We're thrilled with how the new look captures the spirit of our Centre," said Michaela Gardner, Acting Director. "It's a bold and vibrant expression of the inclusive, caring environment we strive to provide every day."

The rebrand highlights the mission of fostering positive growth and learning through play and exploration.

Book a tour today and discover how the St Peters Child Care Centre & Preschool can provide your child with an enriching and inclusive early education experience.



For more information or to book a tour, visit the new website at stpeterschildcare.com.au



Mayors Business Commendation Awards

The Mayor's Business Commendation Awards program recognises businesses who have been established in the City for a minimum of 10 years as well as those businesses that have 3+ generations involved.

Businesses can self-nominate and each year they are presented with accolades from the Mayor. The following businesses were celebrated at this years Mid-year Business Networking function held at Pfitzner Furniture:

10+ Years Bronze Commendation

- Success Tax Professionals, Payneham

25+ Years Silver Commendation

- Adelaide Timber Flooring, Norwood
- Pfitzner Furniture, Norwood

The Awards nominations are open all year round, visit our website to find out if you are eligible.

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Norwood Features in World's Coolest Neighbourhoods!



Exciting news for Norwood! Recognised as number 35 on the list of the '38 Coolest Neighbourhoods in the World' by Timeout.

It's the only South Australian neighbourhood to make the cut, joining other Australian hotspots like Chippendale, Windsor and Northbridge.

According to Timeout Australia's Travel and News Editor, Melissa Woodley, Norwood perfectly blends "heritage and hip". Strolling along its picturesque main street, The Parade, is a must.

Mayor Robert Bria celebrated the accolade as a "feather in the cap" for Norwood and the City. He noted, "It's fantastic to see Norwood receiving the international recognition it truly deserves."

As the only South Australian neighbourhood on this prestigious list, Norwood is a place locals can be proud of. Whether you're a resident or a visitor, now's the perfect time to experience all that Norwood has to offer!



Scan the QR Code or visit theparadenorwood.com to discover The Parade, Norwood for yourself.

The Best Location in Australia's Business Landscape

Amid rising national business failure rates, the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has been recognised as having the 'lowest risk of business failure' in Australia, according to Creditor Watch's Business Risk Index for August 2024.

Mayor Bria attributed this success to the resilience of nearly 8,000 local businesses and the Council's supportive approach—actively seeking ways to engage with local sectors and explore innovative ideas. "We want to strengthen our partnerships with commercial property owners and traders to help realise their aspirations" Mayor Bria emphasised.

Recent events like the AFL Gather Round and Norwood Food and Wine Festival have bolstered the area's economy, which saw \$1.83 billion in expenditure from July 2023 to July 2024—a marked increase from \$1.75 billion the previous year.

Key growth areas included supermarkets (up by \$31 million), dining (up by \$13 million), specialised and luxury goods (up by \$7 million) and pubs and clubs (up by \$3 million).

Despite economic challenges, the Council remains committed to fostering a thriving local economy, ensuring businesses continue to succeed.



Scan the QR Code to find out how the Council continues to support our local businesses.

2023–2024 Annual Report Summary



During 2023–2024, the Council continued to deliver on its vision of fostering a prosperous, vibrant and sustainable community.

Guided by *CityPlan 2030: Shaping Our Future*, the Council's priorities focused on improving infrastructure, enhancing public spaces, strengthening its business precincts, engaging the community and ensuring that we work towards a sustainable future.

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters 2023–2024 Annual Report provides a comprehensive overview of the Council's performance, achievements, challenges, governance and financial management.

The Council is committed to transparent reporting and accountability to all of our stakeholders. The Annual Report is the primary means of advising our progress towards the outcomes and objectives outlined in the Council's strategic management plan, *CityPlan 2030: Shaping Our Future*.

The following pages provide a summary of the 2023–2024 Annual Report, including the projects, services and initiatives which were undertaken by the Council during the year, some of challenges faced and plans for future projects. An overview of the Council's financial performance is also included.

The full version of the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters 2023–2024 Annual Report can be viewed online at www.npsp.sa.gov.au

Year In Review

Fast Facts

221
Volunteers
dedicated to our City.

220 in 2022–2023
208 in 2021–2022

900
attendees
gathered for Jazz in the Park.

700 in 2022–2023
800 in 2021–2022

900
tickets
reserved for the Raising the Bar event.

1,000 in 2022–2023
930 in 2021–2022

6,602
tonnes
of kerbside general (landfill) waste collected.

6,799 in 2022–2023
7,205 in 2021–2022

19,791
hours
of Community Care Service delivered.

18,242 in 2022–2023
17,954 in 2021–2022

16
consultations
with our local community.

8 in 2022–2023
15 in 2021–2022

247
new citizens
welcomed into our community.

284 in 2022–2023
225 in 2021–2022

\$73,418
grants provided
through the Council's Community Funding Program.

\$58,554 in 2022–2023
\$57,850 in 2021–2022

508
street trees
planted in our City.

666 in 2022–2023
523 in 2021–2022

57,255
calls received
by the Council from citizens and businesses.

59,892 in 2022–2023
43,978 in 2021–2022

767
development applications
were lodged with the Council.

768 in 2022–2023
842 in 2021–2022

Year In Review

Performance Highlights

Outcome 1: Social Equity

An inclusive, connected, accessible and friendly community

2023–2024 Achievements



Biennial Community Survey

The Council undertook its Community Survey in 2023 with results from 400 citizens and 200 business operators.

Dunstan Adventure Playground

The iconic playground was officially opened in February 2024 following a \$1.45 million redevelopment.

Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre

Work commenced on the Council's biggest ever capital project, the redevelopment of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre.

- ✓ Delivered 19,791 hours of Home Community Care Services to senior citizens.
- ✓ The Council's 221 Volunteers dedicated 7861 hours of service across a variety of programs and services.
- ✓ Continued to increase the Council's social media profiles on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.
- ✓ Undertook multiple traffic management reviews and surveys to ensure the safety of our community.
- ✓ Commenced a review of the Community Funding Program to ensure it is meeting the objectives of the program.
- ✓ Provided more than \$70,000 in separate grants to 24 community groups through the Community Funding Program.

Challenges

- Received mixed feedback from local citizens on traffic changes and speed reductions during reviews and surveys.

The year ahead

- Commence the upgrade of the St Morris Reserve project.
- Continue to implement a range of Smart City initiatives across the City.
- Finalise the review of the Community Funding Program to ensure it is meeting the objectives of the program.
- Officially open Burchell Reserve.
- Continue construction of the Payneham Memorial Swimming Centre redevelopment.

Outcome 2: Cultural Vitality

A culturally rich and diverse city, with a strong identity, history and sense of place

2023–2024 Achievements

AFL Gather Round & Norwood Food & Wine Festival

For the second year, the Council worked with the AFL and the State Government and hosted Gather Round at Norwood Oval.

The Gallery

Opened a multi-use space for artists to exhibit their work at St Peters, called The Gallery and held multiple exhibitions.

Hosted Popular Events

Movie in the Park
Twilight Carols
Movie Nights at the Pool
St Peters Fair
Concerts in the Park series
Tour Down Under Stage 2

- ✓ 767 Development Applications were lodged with the Council.
- ✓ Hosted Stage 2 of Tour Down Under on South Australia's Premier Mainstreet, The Parade.
- ✓ The Council's 2024–2027 Arts & Culture Plan was endorsed.
- ✓ Welcomed 247 new citizens to our City.

Challenges

- Engaging more traders to participate in the AFL Gather Round and Norwood Food & Wine Festival.

The year ahead

- Host the 2025 AFL Gather Round and associated events.
- Deliver a number of programs and activities which are focussed on achieving the objectives set out in the Council's Youth Strategy.
- Continue to explore heritage protection opportunities through the Council's Built Heritage Strategy.
- Development of a Public Art Masterplan.
- Digitise the Council's heritage collection to improve community access.

Year In Review

Performance Highlights

Outcome 3: Economic Prosperity

A dynamic and thriving centre for business and services

2023–2024 Achievements

Eastside Business Awards

Hosted the seventh Eastside Business Awards and introduced the inaugural Legends Award for businesses which have won the same category three times.

Food Secrets and Eastside Wine & Ale Trail Tours

Hosted Food Secrets together with Eastside Wine & Ale Trail Bus Tours around our City.

Raising the Bar

Held the highly regarded Raising the Bar event with a range of guest speakers and presenters in various venues, which provided a boost to the local economy.

- ✓ Undertook an economic analysis to inform the Council's strategic planning process for the Employment Zone in Glynde and Stepney.
- ✓ Hosted A Day of Fashion for the third year with participants 'swapping' almost 1000 items.
- ✓ Continued to promote The Parade Gift Card, which generated more than \$18,000 in direct revenue to local traders.
- ✓ Conducted the Shop the Parade and Win a Ford Puma Competition, resulting in \$560,000 in expenditure in the Parade Precinct.
- ✓ Delivered the Mayor's Business Commendation Awards.
- ✓ Representatives from 50 local businesses attended the Council's mid-year networking event.

Challenges

The Glynde & Stepney Economic Report highlights significant challenges in both precincts, including limited amenities, poor parking and inadequate infrastructure.

The year ahead

- Continuing to implement and roll out initiatives from the Council's Economic Development Strategy.

Outcome 4: Environmental Sustainability

A leader in environmental sustainability

2023–2024 Achievements

Tree planting

Planted 500 new street trees across the City and continued the Native Plant Giveaway.

Smart Irrigation

Installed an additional 21 Hydrowise System irrigation controllers, completing the deployment of Smart Irrigation at all Council owned and managed Reserves.

Kerbside Green Waste Diversion Success

Diverted 5050 tonnes of kerbside green organic waste from landfill.

- ✓ Introduced a range of energy reduction initiatives at Council owned facilities.
- ✓ Offered an \$80 tree voucher to property owners.
- ✓ More than 2995 tonnes of kerbside recycling waste was diverted from landfill.
- ✓ Continued the transition to low emission Council-owned vehicles.
- ✓ Worked closely with Resilient East to educate citizens about climate change.
- ✓ Hosted tours of the St Peters Billabong, assisted by Friends of the Billabong Volunteers.

Challenges

Engaging more residents to participate in environmental initiatives and programs, including complying with recycling policies.

The year ahead

- Continuing to implement key objectives in the 2020–2030 Corporate Emissions Reduction Plan.
- Implementing energy and water efficiency measures.

Did you know?...plastic lid recycling fact! *Lids of plastic bottles can stay on!*

Please ensure all liquids are emptied from your plastic bottles, flatten them, then simply put the lid back on!

For more recycling tips follow East Waste SA via Facebook.

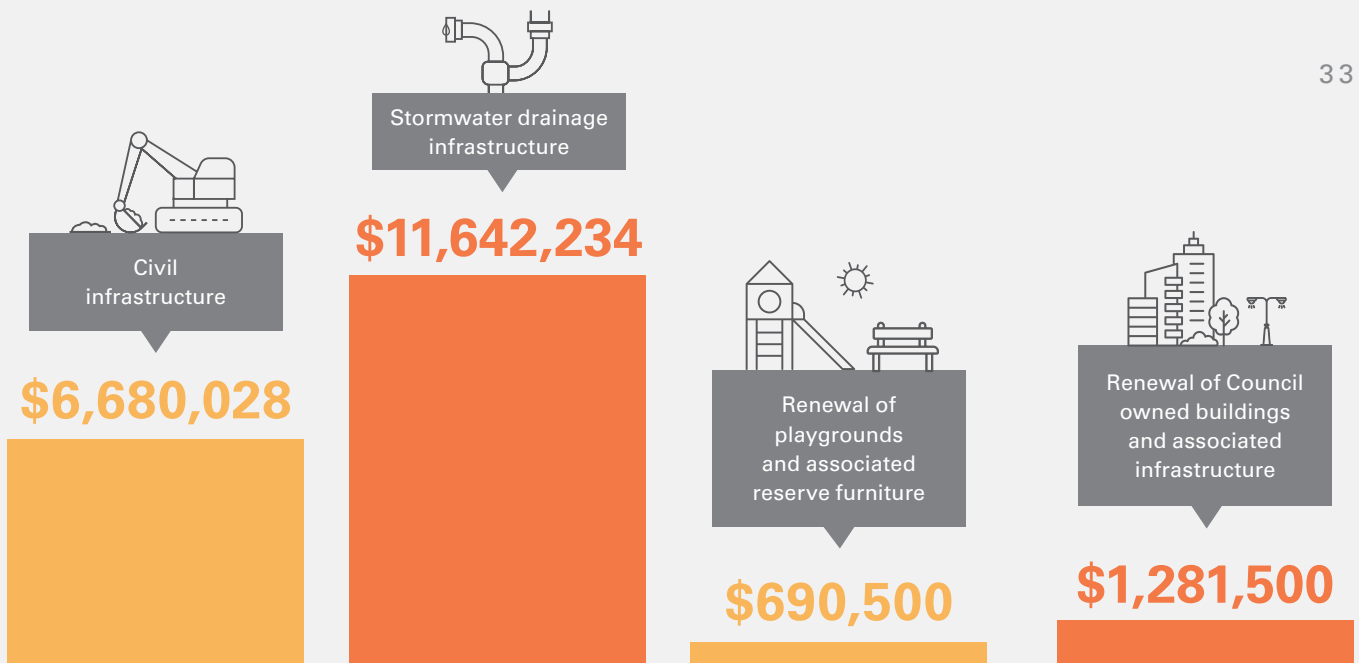
The Year Ahead

2024–2025 Capital Works Program

Each year the Council invests significant funds to ensure that the quality and standard of the City's infrastructure, including roads, footpaths, kerbs, buildings and recreation and open space assets, is maintained and meets community expectations.

Summary of the 2024–2025 Civil Infrastructure Capital Works Program.

Street	From	To	Re-seal	Kerb & Water Table	Footpath
College Park					
Baliol Street	North Terrace	Rugby Street	✓	✓	-
Goss Court	Harrow Road	End	✓	✓	-
Evandale					
Alexander Street	Janet Street	End	✓	✓	-
Belinda Street	Janet Street	Bakewell Road	✓	✓	-
Felixstow					
Ashleigh Avenue	Redden Avenue	Fisher Street	✓	✓	✓
Forsyth Grove	OG Road	End	✓	-	-
Fraser Avenue	Reid Avenue	Shirley Avenue	✓	-	-
Thrower Avenue	Reid Avenue	Briar Road	✓	✓	-
Glynde					
Henry Street	Avenue Road	Barnes Road	-	-	✓
Joslin					
Lambert Road	Payneham Road	First Avenue	✓	✓	-
Lambert Road	Tenth Avenue	End	✓	✓	-
Kensington					
Hughes Avenue	End	Bridge Street	✓	✓	-
Regent Place	The Parade	End	✓	✓	-
Kent Town					
Grenfell Street	The Parade West	Fullarton Road	✓	✓	-
Marden					
Beasley Street	Battams Road	Caleb Street	✓	✓	✓
Duke Street	Payneham Road	End	✓	✓	-
Peter Court	Marden Road	End	✓	✓	-
Norwood					
Austral Place	Harris Street	End	✓	-	-
Boskenna Avenue	North Street	Charles Street	-	-	✓
Charles Street	Kensington Road	William Street	✓	✓	-
Edward Street	Beulah Road	Magill Road	✓	✓	-



Street	From	To	Re-seal	Kerb & Water Table	Footpath
Norwood (continued)					
Fisher Street	Fullarton Road	Charlotte Place	✓	✓	-
Harris Street	Edward Street	George Street	✓	✓	-
Prosser Avenue	George Street	Queen Street	✓	✓	-
Sheldon Street	Sydenham Road	Osmond Terrace	✓	✓	-
Wadham Lane	Fullarton Road	Clarke Street	✓	-	-
Payneham					
Arthur Street	Henry Street	Payneham Road	-	-	✓
Charles Street	Arthur Street	End	✓	✓	-
John Street	Arthur Street	Ashbrook Avenue	✓	✓	-
Rosella Street	Portrush Road	George Street	-	-	✓
Payneham South					
Second Avenue	Ashbrook Avenue	Pam Street	✓	✓	-
Royston Park					
Fifth Avenue	Lambert Road	Battams Road	-	-	✓
Sixth Avenue	Lambert Road	Battams Road	-	-	✓
St Morris					
Breaker Street	Fifth Avenue	Seventh Avenue	-	-	✓
Seventh Avenue	Gage Street	Green Street	✓	✓	
St Peters					
Eighth Lane	Stephen Terrace	Winchester Street	✓	✓	-
First Avenue	St Peters Street	Stephen Terrace	✓	✓	-
Seventh Lane	Stephen Terrace	End	✓	✓	-
Sixth Lane	Winchester Street	End	✓	✓	-
Third Lane	St Peters Street	Stephen Terrace	✓	✓	-
Trinity Gardens					
Amherst Avenue	Albermarle Avenue	Aberdare Avenue	✓	✓	
Ashbrook Avenue	Albermarle Avenue	Aberdare Avenue	-	-	✓
Avonmore Avenue	Albermarle Avenue	Aberdare Avenue	-	-	✓

Please note, capital works may change due to resource availability or other considerations.

Upcoming activities at our Libraries.

Enjoy a range of fun activities at the Council's Libraries these school holidays. From mindfulness workshops, arts and crafts and family movies, there is something for everyone to enjoy!

St Peters Library

101 Payneham Road, St Peters
Tel. 8334 0200

Norwood Library

110 The Parade, Norwood
Tel. 8366 4546

Payneham Library

2 Turner Street, Felixstow
Tel. 8336 0333

Everybody Sing! Multicultural Storytime

9 December

For ages 0–5
10.30am–11.30am
Payneham Library

Experience a delightful multicultural and bilingual morning of stories and music with Zhao from the Chinese School of Music and Arts.

Enjoy a variety of songs and rhymes from different cultures while connecting and playing with other families in your community.

Nitro Nat

17 December

For all ages
St Peters Library

Two Science Education workshops, Astonishing Astronomy, explore the inflatable Stardome to learn about constellations, stars and a handy way to find directions using the stars, and The Phantastic Physics Show, a journey of discovering of what makes things move.

Christmas Crafternoon

18 December

For ages 5–12
2.00pm–3.30pm
St Peters Library

Join us for a creative afternoon of Christmas craft, with lots of activities to choose from! Make a Christmas card, wrapping paper, ornaments for your home and more. Crafts will be suitable for primary school aged children— younger children will need some help from their adults.

Upcoming Events



23 January

Tour Down Under: Stage 3

11.10am
The Parade,
Norwood

Riders will begin on The Parade and head for the slopes of Norton Summit, then push further into the Adelaide Hills for a finish at Uraidla. Come along to The Parade and enjoy the spirit of The Tour.



26 January

Australia Day at Norwood Splash

6.00pm–7.30pm
Norwood
Swimming Centre
\$5 entry

Celebrate Australia Day by the pool with the famous inflatable waterslide, inflatable pool toys, some classic Australian tunes and snacks.



26 January

Australia Day Celebrations

9.30am–11am
Peters Street Civic
Plaza, St Peters

The Council hosts a special citizenship ceremony on Australia Day to welcome new citizens into our community. The Australia Day Awards are also presented at this event giving recipients the opportunity to celebrate this momentous occasion with their family and friends.



15 March

St Peters Fair

10.00am–2.00pm
Linde Reserve,
Stepney

Serving up a feast of fun for families and friends with live music, delicious food and an oval full of free children's entertainment. St Peter's Fair is like a country fair right in the heart of our City.

For more information about upcoming events scan the QR Code or visit www.npsp.sa.gov.au/events





CONCERTS *in the* PARK

JAZZ IN THE PARK

Saturday 8 February, 4pm–8pm
Koster Park, Trinity Gardens

MELODIES IN THE PARK

Saturday 1 March, 4pm–8pm
Joslin Reserve, Joslin

SYMPHONY IN THE PARK

Saturday 29 March, 4pm–8pm
Richards Park, Norwood



MORE INFO

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