

Kadaltilla

Adelaide Park Lands Authority



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, 27 March 2025

Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority

Board Meeting Minutes, Thursday, 27 March 2025, at 4.30 pm
Colonel Light Room, Adelaide Town Hall

Present:

Deputy Presiding Member

Elinor Walker

Board Members

Allison Bretones

Justyna Jochym

Stephanie Johnston

Dennis Rigney (for Mitzi Nam)

Councillor Keiran Snape

Craig Wilkins

Ben Willsmore

1 Welcome and Opening

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

At the opening of the Board Meeting, the Deputy Presiding Member, Elinor Walker stated:

‘Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority acknowledges that we are meeting on traditional Country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past and present. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

And we also extend that respect to other Aboriginal Language Groups and other First Nations who are present today.’

1.2 Apologies

Presiding Member - The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor Dr Jane Lomax-Smith,
Board Members - Ashley Halliday
Mitzi Nam

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Allison Bretones,
Seconded by Craig Wilkins -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 27 February 2025 be taken as read and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

2 Conflict of Interest

Nil

3 Presiding Member Report (verbal)

The Deputy Presiding Member, Elinor Walker provided a verbal report in relation to:

CoA Cultural Policy Discussion Paper:

- On 13 March 2025, Kadaltilla’s feedback on the Cultural Policy Discussion Paper was submitted to the City of Adelaide. Thank you for your support in approving this feedback outside of the session.

Greater Adelaide Regional Plan:

- On 17 March 2025, the Hon Nick Champion MP, wrote to Kadaltilla and announced the release of the final Greater Adelaide Regional Plan.
- A briefing to the Board has been requested, and we will provide further updates as details are confirmed.

Urban Greening Strategy:

- On 20 March 2025, the State Government released its Urban Greening Strategy, which includes a plan to grow tree canopy and give \$1.5 million to council greening projects. The strategy sets a goal of reaching 30 per cent tree canopy cover by 2055.

E-News Shared with Board Members:

- Lot Fourteen: Path Network Realignment
 - Renewal SA advised of changes to the path network at Lot Fourteen.
 - Refer to the E-News distributed on 20 March 2025 through the Kadaltilla portal for further details.

Kadaltilla Membership:

- As you are aware the Minister has had to consider the State Government's nominations to the Board as their terms end on 31 March 2025.
- I'm pleased to share that the Minister has provided his nominees to the Lord Mayor in her capacity as Presiding Member and I am happy to announce the following:
 - The Minister has supported the continuation of the following members:
 - Ashleigh Halliday, congratulations on being recognised with an additional term.
 - I have been asked to stay on and retain the role of Deputy Presiding Member, which I accepted and will roll on for a further term.
 - The continuing membership of Stephanie Johnston.
 - The Minister has nominated the new members who will join the Kadaltilla Board in April and attend their first meeting, our next meeting on Wednesday 30 April 2025, we welcome and congratulate:
 - Warwick Keates is a landscape architect and the Director of Wax Designs.
 - Kirsty Bevan is the Chief Executive Officer of the Conservation Council SA.
 - Sarah Russo (the new Deputy Member to Stephanie Johnston) was nominated by the Adelaide Park Lands Association and is the Executive Manager of Partner Engagement for New Developments at NBNCo.
- I'd like to acknowledge the thanks passed on by the Lord Mayor at our last meeting and thank you again, Craig and Ben, for your dedication to Kadaltilla in this your final Board meeting. Your contributions to the Kadaltilla Board have been greatly valued, and your dedication has played a key role in advancing Adelaide's Park Lands initiatives.

4 Deputations

Nil

9 Exclusion of the Public for Items requested to be considered in confidence

10 Item 9 - Order to Exclude for Item 10.1

Moved by Stephanie Johnston,
Seconded by Ben Willsmore -

THAT THE ADELAIDE PARK LANDS AUTHORITY

1. Having taken into account the relevant considerations contained in Clause 4.8.21 of the Adelaide Park Lands Authority Charter and section 90(3) (j) and 90(2) & (7) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (SA), this meeting of the Board of Kadaltilla / Park Lands Authority dated 27 March 2025 resolves that it is necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public as the consideration of Item 10.1 [Statue Commemorating South Australian Aboriginal Leaders Proposal] listed on the Agenda in a meeting open to the public would on balance be contrary to the public

interest.

Grounds and Basis

This Item contains material provided on a confidential basis which the State Government has requested be considered in confidence on the grounds that the details of the request are sensitive in nature and the release of this information prematurely may be misleading. The disclosure of information in this report could reasonably be expected to prejudice the position and any negotiations between the City of Adelaide and the State Government.

Public Interest

The Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances because the disclosure of information may result in release of information prior to the finalisation of the matter by the State Government and the City of Adelaide. The disclosure of this information may materially and adversely affect the viability of the matter and prejudice the ability of the parties to discuss/participate or influence a proposal for the benefit of the State Government, the City of Adelaide and the community in this matter which on balance would be contrary to the public interest.

2. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* (the Act), this meeting of Kadaltilla dated 27 March 2025 orders that the public (with the exception of members of Corporation staff and any person permitted to remain) be excluded from this meeting to enable this meeting to receive, discuss or consider in confidence Item 10.1 listed in the Agenda, on the grounds that such item of business, contains information and matters of a kind referred to in section 90(3) of the Act.

Carried

There were no members of the public nor Corporation of the City of Adelaide staff not involved with Item 10.1 present to leave the Colonel Light Room at 4.38pm.

10 **Items for the Board in confidence**

10.1 **Item 10.1 - Statues Commemorating South Australian Aboriginal Leaders Proposal [S90(3) (j)]**

The meeting re-opened to the public at 5.06pm.

Confidentiality Order

Item 10.1 – Statues Commemorating South Australian Aboriginal Leaders Proposal [90(3) (j)]

Authorises that, in accordance with Section 91(7) and (9) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)* and because Item 10.1 [Statues Commemorating South Australian Aboriginal Leaders Proposal] listed on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on 27 March 2025 in confidence pursuant to Section 4.8.21 of the *Kadaltilla Charter* and s 90 (3) (j) of the *Local Government Act 1999 (SA)*, orders that:

1. The Resolution, the report, the discussion and any other associated information submitted to this meeting of the Board and the Minutes of this meeting in relation to the matter remain confidential and not available for public inspection until 31 December 2026.
2. The confidentiality of the matter be reviewed in December 2025.
3. The Chief Executive Officer be delegated the authority to review and revoke all or part of the order herein and directed to present a report containing the Item for which the confidentiality order has been revoked.

5 Items for Board Discussion

Nil

6 Items for Board Decision

Nil

7 Items for Noting

7.1 Update on the World Heritage Listing for the Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes - Standing Item

Discussion ensued

It was then –

Moved by Stephanie Johnston,
Seconded by Councillor Keiran Snape -

THAT THE KADALTILLA / ADELAIDE PARK LANDS AUTHORITY ADVISES COUNCIL

That the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority:

1. Receives and notes the report contained in Item 7.1 on the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority held on Thursday, 27 March 2025.

Carried

Item 7.1 - Action Arising - Budget Allocation for World Heritage Listing for the Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes

In response to a query from Councillor Keiran Snape, the Director City Shaping, Ilia Houridis gave an undertaking to provide Board Members with:

- a breakdown of 2024/2025 budget spent and precis of progress/achievement to date; and
- details of the budget bid that the City of Adelaide will consider for the project for 2025/2026 and a precis of positive steps and achievement sought.

8 Other Business

Item 8 - Other Business - Action Arising - Commercial Signage on Fencing in the Park Lands

In response to a query from Councillor Keiran Snape, the Director, City Shaping Ilia Houridis gave an undertaking to follow up on a concern that commercial signage was to be placed on fencing around the Adelaide Comets pitch.

Item 8 - Other Business - Acknowledgement and Expression of Appreciation to Ben Willsmore and Craig Wilkins

Moved by Councillor Keiran Snape,
Seconded by Stephanie Johnston -

That Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority acknowledges and expresses appreciation to Ben Willsmore and Craig Wilkins for their contribution to the Board and extends best wishes to both for all the best for the future.

Carried

Discussion ensued during which Ben Willsmore and Craig Wilkins thanked Board members and the Administration, commented on their Board involvement and wished the Board all the best as it continues to provide advice for the protection, management, enhancement and promotion of the Adelaide Park Lands.

Closure

The meeting closed at 5.18 pm

Elinor Walker

Deputy Presiding Member
Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority

Documents Attached:

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