



# Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority

October to December 2025/2026

## Quarter 2 Report

**Kadaltilla**<sup>®</sup>  
Adelaide Park Lands Authority

# Kaurna Acknowledgement

The Kadaltilla/Adelaide Park Lands Authority (Kadaltilla) tampendi, ngadlu Kaurna yertangga banbabanbalyarnendi (inbarendi). Kaurna meyunna yaitya mattanya Womma Tarndanyako. Parnako yaitya, parnuko tappa purruna, parnuko yerta ngadlu tampendi. Yellaka Kaurna meyunna itto yaitya, tappa purruna, yerta kuma burro martendi, burro warriappendi, burro tangka martulyaiendi. Kumarta yaitya miyurna iyangka yalaka ngadlu tampinhi.

Kadaltilla acknowledges the 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

Kadaltilla is a traditional Kaurna word meaning Green place/Green lands/Parklands.

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### Executive Summary

This report details activity for the period 1 October 2025 to 31 December 2025, aligned with the achievement of the Kadaltilla Business Plan & Budget 2025/2026 and the functions of Kadaltilla. As per section 4.8.5 of the Kadaltilla Charter, no Board meeting was held in December 2025.

Between 1 October 2025 and 31 December 2025, Kadaltilla:

- Attended a Cultural Burn in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16)
- Received a workshop from the Department for Environment and Water on the *Biodiversity Act 2025* (SA)
- Received a workshop from the City of Adelaide on the Adelaide Park Lands Partnering Opportunities document
- Finalised a submission to Green Adelaide on its Draft Regional Landscape Plan 2026-2031
- Endorsed a revised Community Land Management Plan for the Adelaide Oval Precinct part of Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) for community consultation (subject to Council decision)
- Supported the Park Lands Community Lease Agreement, and the exemption of Blackfriars Priory School from the Expression of Interest process
- Noted the concept design for a new Community Building at Mary Lee Park / Tulya Wardli (Park 27B), supported the Lease Agreement and the Exemption to Expression of Interest process, and reinforced the importance of inclusion of renewable energy initiatives for Park Lands buildings to support financial sustainability for lease holders
- Approved the Kadaltilla / Adelaide Park Lands Authority 2026 meeting dates
- Considered (in confidence) Adelaide TreeClimb Exemption to EOI and Lease discussions
- Noted progress by the City of Adelaide towards the draft Tentative List Submission for the World Heritage Bid for Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes

# Business Plan & Budget 2025/2026

## Key Actions October to December 2025

### Cultural Value

Promote the cultural values of the Park Lands including Kaurna culture, heritage, and wellbeing

Performance	Achievements and Measures
1.1 Seek Kaurna cultural authority in everything we do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Board members attended a Cultural Burn in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) conducted in partnership with the Kaurna Fire Team (Firesticks Alliance Indigenous Corp.)</li><li>• Kadaltilla's social media channels were used to raise awareness and educate the community about the cultural and environmental benefits of cultural burning</li><li>• Kaurna cultural considerations were embedded across all relevant reports, with cultural authority clearly acknowledged where appropriate, including recognition of engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples under the principles of Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Tentative List submission for the World Heritage bid for Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes</li><li>• 'Storytime Sunday' was promoted on Kadaltilla's social media to share the history and significance of Kaurna naming in the Adelaide Park Lands</li></ul>
1.2 Assist with Kaurna cultural mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Promotion of the Kaurna Voices Cultural Mapping Tool developed by the City of Adelaide with project partners on Kadaltilla's social media platforms</li></ul>
1.3 Advocate for the featuring of the Adelaide Park Lands in relevant promotional campaigns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kadaltilla featured the Adelaide Park Lands in paid social media promotional campaigns</li></ul>
1.4 Champion the development of World Heritage listing nomination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Received regular reports from the City of Adelaide on the World Heritage Tentative listing submission progress</li></ul>

## Environmental Performance

Maintain and improve climate resilience and the landscape values of the Park Lands

Performance	Achievements and Measures
2.1 Define, protect, and enhance landscape values and design qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Landscape values and design qualities were reviewed in the Mary Lee Park / Tulya Wardli (Park 27B) – Draft Lease Agreement and Draft Community Building Concept Design report</li></ul>
2.2 Promote ecologically sustainable initiatives and monitor tree canopy cover, biodiversity, and environmental sustainability and design quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Received a workshop from the Department for Environment and Water on the implications of the new <i>Biodiversity Act 2025</i> (SA) for the Adelaide Park Lands</li></ul>
2.5 Increase the accessibility of evidence-based information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continued to deliver regular social media content in line with the Social Media Strategy, maintaining consistent engagement across Kadaltilla’s three digital platforms</li></ul>



## Management and Protection

Treat the Park Lands holistically with an adaptive future focused approach

Performance	Achievements and Measures
3.1 Monitor delivery of priority projects in the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Workshopped the new digital strategic project tracking tool, which will be regularly updated to reflect progress on priority projects in line with the digital Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy (APLMS)</li></ul>
3.2 Advocate for and establish Funding Mechanisms to support delivery of the Adelaide Park Lands Management Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Received a workshop from the City of Adelaide on the Adelaide Park Lands Partnering Opportunities document</li></ul>
3.4 Advocate for progression of State Heritage Listing by the State Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sent a letter to the Hon Lucy Hood MP, South Australian Minister for Climate, Environment and Water, in line with the undertaking made on 18 September 2025 to proactively engage on the Tentative List Submission for the World Heritage Bid for Adelaide and its Rural Settlement Landscapes</li></ul>
3.5 Assess the landscape value of the Adelaide Park Lands including economic, environmental and cultural significance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Endorsed a revised Community Land Management Plan for the Adelaide Oval Precinct part of Tarntanya Wama (Park 26) for public consultation (subject to Council decision)</li></ul>

## Expert Advice

Function as the peak advisory body for policy, development, heritage, and management of the Park Lands based on sound data and evidence

Performance	Achievements and Measures
4.1 Provide advice on plans, projects, and policies for the Adelaide Park Lands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advice of Kadaltilla was endorsed and adopted by Council as relevant</li></ul>
4.2 Engage with City of Adelaide and State Government including input into State Government initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Received a workshop from the Department for Environment and Water on the <i>Biodiversity Act 2025</i> (SA)</li><li>• Finalised a submission to Green Adelaide on its Draft Regional Landscape Plan 2026-2031</li></ul>
4.3 Review leasing and licensing and event management policies together with other relevant Park Lands use policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supported the Lease Agreements for the West Adelaide Soccer Club in Mary Lee Park / Tulya Wardli (Park 27B), and Blackfriars Priory School in Denise Norton Park / Pardipardinyilla (Park 2)</li><li>• Discussed (in confidence) an exemption from the Expressions of Interest process for Adelaide TreeClimb for the lease at Blue Gum Park / Kurangga (Park 20)</li></ul>
4.4 Strengthen Kadaltilla's engagement with City of Adelaide, State Government, and adjoining Councils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The City of Adelaide and State Government actively engaged with Kadaltilla</li></ul>
4.5 Increase the profile of the Kadaltilla Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kadaltilla's social media platforms continue to inform and educate the public about the Board's activities and initiatives, providing insights into ongoing projects, strategic priorities, and opportunities for community engagement</li></ul>

## Governance

The City of Adelaide governance support enables Kadaltilla to meet legislative requirements and obligations arising from its Charter

Performance	Achievements and Measures
5.1 Maximise utilisation of skills, known and enthusiasm of Kadaltilla through effective meetings that foster dialogue and the development of shared thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Formal and informal opportunities were provided to share advice and expertise on the Adelaide Park Lands, including through meetings, workshops, and the Kadaltilla portal</li> </ul>
5.2 Develop a high level of knowledge and understanding of the Park Lands amongst Members through regular site visits and briefings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On 2 October 2025, Board Members attended a Cultural Burn in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi (Park 16) undertaken by the Kurna Fire Team (Firesticks Alliance Indigenous Corp.)</li> </ul>
5.3 Seek early input into issues relating to the Park Lands to ensure Kadaltilla advice is timely and relevant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kadaltilla provided advice on plans, projects and policies for the Adelaide Park Lands</li> <li>Eight items were reviewed by Kadaltilla between October-November 2025, including one external presentation</li> </ul>
5.4 Monitor developments subsequent to Kadaltilla advice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advice of Kadaltilla was endorsed and adopted by Council as relevant</li> </ul>
5.5 Advocate for the value of Kadaltilla as a proactive, accountable, independent, skills-based Board that advises on Park Lands management and protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advice provided to Council and the State Government on strategic matters relating to the Adelaide Park Lands</li> </ul>
5.6 General purpose accounts are operational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General purpose accounts are maintained by the City of Adelaide and Kadaltilla makes appropriate use of available finances provided by Council</li> </ul>
5.7 Annual Business Plan and Budget is in place for Kadaltilla	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An Annual Business Plan and Budget was prepared in accordance with legislative and Charter requirements, and is in place for Kadaltilla</li> </ul>
5.8 Kadaltilla makes appropriate use of available finances provided by Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quarterly finance reports were presented to Council</li> <li>Kadaltilla financial management is in accordance with legislative and Charter requirements</li> </ul>



Performance	Achievements and Measures
5.9 The Adelaide Park Fund is operational	The Adelaide Park Lands Fund is operational and monies are received and expended according to the provisions of Kadaltilla's Charter
5.10 Kadaltilla's Annual Report is prepared detailing achievement of the aims and objectives of the APLMS, Strategic Plan, and Business Plan and Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An Annual Report is being prepared in accordance with legislative and Charter requirements</li> </ul>
5.11 Kadaltilla is insured according to the requirements of the Local Government Mutual Liability Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kadaltilla maintains insurance coverage in line with the requirements of the Local Government Mutual Liability Scheme</li> </ul>

## Upcoming - Quarter 3 of 2025/26

Coming up from 1 January to 31 March 2026 are:

- Induction of new Kadaltilla Board Members
- Delivery of a strategic planning workshop with Kadaltilla Board Members
- Review of the draft Park Lands Leasing and Licencing Policy
- Promotion of the Adelaide Park Lands Partnering Opportunities document.

# Budget Position

## October to December 2025

Year-to-date expenditure for the 2025/2026 financial year is \$70,000 under budget, primarily due to lower materials, contracts, and other expenses. All other expenditure areas are broadly consistent with planned allocations and financial targets.

\$'000s	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance	2025/26 Q1 Budget	2025/26 Q2 Budget
Grants, Donations, Sponsorships	0	0	0	-323	-323
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-323</b>	<b>-323</b>
Employee Costs	69	89	20	180	180
Materials, Contracts and Other Expenses	6	56	50	143	143
Sponsorships, Contributions and Donations	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>323</b>
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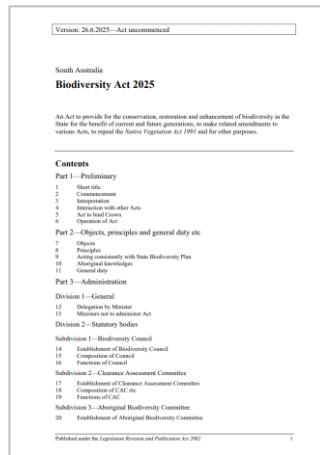
For 2025/2026, Kadaltilla's budget of \$322,609 is allocated as follows:

- Sitting Fees and Salary of \$254,554
- Brand and Marketing of \$26,317
- Insurance, Audit and Legal of \$22,168
- Sponsorships of \$0
- Operations (e.g. meetings, community forum) of \$14,420
- External Advice of \$5,150

# Key Highlights from Quarter 2



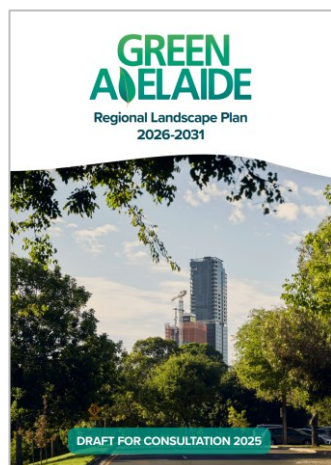
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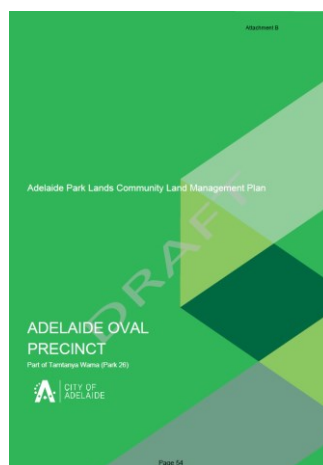
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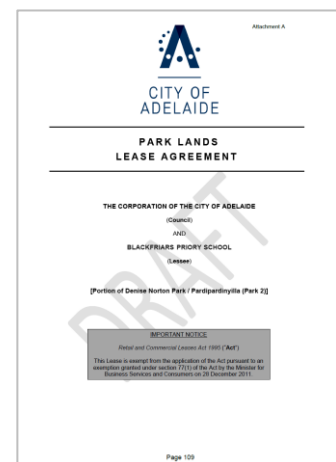
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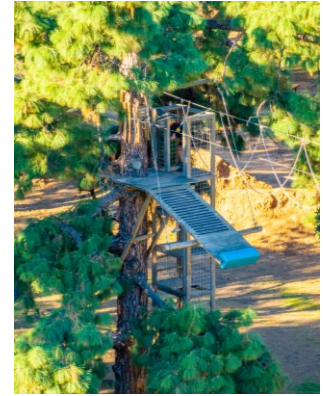
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