

# Heritage Policy

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Relevant Legislation:	<i>Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988</i> <i>Heritage Act 1993</i> <i>Heritage Places Act 1993</i> <i>Environment Protection Act 1993</i> <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> <i>Local Government Act 1999</i> <i>Development Act 1993</i> <i>Development Regulations 2008</i> <i>Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016</i> <i>Planning Development and Infrastructure Regulations 2019</i> <i>South Australian Planning and Design Code 2021</i>
Related Policies:	Asset Management Policy Streetscape Policy Bluestone Kerbing Policy Environment and Biodiversity Policy Regulated and Significant Tree Assistance Policy Urban Tree Management Policy Verge Development Policy Water Sensitive Urban Design Policy Burnside 2030 – The City of Burnside’s Strategic Community Plan The Australia ICOMOS Charter for the Places of Cultural Significance (The Burra Charter) Memorials and Heritage Plaques Policy

## 1. Introduction

- 1.1. The City of Burnside is committed to celebrating our city’s rich history and heritage, to maintaining and enhancing its unique historic character and to ensuring that our built and natural heritage and historic character streetscapes are preserved, maintained and promoted for current and future generations.
- 1.2. Heritage plays a key role in enriching our community member’s lives – socially, emotionally, physically and spiritually. The City of Burnside recognises the importance that heritage contributes to the overall community wellbeing.
- 1.3. Heritage items and places are the City’s ‘autobiography’. The conservation of built and natural heritage gives the community a sense of historical

perspective, a framework for future development, recognisable links with people and events in history, providing a sense of community pride and stability in a rapidly changing world.

- 1.4. Heritage conservation is about making the most of our built and natural 'inheritance' and is based on the idea that we are custodians of the natural and built environment for future generations.

## 2. Strategic Plan Desired Outcomes

*Principles:* 1. Service Sustainability

*Theme:* Spans across all Strategic Plan Themes

*Goals:* 3: A City of accessible and liveable precincts, open spaces, and treasured heritage

*Priorities:* 3.4 Character and heritage protected, cherished and celebrated

## 3. Our Approach

- 3.1 This policy addresses all places and items of heritage value including, but not limited to, buildings, mines, monuments, reserves, gardens, street furniture, infrastructure and trees.
- 3.2 Heritage items and places will be seen as assets which positively contribute to our City's unique character and identity.
- 3.3 Heritage conservation and management will be seen as activities which positively contribute to our City's wellbeing for the benefit of current and future generations.
- 3.4 This Policy aims to:
  - 3.4.1 Identify, promote, preserve and enhance our heritage and history within the City of Burnside.
  - 3.4.2 Guide decisions and actions within the City of Burnside in order to support the conservation of the City's built and natural heritage.
  - 3.4.3 Guide services and programs which support heritage management within the City of Burnside.
  - 3.4.4 Assist property owners, community groups, industry and government in the management of built and natural heritage.

## 4. Legislative Requirements and Corporate Policy Context

- 4.1 Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988
- 4.2 Heritage Act 1993
- 4.3 Heritage Places Act 1993
- 4.4 Environment Protection Act 1993
- 4.5 Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999
- 4.6 Local Government Act 1999
- 4.7 Development Act 1993

- 4.8 Development Regulations 2008
- 4.9 Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016
- 4.10 Planning Development and Infrastructure Regulations 2019
- 4.11 South Australian Planning and Design Code 2021

## 5. Interpretation

- 5.1 For the purpose of this policy:
  - 5.1.1 “Heritage” refers to both built and natural heritage
  - 5.1.2 “Policy” is a Council Policy
  - 5.1.3 “Kurna heritage” is the legacy of tangible and intangible belongings transmitted by or acquired from previous generations of the Kurna People, the traditional owners of the Adelaide Plains. This heritage can include traditions, artefacts, language, places and ancestral remains that are of importance to the Kurna People.

## 6. Policy

- 6.1 The City of Burnside will seek to;
  - 6.1.1 Conserve, preserve, restore and maintain the City’s built and natural items and places of heritage significance.
  - 6.1.2 Value, respect and promote our Indigenous cultural history and intangible heritage, liaising with the Kurna People.
  - 6.1.3 Maintain and promote Kurna heritage in coordination with the Council’s Reconciliation Action Plan.
  - 6.1.4 Act as custodian for heritage assets in public spaces (the public realm), through their identification, management and enhancement as part of public works.
  - 6.1.5 Manage and maintain council owned heritage buildings and items of heritage significance including buildings, reserves, infrastructure, war memorials, monuments, mines, street furniture, trees and other assets of heritage value.
  - 6.1.6 Ensure the conservation of the City’s built and natural heritage is an integral part of Council’s asset management planning and practices and guides Council’s decisions and actions.
  - 6.1.7 Advocate to State Government bodies for legislative policy which supports conservation of built and natural heritage.
  - 6.1.8 Participate whenever possible, in the formulation of national, state and local legislation and policy affecting heritage items and areas within the City of Burnside.
  - 6.1.9 Advocate at the state and national level for support for the retention and conservation of buildings and items of heritage value.

- 6.1.10 Consistently and accurately interpret and apply the aims, objectives and policy of heritage conservation and management within legislative instruments.
- 6.1.11 Encourage property owners to conserve and enhance privately owned items of heritage significance through education, professional advice and/or incentives.
- 6.1.12 Encourage property owners and developers to consider, where appropriate, adaptive re-use of heritage buildings and development which is sensitive and respectful of the surrounding built heritage and historic character.
- 6.1.13 Facilitate staff awareness and appreciation of the value and importance of our City's heritage.
- 6.1.14 Foster community awareness and promote the value of heritage items, buildings and historic character streetscapes through effective promotional and educational activities.

## **7. Review and Authority**

- 7.1 This Policy will be reviewed every four years at maximum in line with Council's Policies and Protocols Framework.

## **8. Availability**

- 8.1 The Policy is available to be downloaded, free of charge, from Council's website [www.burnside.sa.gov.au](http://www.burnside.sa.gov.au)
- 8.2 The Policy will be available for inspection, free of charge, at the Civic Centre during ordinary business hours and a copy may be purchased at a fee as set annually by Council.
  - 8.2.1 City of Burnside Civic Centre; 401 Greenhill Road, Tusmore SA 5065 Telephone; 8366 4200; Email; [burnside@burnside.sa.gov.au](mailto:burnside@burnside.sa.gov.au) Office hours: Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5.00pm (except public holidays)

## **9. Further Information**

- 9.1 For further information about this policy please contact:  
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