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Mayor's Message

On Australia Day in Hazelwood Park, I was proud to lead 89 new citizens from 18 countries in their pledge of allegiance to Australia and its people.

We also presented the winners of the Burnside Citizen of the Year Awards (see pages 6 and 7). Congratulations to all who were honoured on this day.

Local Council is much more than the collector of rates, the remover of rubbish and the maintainer of roads. This level of government is 'closest to its people' and makes many decisions that have local impact. A team of dedicated staff, led by our CEO, ensures a broad range of services are provided every day. The Mayor leads a team of 12 Council Members whose role it is to provide strategic vision and ensure financial and environmental sustainability. Council is responsible for public health, environmental and heritage protection, aged care, youth, sport and recreation, planning for our future and for emergency and disaster management. Council lobbies for improvements through both state and federal governments and we continue to lobby for changes to planning rules in response to community concerns. We continue to lobby to get the freight off Portrush Road as we have done for over 10 years. Adelaide is the only city in Australia that has a major interstate freight route passing through it. For our health and safety's sake... bring on the bypass!

Council provides places for the community to gather and belong, but it is becoming more challenging to provide spaces to play as the demand for sporting fields and open space increases. Upgrades are necessary but expensive as we

keep up with changing regulations and community expectations. Our Library, Civic Centre and other community centres like the Hub, the Shed, Hubbe Court, Dulwich, Eastwood and Pepper Street Arts Centre continue to provide great service. The latter will soon reopen after disability upgrades. Council Members and staff listen and work together with local communities to make changes. Conducting on-site opportunities for consultation and working together to achieve common goals develops pride in ownership. Some recent examples of this have been the co-design projects like the re-development of the Conyngham Street Dog Park, Bell Yett Reserve, Beaumont Common and the Hewitt Avenue Garden.

The City of Burnside takes pride in both our indigenous and early pastoralist history. Both need to be honoured and respected. Working through our Reconciliation and Heritage Reference Groups enhances decision-making. Over time, special places and spaces have been created that need protecting or upgrading. Examples of these are the Rose Park Avenues of Honour, The Regal Theatre and Kensington Gardens Reserve / Kensington Wama. Community consultation on plans to upgrade The Regal Theatre and its environs inspired our vision to turn The Regal back into a live theatre performance space (while continuing as a cinema) as it was when The Princess Theatre began back in 1925. Adelaide has lost many small theatres in recent years and live theatre is important to our community. We hope to raise funds to help achieve this goal. Are there any benefactors out there?

Burnside is honoured to be a 'Tree City of the World' and one of the first councils to declare a climate emergency back in 2019. These inspire us to continue to plant, give away and protect trees, and drives us towards carbon neutrality by 2030. We are well into this journey through our sustainability roadmap.

Burnside is an ever-changing population with cultural and economic diversity. Balancing community needs and costs continues to challenge us, particularly at budget time. The future of the provision of aged care services in our city will soon involve you in providing us with feedback (see pages 16-17), and we are seeking people with knowledge and understanding about disability and inclusion to join our newly devised Reference Group.

Council also listens to you and supports you through our Community Grants Program and the Your Neighbourhood Budget. Details are available now on the Council website.

Contact me or your local Ward Councillors to discuss any matters of interest. We love to hear good stories from you too!

Congratulations to Burnside resident, Dr Richard Harris OAM on his recent appointment as Lieutenant Governor of South Australia.

Anne Monceaux
Mayor

Congratulations to our Citizen of the Year Award winners.

Citizen of the Year
- Andrew Bills

Young Citizen of the Year
- Brandon Marlow

Active Citizen of the Year
- Burnside Military Research Group: Ian Fitzgerald, Colonel Peter Scott and Ian Sando (dec)





CEO's Message

Australia Day Awards and Citizenship Ceremony

Congratulations to the City of Burnside's 89 newest Australian citizens.

It was a privilege for me to be able to emcee the City of Burnside's Australia Day event at Hazelwood Park, one of my favourite days every year. Congratulations as well to all our award winners.

Projects update

Conyngham Street Dog Park has been reopened – thank you to all the residents and four-legged friends who came out to our official launch event. This space is the only fence-enclosed dog park in the City of Burnside, making it the option of choice for many in the community. Now separated into a small dog park and an all dog park, Conyngham can now cater to a wider selection of our dog community, a decision that was made following wide consultation.

If you have a dog and are looking for a space to exercise and socialise them and yourself, we hope you will consider Conyngham Street Dog Park.

Pepper Street Arts Centre is also currently undergoing needed renovation. Expected to be completed towards the end of April, these works involve upgrading bathroom facilities to meet Disability Discrimination Act requirements.

I look forward to the reopening of Pepper Street, as one of the premier exhibition spaces for local artists in South Australia, its temporary closure leaves a large gap in the arts landscape.

Concierge Service

The Burnside Civic Centre Concierge Service is now up and running. A free service for visitors to the Burnside Civic Centre, our concierge volunteers are here to help you fully access the wide range of services offered by the City of Burnside.

To increase accessibility for those who visit the Centre, the Concierge Service is aimed at providing cultural connection and support for residents who may struggle with English or require translation services. We are extremely lucky at the City of Burnside to have 385 volunteers across the organisation. You can meet our Concierge team Monday to Thursday, 10 am – 12 pm at the desk just outside the Library entrance.

40 km/h progress

Our commitment to safer streets through the Burnside City Master Plan continues to advance as we await final approvals on our 40 km/h speed limit initiative.

This change in speed limit is a commitment Council has made as part of the Burnside City Master Plan, which sets out a long-term vision for the City, including a range of traffic and transport initiatives to make our roads safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists.

Community consultation was undertaken in 2023 and demonstrated support for the changes in the following six precincts:

- Rose Park, Dulwich, and Toorak Gardens;
- Beulah Park and Kensington Park (part – north of The Parade);
- Frewville, Glenunga, and Glen Osmond (part);
- Kensington Park (part – south of The Parade);
- Kensington Gardens (part) and Magill (part – west of Penfold Road); and
- Magill (part – east of Penfold Road).

Following Council endorsement, consent from adjoining Councils and local politicians was sought and a formal proposal to change the speed limit was lodged with the Department for Infrastructure and Transport. We are hoping to receive final approval in March 2024.

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Once approved, contractors will commence work on changing signage to reflect the new speed limits while Council will promote an awareness campaign targeted towards residents and visitors to the city.

Chris Cowley
Chief Executive Officer



Burnside News



Tree vandalism signage

The City of Burnside has installed new temporary signage across the city for the first time following two separate incidents of significant tree poisoning on private property.

Council officers identified both incidents with assistance from members of the public.

The maximum fine for illegally damaging or removing a significant tree is up to \$120,000 and a criminal conviction.

Tusmore Wading Pool

For the rest of this swimming season and every season moving forward, Tusmore Wading Pool will now be locked overnight between closure and opening hours as listed on Council's website.

Fringe events

Mad March is here, and the City of Burnside is getting involved in the world-renowned Fringe Festival with events at the Regal Theatre, Burnside Ballroom and Burnside Town Hall. See page 21 for more event details.

City of Burnside signs EV Pledge

The City of Burnside continues to drive forward in its efforts to reach carbon neutrality by 2030, having recently signed the State Government's Electric Vehicle (EV) Fleet Pledge with a commitment to complete the transition over the coming years.

By switching to a fully electric light vehicle fleet, Council will also support the pledge's aim to achieve statewide net zero emissions by 2050.



Conyngham Street Dog Park – Now open!

The redeveloped Conyngham Street Dog Park is open to the public, featuring two spaces, one for small dogs and one for all dogs, with each section clearly signposted and multiple access points.

More information about the dog park can be found on Council's website.



Easter Opening Hours

Date	Library	Regal Theatre	George Bolton Swimming Centre	Community Centres	Customer Service
Thursday	9.30 am	10.15 am – 10.30 pm*	6 am – 8 pm	8.30 am – 5.00 pm	8.30 am – 5 pm
Friday 29 March Public Holiday	CLOSED	11.15 am – 9.30 pm*	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
Saturday 30 March Public Holiday	CLOSED	11.15 am – 9.30 pm*	8 am – 6 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
Sunday 31 March Public Holiday	CLOSED	11.15 am – 9.30 pm*	8 am – 6 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
Monday 1 April Public Holiday	CLOSED	1 pm – 5.30 pm*	8 am – 6 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
Tuesday 2 April <i>Normal hours resume</i>	9.30 am – 6 pm	10.15 am – 10.30 pm*	6 am – 8 pm	8.30 am – 5 pm	8.30 am – 5 pm

*Regal Theatre times are approximate and depend on the duration of films.

*Pepper Street Arts Centre closed for renovation.

Community Grants 2024/25

The application deadline for the Burnside Community Grants Program 2024/25 is drawing nearer, with the cut-off date being 3 pm Monday 25 March 2024.

Offering up to \$5,000 to local organisations, groups and schools within the City of Burnside, the Community Grants funding is one of the city's most successful grant programs.



Australia Day Awards and Citizenship Ceremony



Citizen of the Year – Andrew Bills

A staple of the Burnside community, Andrew Bills has been the Area Coordinator of Neighbourhood Watch in Linden Park for 13 years. Andrew is described as a dedicated and valued leader of Neighbourhood Watch.

The Neighbourhood Watch program is instrumental in educating the community on safety and security strategies, raising awareness and inspiring local action to prevent crime by working between police and the community.

With only three Neighbourhood Watch groups left in the City of Burnside, Andrew's contributions and commitment have been a key factor in keeping the Linden Park group running for as long as it has.

Young Citizen of the Year – Brandon Marlow

An inspiring community leader demonstrating remarkable mentorship abilities at age 18, Brandon was selected to be a South Australian Youth Forum Member (SAYF) in 2022 and progressed to Executive Member and Mentor for the Forum in 2023.

The Annual Report is the main goal of the Forum and includes meeting discussions, models of engagement and data collection from surveys. At the conclusion of each year, Forum members meet with ministers, politicians, community leaders, local government and businesses to present findings from the report and to educate decision-makers on their role in helping to enact change.

Brandon's other achievements include:

- (As part of SAYF) Co-led the Gender Inequality sub-committee conducting research into young people's experiences with gender inequality at school.
- (As part of SAYF) Worked with the Department of Human Services (DHS) on their new coercive control campaign, the *See The Signs* campaign.
- (As part of SAYF) Commenced a partnership with Flinders University to collect world-first data on how loneliness affects young people.
- Contributed to the development of the DHS' new Youth Action Plan.
- Collaborated with SA Power Networks as a youth representative, offering insights into their Regulatory Reset 2025–2030 Plan.
- Provided evaluations as a Voice of Youth Representative for the Uniting Communities *#UnlockingLoneliness* campaign.
- Premier's Recognition for Outstanding Service to the Community.
- Volunteering SA Award for being a Community Changemaker.
- Elected Head Boy of Pembroke School.



Citizenship Ceremony

89 residents from 18 countries conferred Australian citizenship at the annual Citizenship Ceremony in Hazelwood Park.



Active Citizen of the Year – Burnside Military History Research Group

Ian Fitzgerald, Colonel Peter Scott and Ian Sando (dec).

Over the past year, the Burnside Military History Group has spent countless hours researching soldiers honoured in the Burnside District Fallen Soldiers Memorial (WWI) located in Rose Park, known as the Avenues of Honour.

This site is a part of the State Heritage List and acts as a community point of remembrance for those who lost their lives.

The Burnside Military History Group were responsible for auditing the current memorial plaques, revealing spelling errors, inaccuracies in service history details, as well as other discrepancies. To fill in the gaps in information, the group accessed primary sources such as service records and provided the City of Burnside with the accurate information. As a result, details of each soldier will be updated to include correct information on all plaques across the Memorial. The findings of the Burnside Military History Group's research will contribute to the ongoing preservation of the Memorial and will have a lasting role in honouring the fallen in the District of Burnside.

The City of Burnside is currently using the research of the Burnside Military History Research Group to update the plaques and interpretative text along the Avenues of Honour. Updates are expected to be completed by mid-2024.



Left to right: Brett Sando (accepting on behalf of Ian Sando), Colonel Peter Scott and Ian Fitzgerald.

Congratulations to the following Burnside residents who received Order of Australia Honours for their service to South Australia on Australia Day.

The Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM):

Mr George Belperio
Dr Margaret Anne Folkard
Mr Nicola Minicozzi
Mr Noel Donald O'Brien

Officer of the Order of Australia (AO):

Professor Sarah Anne Robertson



Compostable bags for renters

Council supports residents to manage food waste. All City of Burnside households, including renters and owner-occupied homes, are entitled to Council resources.

The resources include two free rolls of compostable bags per financial year and a kitchen caddy if households do not have one.

Council provides these items for free to make it easy to collect food scraps and place them in the green bin. Residents can pick up these items from the Burnside Civic Centre during business hours.

Considering 20 per cent of households in the City of Burnside are rental properties, a recent initiative was undertaken to increase rental access to these resources. Staff door-knocked a third of the rental properties in the City of Burnside, offering compostable bags, kitchen caddies and general waste management advice.

The project was very well received by residents, with feedback like, 'Thank you, it's a great initiative from council.' While another resident said, 'How fantastic, thank you City of Burnside!'

The uptake of resources was high. When householders were home, 92 per cent wanted compostable bags and 69 per cent needed a kitchen caddy. It's great to see so many households so keen to compost their food scraps through the green bin.

It is important for all households to place food scraps in the green bin. From a cost perspective, it is over five times more expensive to send your food scraps to landfill. From an environmental perspective, it is better to compost food scraps as it releases far fewer greenhouse gasses compared to landfill.

Please contact Council if you need compostable bags or a new kitchen caddy. You can find out more about waste management on Council's website at www.burnside.sa.gov.au/bins





Burnside Home Library Service

You may have seen a certain purple and white van roaming the streets of Burnside.

But this van is no ordinary vehicle - it contains stories of love, families, danger, mystery, history, philosophy, biographies and travel, and the latest and most popular titles. This van is used by the Burnside Home Library Service.

Available to all City of Burnside residents who are unable to access the Burnside Library in person due to frailty, disability, sickness or their role as a carer, the Home Library Service brings the library to you. Established in 1975 and now part of the City of Burnside's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan, the service aims to reduce isolation and promote the inclusive community nature for which Burnside is so renowned.

Burnside Home Library Service staff Melissa and Amanda said the service is essential to maintaining community connections for those unable to make it to the Library.

'The Library is an incredible community resource, and we want to ensure that every resident, no matter their circumstances, has the opportunity to access it,' Melissa said.

Amanda added 'It is about more than just the books; the social aspect of our visits can be just as important to some of our customers.'

Whether you are looking to borrow books, DVDs, magazines, audio books, large print or even to receive minor tech support, the Home Library Service has you covered with items specially selected for you.

On the road Monday to Friday, our staff offer a personalised library service direct to your door with scheduled visits once every four weeks, visiting residents who would otherwise be unable to use one of the City of Burnside's most in demand facilities.

We are always looking for more people to call on. If you or someone you know might be interested, give the Library a call on [8366 4280](tel:83664280) or visit us at www.burnside.sa.gov.au/library and apply online.





Rain, hail or shine for dog group



An unlikely community hub, a lone bench in Kensington Gardens Reserve/Kensington Wama has become the daily meeting place for a dog group comprised of over 40 pooches and their owners.

Located along the perimeter of Ford Oval, the northern most oval in the reserve, the bench was installed with support from Kensington Gardens & Magill Ward Councillor Kerry Hallett and the rest of Council.

All originally strangers to each other, the group formed organically over the love of their four-legged friends. Now encompassing dozens of members, the group is an amalgamation of a wide spectrum of people from local residents to residents of the wider Adelaide region, students to retirees, lifelong Australians to new citizens, small dogs to big dogs and everyone in between.

Group member and one of the catalysts behind its creation (and owner of dog Tic Tac) Drew noted the installation of the bench had become a necessity following health issues of some of the members.

'After Doreen and Judy, two of our women who have had knee operations, came back from their procedures we were all very nervous and we thought we needed a safe space for them,' Drew said.

'This bench was mentioned as an opportunity and Kerry Hallett decided to take it to Council, so now this is where both Doreen and Judy sit sometimes, just in case.'

Riding his bike to the reserve in the morning, Drew also takes advantage of the installed exercise equipment to get in a quick workout and said everyone in the group personally took something slightly different from their experience.

'I've been coming here for about three years now and in doing so, I've found it's very helpful for me on several levels.'

With no pressure or requirements on attendance – or even the prerequisite of a dog, the unofficial group meets three times per day in the shade of one of the reserve's many gum trees. Welcome to stay for as long or as little time as desired, the group use the time as much for human interaction as for puppy playgroup.

'There's different groups that come in the morning, lunchtime and evenings,' Drew said. 'A lot of us will come down in the morning and we sit for at least an hour watching the cricket, it's just great fun while the dogs are running around.'

Jess of Kensington Gardens said as a doctor the group dynamic fits in well with her inconsistent schedule and helped support her work/life balance.

'Everyone is really invested in each other's lives,' Jess said. 'We've had people go away or have surgery and other people in the group will look after their dogs or go and bring them to the park, so they don't miss out.'

Diligent in their respect for others utilising the reserve, the group take pride in self-policing their member's dogs and always keeping a heavy supply of doggy-bags on hand to leave the space clean after use.

Former Kensington Gardens resident Jennifer said that even though she doesn't have a dog of her own, the group had been extremely inclusive and acted as a support network for her. Jennifer so enjoyed her time with the group that even after moving outside of the City of Burnside, she continued to make the trip to Kensington Gardens Reserve/Kensington Wama numerous times per week.



'I moved in at a bad time of my life - I was very, very lonely,' Jennifer said. 'I got sick of doing work, home, work, home and not doing anything else. And I kept seeing the same people walking the same dogs around five-ish and I finally got up the courage to just go "Hi, you don't know me, can I pat your dog?" and they went "Yeah sure," ... and then they couldn't get rid of me.'

Youngest member of the group is Phoenix from Kensington Gardens, who attends every Thursday afternoon with his grandmother. One of the most popular members of the group amongst both people and pups, Phoenix is the go-to group ball thrower and Chief Patting Officer.

'If I get bored of playing with the dogs I'll go over to the fitness area - there is always something to do at the park,' Phoenix said.

'You get to talk about your day, it is interesting to hear about everyone's week.'

With plenty of seating, walking paths and a plethora of shade and cover, the group is spoiled for choice even through the extreme weather months. Rain, hail or shine many of the members make an effort to attend at least one session, like local Bill who has been coming to Kensington Gardens Reserve twice a day for 32 years.

'The dogs love it and I enjoy the relationships forged with the other walkers,' Bill said.

'I love what Burnside has done to develop the park. It's been a marvelous investment.'

Council Members



**Beaumont
Ward**
Cr Paul
Huebl

After a busy 2023 and a holiday period of wild weather, it is wonderful getting back to things in 2024.

A highlight of the last year in the Beaumont Ward was the development of the Beaumont Common Management Plan. This plan was borne from the range of priorities, concerns and desires that were held for this 'Jewel in the Crown of Burnside' that we are so lucky to have on our doorstep. We reached out to the community and like we did with the Laurel Avenue Community Garden, opened it up to our residents to co-design the future of this land with our administration. We are pleased to say that the draft plan was approved by this council late in 2023 and will shortly be making the rounds to you for consultation before it is finalised later this year. This plan will see a balance of open, green space areas for informal recreation activities, along with biodiversity (bush) areas that this reserve is so well known for.

On a sad note, we were shocked to hear of a range of tree vandalism incidents over the last year, both within and adjacent to the Common. These took the form of both tree destruction within the reserve and the devastating over-pruning of street trees. Whilst we encourage you to get involved in council matters, please leave the tree management to our qualified arborists.

Speaking of arborists and tree work in general, we were heartened by successful prosecutions against individuals removing trees illegally, both on private and council land. We are happy to be part of a council that 'walks the walk' in taking action to deter the improper removal of our urban canopy for private reasons.

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**Beaumont
Ward**
Cr Harvey
Jones

We know there is certainly a place for tree removal at times, both by council as well as individuals, but we implore all you good folk to follow proper procedure to protect not only yourself, but our local biodiversity.

Trees are a valuable asset, both while alive and after their life has run its course. Recent storms saw the failure of several healthy trees in our parks and reserves that were promptly removed. Consider though, the dead tree that is left where it lies; we have no doubt you can picture many such examples in our area. Trees are home to many species of insects, birds and other wildlife. When we see trees retained on vacant blocks, it gives us hope that new developments can remain sensitive to urban biodiversity in the future, despite increasing in-fill.

The City of Burnside's Urban Tree Strategy is up for renewal this year and we are anticipating some significant shifts in priorities since this was established 9 years ago. Along with encouraging the planting and retention of trees, we will surely continue to crack down hard on any tree removals that are not in line with our policies. The cooling, biodiversity and aesthetic benefits of trees remain paramount for us and we encourage you to reach out to us, as always, if you want to have your voice heard.

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**Kensington
Park Ward**
Cr Jane
Davey

I hope you are all enjoying this Autumn and our fabulous Festival, Fringe, music and literary events.

We experienced unpredictable summer weather during which we again endured damaging storms and sadly have lost more of our large established trees, especially in our parks, which we cannot afford.

Management of our urban trees has a massive influence on the liveability of our city and as we recognise with concern, climate change is impacting the sustainability of Burnside's urban tree canopy. We have much work to do to maintain these green assets which are constantly under threat from development, even vandalism and need the help of our community to plant trees and actively support street trees to beautify and cool our homes and environment.

Importantly work is being completed for 40 km/h speed limits across Burnside. These aim to reduce traffic flow and to improve safety through many of our congested suburbs.

I want to also note the important work that our staff undertake to provide Aged Care Home Support Program Services through the gateway of the government's My Aged Care. Services such as Social Support Groups, Transport, home maintenance and modification, plus domestic assistance to our ageing community are in place to support healthy independence.

I'm also working to improve waste management and recycling initiatives. We must continue work to refine and improve recycling and reduce waste to landfill and I'm keen to see the start of our trial of weekly collection of green food organics bins.

Please contact me if I can be of any assistance.

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**Kensington
Park Ward**
Cr Andy
Xing

2023 in Focus.

As I have now completed one full year representing you, I think it is important to first and foremost extend my heartfelt gratitude to the community for the unwavering support, advice, and many suggestions.

In the past year, I have moved a number of motions that have played a pivotal role in shaping our community's trajectory. From supporting road safety around local schools, actively engaging with next generation talent (endorsing a youth officer), and initiatives promoting sustainability such as trial for weekly green bins, each decision has been guided by a commitment to enhancing the quality of life for Burnside residents. Moving forward, I look forward to supporting innovative projects that both support and boost our circular economy, aligning with our commitment to environmental responsibility. Small business support, expanding heritage grants programs, active ageing, all certainly on the radar.

One of the key lessons learned is the delicate balance between fiscal responsibility and community development. As we look ahead, the challenges remain significant. Balancing budget constraints with ambitious projects requires careful consideration and strategic planning. We must prioritize initiatives that align with our community's needs while ensuring the financial sustainability of our city.

I am excited about the year ahead and the opportunities it holds for Burnside. Your input and engagement are invaluable as we strive to build a resilient, thriving community. As always, please reach out with any questions or concerns. Here's to another year of progress, unity, and shared accomplishments!

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**Rose Park &
Toorak Gardens
Ward**
Cr Lilian
Henschke

In 1972 Daisy Salotti bequeathed her house for the Dulwich Community Centre.

In 2023 James Stevens MP helped its renewal for many more generations.

In 1920 locals commissioned the 'Helping Hand' War Memorial.

In 1944 Otto-von-Rieben bequeathed 'Attunga' tranquil Heritage Gardens for locals and patients.

This century, let's too contribute!



The official handover of 'Attunga' by Otto von Rieben to the City of Burnside.



Official party at 'Attunga' to inspect the gift of Otto von Rieben to the City of Burnside.

Image credit: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Attunga,_Toorak_Gardens

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Burnside Civic Centre launches Concierge Service



A new free service has been launched to assist visitors to the Burnside Civic Centre – the Burnside Concierge Service.

Launched in late 2023, the service is a volunteer staffed program ready to help you navigate your way around the Civic Centre and take full advantage of our range of spaces and services.

With the goal of increasing accessibility for those who visit the Centre, the Concierge Service is aimed at providing cultural connection and support for residents who may struggle with English or require translation services. Staffed by bilingual volunteers, the concierge desk, located at the main Civic Centre entrance just outside the Library, specialises in providing support to Mandarin speaking visitors.

Concierge volunteer Nancy said that being a part of the fledgling service had been enjoyable and it had been rewarding to assist community members visiting the Centre.

‘For me, volunteering creates a sense of belonging, enables creative expression, promotes social inclusion and promotes wellbeing in the community.’

The Burnside Civic Centre Concierge Service desk is currently staffed 10 am – 12 pm, Monday to Thursday.

The City of Burnside currently receives support from 385 volunteers across the organisation, if you are interested in volunteering, all opportunities can be found on the City of Burnside website.

Local artist group to celebrate 50 years

Dulwitches, a group of local artists, are getting ready to celebrate 50 years as part of the City of Burnside community.

Currently home to more than 20 talented South Australian craftspeople, Dulwitches’ store offers a wide range of products including baked goods, baby products, clothes, and around-home necessities.

Artist Lisa George said Dulwitches is continuing to grow even as it enters its half-century.

‘The shop changes week to week and we constantly have artists evolving,’ Lisa said. ‘We have customers come in whose mothers and grandmothers used to come in to buy, we’ve become a family institution.’

With the goal of brightening the lives of their customers through personal and distinctive artworks, Dulwitches are looking forward to sharing this outstanding milestone with the community in 2024.

Artist Tanya Curran said the team is planning to host a morning tea on Devereux Road in late April as a celebration for the big 50.

‘We have members coming who have been here from the start,’ Tanya said. ‘We can’t wait to celebrate such a milestone.’





Your Neighbourhood Budget brightens Tusmore Park

Sometimes you can find beauty in unexpected places, and thanks to the **Your Neighbourhood Budget** funding and the artistic touch of a Burnside native, the Tusmore Park toilet block has gone from grey and gloomy to purple and proud.

As part of the 2023/24 **Your Neighbourhood Budget**, six projects around the City of Burnside were approved following public voting. One of which was the commissioning of a mural to be painted on the exterior walls of the toilet block on the eastern side of Tusmore Park, near the tennis courts.

Genevieve Byrt of Gen + Tonic Art who submitted the **Your Neighbourhood Budget** project proposal, was the artist to bring the space to life.

Born and raised just a few doors down from Tusmore Park along Northumberland Street, Genevieve, now in her 30s, said the park has maintained a special place in her heart ever since her childhood days in the wading pool.

'I love the idea that my future kids will be able to come down here and see something I have created and be in a welcoming space,' Gen said.

'I grew up around the corner and I've spent a lot of time in this park, so it was really important to me that I painted something that was not only going to be engaging for people to watch being painted but to also come and enjoy on a regular basis.

'For a space that is so heavily involved in the community and so many families and children around - I wanted to try and ignite energy and joyfulness. I suggested the project as part of **Your Neighbourhood Budget** and one thing led to another and it was approved.'

Composed of bright purples and blues, the mural design was created to reflect elements of the Burnside area.



Featuring native flora and fauna and highlighted by a striking wave through the middle that represents the Burnside creek system. Come have a look yourself and see if you can identify all the symbols of Burnside.

Painted towards the end of January in near 40-degree heat, Tusmore Park was teeming with hundreds of visitors taking advantage of the wading pool. Gen said community feedback from those at the pool had been overwhelmingly positive.

'I've met so many people who travel from all over Adelaide to come to this spot - the wading pool especially is such a great resource for kids. Everyone has loved the mural, especially the kids.

'Seeing art in public spaces is not only interesting and exciting, but it shows young people and other community members that art doesn't have to be in a gallery and you can create interesting spaces that are engaging to be in.'

In total the mural took around 60 litres of paint and roughly 35 hours across four days to complete.

2024/25 **Your Neighbourhood Budget** submissions are now open to all City of Burnside residents. To submit your suggestion for the 2024/25 **Your Neighbourhood Budget**, scan the QR code in the 'Have Your Say' section of this magazine or on the enclosed postcard.





Have your Say

Your Neighbourhood Budget 2024/25

It's your turn to make a difference and help your neighbourhood thrive! Get ready to get creative and share your ideas! Every year the community contributes to the creation of Council's Business Plan and Budget via the Annual Community Survey and the Annual Business Plan and Budget engagement process (in May). Have your say on the 2024/25 budget later this year.

Your Neighbourhood Budget is another chance for the community to direct how funds are spent. The community nominates projects and decides which projects are funded.

\$35,000 is available to spend on projects in your neighbourhood. Council is all ears and welcomes nominations for projects to be completed in the City of Burnside.

The community votes on which projects will be installed or maintained by Council on community land such as parks, reserves, road verges and community centres in the City of Burnside.

Last year's community passion for improvements helped bring some fantastic projects to life like the Tusmore Park toilet block mural, tree planting in Deakin Grove, Glenside, and soon-to-installed communication boards at Burnside Adventure Park and Wombat Waterhole.

Applications are now open at engage.burnside.sa.gov.au and close Friday 5 April 2024. Voting opens **Monday 20 May 2024** and closes **Friday 14 June 2024**.

Winning projects will be announced on engage.burnside.sa.gov.au in **July 2024**.

Follow the QR code here or on the included postcard to have your say.



Support Services

We are currently exploring innovative approaches to provide the community with valuable and affordable services and supports. Your input through a survey is welcomed to help us gather insights and consider various service possibilities for the City of Burnside.



Dog and Cat Management Plan 2024-2029

The City of Burnside Dog and Cat Management Plan has been reviewed and Council is seeking community feedback on the draft plan.

The Dog and Cat Management Plan 2024-2029 will guide the management of dogs and cats within the council area for the next five years. This draft plan contains recommendations for a wide range of actions to be undertaken by the City of Burnside to encourage and assist all residents in responsible cat and dog ownership.

Scan the QR code to give your feedback on the draft Dog and Cat Management Plan 2024-2029.

Submissions close 5 April 2024.





Have your Say



Dogs on leads

Council is proposing four sites as potential mandatory dog on-lead areas. The four areas proposed are of high biodiversity value and are home to sensitive wildlife.

To inform the decision making on this matter, Council seeks your feedback on each site.

Complete the enclosed survey and return it using the Reply Paid envelope, drop it off at the Burnside Civic Centre, or email a copy to burnside@burnside.sa.gov.au. **You can also scan the QR code.**

Submissions close 28 March 2024.



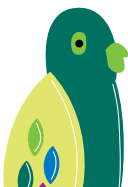
Burnside City Master Plan – Bicycle Network

In line with the Burnside City Master Plan, Council is developing a cycling plan that aims to design a safer network that will encourage more people to cycle. Potential improvements may include enhanced commuter routes to the City and neighbouring councils; crossings on arterial roads; installation of signage; and the linking of destinations to encourage people to cycle for local trips to schools, shops, parks, the Library and Civic Centre.

If you would like to have your say on how our cycling routes and infrastructure can be improved, we would love to hear from you. You can access the survey by **following the QR code.**



You can stay informed with the latest news and have a say on the issues that shape your community.



engage.burnside

Are you interested in staying informed on what is happening in Burnside and want to ensure you have a voice for all Council community engagements? engage.burnside.sa.gov.au is a great way to see open community engagement projects and past plans and read about local stories on our News Hub. Register now and you can have a say on the issues that shape your community and access information about local issues and events.



Upcoming Works

Dog Rails and Bike Racks:

City of Burnside Civic Centre, Tusmore

Doggie Dinnie Installation:

Penfold Park, Magill

Tusmore Park, Tusmore

Drainage:

Cooper Place, Hazelwood Park

Kintore Avenue, Hazelwood Park

Pridmore Road, Glen Osmond

Seaforth Avenue, Hazelwood Park

Drinking Fountains:

Bennett Reserve, Magill

JB Ware Reserve, Glen Osmond

Salop Street Reserve, Beulah Park

Footpath Renewal:

Philps Reserve, Leabrook

Wittber Lane, Dulwich

Re-kerbing:

Bakewell Street, Tusmore

Chessington Avenue, Frewville

Kings Avenue, Burnside

North Street, Frewville

Verdale Avenue, Linden Park

Road Resurfacing:

Fullarton Road Service Road, Rose Park

Thomas Place (Alexandra Avenue to Grant Avenue),
Rose Park



Bakewell Street, Tusmore

Completed Works

Footpath Renewal:

The Grove (Mellington Street to Greenhill Road), Dulwich (\$18.7k)

Howard Terrace (Rochester Street to Knightsbridge Road), Leabrook (\$22k)

Tusmore Park (\$70k)

Irrigation Upgrade:

Kensington Gardens Reserve, Kensington Gardens (\$143k)

Lighting:

Cowan Street and Torrens Avenue, Erindale (\$1.2k)

Re-kerbing:

Booth Avenue and Tamarack Avenue, Linden Park (\$185k)

Chatsworth Grove, Toorak Gardens (\$334k)

Cudmore Avenue, Toorak Gardens (\$145k)



Booth Avenue, Linden Park



Cowan Street, Erindale



The Grove, Dulwich

Be ... Connected



Lions Club of Glenside

We run the Bookmart (Kennaway Street, Tusmore) raising funds for charitable causes, including Catherine House and Hutt Street Centre (\$5,000 each in December). The Bookmart is open every Friday (10am-1pm), Saturday-Sunday (10am-3pm), Monday (10am-1pm).

Last year's Art Show raised \$20,000 for Kickstart for Kids. Recently we collected 200kg of food donations for Foodbank Christmas hampers; conducted vision screening for students at Elizabeth South Primary School and children of the Ukrainian community; and hosted Hearing Australia's mobile testing unit – a free public service.

We welcome new members with an urge to serve. Telephone Frank (0403 949 745) to know more.



Burnside Rostrum Public Speaking Club 32

We are a friendly Public Speaking Club.

We meet on the first and third Monday of each month from 7.30 pm until 9 pm

We meet at Margaret Bond Room 2, Glenunga Hub, 70 Conyngham St Glenunga

In a friendly, encouraging atmosphere you can develop the following skills and have fun at the same time.

- Speaking and presentation skills
- Speech preparation
- Meeting procedure
- How to chair a meeting

We welcome interested people to visit as a guest and experience what Rostrum has to offer.

Contact: Geoff Sherlock geoffreysherlock75@gmail.com 0401223327



Fringe in Burnside

The City of Burnside is hosting a range of shows as part of the Adelaide Fringe. Check out the full list: <https://adelaidefringe.com.au/fringe-lists/city-of-burnside>.

Burnside Ballroom

Class of Brass – Summon the Music

Sunday 3 March, 2 pm. Campbelltown City Band presents an afternoon of live music, from one of South Australia’s British-style brass bands.

Vernacular

Wednesday 6 March, 7 pm and 9.30 pm. Thursday 7 March, 9 pm. A diverse ensemble, Aurora performs a range of repertoire from folk to classical to contemporary, under the direction of their conductor Christie Anderson.

Adelaide Concert Jazz

Sunday 10 and Sunday 17 March, 2.30 pm. Featuring accomplished singers, Marina Olijnyk, Sian Zimmer and Alan Howard-Jones and presented by the 30+ piece City of Adelaide Concert band, conducted by Sergey Grynchuk.

The Regal Theatre

Ticket prices vary – concessions available – see website for show times – bookings at bit.ly/CoBRegal

The Elton John Story

Saturday 2, Friday 8 and Saturday 9 March
The incredible and awe-inspiring journey of one of the all-time musical greats is delivered by one of the UK’s best vocal talents, Angus Munro and the award-winning Night Owl Shows band.

The Look of Dusty

Wednesday 6 March, 7.30 pm. Saturday 9 March, 4.45 pm. Sunday 10 March, 2 pm. From the UK, the multi award-winning Night Owl Shows return with an Adelaide Fringe debut celebrating the music of an icon. Performed by Ella McCready and the Night Owl Shows band.

The Billy Joel Story

Thursday 7 and Sunday 10 March, 7.30 pm. Saturday 9 March, 8.30 pm. Fresh from the UK, an uplifting showcase of the music of the 150 million selling Piano Man. Includes songs that have become cultural touchstones for millions: Uptown Girl, Always a Woman, We Didn’t Start The Fire, Scenes From An Italian Restaurant and more.



ABBA GOLD

- Waterloo 50 year Anniversary Show

Saturday 16 March, 8 pm.

Re-live the years and the songs that will make you want to sing and smile. This show is presented in an original story-telling way and is guaranteed to lift your spirits and to touch your emotions.

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Events

Burnside Youth Forum

Friday 22 March, 4 pm – 7 pm

Glenunga Hub

Council is seeking young people 12-25 who live, work or study in the area to come along to the Burnside Youth Forum. The forum will be a platform for young people to have their say on what is important to them and will shape the development of the Burnside Youth Action Plan.

Free to attend, refreshments provided.

Cultural Fusion in Music

Friday 22 March, 7.30 pm

The Regal Theatre

Ticket prices from \$15. Bookings essential.

A multicultural gala style concert presented by the City of Burnside in partnership with the Regal Theatre in celebration of Harmony Week.

Fitness in the Parks 2024

Fitness in the Parks is a free 8-week exercise program offered outside in our stunning parks and reserves. Starting the week of 12 March 2024.

Sessions include Zumba, EasyFit Starter, Yoga or Pilates. Visit our website for times and locations.



April School Holiday Youth Activity

Discover excitement this Autumn with our Youth School Holiday activities!

We have a number of experiences from outdoor activities, creative workshops, or learning opportunities.

For more details contact our community development team at Communitydevelopment@burnside.sa.gov.au or 8366 4200.

What's on in Burnside

For more details on these events and even more coming up, visit <https://www.burnside.sa.gov.au/Whats-On>



Events

Burnside Library

See the full schedule of upcoming Burnside Library events at our Eventbrite: bit.ly/CoBLibraryevents

Library in the Park:

Friday 8 March, 10 am – 1 pm

Tusmore Park, corner Kennaway Street and Stirling Street
Our annual celebration for pre-schoolers returns on **Friday 8 March from 10 am** in Tusmore Park. Join us for fun, songs, stories and more!



Sustainable Homes Information session:

Thursday 7 March, 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm

Burnside Library

Learn more about how your home could be more sustainable with practical advice. This event is in collaboration with Council's Environmental Sustainability team.

Family Drug Support Information Sessions:

Thursdays 4 March, 11 March and 18 March, 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm

Burnside Library

Is someone in your family or a friend taking drugs and/or alcohol? Are you looking for practical down-to-earth information and support?

This free series of practical information sessions looks at the stages of change for families and people who use substances; alcohol and other drugs information and treatment options; workable boundaries and conflict resolution.

Presented by Family Drug Support - a national, non-religious, not-for-profit organisation funded by SA Health.

Author Talk – Bonnie Garmus:

Monday 20 May, 6 pm - 8 pm

Regal Theatre

We are very excited to be hosting the author of worldwide bestseller *Lessons in Chemistry*, Bonnie Garmus for an exclusive event at the Regal Theatre in association with Dillons Bookshop.



FISCH

Family Initiative Supporting Children's Health (FISCH) is a program to help you as a family with the tools and information needed to feel safe, secure and confident in your ability to support your child's development.

FISCH is a series of accessible workshops from local service providers for new parents on topics such as emotional literacy, social development, developmental milestones and more.

Scan the QR code for upcoming workshops.



Pepper Street Arts Centre



Renovations update

Pepper Street Arts Centre is currently finalising bathroom renovations to ensure facilities meet Disability Discrimination Act requirements. The renovation is expected to be completed in late April 2024.

The entire centre will be closed to the public to ensure everyone's safety during the bathroom renovation.

This includes:

- Dorrit's coffee shop and seating area
- Exhibition/Gallery space
- Rear carpark
- Workshop space
- Gift shop

We thank you for your patience during these works and apologise for any inconvenience. Keep an eye on our social media and the City of Burnside website for updates as and when they become available. We look forward to welcoming the community back into this space and sharing our passion for local artists.



2024 FEATURED EXHIBITIONS

bit.ly/PepStExhibits

Turns Twenty One!
T'Arts Textile & Arts Collective
26 April - 24 May

If Fabrics Could Speak...
Catherine Fitz-Gerald
31 May – 21 June

Celebrating 70 Years
Studio Potters SA
28 June – 19 July

Gardens' Palette
South Australian Living Artists Festival
28 July – 23 August

Anything Goes
SA Mosaics
30 August – 27 September

Nature's Foundations 3
2024 Artist Residency Program
4 October – 8 November

Little Treasures for Christmas
Handmade Art and Craft Gifts
17 November – 19 December

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

bit.ly/PepStArtOfMth

DORRIT'S COFFEE SHOP
Affordable light menu, locally baked.
bit.ly/Dorrits

CLASSES & GROUPS
Beginners through to experienced,
weekdays, evenings and weekends.

bit.ly/PepStArtClass
bit.ly/PepStArtCmtyGrps

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTISTS
Monthly submissions.
bit.ly/PepStArtistOpps

INFORMATION
Free newsletter to your inbox
bit.ly/PepperStNews

SOCIALS
Like us on Facebook:
Facebook.com/PepperSt

Follow us on Instagram:
[@pepper_street_arts_centre](https://Instagram.com/pepper_street_arts_centre)

Pepper Street Arts Centre is located at 558 Magill Road, Magill, open Tues – Fri 10 am – 5 pm and Saturday 12 noon - 5 pm. Closed public holidays and Easter Saturday. Phone 8364 6154 or visit www.pepperstreetartscentre.com.au or www.facebook.com/PepperSt or Instagram. Exhibitions. Gift Shop. Art Classes. Coffee Shop. Free Entry. Car Parking. Disability Access.



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