



State Planning Commission Work Plan 2022-23

In-progress Projects (as of 27 January 2023)

Project	Additional Information (Not Confidential)	Strategic Plan 2022-23 Reference
Development of the six Country Regional Plans	<p>On 13 October 2022, the State Planning Commission endorsed Proposal to Initiate documents for the preparation of six Country Regional Plans.</p> <p>Consultation will be undertaken on the draft Regional Plans in mid-2023 and engagement activities will support wide-ranging participation by the community and stakeholders.</p> <p>Further information about the Regional Planning Program is available via the following link: https://plan.sa.gov.au/our_planning_system/instruments/planning_instruments/regional_plans.</p>	1. Planning for Growth and Change
Development of the new Greater Adelaide Regional Plan	<p>The State Planning Commission has commenced the preparation of a Discussion Paper for the Greater Adelaide Regional Plan.</p> <p>The Discussion Paper will be designed to prompt an open discussion with industry, community and other stakeholders on the benefits, challenges, and trade-offs for a range of growth options.</p> <p>This will consider the role of infill development, greenfield development, and township growth in accommodating the next 30 years of housing supply in Greater Adelaide, and the difficult trade-offs that need to be considered including the protection of established character and environmental areas, and the need for an ongoing supply of affordable housing.</p> <p>The Discussion Paper is expected to be approved for release by the State Planning Commission in early 2023, and this will be followed by engagement activities including a series of workshops that will take stakeholders through the growth options for the Greater Adelaide Region for 30 years to approximately 2054.</p>	1. Planning for Growth and Change

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Development of Design Standards	<p>Currently, background investigation and consideration of a proposed Design Standard relating to vehicle crossovers is underway. This would be the first Design Standard under the <i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016</i> (the PDI Act).</p> <p>If the State Planning Commission decides to formally initiate this Design Standard, as a designated instrument under the PDI Act, it will be subject to the requirements of the Community Engagement Charter and follow similar engagement principles, seeking public comment as per Code Amendments. At this stage, the anticipated timing for public engagement is aimed for the second half of 2023.</p> <p>Further information about Design Standards is available via the following link: https://plan.sa.gov.au/our_planning_system/instruments/planning_instruments/design_standards.</p>	2. Enhancing our Planning System
Implementation of Outline Consents	<p>Under section 120 of the <i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016</i> (the PDI Act), a relevant authority may, on application, grant a consent in the nature of an outline consent. Further, an outline consent may be granted in circumstances specified via a Practice Direction.</p> <p>In accordance with the PDI Act and its associated Regulations, the State Planning Commission is currently drafting an Outline Consent Practice Direction.</p>	2. Enhancing our Planning System
Site Contamination Assessment Scheme	<p>The State Planning Commission is undertaking targeted improvements to site contamination policy and <i>Practice Direction 14 – Site Contamination Assessment 2021</i>.</p> <p>Following feedback from key stakeholders, the State Planning Commission approved changes to Practice Direction 14 (which came into effect in June 2022) to improve the function and consistency of the Site Contamination Assessment Scheme.</p> <p>Further information is available via the following link: https://plan.sa.gov.au/our_planning_system/instruments/planning_instruments/site_contamination_assessment.</p>	2. Enhancing our Planning System
Planning and Design Code – Interface Management Policy Review	<p>The State Planning Commission is currently exploring policy or other mechanisms to address interface between industrial and residential development.</p>	3. Leading on Planning Policy
Planning and Design Code – Review of Overlay Policy, DTS Requirements and Referrals	<p>The State Planning Commission will soon commence work with referral agencies to enhance their overlays and deemed-to-satisfy (DTS) solutions.</p>	3. Leading on Planning Policy

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Open Space and Trees Project	<p>The Commission has completed Part 1 and Part 2 of the Project. To progress the outcomes of the Project, Planning and Land Use Services have commenced an options and economic analysis to properly understand and inform any proposed changes to tree regulations.</p> <p>Part 3 of the Project is currently on hold by the State Planning Commission pending the outcome of the planning system review by the Expert Panel.</p> <p>Further information about this Project, including an Arborist Report and Research Report commissioned by the State Planning Commission, is available via the following link: https://www.saplanningcommission.sa.gov.au/projects_and_engagement/commission_projects/Commission_Projects/open_space_and_trees_project.</p>	3. Leading on Planning Policy
State-wide Bushfire Hazards Overlay Code Amendment	<p>On 4 February 2021, the State Planning Commission initiated the State-wide Bushfire Hazards Overlay Code Amendment.</p> <p>The Code Amendment aims to review the current policy framework (spatial layers and policy content) of the six Hazard (Bushfire Risk) Overlays as well as explore other planning instruments and mechanisms to assist in mitigating bushfire hazard impacts.</p> <p>Further information about this Code Amendment is available via the following link: https://plan.sa.gov.au/have_your_say/code-amendments.</p>	3. Leading on Planning Policy
Flooding Hazards Mapping Update Code Amendment	<p>On 28 October 2021, the then Minister for Planning and Local Government initiated the Flooding Hazards Mapping Update Code Amendment.</p> <p>The Code Amendment seeks to update the spatial extent of the existing Hazards (Flooding – Evidence Required) Overlay, in 13 Local Government areas and several Outback Area townships. The proposed changes are based on existing detailed flood studies and flood hazard mapping that was not previously available when the Planning and Design Code was fully implemented in March 2021.</p> <p>Further information about this Code Amendment is available via the following link: https://plan.sa.gov.au/have_your_say/code-amendments.</p>	3. Leading on Planning Policy
Development of a brochure on climate change in the planning system	<p>The State Planning Commission is currently developing a brochure on how the South Australian planning system is responding to the challenges and opportunities of climate change.</p>	3. Leading on Planning Policy

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Review the Community Engagement Charter	On 25 November 2022, the Minister for Planning approved the State Planning Commission's proposed Community Engagement Charter Review Scheme.	4. Discharging Statutory Obligations