



MEDIA RELEASE

COUNCIL INVITE COMMENT ON THE DRAFT OPEN SPACE STRATEGY

The City of Port Lincoln, in collaboration with URPS Consultants, has developed a Draft Open Space Strategy and invite the community to make comment. Open space plays an important role in meeting the environmental and social needs of the community and provides opportunities for conservation, public health, improved amenity, water management, transport and access linkages and supports the visitor economy.

Mayor Bruce Green said “Port Lincoln plays an important role in the wider Eyre Peninsula as a regional service centre and our degree of liveability has rewards beyond the city limits”.

“In liveable communities, most people live within walking distance of a green, publicly accessible open space such as a park, playground, trail or reserve” said Mayor Green.

“Parks provide opportunities for physical activity, such as jogging, exercise equipment, ball sports, nature play playgrounds, learning to ride bike paths and dog walking. Urban green spaces are also important for plants and animals displaced by urban development and provide other environmental benefits. The cooling effect of trees and green spaces can play an important part in maintaining the liveability of our towns, particularly as heat waves increase in intensity and duration.”

Proposed directions are explored and highlighted throughout the Draft Open Space Strategy. Council invites community comment on these proposed directions and the overall draft strategy from Thursday 16 August 2018 to Friday 7 September 2018.

The [Draft Open Space Strategy](http://www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au/openspace) can be viewed on Council’s website at www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au/openspace and at the Council Administration Office and Port Lincoln Library.

The community are encouraged to provide feedback through an online feedback form with hardcopies also available at the Council Administration Office and Port Lincoln Library or by written submission to Council by post or email to YourSay@plcc.sa.gov.au.

All written submissions need to be received by 5pm on Friday 7 September 2018.

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