

DTI:Planning Review

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Hello

Gavin Trott here.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to the implementation review of the Planning and Design Code. I am hopeful that the expert panel will meet community expectations by listening attentively and acting on the feedback given.

I am concerned about the impact of both the code and our poor regulations on tree canopy right across Adelaide. You are no doubt familiar with the significant body of work published by the Conservation Council of SA and partner organisations over the last 2 years. Using an evidence-based approach, these reports highlighted how impoverished our laws have become since 2011 when significant exemptions were added to them, despite protests from both the community and experts.

The Conservation Council and partner organisations have compiled a list of their top ten priorities for reform. Support of these improvements will help make our state's tree regulations best practice, a Labor election practice. Many of the changes are backed up not only by the CCSA reports but also by the independent report commissioned by the State Planning Commission - I ask you to support these changes.

We cannot underestimate the important role that trees play in our daily lives. We need them more than they need us. By doing so you will improve our mental & physical health, clean the air that we breathe, remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, help cool our homes and streets, make our city more livable and mitigate the impacts of climate change for our children and grandchildren.

Our recent, both sides of Political Life, deterioration of our Planning Code and Protections is appalling. It did not and does not meet the public's ideas or expectations, and as such, does not achieve your function, of being our representatives sitting in Parliament.

The first reaction to this was at the last recent election, but please be aware, this will not be the last.

This new Government has started off in a far better manner, which is encouraging, but this issue needs to be addressed

efficiently
quickly

in the way that this state and its people need and want.

Looking forward to following this issue closely, and would welcome any response or feedback available from any reader of this.

My thanks for your time.

Yours sincerely,
Gavin Trott

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