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Strategic Plan 2021-2022

The State Planning Commission is South Australia's principal planning advisory and development assessment body

The State Planning Commission (the Commission) was established on 1 April 2017 as the state's principal planning body to undertake the advisory and assessment functions specified in the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* (the Act). It is a non-partisan Commission.

It currently comprises four members, including the Chair and an ex officio public servant from the State's planning and development department. Each member brings significant experience and expertise from a range of disciplines relevant to the administration of the Act.

The Commission is responsible for guiding the implementation, development and ongoing evolution of the planning system in South Australia.

The Commission has established the State Commission Assessment Panel to undertake the Commission's assessment responsibilities under the Act. A Building Technical Panel has also been established to provide advice on building assessment matters.

Details of the Commission members are available at: saplanningcommission.sa.gov.au

The Commission supports the Minister for Planning and Local Government in administering the Act. The State's Attorney General's Department provides the Commission with professional and technical services, administrative support and other resources.

This strategic plan frames the way the Commission will conduct its business and describes the emphasis that it will give to its work plan over the next 12 to 18 months.

This plan, approved August 2020, will be revised each year to ensure the proposed actions are contemporary and respond to changing circumstances.

The Commission's charter is to act in the best interests of all South Australians, to achieve the objectives of the [Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016](#).

Our Goal

An outstanding planning system that:



Engages and serves the citizens of South Australia in building prosperous communities.



Is reasoned and rational, based on evidence and research.



Leads to effective stewardship of South Australia's assets and resources.



Is ambitious, enterprising and aspirational.

The Commission will work collaboratively with, and help coordinate, the variety of interests that operate in the planning domain. It will endeavor to be open and transparent in its procedures and deliberations.

Our Guiding Principles

The State Planning Commission will operate consistent with the principles summarised here

- **Acting lawfully.**
- **Acting impartially.**
- **Maintaining confidence of Government, the Parliament, industry and other stakeholders.**
- **Working across government and with business and community.**
- **Delivering results.**

Our Strategies

The Commission has adopted five strategies:

1. Planning for Regional South Australia
2. Planning for Greater Adelaide
3. Enhancing our Planning System
4. Leading on Planning Policy
5. Discharging Statutory Obligations

The Commission has identified specific priorities within each of these strategic areas. It is important to note that the priorities listed against one strategy may also contribute to the other strategies.

Priorities for 2021 - 2022

1

Planning for Regional South Australia

1. Lead the development of Regional Plans
2. Encourage the establishment of Joint Planning Boards

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Planning for Greater Adelaide

1. Monitor and report on infill policy changes from the Phase Three Code
2. Influence the management of growth and change for Greater Adelaide by:
 - a. Ensuring adequate supply of zoned land
 - b. Initiating the review of the 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide
 - c. Working with RenewalSA for coordinated development outcomes

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Enhancing our Planning System

1. Implement Outline Consents to increase pathway options
2. Develop Design Standards that facilitate streamlined assessment
3. Monitor and report on data and trends (population and land use impacts)
4. Implement the Local Design Review Code Amendment
5. Improve the transparency of the Commission

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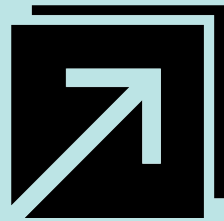
Leading on Planning Policy

1. Develop a mapping program with State Agencies for the State Planning Policies
2. Undertake targeted policy improvements to the Planning and Design Code
3. Undertake a review of trees policy and regulation
4. Finalise the Bushfires Code Amendment
5. Progress flood mapping and policy development
6. Implement policy to support new forms of housing
7. Advise on heritage matters through the Heritage Reform Advisory Panel

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Discharging Statutory Obligations

1. Review the Environment and Food Production Areas
2. Advise the Minister on Code Amendments
3. Review and report on the Performance Indicators Scheme



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