## **DTI:Planning Review**

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**To:** DTI:Office of Minister Champion; Michelle Lensink; Peter Malinauskas; DTI:Planning Review **Subject:** Critically Important Legislative Change Needed For Our Tree Canopy critically \*please edit

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Urgent legislative change is needed to protect and expand our tree canopy in Adelaide. As the world begins to take action to address the global climate emergency Adelaide's tree protection laws are sadly lagging behind interstate legislation.

Living in Eden Hills for the past 38 years I have seen our environment being degraded at an increasing rate, invaluable habitat being lost for our birds, possums, lizards and koalas. Within the last few months 3 local blocks have been completely denuded, nothing left. This is also affecting the morale and very nature of our local community. As one new resident/investor sadly commented a few days ago - "the trees had to go, otherwise there was no room for our house". A very large house! Such greed will ensure our descendants will live an impoverished environment.

As the initiator of our wonderful Grey Box Community, which has taken action over the last decade and a half on many levels to maintain bio- diversity in our area, and as the founder of the Palmer Integrated Project, an environmental restoration and cultural initiative, restoring over 400 acres of degraded landscape over the last 21 years I wholeheartedly support the 10 Urban Tree Reform Priorities put forward by the Conservation Council. We urgently need this legislative reform.

Yours sincerely, Greg Johns

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