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Strategic  
Plan  
2019-2020

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

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

It comprises five 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 heavily involved in guiding the development of the new planning system. The Commission also assumed the functions and powers of some advisory, development and assessment entities that existed under repealed development legislation.

The Commission has established the State Commission Assessment Panel to undertake the Commission's assessment responsibilities, formerly undertaken by the Development Assessment Commission. A Building Committee has been established to provide advice on building related policies and replaces the Building Advisory Committee and Building Rules Assessment Commission. The Commission may establish Hearing Panels to deal with Development Plan Amendments, including heritage matters that were previously dealt with by the Development Policy Advisory Committee and its Local Heritage Advisory Committee.

Details of the Commission members are available at: [saplanningcommission.sa.gov.au](http://saplanningcommission.sa.gov.au)

The Commission supports the Minister for Planning in administering the Act and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure provides the Commission with professional and technical services, administrative support and other resources, as needed.

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 7 March 2019, 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 based on evidence and research.



Leads to effective stewardship of the State'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 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 and the community.**
- **Working across government and with business and community.**
- **Delivering results.**

# Our Strategies

1. Implementing the New Planning System.
2. Leading on Planning Policy.
3. Administering the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*.
4. Integrating and coordinating planning activities.
5. Engaging South Australians.

# Priorities for 2019 - 2020

## 1

### **IMPLEMENTING THE NEW PLANNING SYSTEM**

- 1. PUBLISH STATE PLANNING POLICIES AND DISCUSSION PAPERS**
- 2. ROLL OUT THE CODE BY 2020**
- 3. REPORT ON THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SYSTEM**

## 2

### **LEADING ON PLANNING POLICY**

#### **DEVELOP POLICY ON:**

- 1. MONITORING AND MANAGEMENT OF LAND SUPPLY IN GREATER ADELAIDE**
- 2. INFILL IMPACTS IN ESTABLISHED SUBURBS**
- 3. RURAL LIVING AND PERI-URBAN SETTLEMENT**
- 4. DEMOGRAPHIC FORECASTS AS THE BASIS FOR GOOD PLANNING**

## 3

### **ADMINISTERING THE ACT**

- 1. CONTINUALLY IMPROVING THE OPERATION OF SCAP AND BUILDING COMMITTEE**
- 2. ENSURE SOUND GOVERNANCE OF THE COMMISSION**
- 3. FULFIL OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE ACT**

## 4

### **INTEGRATING AND COORDINATING PLANNING ACTIVITIES**

- 1. ALIGN THE PROVISION OF INFRASTRUCTURE WITH METROPOLITAN GROWTH**
- 2. FACILITATE GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE IN ADELAIDE**
- 3. ENABLE THE GROWTH OF RENEWABLE ENERGY**

## 5

### **ENGAGING SOUTH AUSTRALIANS**

- 1. COMMISSION TO ENGAGE THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PRIORITITES**



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