

# Community Facilities

## Fact Sheet



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### What is social infrastructure?

The term social infrastructure is used to describe a range of community places, spaces and facilities.

For the purposes of our draft Social Infrastructure (Assets) Policy and proposed Community Facilities Investment Plan, we are primarily focusing on community facilities owned and operated by the City of Adelaide which currently include:

- Three libraries - Hutt Street, North Adelaide and City
- Three community centres - Minor Works Building, Box Factory and North Adelaide
- 38 public toilets (owned and maintained by Council)
- 11 play spaces
- Three skate facilities – destination facility in Gladys Elphick Park / Narnungga (Park 25) and satellite facilities in Mary Lee Park / Tulya Wardli (Park 27B) and King Rodney Park / Ityamai-itpina (Park 15)
- One BMX - City Dirt facility containing multiple tracks/zones (4)
- Eight community sports courts and six 3-on-3 community basketball courts
- Two dog parks.

There are also a range of other social infrastructure assets that sit outside the responsibility of local government. In the City of Adelaide, these include but are not limited to:

- State Library of South Australia
- Universities
- Primary schools and secondary schools
- Early childhood education and care

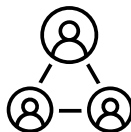
### Who are the people using these facilities?



Population  
27,901  
(ABS 2023)



Dwellings  
14,774  
(ABS 2023)



Daily City Users  
390,000  
(2023)



Community  
Centre Visitors  
47,652 annually  
(2023/2024 FY)



Library Visitors  
385,319 annually  
(2023/2024 FY)

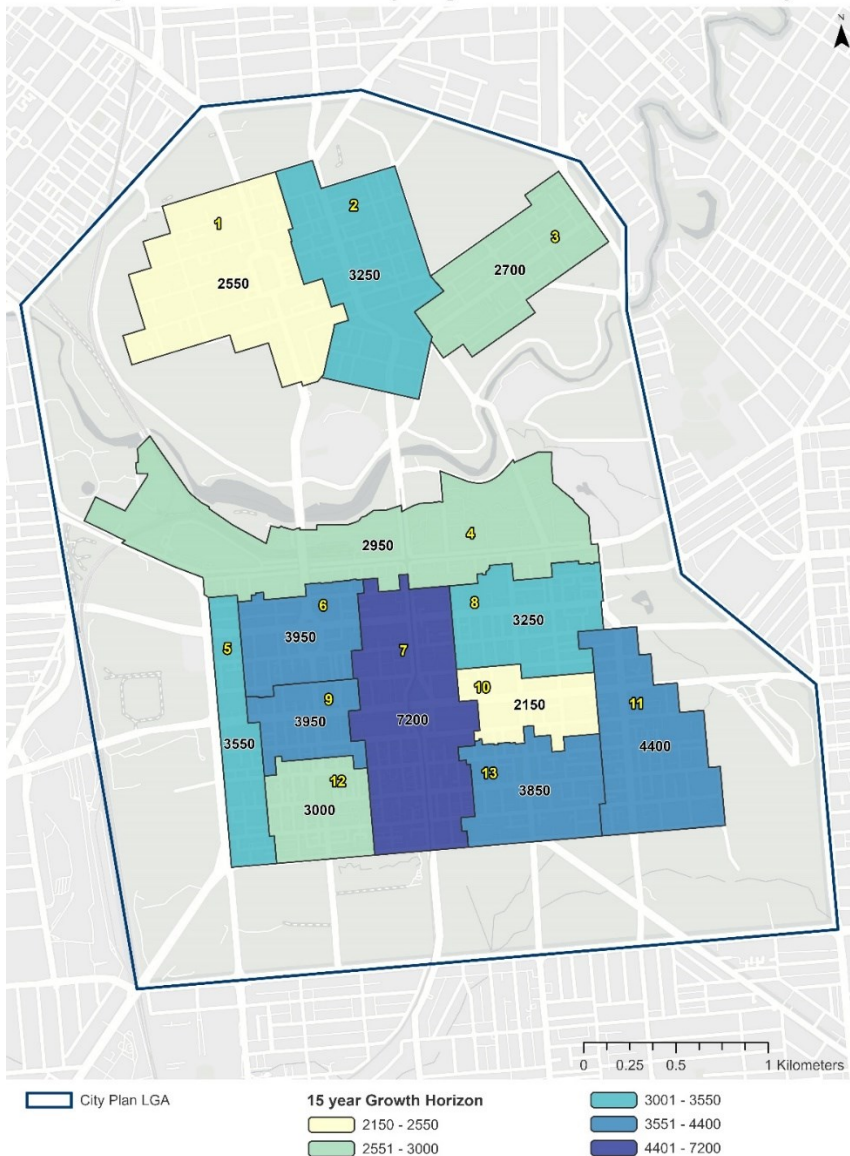
- A recent survey of community centres participants showed 64% are women, 32% men, 3% non-binary and 1% prefer not to say. Users were primarily aged 50+.
- A recent survey of library customers showed 30% are women, 30% are men, 15% non-binary and 18% prefer not to say. Users were primarily aged 55+.

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### Population Growth in the City

#### Population Growth (15 year Growth Horizon)



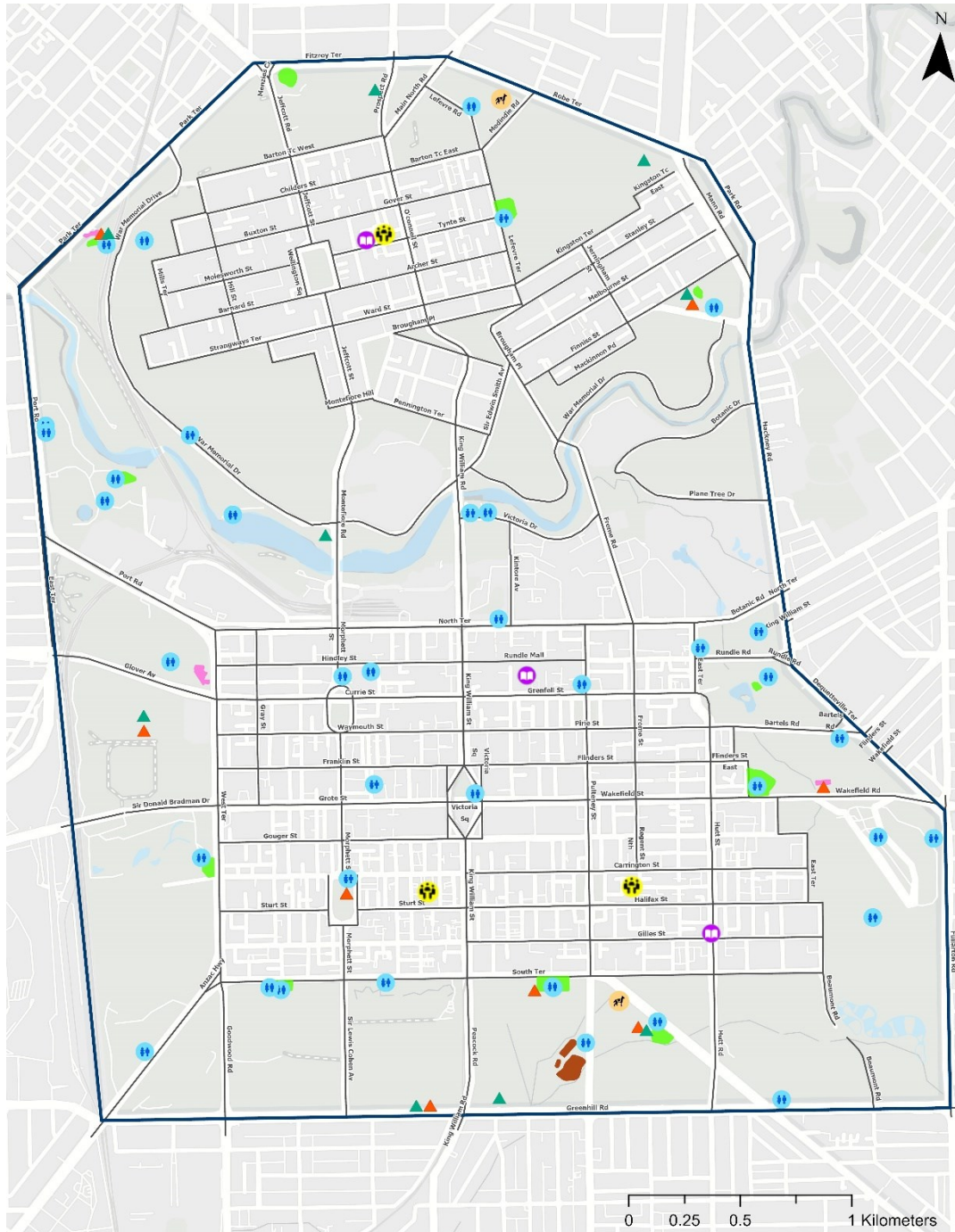
The City of Adelaide has a population growth target of 50,000 people by 2036. The above map shows the possible growth horizon across the City of Adelaide which has been divided into 13 areas. Within the City of Adelaide council area, the largest percentage of growth is expected to occur in the east and west of the city.

In addition, as a capital city, we provide several community facilities that people from the metropolitan Adelaide region access. All areas of metropolitan Adelaide are planning for growth which will increase the demand for city-based community facilities.

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### Map: Community Facilities





-  Libraries
-  Community Centres
-  Public Toilets
-  Dog Parks
-  BMX City Dirt Track
-  Skate Facilities
-  Community Sports Courts
-  Community Basketball Courts
-  Play Spaces
-  City Plan LGA






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| <p><b>Box Factory Community Centre</b></p>               | <p>Location:<br/>Regent Street South</p> <p>Building owned by:<br/>Housing SA</p> <p>Unstaffed facility</p> <p>Floor area: 360 sqm</p> | <p>This facility has limited accessibility during the day as it is subleased by the University of the Third Age from Monday to Friday from 9am until 4pm. The facility has limited visibility from the street. It has six meeting rooms and capacity for 240 people. It has the highest usage of the three community centres due to the size of the facility and the meeting room options.</p> <p><i>Low alignment with Policy</i></p> |
| <p><b>North Adelaide Community Centre/Library</b></p>  | <p>Location:<br/>Tynte Street</p> <p>Building owned by<br/>City of Adelaide.</p> <p>Staffed facility.</p> <p>Floor area: 340 sqm</p>   | <p>Large hall for hire, co-located with the library and community garden. Staffed facility with smaller meeting spaces for hire. Limited disability access and heritage controls which reduce flexibility.</p> <p><i>Medium alignment with Policy</i></p>  |
| <p><b>Minor Works Building Community Centre</b></p>    | <p>Location:<br/>Stamford Court</p> <p>Building owned by:<br/>City of Adelaide</p> <p>Staffed facility</p> <p>Floor area: 357 sqm</p>  | <p>Recent adaptive reuse with modern facilities, two rooms with total capacity for 90 people, building is disability accessible and has good indoor/outdoor connections. The centre is not located on a Main Street, has limited wayfinding signage, and is not close to public transport.</p> <p><i>Medium alignment with Policy.</i></p>   |


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| <p><b>Hutt Street Library</b></p>  | <p>Location:<br/>Hutt Street</p> <p>Leased from a private owner</p> <p>Staffed facility</p> <p>Floor area: 180 sqm</p>                            | <p>Located on a Main Street, approximately 50 metres to closest bus stop, good accessibility and ground floor visibility, well laid out floorplan based on room configurations. Small floor area, limited flexibility within room configurations. No capacity for co-location.</p> <p><i>Medium alignment with Policy.</i></p>   |
| <p><b>City Library</b></p>        | <p>Location:<br/>Rundle Place,<br/>Francis Street</p> <p>Leased from a private owner</p> <p>Staffed facility</p> <p>Floor area:<br/>1,930 sqm</p> | <p>Located adjacent Rundle Mall with good public transport links, central location provides equitable access for City and metropolitan Adelaide visitors. Large flexible floor space with modern technology. Limited visibility from Rundle Mall and Grenfell Street, access via lift and stairs, no active ground floor.</p> <p><i>Medium alignment with Policy.</i></p>  |
| <p><b>Public Toilets</b></p>     | <p>38 toilets owned and operated by the City of Adelaide including 21 Exeloos</p>   | <p>The majority of the City, except for North Adelaide, around Adelaide Oval and the outer edges of the Adelaide Park Lands, is within 400-metre walking distance of a public toilet. Opportunity for upgrades as part of the Adelaide Park Lands Community Buildings (Sport and Recreation) Policy building upgrades. Limited facilities in Main Streets. Limited after-hours opening hours. Low satisfaction ratings from user surveys including safety and condition.</p> <p><i>Medium alignment with Policy.</i></p> |


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| <p>Playspaces</p>  | <p>11 playspaces<br/>Owned by City of Adelaide</p>   | <p>The Adelaide Park Lands contain a mixture of play spaces predominantly servicing very young children, with some co-located with other recreation elements to enable intergenerational play (e.g. activity hubs in Park Bunday's Paddock / Tidlangga (Park 9), Pelzer Park / Pityarilla (Park 19) and Mary Lee Park / Tulya Wardli (Park 27B). Greater connection with other recreation and sport facilities is worth consideration.</p> <p>Play spaces that have been upgraded in the last 10 years (or so) generally incorporate imaginative play and inclusive features, with a stronger focus on landscaping and connections with their parklands setting.</p> <p>There is an absence of children's play opportunities within the City itself, with the Squares ideally located to service an emerging residential population of diverse household compositions and achieve the desirable service standard of quality open space within 400m of households.</p> |
| <p>Skate and BMX</p>  | <p>One destination skate park and two satellite skate facilities<br/><br/>One BMX (City Dirt) facility containing four tracks/zones.</p> | <p>The destination skate facility in Gladys Elphick Park / Narnungga (Park 25) is world class, with large carrying capacity.</p> <p>The skate facility in King Rodney Park / Ityamai-itpina (Park 15) is in poor condition. With demand high and supply low in the eastern metropolitan region, the</p>   |

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|  | Owned by City of Adelaide.   | <p>renewal/upgrade of this facility should be prioritised.</p> <p>The BMX (City Dirt) facility in Blue Gum Park / Kurangga (Park 20) is a unique and popular offering, that would benefit from some investment to improve access and the overall experience.</p>  |
| Community Courts  | Eight community sports courts and six 3-on-3 community basketball courts | Community courts in the Adelaide Park Lands that are accessible, incorporate lighting, and have nearby amenities are popular (e.g. Mary Lee Park / Tulya Wardli (Park 27B) and Pelzer Park / Pityarilla (Park 19)). The four community courts in Veale Park / Walyu Yarta (Park 21), lack these elements. |
| Dog Parks   | Two dog parks  | Both dog parks, geographically located in the north and south Adelaide Park Lands, are modern regional facilities containing appropriate amenities and features.  |