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Dear Sir/Madam

### **Decision on the Riverbank Precinct Code Amendment**

Thank you for your recent submission on the Riverbank Precinct Code Amendment.

The Minister has now decided to adopt the Riverbank Precinct Code Amendment under section 73(10)(d) of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*.

The engagement process provided an opportunity for stakeholders and the South Australian public to have their say and help shape the planning changes that were proposed.

A number of concerns were raised during the public engagement process. I'm pleased to let you know that significant changes have been made to the Code Amendment as a result of this feedback.

The Minister has decided to adopt the Code Amendment **with the following key changes**, as recommended by the Chief Executive of the Attorney-General's Department and the State Planning Commission (Commission):

- The proposed Riverbank Subzone has been removed. This means there is no change to planning rules for Pinky Flat or the surrounding area.
- Provides for significant protected landscaping and open space within the new zones and subzones.
- Protects park lands near the new Women's and Children's Hospital. The historic olive grove in Kate Cocks Park and land immediately west of the Old Adelaide Gaol will be kept in the park lands zone.
- New measures introduced to limit building height (maximum two to six levels) near the new Women's and Children's Hospital.
- Reinforce that residential development is not supported in the Riverbank Precinct.
- Greater protection of Kurna heritage and cultural sites.
- Sacred Kurna cultural sites near the Innovation Subzone have been protected.
- Green space in the Innovation Subzone has been safeguarded, protecting the park lands link to the Adelaide Botanic Gardens from Frome Road.
- Significantly more park lands have been retained near the Entertainment Subzone.

- Continuous landscaped pedestrian paths and cycle ways along the River Torrens have been protected.
- Expansion of the Entertainment Subzone over the railyards to provide for future development opportunities over the railway (however, there are currently no such proposals).

The Code Amendment will come into effect when published on the PlanSA Portal (i.e. when consolidated into the online [Planning and Design Code](#)), which is anticipated to occur in January 2022.

A copy of the engagement report, the Commission's advice, the Code Amendment, as well as a brochure summarising the key changes in response to consultation, will be available to view on the PlanSA Portal at: [plan.sa.gov.au/en/codeamendments](http://plan.sa.gov.au/en/codeamendments) from Saturday 18 December 2021.

Should you have any questions regarding the Code Amendment, please contact the PlanSA Service Desk on 1800 752 664 or [plansa@sa.gov.au](mailto:plansa@sa.gov.au)

Thank you for your participation in the Code Amendment.

Yours sincerely



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On behalf of the Chief Executive of the Attorney-General's Department