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Mayor CLAIRE BOAN

Welcome to the new-look PAE Today. We're excited to move forward with this new format, which we hope you will love. We're continuing to share information with you about local news, projects, events and services in your local community.

Once again, there's lots to read about in this issue, including updates on the Port Adelaide Civic Area Precinct Plan (our long-term plan to transform the civic area) and the Semaphore Foreshore Project. You'll also find information about our verge grass cutting service, recent improvements to Kilburn Community Centre that are helping bring people together and a free workshop exploring how to navigate housing choices and find a home that suits your lifestyle.

In August we enjoyed not one but two fabulous council events – Eastern Eats, a celebration of Asian food and culture at Beefacres Reserve, and River Night Walk, a stunning event blending light, sound and fire held over three nights in Port Adelaide. The calendar has been full of community-based events and programs since then, including Growing for Gold for school-age sports lovers, the Nature Festival and National Mental Health Awareness Month. Meanwhile, before we know it, the festive season will be upon us once again, so don't forget to add our annual Christmas Parade and New Year's Eve celebration at Semaphore to your calendar. Check out our digital platforms, including our website, social media and monthly eNewsletters for updates.

Now more than ever, we're working to make PAE a welcoming, liveable city, made by people: I'm excited to see what the future will bring.



ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

The City of PAE acknowledges and pays respect to the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand, the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationships with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

Meet your Elected Members

Enfield Ward


Cr Barbara Clayton


Cr Olivia Colombo


Cr Carol Martin OAM

Klemzig Ward


Cr Hannah Evans


Cr Paul Russell

Northfield Ward


Cr Mark Basham


Cr Matt Osborn


Cr Lazaras Panayiotou

Outer Harbor Ward


Cr Vanessa Tulloch


Cr Adrian Wotton

Parks Ward


Cr Kim Dinh


Cr Kat Mitchell


Cr Wasim Saeed

Port Adelaide Ward


Cr Joost Den Hartog


Cr Steve Vines

Semaphore Ward


Cr Peter McGregor

Vacant

ELECTED MEMBER CONTACT DETAILS

At the City of PAE the Mayor and Elected Members are your local community representatives and you can contact them if you have any concerns, ideas or issues you would like to discuss.

Give us a call on **8405 6600** to ask about your local Elected Members, or find their contact details at **cityofpae.sa.gov.au**



Transforming the Port

As Port Adelaide grows and transforms, we've been working on the Port Adelaide Civic Area Precinct Plan.

Endorsed earlier this year, this long-term concept plan will help us achieve our vision of regenerating the Port's civic heart over the next 10 – 20 years into a welcoming meeting place for all communities, cultures and visitors.

Some of the key elements that are being considered are:

- Transforming the civic precinct into a gateway to the Port, which will include a destination library and multi-purpose community hub, a customer service centre, a redeveloped Visitor Information Centre and pedestrian-friendly spaces
- Redeveloping Commercial Road north and Black Diamond Square as major community gathering spaces
- Upgrading St Vincent Street to improve its functionality and help reactivate its function as a main street
- Upgrading Nile Street and North Parade to make them more pedestrian-friendly and provide improved connections to the rest of the Port

This is an exciting plan that will help us welcome business, culture and community life into the Port. The next stage of the Civic Area Precinct Plan will involve further proof of concept and business case development.

The plan also aligns with the broader renewal that's already occurring in the Port, which includes private investment in the hospitality and retail sector, new townhouse-style residential developments in Dock One, Dock One North and Fletcher's Slip, and future apartment and warehouse-style housing opportunities elsewhere.

Meanwhile, in collaboration with the State Government, we're also working to improve and open up other parts of the Port beyond the precinct.

In addition to McLaren Parade Plaza, completed in 2025, a new footbridge spanning the Port River opened this year, connecting Dock One with the rest of the Port. Add to this the projected future transformation of Fisherman's Wharf and a plan to turn Dock Two Clipper Ship into a major tourism drawcard for the area, and it's all happening!

Of course, none of this would be possible without the amazing contributions of the people and businesses who invest in and contribute to Port Adelaide. Together, we're working to make the Port a vibrant, dynamic destination for everyone.

Precinct Plan



Did You Know?

In this series, we provide tips and answers to questions that people commonly contact us about.

Neat Streets

At this time of year, trees, grass and weeds grow quickly, both in your garden and on the street. Wondering when the grass on your verge will be cut next? We cut verges (also known as nature strips) in most suburbs of PAE about six or seven times a year, depending on the weather. We also spray weeds three times a year. Our grass cutting schedule is readily available on our website, and it's updated daily as our street care teams work around the city. Simply navigate to the Verge Services page and look up the schedule for your suburb.

Prefer to mow the verge yourself? No worries. You can choose to opt out of the grass cutting program by submitting a Do Not Mow request through our Customer Portal. We'll come and paint a blue line along the edge of the kerb outside your property, to indicate to the street care team that you'll be cutting the grass yourself from now on. You can also submit a Do Not Spray request if you'd prefer to weed the verge instead of us, in which case we'll paint a green line along the kerb. If you change your mind at any point, all you need to do is to submit an Opt-In request for either mowing or weed control and we'll resume the service.

Verge Services



October is national **Mental Health Awareness Month** and this year's theme at PAE is 'Find Your Way to Wellbeing'. Invite a friend, neighbour or loved one along to one of our free or low-cost activities and give yourself the chance to connect with others and make a difference.

Mental Health Awareness Month



Beautiful streets

While verges green up the street and improve its visual appeal, if you're keen to help make your street more beautiful in other ways, there are plenty of activities you can get involved in. Feeling artistic? Want to add some colour to your neighbourhood? Then Paint Ya Pole, a project through which, in collaboration with SA Power Networks, we invite residents and community groups to paint their local stobie pole, could be a great option. If you're eligible, we'll provide you with free paint and anti-graffiti coating to protect your work – all you need to provide is your time and a paintbrush. **Head to our website for more information.**



A Fresh Space for Community Connections

Around 2,500 people each week are enjoying Kilburn Community Centre following recent improvements that have created a more accessible, welcoming and functional space for the community.

The upgrades included improvements to accessibility, a refreshed customer service area, upgraded community facilities, new furniture and signage, refreshed gardens and a range of building and safety improvements.

With programs, room hires and local activities now underway, the centre is once again providing a welcoming place for people to connect, learn, share and participate.

I am extremely happy to be back at the Kilburn Community Centre now that the renovations have been completed. The centre is the nucleus where all the magic happens, by bringing people together who have common interests.

KATHY,
Line dancing enthusiast

Learn something new, meet people or get involved in your local community – whatever your reason for visiting, Kilburn Community Centre welcomes everyone through its doors.



Named one of Australia's Top 100 Most Influential Women

Feeling Stuck in Today's Housing Market?

Saturday 7 November 2026 | 1 – 3pm
Parks Library

Sunday 8 November 2026 | 10am – 12pm
The Lights Community and Sports Centre

Free event. Bookings essential.

Whether you're renting, saving for your first home or considering a move, finding the right home can feel more challenging than ever.

Join award-winning urban designer, entrepreneur and author Lucinda Hartley for a practical and engaging workshop that explores housing choices, lifestyle priorities and different pathways to finding a home that works for you.

Drawing on insights from her book *Finding Home*, Lucinda will help you think beyond traditional ideas of home ownership and consider how factors such as lifestyle, work, wellbeing and community influence where and how we live. You'll develop a personalised 'home blueprint' and gain practical tools to help make informed housing decisions with confidence.

Now's the time to Get Shady!

One tree can make a surprising difference. It can cool your property on hot days, create shade, improve air quality and help make our neighbourhoods greener and more inviting.

That's why we are offering rebates of up to $100 for eligible trees planted on private land (in-ground plantings only).

Whether you're a homeowner looking to add some shade, a community group, a sports club or a business wanting to improve your street presence, now is a great time to plant – find out more.

Get Shady



Semaphore Foreshore Update

We're continuing to move forward with the Semaphore Foreshore Project, with construction scheduled to begin in February 2027. As planning progresses, we are finalising the appointment of a construction contractor and preparing for the next stage of project delivery.

Semaphore is one of South Australia's most iconic coastal destinations, and throughout the planning process one message has come through loud and clear from the community – people love Semaphore for its unique character, relaxed atmosphere and family-friendly feel.

This feedback has helped us to shape the project to focus on enhancing what people already love about Semaphore while renewing ageing infrastructure. The project includes improvements to key community facilities, new and upgraded play and recreation spaces, better beach accessibility, additional landscaping and shade, and related upgrades to support both everyday use and major community events.

Whether you're a resident, business owner, member of a community group or an event organiser, we know many of you are interested in what the project will mean for you during construction. As further details become available, we'll share more information about construction staging, timing, access arrangements and event planning.

We plan to start construction in February next year to minimise any impacts during Semaphore's busiest periods, including summer and major events. In the meantime, you can find recent project updates online.

These include detailed designs and answers to frequently asked questions, as well as information about accessibility improvements, landscaping, parking, events, the foreshore train, and how community feedback has influenced the final design.

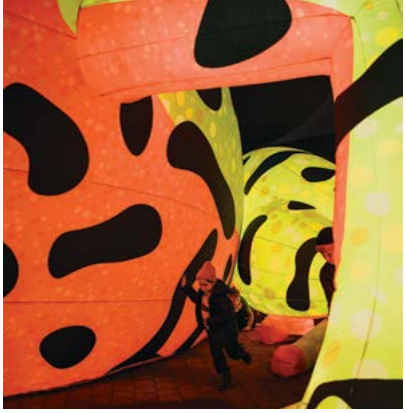
We look forward to sharing further updates in the coming months!

The reality is we're well overdue for something to happen down here. As a father of two young kids and a business owner on Semaphore Rd, we're thrilled.

MICHAEL COTTON,
High-Tide Café

Semaphore Foreshore

Out & About





River Night Walk ▲

River Night Walk, featuring a major sculptural installation by Amigo & Amigo, lit up Port Adelaide with neon art, music, markets and family fun.

EASTERN EATS ▼

The community enjoyed an unforgettable Eastern Eats experience, filled with food, entertainment, creativity and connection at Beefacres Reserve.









Volunteers Change Lives

Volunteers are the backbone of the community at PAE – in fact, in 2025 alone, volunteers contributed more than 27,000 hours of service. Trevor Charlton, who works at the Enfield Library as a Collections and Tech Services volunteer, is a shining example of this. Trevor's responsible for checking and repairing the library's collection of CDs and DVDs to make sure they're playing properly, and his skills range from preventing glitching and pixellating to fixing things that others might consider beyond repair.

Trevor says that what he most loves about volunteering is the people he's met. 'It's a good feeling,' he adds, 'to be of service to the wider community in some way.' We couldn't agree more – with over two decades of volunteering behind him, it's clear just how valuable his services are!

We're always in need of dedicated volunteers like Trevor, so if you can spare some time and want to make a positive difference to the community, we'd love to hear from you. Meanwhile, thanks to everyone who already volunteers – we're incredibly grateful to you.

Become a Volunteer

OUR Services

PORT ADELAIDE ENFIELD

Port Adelaide Christmas Parade

Sunday 6 December 2026
10am – 3pm
Commercial Road, Port Adelaide

Celebrate the festive season with family and friends at the 36th annual PAE Christmas Parade. The parade will travel along Commercial Road towards the Lighthouse, followed by a street party in Commercial Road North. With dazzling floats, marching bands, music, live entertainment, roving performers and plenty of food to keep you merry, there's something for everyone.

PAE business

Grants to Help Your Small Business Grow

Want to reach new customers or diversify your products or services? Looking to make better use of digital technology? Through our Small Business Growth Grant program, we offer grants from $1,000 to $5,000 to help local businesses grow, innovate and succeed. Help create jobs, bring new ideas to our neighbourhoods, build a stronger local economy and see the community thrive – apply now.

Grants for Business

Holiday Operating Hours

Civic Centre: Monday to Friday 8.30am – 5pm | Closed on public holidays

Libraries, Community Centres and Sports Centres:
Hours vary. Check our website.

Visitor Information Centre: Every day 10am – 5pm except Christmas Day

Bin Collection Changes:
Usual waste collection day: Fri 25 Dec 2026 | Changed to: Sat 26 Dec 2026
Usual waste collection day: Fri 1 Jan 2027 | Changed to: Sat 2 Jan 2027

PAE SPORT NETWORK

FIND A SPORTS CLUB

Spring and summer are a great time to play sport. Try your hand at surf life saving, tennis, cricket or even rowing – there are more than 150 sport and recreation clubs offering over 30 different activities across the City of PAE. Whether you're keen to be active, try a new sport, or connect with your community, check out our directory to find a club in your local area.

Find a Sports Club

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