

## Agenda Report for Decision

**Meeting Date: 5 August 2021**

<b>Item Name</b>	SPC Strategic Plan and Work Plan 2021/22
<b>Presenters</b>	Chelsea Lucas
<b>Purpose of Report</b>	Decision
<b>Item Number</b>	4.5
<b>Confidential Item (Y/N)</b>	Not Confidential (Release Immediately)
<b>Related Decisions</b>	28 January 2021 (Workshop); 18 February 2021; 24 June 2021; 22 July 2021

### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission resolves to:

1. Approve the designation of this item as Not Confidential (Release Immediately).
2. Approve the Commission's updated draft Strategic Plan 2021/22 as shown in **Attachment 1** and the updated draft Work Plan for 2021/22 as shown in **Attachment 2**; and
3. Authorise the Department to publish the updated Strategic Plan 2021/22 on the Commission's website.

### Background

On 22 July 2021 the Commission resolved to note that the Department will provide a further report for final approval by the Commission of the Strategic Plan and Work Plan 2021/22. This report provides the updated Strategic Plan and Work Plan 2021/22 for the Commission's final approval.

### Discussion

The updated draft Strategic Plan 2021/22 is included at **Attachment 1** and the updated draft Work Plan for 2021/22 is at **Attachment 2**. The Commission's overarching strategies and priorities within its Strategic Plan have been updated as described below, and as discussed at the Commission meeting on 22 July 2021. In particular:

- The strategy of "Undertaking System Improvements" is now "Enhancing our Planning System".

- Each of the priority areas in the Commission’s Strategic Plan have been incorporated into the revised strategy headings as appropriate. A number of the priority areas have been relocated under a different strategy heading to better align with the strategic focus of that particular piece of work.
- A number of priorities have also been deleted, cognisant of the broad scope of priorities identified in the Strategic Plan.

**Next Steps**

It is recommended that the Commission approve the updated draft Strategic Plan 2021/22 at **Attachment 1** and updated draft Work Plan 2021/22 at **Attachment 2**, and authorise the Department to publish the final Strategic Plan 2021/22 on the Commission’s website.

Attachments:

1. SPC Strategic Plan 2021/22 #15812199 v12 (mark-up) and (clean)
2. SPC Work Plan 2021/22 (spreadsheet) #17111068

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Endorsed by:	n/a
Date:	n/a



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## **Strategic Plan 2021-2022**

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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 **August 2020**, will be revised each year to ensure the proposed actions are contemporary and respond to changing circumstances.

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# Our Goal

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# Our Guiding Principles

The State Planning Commission will operate consistent with the principles summarised here

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- **Delivering results.**

# Our Strategies

The Commission has adopted five strategies:

1. Planning for Regional South Australia
2. Planning for Greater Adelaide
3. Enhancing our Planning System
4. Leading on Planning Policy
5. Discharging Statutory Obligations

The Commission has identified specific priorities within each of these strategic areas. It is important to note that the priorities listed against one strategy may also contribute to the other strategies.

# Priorities for 2021 - 2022

## 1

### Planning for Regional South Australia

1. Lead the development of Regional Plans
2. Encourage the establishment of Joint Planning Boards

## 2

### Planning for Greater Adelaide

1. Monitor and report on infill policy changes from the Phase Three Code
2. Influence the management of growth and change for Greater Adelaide by:
  - a. Balancing the supply of infill and greenfield opportunities
  - b. Initiating the review of the 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide
  - c. Working with RenewalSA for better development outcomes\*

## 3

### Enhancing our Planning System

1. Develop Outline Consents that increase certainty on the pathway to an approval
2. Develop Design Standards that facilitate streamlined assessment\*
3. Review and improve Major Development assessment processes
4. Monitor and report on data and trends (population and land use impacts)
5. Implement the Local Design Review Code Amendment
6. Improve the transparency of the Commission

## 4

### Leading on Planning Policy

1. Develop a mapping program with State Agencies for the State Planning Policies
2. Undertake targeted policy improvements to the Planning and Design Code
3. Undertake a review of Open Space and Trees policy and regulation
4. Finalise the Bushfires Code Amendment
5. Progress flood mapping and policy development
6. Progress the Co-Housing Code Amendment
7. Advise on heritage matters through the Heritage Reform Advisory Panel

## 5

### Discharging Statutory Obligations

1. Review the Environment and Food Production Areas
2. Support the Minister and Proponents through the Code Amendment process
3. Review and report on the Performance Indicators Scheme

\* Implementation of these items is subject to necessary resources or funding being secured.







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# Our Strategies

The Commission's focus for the coming 12-18 months will align with the following has adopted five core strategies:

1. Planning for Regional South Australia
2. Planning for Greater Adelaide
3. Enhancing our Planning System~~Improving the Planning System~~
4. Leading on Planning Policy
5. Discharging Statutory Obligations

The Commission has identified specific priorities within each of these strategic areas. It is important to note that the priorities listed against one each strategy are not mutually exclusive. That is, many priorities can (and will) address multiple strategic areas, may also contribute to the other strategies.

# Priorities for 2021 - 2022

## 1 Planning for Regional South Australia

1. Lead ~~the development of a~~ Regional Planning Program
2. Encourage the establishment of Joint Planning Boards

## 2 Planning for Greater Adelaide

- ~~1. Review the Environment and Food Production Areas~~
  - 2.1. Monitor and report on infill policy changes from the Phase Three ~~Planning and Design~~ Code
  2. Implement ~~Influence the management priority components of the Growth Management Program of growth and change for Greater Adelaide by:~~
    3. a. Balancing the supply of infill and greenfield opportunities
      - a. ~~Provide for priority greenfield growth in the South~~
      - b. ~~Inform~~ Initiating the review of the 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide
      - c. ~~Support Working with RenewalSA in planning for Growth Precincts for better development outcomes\*~~

## 3 ~~Continuously Improving~~ Enhancing the our Planning System

1. ~~Provide a process for~~ Develop -Outline Consents that increase certainty on the pathway to an approval
2. Develop Design Standards that facilitate streamlined assessment in priority stages\*
- ~~3. Support the Minister and Proponents through the Code Amendment process~~
- 4.3. Review and improve Major Development assessment processes
- ~~5. Advise on heritage matters through the Heritage Reform Advisory Panel~~
- 6.4. Monitor and report on data and trends (population and land use impacts)
- ~~7. Develop Case Studies for engagement under the Community Engagement Charter~~
- ~~8. Review and report on the Performance Indicators Scheme~~
  - Implement the Local Design Review Code Amendment
- 5.
- 9.6. Improve the transparency of the Commission
  - Implement the Reconciliation Action Plan as relevant to the Commission

## 4 ~~4~~ Leading on Planning Policy

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