

Dear members



A new Adelaide City Council will be elected in October. There are crucial issues related to the Parklands and, in particular, Victoria Park that interest APPA members and city ratepayers. They need to know how the candidates will vote on these crucial issues at future Council meetings.

I make no apology for the direct nature of the questions. Some candidates considered the questions were weighted in favour of Parklands preservation. However, they are framed that way to, as one candidate suggests, 'avoid back flips'. By publishing the results attached, your Association plans to hold the successful candidates accountable to their declared positions.

It was encouraging to note that all but 3 of the candidates who responded to the questionnaire supported the preservation of the Parklands, free and unrestricted access of the general public to the Parklands, and the return of alienated areas to open space available to the general public (ie questions 1–3).

While by far the majority supported national and world heritage listing of the Parklands, there was some hesitation about what conditions would apply to such listing. Also, there was overwhelming support for the question dealing with a review of the Development Plan, which included the protection and restriction of the use of the Parklands for major commercial events and permanent structures for commercial use. All candidates supported an overall vision statement for the future of the Parklands in the management policy. Graph 1 summarises the replies.

**Table 1
Victoria Park 'grandstand'—Candidates' responses**

Vote AGAINST 'grandstand'	Vote FOR 'grandstand'
Francene Conner	Michael Harbison
Arnie Rossis	Jeffrey Wheare
Ralph Clarke	David Campbell
Sue Clearihan	Richard Haywood
Joe Cullen	Ben Norman
Michael Diletto	
Arna Eysers-White	
Kelly Henderson	
Michael Henningsen	
Creston Magasdi	
Sue McKay	
Anne Moran	
Sharon Mosler	
Grant Noble	
David Plumridge	
Joan Russell	
Phil Sutherland	
Howard Williams	
Sandy Wilkinson	
Stephen Yarwood	
Bill Zaharis	

Victoria Park proposed 'grandstand'

Only 5 candidates supported the proposal by the government for a 'grandstand' for use by motor racing and horse racing businesses, with a long-term lease, while 21 candidates were against the proposal and 3 did not directly answer the question. Graph 2 dramatically highlights the strong response against the proposed building, and Table 1 provides the names of candidates and their responses.

Therefore, the new Council is put on notice that the proposed 'grandstand' is likely to be voted down, leaving the opportunity for another proposal to be considered that allows refurbishment of horse racing facilities, improved landscaping and continuation of the present arrangements for 'picnic' style horse racing and temporary facilities for motor racing.

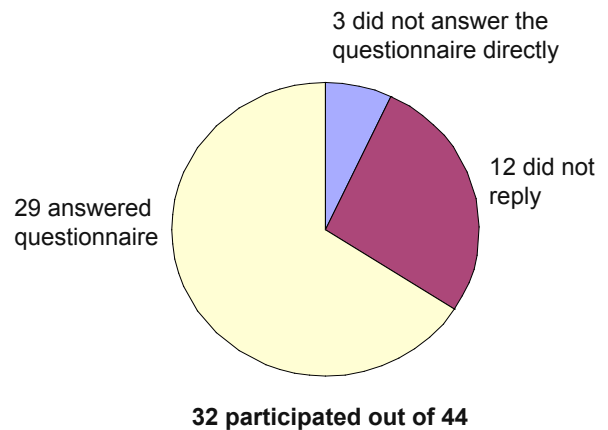
A detailed breakdown of the results is also provided to assist your voting preferences at the upcoming Council elections. By necessity, respondents' comments have been abbreviated.

Jim Daly

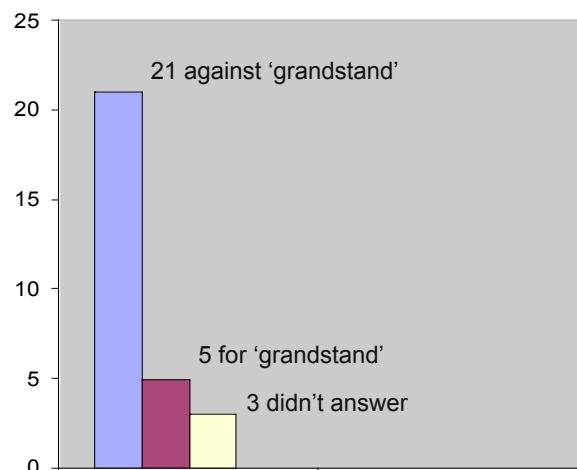
President

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**Graph 1
Summary of replies**



**Graph 2
Q7 Victoria Park 'grandstand'**



QUESTIONNAIRE PUT TO CANDIDATES

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QUESTIONS TO 2007 ACC ELECTION CANDIDATES

I give permission for my responses to be made public prior to the Adelaide City Council elections Yes No

Signed: Date:

NAME LORD MAYOR/AREA WIDE/WARD

Please tick YES/NO boxes

YES NO

- 1 Do you believe the Adelaide Parklands are worth preserving as a special part of Light's City of Adelaide plan?
- 2 If elected, will you support the principle of free and unrestricted access of the general public to the Adelaide Parklands?
- 3 If elected, will you argue for alienated areas of the Parklands to be returned to open space available to the general public?
- 4 If elected, will you support national and world heritage listing of the Adelaide Parklands?
- 5 If elected, will you support a review of the Development Plan to strengthen Adelaide Parklands protection and the restriction of use of the Parklands for major commercial events and permanent structures for commercial activities?
- 6 Do you support the idea of an overall vision statement for the future of the Parklands in the management plan?
- 7 If elected, will you vote against the government's proposed development of Victoria Park and, in particular, the proposed permanent 'grandstand' structure and an associated lease?

Please respond to the questions below

In ten years' time, what would you like to see in the Parklands?

What sort of commercial activities would you allow in the Adelaide Parklands and under what conditions?

RESULTS ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY

NAME	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	10 YEAR VISION	COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES
LORD MAYOR									
Conner Francene	Y	Y	Y	C	C	Y	Y	Trees, bird life, biodiversity, people	Activities contributing positively to life of city (eg festivals, tourism events)
Harbison Michael	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Physical unification and recognition as one great park in which city is located	Only those directly associated with outdoor recreational and leisure activities for public
Rossis Arnie	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	More natives, mini forests, wetlands and bird life for future generations' enjoyment	Commercial activities not detrimental to long-term wellbeing of Parklands
Wheare Jeffrey	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	People	Clipsal 500, horse events, circus, current conditions
AREA									
Beattie David*									
Campbell David	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Accessible public open spaces for leisure and entertainment	Any commercial activities should have a positive impact on Adelaide, socially and economically
Charlesworth George	No reply								
Clancy Ryan	No reply								
Clarke Ralph	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	People (families and sporting groups, outdoor festivals)	Clipsal 500 with temporary structures but no permanent alienation, carefully consider future proposals
Coligan Sarah**									
Dilettoso Michael	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Sufficient water, modernisation and restoration of facilities, enhancement to attract people to all corners, drawcard for tourists	Allow temporary activities with zero lasting impact and permanent commercial premises to enhance Parklands (eg Hyde Park, Central Park)
Feldheim David	No reply								
Gray Michael	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
Hayward Richard	Y	Y	Y	Y/N	Y/N	Y	N	Permitted uses and structures refurbished and utilised to provide opportunity to all	Existing major events and carnivals because Parklands are for all to enjoy
Henderson Kelly	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Conserved as per Burra Charter under Cultural Heritage Conservation Management Plan, restore alienated areas	A breach of trust or duty for ACC to allow commercial activities, they compete with commercial venues
Moran Anne	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	People and trees	Only activities that exist now, no others
Neal James	No reply								
Plumridge David	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Visionary plan, sustainable management strategy, variety of active and passive recreation spaces, devoid of major buildings and cars	Only short-term low impact events for public benefit, designated events area included in visionary plan
Rinaldi Dominic	No reply								
Russell Joan	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Community access to wide range of recreational activities, acknowledgment of Parklands as 'irreplaceable treasure', a part of 'common wealth'	Only those in accordance with a management plan and after consultation with and agreement of community
Sutherland Phil	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A reflection of Light's vision for the Parklands	Sports grounds, kiosks, restaurants etc—all sensitive to and not compromising the amenity of the Parklands
Williams Howard	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	More walking trails, sports facilities and BBQ areas	Kiosks in north and south Parklands
Wong Francis	No reply								
Zerella Silvana	No reply								

KEY * Did not answer questionnaire but asked for extensive clarification
 ** Did not answer questionnaire but supplied own material (details available on request)
 Y Yes N No C Comment supplied (details available on request)

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NORTH WARD									
Andritsakis Pam	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	C	Protection, restoration and maintenance of passive recreational areas, native fauna flora, more cyclists and pedestrians, more sport facilities, unrestricted access	Benefits from horse and car racing, therefore continued; criterium racing in Victoria Park; continuation of Adelaide Oval, Aquatic Centre and golfing
Clearihan Sue	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Implementation of CLMP, more plantings funded by business purchasing carbon credits, a clean healthy river, recycled water use	Only small scale, low impact temporary events of community benefit; small kiosks or cafes in some locations
McAlary Benadette	No reply								
Magasdi Creston	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Grass, trees and people	Weekend events, performing arts, short-term sport events
Mosler Sharon	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	No carparking, eliminate SACA encroachments, more sport clubhouses, all native trees, no powerstation or SA Water structures	Recycle North Adelaide Railway Station, allow temporary events that restore the land
Wilkinson Sandy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Wetlands, native bush, criterium tracks, return of alienated land, new facility for SAJC	New appropriate and smaller open stand facility for SAJC, no motor racing pit building
CENTRAL WARD									
Chong Cathy	Y	Y	Y				Y	More community events; better lighting and security; partnerships in hosting events by state, national and international community organisations	More community consultation needed to improve city as tourist hub and to promote environment consciousness
Eyers-White Arna	Y	Y	Y			Y	Y	Recycled water, people, endangered species plots	Case by case basis for Fringe, horse trials, children's activities, circuses and food and wine fairs
Norman Ben	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Active community use, recycled water irrigation, suitable urban design approaches	No advertising, buildings only for community use after debate, respect for planning process
Scali Vincent	No reply								
Westenberg Luke	No reply								
White Barrie	No reply								
Yarwood Stephen	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Plan incorporating diversity and unrestricted community use, network of bicycle/ walking paths, education of visitors, playgrounds, water management, native vegetation, accessible and attractive Victoria Square	Temporary sport and cultural festivals, planned for minimal impacts on biodiversity and community use, which are resourced for monitoring and enforcement
Zaharis Bill	Y	Y	Y	Y	C	Y	Y	Significant trees, water recycling and wetlands, more playgrounds and BBQ areas	Temporary structures only for events benefiting the city (eg cultural, community and commercial events)
SOUTH WARD									
Crossing David	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Available to public, restoration of native trees	Only cultural events (eg Glendi), non-profit activities
Cullen Joe	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	More trees and people	Festival Fringe activities, cultural festivals (eg Glendi, Womadelaide), no permanent structures
Henningsen Michael	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Water retention wetlands in south Parklands	Tour Down Under through the Parklands
McKay Sue	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	More people enjoying/caring for Parklands, play, walking, jogging, community sport, relaxation in natural areas	Small cafes for Parklands users operated under lease from ACC
Noble Grant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	More trees and native plants, no horse racing, through roads returned to Parklands	No permanent commercial activities that do not contribute to Parklands
Williamson Anthony	No reply								