CITY OF HOLDFAST BAY

Community Land Management Plan
Natural Reserves

Acknowledgement of Country

The City of Holdfast Bay acknowledges the Kaurna People as the traditional owners and custodians of the land. We respect their spiritual relationship with country that has developed over thousands of years and the cultural heritage and beliefs that remain important to the Kaurna people today.

1. What is Community Land?

Section 193 of *The Local Government Act 1999* (**the Act**) classifies community land as: All local government land (except roads) that is owned by a council or under a council's care, control and management.

2. Why a Management Plan is Required

Section 196 of the Act sets out the requirement for councils to prepare and adopt management plans for its community land (**CLMPs**). A CLMP is required where:

- The land has been, or is to be, specifically modified for the benefit or enjoyment of the community.
- The land is, or is intended to be, occupied under a lease, licence or permit.

Section 196 of the Act outlines that a CLMP must:

- Identify the land to which it applies
- State the purpose for which the land is held by the council
- State the council's objectives, policies (if any) and proposals for the management of the land
- State performance targets and how the council proposes to measure its performance against its objectives and performance targets.

Under Section 199 of the Act, a council must manage community land in accordance with any management plan for the relevant land.

CLMPs provide high-level guidance only; more detailed strategic and operational direction is available in Council's adopted strategies and plans.

3. Natural Reserves

This CLMP applies to the following parcels owned or under the care and control of Council:

- Barton Avenue Gully
- Gilbertson Gully
- Kingston Park Coast Reserve – Natural Area

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The land to which this CLMP applies is more specifically identified in the Schedule to this CLMP and the Community Land Register.

Regarding the Community Land Register – Council is required under section 207 of the Act to keep a register of all community land in its area, and that register must contain the information required by the Local Government (General) Regulations 2013.

Natural Reserves are areas of high environmental and conservation significance that contain remnant vegetation, steep gullies, coastal slopes, watercourses and biodiversity-rich habitats. They provide opportunities for passive recreation, education, cultural connection, nature appreciation and environmental stewardship.

Access is generally unrestricted, although entry into environmentally sensitive areas is discouraged and visitors are encouraged to use designated paths, trails and boardwalks. Facilities are intentionally minimal and low-impact, typically limited to walking trails, boardwalks, interpretive signage, seating, fencing for safety or habitat protection and occasional stormwater infrastructure.

For lands under Council's care, control and management, the Community Land Register identifies the owner together with any trust, dedication or restriction applying to each parcel of land.

4. Purpose for which Natural Reserves are held by Council

Natural Reserves are held for the:

- protection, restoration and enhancement of biodiversity, remnant vegetation, watercourses and natural landscapes;
- conservation of Kaurna cultural heritage; and
- to provide passive recreation, education and nature-based experiences for the community.

The Land is also held for secondary purposes associated with Council's operational needs including but not limited to environmental, urban design, telecommunications, heritage (cultural and built form) and Council wide stormwater management requirements.

5. Objectives for the management of Natural Reserves

The objectives are to be considered collectively. No single objective is intended to have automatic priority over another, and a proposal is not required to advance every objective. Council may determine the weight to be given to each relevant objective having regard to the nature, location and circumstances of the proposal, provided that the proposal is not inconsistent with this CLMP when read as a whole.

- Protect biodiversity, remnant vegetation and habitat.
- Recognise Kaurna culture and connection to Country.
- Provide stormwater management and watercourse stability for council-controlled assets.
- Support community stewardship, volunteering and environmental education.

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6. Leases and Licences for Natural Reserves

Council will consider granting leases, licences or other occupancy arrangements over the land subject to this CLMP, provided they are consistent with this CLMP and comply with the requirements of the Act.

Council's Community Land Register identifies any current leases and licences over land subject to this CLMP.

Council may grant leases and licences for the occupancy of land that is subject to this CLMP for terms of five years or less, without the need for public consultation, provided that they are consistent with this CLMP, in accordance with section 202(3) of the Act.

For leases or licences proposed for terms longer than five years, Council will consult the public in accordance with its Community Engagement Policy and section 202 of the *Local Government Act 1999.*

If the land is to be used for a business purpose, that use must be consistent with this Plan and may be approved by Council under section 200 of the *Local Government Act.* Council may, at its discretion, approve a business use over any part of the land, provided it is not inconsistent with this Plan and, for Crown Land, aligns with the dedicated purpose.

If a proposed lease or licence is inconsistent with this CLMP, then it cannot be granted prior to this CLMP being amended in accordance with section 198 of the Act to allow for such use.

Where Council acts as custodian of Crown Land, leases and licences must be granted or renewed in accordance with the *Crown Land Management Act 2009*.

This CLMP expressly authorises Council to grant leases, licences and other lawful occupancy arrangements over any part of the land to which this CLMP applies for any purpose that supports community use, recreation, wellbeing, environmental outcomes, cultural activities, education, public amenity, Council operations, infrastructure or other compatible activities that Council considers appropriate and consistent with the purpose and objectives of this CLMP.

Authorised uses include but are not limited to:

- Art and cultural activations (workshops, performances, exhibitions, temporary installations)
- Mobile food vendors in accordance with Council's Temporary Street Traders Policy
- Short-term activities and temporary uses
- Telecommunications infrastructure
- Public art installations
- Community, cultural, educational and recreational activities and programs.
- Environmental education and sustainability initiatives.
- Walking and cycling infrastructure, paths, seating, viewing areas and accessibility improvements.

Leases and licences authorised by this CLMP and Council works may provide for the construction, installation, placement, operation, maintenance, alteration and removal of playgrounds, play spaces, shelters, shade structures, seating, barbecues, public amenities, pathways, landscaping, irrigation, stormwater infrastructure, public art, signage, service infrastructure and other permanent or temporary facilities, improvements and structures associated with an authorised use.

Nothing in this CLMP requires Council to approve any proposed activity, use, lease or licence. Council retains discretion to determine whether, and on what terms, a proposal should be approved, having regard to the characteristics of the relevant land, the purpose and objectives of this CLMP, applicable legislation and any other matter Council considers relevant.

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Authorisation under this CLMP does not remove the need to obtain any other approval, consent or authority required by law or by the owner or controlling authority of the relevant land.

7. Proposals for the management of Natural Reserves

Council proposes to:

- Undertake habitat restoration activities including weed control and staged revegetation using indigenous species suited to slope, rainfall, soil, coastal conditions and habitat objectives. Protect remnant vegetation patches and significant trees.
- Consult Kaurna Nation for works that could impact culturally significant sites.
- Support environmental volunteer group activities.

8. Performance Targets and Measures

Objective	Performance Targets	Performance Measures
Protect biodiversity, remnant vegetation and habitat.	Maintain biodiversity through revegetation, weed control and other relevant activities. Continue to reintroduce rare and threatened flora and fauna species.	Biodiversity condition scores are maintained and measured approximately every 5 years. Area of green/natural space is maintained and doesn't decrease.
Recognise Kaurna culture and connection to Country.	Undertake consultation with Kaurna representatives for works that could impact culturally significant sites. Undertake consultation with Kaurna representatives when updating Biodiversity Action Plans.	Evidence of Kaurna consultation recorded where appropriate.
Provide stormwater management and watercourse stability for council-controlled assets.	Implement erosion control works identified in gully masterplans.	Completion of stormwater upgrades in accordance with relevant masterplans.
Support community stewardship, volunteering and environmental education.	Support volunteers working across Natural Reserves	Volunteer participation hours.

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9. Relevant Policies and Plans

This CLMP is implemented alongside relevant Council strategies and policies, including:

Council Plans and Strategies

- Arts and Culture Strategy 2019-2024

  The Creative Holdfast Arts and Culture Strategy 2019–2024 provides a framework for strengthening arts, culture and creative expression across the City of Holdfast Bay by generating participation, celebrating identity, activating places, and supporting local creative talent.

- Asset Management Strategy 2024

  The Asset Management Strategy 2024 outlines how the City of Holdfast Bay will manage its $600 million asset portfolio in a cost effective, sustainable and service focused way by aligning asset planning, renewal, maintenance and investment with long term strategic, financial and community needs.

- Building Asset Management Plan

  The Buildings Asset Management Plan outlines how the City of Holdfast Bay will sustainably manage its 146 building assets—valued at over $142 million—through defined service levels, lifecycle planning, demand forecasting and compliance with legislative requirements to ensure safe, functional and climate resilient facilities for the community.

- Economic Development Strategy 2026-29

  The Economic Development Strategy 2026–29 sets a four year action plan within a 10+ year vision to build a resilient, innovative and sustainable local economy by supporting businesses, strengthening precincts, fostering entrepreneurship, and enhancing the visitor economy.

- Environment Strategy 2020-2025

  The Environment Strategy 2020–2025 sets Council's direction for protecting natural systems, reducing emissions, strengthening climate resilience, and enhancing biodiversity through practical, measurable actions across land, water, waste, energy and community stewardship.

- Events Strategy 2021-2025

  The Events Strategy 2021–2025 provides a framework for developing, managing and supporting a vibrant, diverse and sustainable calendar of events that strengthens community wellbeing, enhances destination appeal and drives economic activity across Holdfast Bay.

- Holdfast Bay Dunes Biodiversity Action Plan 2019 – 2024

  Holdfast Bay Dunes Biodiversity Action Plan 2019 – 2024 is intended as a guide for specific and prioritised "on-ground" works with the aim to maximise protection of biodiversity values in the dunes and to align with key actions from the Green Adelaide Landscape Board's MANCAP (Metropolitan Adelaide and Northern Coastal Action Plan).

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- Holdfast Bay Tourism Recovery Plan 2023

  The Tourism Recovery Plan 2023 sets out the City of Holdfast Bay's strategy to rebuild and strengthen its visitor economy post COVID 19 by driving demand, enhancing destination development, improving resilience and sustainability, and deepening partnerships across government and industry. It aims to return visitation and expenditure to pre-COVID levels while supporting a vibrant, diverse and sustainable tourism sector that benefits residents, businesses and visitors.
- Holdfast Bay Youth Action Plan 2018-2023

  The Youth Action Plan 2018–2023 sets out Council's commitment to empowering young people in Holdfast Bay through strengthened engagement, inclusive events, and improved public spaces that reflect youth needs and priorities.

- Long Term Financial Plan 2026-27 to 2035-36

  The Long-Term Financial Plan outlines how the City of Holdfast Bay will maintain long term financial sustainability by balancing operating costs, asset renewal, new infrastructure, rates, and borrowings, ensuring services and assets can be delivered without unplanned rate increases or reductions in service levels. It provides 10-year financial projections based on key principles of balanced budgeting, intergenerational equity, efficient asset management, and predictable rating, supported by annual review and adjustment.

- Movement and Transport Plan 2026-2030

  The plan sets out how Holdfast Bay will deliver a safe, efficient, sustainable and integrated transport network through actions in transport planning, walking and cycling, alternative transport options and parking.

- Open Space Asset Management Plan

  The plan is a 10-year framework outlining how the City of Holdfast Bay will sustainably manage more than 6,000 open space assets to maintain quality, safety, accessibility and climate resilience for the community.

- Open Space Strategy 2018-2030

  The Open Space and Public Realm Strategy 2018–2030 sets a long-term framework for how the City of Holdfast Bay will plan, manage and enhance its parks, reserves, foreshore, streets and public realm to meet growing community needs, protect natural assets, and ensure equitable access to high-quality open space. It responds to population growth, climate pressures and limited land supply by prioritising better use of existing council land, improved connectivity, and innovative approaches to expanding open space.

- Our Holdfast 2050+

  The Our Holdfast 2050+ Strategic Plan sets out the City of Holdfast Bay's long-term vision to protect its heritage and coastline while fostering wellbeing, sustainability and innovation through inclusive public spaces, climate resilient infrastructure, and a thriving, creative local economy. It outlines goals, actions and aspirations to 2050+, supported by partnerships, community engagement and a four-year rolling delivery plan.

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- Play Space Action Plan 2019-2029

  The Play Space Action Plan 2019–2029 sets out a ten-year, prioritised program to upgrade, create and rationalise play spaces across Holdfast Bay to improve play value, accessibility, intergenerational use and strategic distribution based on asset condition, demographic needs and walkability mapping.

- Regional Public Health Plan

  The Regional Public Health Plan 2021–2026 outlines how the City of Holdfast Bay will promote community wellbeing, prevent disease, protect against environmental and public health risks, and strengthen local health systems through coordinated, evidence-based actions aligned with the State Public Health Plan.

- Stormwater Asset Management Plan

  The Stormwater Asset Management Plan provides a long-term framework for the sustainable management of Council's stormwater and drainage infrastructure. It establishes service levels and lifecycle requirements for the inspection, operation, maintenance, renewal and upgrade of these assets to support effective stormwater conveyance, reduce flood risk, protect public safety and amenity, and maintain reliable and climate-resilient infrastructure in a financially sustainable manner.

- Stormwater Management Plan Coastal Catchments Between Glenelg and Marino 2014 (City of Holdfast Bay and City of Marion)

  Coastal Catchments Between Glenelg and Marino Stormwater Management Plan outlines coordinated infrastructure, environmental and flood mitigation actions to improve stormwater capacity, reduce erosion and protect downstream coastal and urban environments.

- Transport Asset Management Plan

  The Transport Asset Management Plan 2024 outlines how the City of Holdfast Bay will sustainably manage its 17,000 transport assets—roads, footpaths, kerbs, bridges, traffic devices and bus stop infrastructure—through defined service levels, lifecycle planning, demand forecasting and long-term financial strategies to ensure safe, efficient and resilient movement across the city.

- Tree Asset Management Plan

  The Tree Asset Management Plan 2026 outlines how Council will sustainably manage, maintain, renew and enhance its urban forest to meet community expectations, legislative requirements and long-term environmental objectives.

- Urban Forest Plan

  The Urban Forest Plan sets out the City of Holdfast Bay's long-term approach to expand, protect and manage its urban forest so the city becomes cooler, healthier and more resilient by 2050.

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Council Policies

- Community Centres Policy

  The policy guides management of our community centres, emphasising community needs, safety, accessibility, sustainability, and collaboration. The policy supports program development, transparent management and sense of safety.

- Commercial Activation of Community Land Policy

  The policy governs temporary commercial activation of community land, focusing on areas like reserves, beaches, and plazas, with criteria for approval based on impact, location, and community access. Major impact activities require council approval, balancing economic growth with community needs.

- Temporary Street Traders Policy and Processes

  The policy regulates temporary street trading in Holdfast Bay, including permits for mobile vending, ice-cream vans, hand-carts, event vending, and commercial activities, emphasising safety, access, and community benefit. Permits are issued for specific durations, locations, and activities, with conditions to balance vibrancy and commercial interests, ensuring compliance with relevant legislation and safety standards.

- Memorials Policy

  The policy manages memorial plaques on seats and seaside memorials, emphasising ownership, licensing, renewal, and maintenance. Memorial seats are licensed for ten years with renewal options, and plaques are maintained or removed based on condition. Seaside memorials allow inscriptions without reservation, with names added quarterly. Council owns seats and plaques, with responsibilities for upkeep and removal after license expiry.

- Personal Trainers Policy and Permit System

  The City of Holdfast Bay requires personal trainers to obtain permits for activities on designated community land, ensuring safety, minimising impact, and addressing liability. Permits depend on professional membership, insurance, and suitability of parks. The policy balances promoting outdoor fitness with protecting public spaces, with permits reviewed or revoked by council as needed.

- Public Art and Monuments Policy

  The policy guides public art and monuments in Holdfast Bay, emphasising community representation, cultural heritage, inclusivity, environmental impact, and site appropriateness. It prioritises high-quality, diverse artworks, community support, and suitable locations, with procedures for selection, procurement, maintenance, and decommissioning, including Indigenous protocols and periodic review of artwork distribution and impact.

- Outdoor Dining Policy

  The policy governs outdoor dining in Holdfast Bay, requiring permits for areas adjacent to businesses, with conditions on design, setbacks, and safety. Permits are annual, non-transferable, and can be revoked or

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amended for safety, health, or community impact. Owners are responsible for costs, maintenance, safety, and compliance with building codes and legislation. Permanent structures may require additional approvals.

- Sporting Community Leasing Policy

  The policy guides leasing of Council-owned community and sporting facilities, emphasising sustainability, community access, maximising usage, inclusion, and strategic upgrades. Leases are limited to five years with renewal options, rental based on equity or market value, and incentives for diversity, governance, and multi-use. Council retains naming rights and oversees sub-leases, with provisions for grants, upgrades, and ancillary facilities.

- Disposal of Land and Assets Policy

  The policy mandates transparent disposal of Council land and assets, emphasising fair processes, community consultation, and compliance with legislation. Disposals include market sales, tenders, expressions of interest, and negotiations, with criteria based on value, complexity, and strategic fit. Records and reasons must be documented; exemptions are possible for emergencies or better outcomes.

- Encroachments Policy – Section 202 and 201 Local Government Act 1999

  The policy outlines the criteria and assessment processes Council uses to determine whether structures or activities may occupy, cross, or project into Council-owned land, ensuring public safety, amenity, and equitable use of public space. It establishes requirements for permits, development approvals, fees, renewals, and public liability insurance for any encroachment erected or installed in, on, across, under or over Council land.

- Coastal Vegetation Management Policy

  The policy protects coastal vegetation for benefits like habitat, sand stabilisation, and aesthetics, balancing community access and infrastructure needs.

- Commercial Leasing and Licensing Policy

  The policy guides Council's commercial leasing and licensing of property, emphasizing maximizing financial return, ensuring equitable access, and maintaining asset value. It covers lease terms, rent setting, renewal, tenant responsibilities, and subletting, with selection via expressions of interest, requiring guarantees. Implementation involves regular reporting, legal review, and alignment with strategic plans.

- Parklet and Car Park Activation Policy

  The Parklets and Car Park Activation Policy establishes the principles and assessment criteria for approving parklets and other activations of parking spaces, ensuring they enhance public amenity and local vibrancy while maintaining safety, accessibility and responsible management of public land.

This CLMP is to be read and implemented consistently, as far as practicable, with relevant official plans and policies. If a provision of this CLMP is inconsistent with a binding requirement imposed by another Act or statutory instrument, the binding legislative requirement applies to the extent of the inconsistency.

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Schedule to Natural Reserves CLMP

Barton Avenue Gully

Identification and Ownership Details	
Street Address	Allotment 262 Barton Avenue
Suburb	Kingston Park
Postcode	5049
Site Area	12,720sqm
Certificates of Title	CT5904/149 and CT5217/358
Owner	City of Holdfast Bay
Lease/Licence Details	Refer to Community Land Register

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Gilbertson Gully

Identification and Ownership Details	
Street Address	24 Gilbertson Road
Suburb	Seacliff Park
Postcode	5049
Site Area	33,720sqm
Certificates of Title	CT5519/6, CT5561/158 and CT5905/921
Owner	City of Holdfast Bay
Lease/Licence Details	Refer to Community Land Register

Aerial Photo



Kingston Park Coast Reserve – Natural Area

Identification and Ownership Details	
Street Address	4-8 Burnham Road
Suburb	Kingston Park
Postcode	5049
Site Area	36,000sqm
Certificates of Title	CT6166/560
Owner	City of Holdfast Bay
Lease/Licence Details	Refer to Community Land Register

Aerial Photo

