

**PROPOSAL FOR A**

**DENDRO THEATRE**

**IN THE**

**CITY OF ADELAIDE**

**PARKLANDS**

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Dear Mr. Ninio,

**Adelaide Vision - Dendro Theatre**

The public and private debates about the future directions and amenities available to our community and the physical characteristics of our city is a vital and fascinating process. I wish to contribute to this debate a proposal for what I believe to be an exciting concept that will give Adelaide a new cultural landmark, demonstrate our commitment to an ecologically sound future and provide an attraction to visitors from interstate and overseas as well as our own community.

The concept is a Dendro Theatre, that is an outdoor public performance and meeting space that is formed by the land's topography and living plant material, in essence an afforested amphitheatre where the tree plantings and landform are designed to provide the necessary amenities of a theatre but with the natural features of a park setting. So often there is a conflict of interests and competition for resources in providing outdoor performance and public function venues in parks and gardens. They are often used because of their intrinsic landscape amenities such as shade trees, lawns, water features etc., because of the attractive ambience such settings provide. However, such spaces often have restrictions in their utilisation caused by their physical features such as the location of trees, orientation, access, visual and noise pollution etc. The established function and nature of the site may also inhibit or preclude temporary alterations or sustained usage. For instance, Botanic Park (administered by the Board of the Botanic Gardens ) has great attraction for events such as Womadelaide but its intrinsic function as an arboretum is compromised. Other spaces, such as Elder Park, provide little or no protection from the glaring sun and seem to be destined to remain open space lacking a sense of enclosure and protection from the sun because of the multi function nature of the Park.

My own background is as an environmentally aware artist seeking alternative and ecologically sustainable ways to enhance our own existence and our stewardship of our planet. Dendro Theatre is a theme of Dendro Sculpture which is a concept to use living plant material as a sculptural medium. It draws its name from two words, Dendrology; the natural history and study of trees and Dendrolatory; the worship of trees. What is proposed is a public venue where the landscape itself forms the theatre, designed in a way to satisfy the requirements of a performance space, our ecological concerns and our growing affection for outdoor living and entertainment. The concept is highly appropriate for our Mediterranean climate.

A Dendro Theatre is an ecologically positive space that can avoid the high capital and operating costs of indoor theatres in terms of physical and economic resources, as well as energy. It will provide visual and tactile stimulation and an opportunity to demonstrate an alternative and environmentally educative and sustainable way to pursue community cultural activities. A Dendro Theatre will add to and reinforce Adelaide's cultural reputation and prominence as the Festival State and provide an exciting and stimulating venue for a wide variety of community and cultural events.

The attached documents set out in detail the proposal and I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you or Council officers for discussions. I look forward to your response.

Yours Sincerely

Gavin Malone

dehydration by exposure in the open sun. All these issues can all be taken into consideration in the design of a Dendro Theatre.

## **2. PROPOSAL**

It is proposed to form a multi purpose outdoor performance and meeting space by utilising land gradient and living plant material, to afforest an amphitheatre. In summary the space would comprise and be formed as follows -

- . auditorium - dappled shade trees on a grassed gradient.
- . stage - mounded or flat area with hard surface protected by shade trees.
- . retreat and relaxation area - heavy to medium shade trees and open space.
- . catering and retailing - heavy to medium shade trees.
- . outer perimeter enclosure - screen plantings.

Any necessary hard landscape, technical facilities and security would be accommodated in the design and are detailed under point 4.

Detailed design options available depend on the site and the audience capacity to be provided for. The space can be small scale and intimate with provision for an audience of a few hundred up to a large scale with capacity of up to several thousand but also readily used for smaller functions.

**Concept drawings are attached.** It is emphasised that features outlined in these drawings are subject to revision after site selection and contributions from other interested parties. Factors such as area and direction of shade thrown by the major plantings could then be given detailed consideration and may effect the planting layout outlined.

## **3. POTENTIAL SITES - PARKLANDS SURVEY**

The most apparent and logical location for a Dendro Theatre in terms of a central location, easy access and open space is in the Adelaide Parklands. A survey has been undertaken to identify potential sites, attributes and difficulties. Nine sites have been identified ranging from the small scale with a capacity of a few hundred people to those that can accommodate several thousand people. The sites identified are located in the south, east and north east parklands as large areas of the west and north west parklands are subject to high level noise intrusion from trains and were thus unsatisfactory.

Appropriate sites in the north west parklands already have what appear to be long term functions designated i.e. golf courses.

Although comprehensive, the list of sites is not exhaustive as some topographically suitable sites have not been included for the following reasons -

- . existing activities
- . land tenure
- . potential conflict with adjacent activities
- . existing landscape plantings

There is potential for further sites to be identified with the assistance of Council officers with their greater knowledge of existing and future parklands activities and planning policies. Information on the nine sites, including photographs, is appended. An extract from the City of Adelaide Plan has also been provided for each site.

From the survey undertaken the site that appears most promising is Site Nine, located behind Veale Gardens. Although the topography is not sympathetic, all other factors are in its favour for the establishment of a large scale Dendro Theatre. The City of Adelaide Plan also suggests that this area is appropriate for a mounded amphitheatre and a Festival Park.

#### **4. INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES**

The necessary infrastructure to provide for patron amenities, technical facilities and hard landscape can be accommodated within the informal aesthetic and ambience proposed. Items to be considered include -

- . power and lighting
- . stage and backstage facilities
- . sound and light control facilities
- . disabled persons access
- . hard paving
- . outdoor furniture
- . catering and retailing
- . box office
- . toilets

It is proposed that semi permanent or permanent facilities be installed to the extent that the potential for damage by vandals and the elements would be minimal but that setting up for particular events would not be logistically, economically or environmentally taxing.

## **5. PLANT SPECIES SELECTION**

Final selection of species is dependent on a number of factors such as site, audience size, symbolism required etc. An indicative but not comprehensive list of species likely to be selected from is as follows -

### **Auditorium Planting - Dappled Shade**

<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Height</u>
Eucalyptus scoparia	Wallangarra White Gum	15m
Eucalyptus maculata	Spotted White Gum	15-20m
Eucalyptus saligna	Sydney Blue Gum	20m
Eucalyptus cladocalyx	Sugar Gum	15-20m

These native species typically have a straight trunk, high spreading canopy, are not prone to dropping branches and are reasonably fast growing.

### **Heavy Shade Planting**

<u>Genus</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
Platinus	Plane
Ulmus	Elm
Quercus	Oak
Koelreuteria	Golden Rain Tree
Chinensis	Pistachio

These exotic deciduous species typically have low spreading, dense canopies and provide contrasting foliage and autumn colour.

### **Screen Planting**

<u>Genus</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
Melaleuca *	
Callistemon	Bottle Brush
Acacia *	Wattle
Grevillea	
Westringia	
Hardenbergia *	

\* denotes genera which include species indigenous to the Adelaide plains.

These low to medium height native genera typically provide a variety of form, density, colour and flowers.

### **General Purpose Landscaping and Shade Planting**

<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Height</u>
Acacia pendula	Weeping Myall	5 - 8m

Acacia pycnantha *	Golden Wattle	4 - 8m
Callitris preisii *	Southern Cypress Pine	8 - 10m
Callitris cristata	Black Sheoak	10 - 15m
Casuarina glauca	Swamp Oak	10 - 15m
Casuarina stricta *	Drooping Sheoak	5 - 7m
Eucalyptus leucoxylon *	S. A. Blue Gum	10 - 15m
Pittosporum rhombifolium	Queensland Pittosporum	5 - 8m

\* denotes species indigenous to the Adelaide plains.

Landscape plantings can include a wider range of indigenous species to provide a representative cross section of the original vegetation of the Adelaide plains including grasses and creepers.

## **6. CULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

One intent of the use of the plant material is to present symbolism by species selection and placement. It is appropriate that consideration be given to factors such as -

- . a representative collection of species indigenous to the Adelaide plains.
- . the attachment and attitudes of the Kaurna people to this land.
- . our society's relationship with nature, the stewardship of our planet and ecological concerns.
- . the cultural use of plant species.

The proposal can readily provide for public art particularly that which has an ecological concern. Features such as panel fencing, seating, paving etc. lend themselves to being public sculpture. There are already numerous examples in Adelaide and elsewhere of artists designing and producing such facilities. Artists can also contribute to the design of other infrastructure facilities to integrate artistic sensibilities into all aspects of the project.

A Dendro Theatre will demonstrate an alternative and environmentally educative way to pursue community cultural activities, add to and reinforce Adelaide's cultural reputation and prominence as the Festival State and provide an exciting and stimulating venue for a wide variety of community and cultural events. The concept is highly appropriate for our Mediterranean climate.

## **7. ENCLOSURE**

It is envisaged that in this type of venue some functions would be open public access whilst others would be fee paying and would require security of access. It is proposed that some permanent fencing, well hidden by screen plantings and climbers be installed to partially enclose the site. The extent of permanent fencing would depend on the site



but it is not in any way intended to restrict public access and enjoyment of the space on an informal basis. The fencing and landscape can be designed to facilitate the easy erection and removal of temporary fencing to fully enclose the site as and when necessary. A decorative panel style fence is envisaged for the temporary fencing.

## **8. COSTING AND FINANCING**

A Dendro Theatre is an ecologically positive space that can avoid the high capital and operating costs of indoor theatres in terms of physical and economic resources, as well as energy. However, given the broad range of size and site options presented at this stage, it is not possible to give estimates for establishment and operating costs. It is appropriate to note that there is potential to phase establishment over several years given the period it will take for plantings to mature. Financing of the project would most appropriately be sought from the three levels of Government.

## **9. FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CONCEPT**

It is suggested that further development of the Dendro Theatre from concept to realisation would best be achieved by a collaborative and co-operative public process. Input from parties that would have an interest in terms of utilisation, design, funding, management and as audience would contribute to developing the best possible option. If a site that is semi established with existing shade trees and other facilities is selected the concept could be realised in a relatively short period of time. On the other hand if a site that has to be established from scratch is selected it would be at least a decade before the impact and ambience proposed reveals itself. However, this in itself should not be seen as a negative factor as it is appropriate to plan and provide for our own future as well as future generations. In our utilisation of existing developed spaces we are reaping the benefits of our forebears effort and vision. At the same time we should not shy away from correcting what are now perceived to be erroneous judgements in terms of the environmental destruction that has been inflicted and the non sustainability of many aspects of our existence.

Whilst a number of years are required to allow growth of the plantings this will not prevent the site from being established and utilised in an interim form, more as an open grassed amphitheatre with all the necessary infrastructure. Temporary shading devices may be appropriate for day time utilisation whilst use in the evenings and cooler months could proceed without difficulty providing appropriate protection of the immature plantings is installed.

Gavin Malone      May, 1994.

<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	One (below Colonel Light Statue, Montefiore Hill) A.C.C.Ref. PL 17
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Off Montefiore Rd and Pennington Tce, North Adelaide.
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Steep gradient
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	Mature exotic deciduous plantings define the southern and eastern boundaries. Some recent exotic plantings in eastern corner of the site.
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/Roadways</b>	Sealed roadway to western side of Adelaide Oval, sealed footpath on southern boundary of site.
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Bus route, King William Rd.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	Adelaide Oval car park and designated parking in adjacent streets.
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	Area well grassed, established toilet and catering facilities within Adelaide Oval.
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Medium to low. Vehicular traffic
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	Residential area off Pennington Tce. but minimal potential conflict as this site often used for public functions.
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Large scale site already grassed, existing mature trees valuable although some recent plantings problematic. The further away from Montefiore Rd. the stage area can be sited the better for noise alleviation but would necessitate re alignment of existing roadway to Adelaide Oval. Probable reduction in car parking for Adelaide Oval. The City of Adelaide Plan (p397) states the precinct should serve as a centre for important outdoor civic, leisure and cultural functions.

Site 1



Looking South East



Looking North West to Col. Light Statue

## PL17 TORRENS LAKE PRECINCT

The Torrens Lake Precinct should serve as a centre for important outdoor civic, leisure and cultural functions for the City based on the Adelaide Oval, Torrens Lake, Elder Park and Memorial Drive tennis courts. The environment of 'Light's Vision' should be improved and enhanced.

### ACTIVITIES

The Precinct should accommodate a wide range of active and passive recreation activities. The Torrens Lake should continue to be used for formal and informal boating activities and events. The existing intensive recreation activities at Adelaide Oval and Memorial Drive should continue, but be contained within the existing sites.

### ENVIRONMENT

#### *Planting Character and Landscape Design*

The Torrens Lake Precinct should retain its soft landscape character and be carefully integrated with the Adelaide Railway Station Redevelopment. North Terrace should be linked to the Torrens banks over the railway lines by terraces. The Adelaide Oval should be retained in its setting, and the adjacent existing character of gardens preserved and enhanced. Victor Richardson Road should be better integrated into the Park environment and enhanced as the major axis of entry via the Victor Richardson Gates to the Adelaide Oval by prohibiting car parking.

The area adjacent to the Torrens Lake should be maintained and developed as open space including additional red gum plantings to strengthen the riverside theme.

Elsewhere the theme of mixed deciduous and evergreen tree species should be continued.

#### *Permanent Structures*

Existing buildings and structures in the Park should be retained and their appearance improved where necessary to be more sympathetic to their Park Lands setting.

Additional buildings should only be permitted where it is shown to be necessary for the continuation of intensive recreation usage.

Advertising signs will not be permitted within Adelaide Oval or the Memorial Drive tennis complex where they would be readily visible from outside the ground.

#### *Heritage*

Within the Torrens Lake Precinct the following Items are included on the Register of City of Adelaide Heritage Items contained in the Schedule to the Regulations:

- Item 416 Band Rotunda, Elder Park, off King William Road;
- Item 4161 Memorial to JAH Gardener, Elder Park, King William Road;
- Item 4162 Memorial to Captain Sir Ross Smith, Creswell Garden, off King William Road;
- Item 4163 Statue of Hercules and Pedestal, Pennington Garden West; off King William Road;
- Item 405 Adelaide Bridge, King William Road (Part in PL7 Precinct);
- Item 417 Adelaide Oval Scoreboard, Adelaide Oval, off King William Road;
- Item 4171 Statue of Colonel William Light and Pedestal, Montefiore Hill;
- Item 388 Torrens Weir No. 1, Torrens Lake/River Torrens (Parts in PL1 and PL16 Precincts);
- Item 418 The Sir Edwin Smith, the George Giffen and the Mostyn Evan Stands, Adelaide Oval, off King William Road;
- Item 419 Victor Richardson Gates, Adelaide Oval, Victor Richardson Road, off King William Road.

The location of the above Items is indicated on Precinct Map PL17.

#### *Areas of Significant Landscape Character*

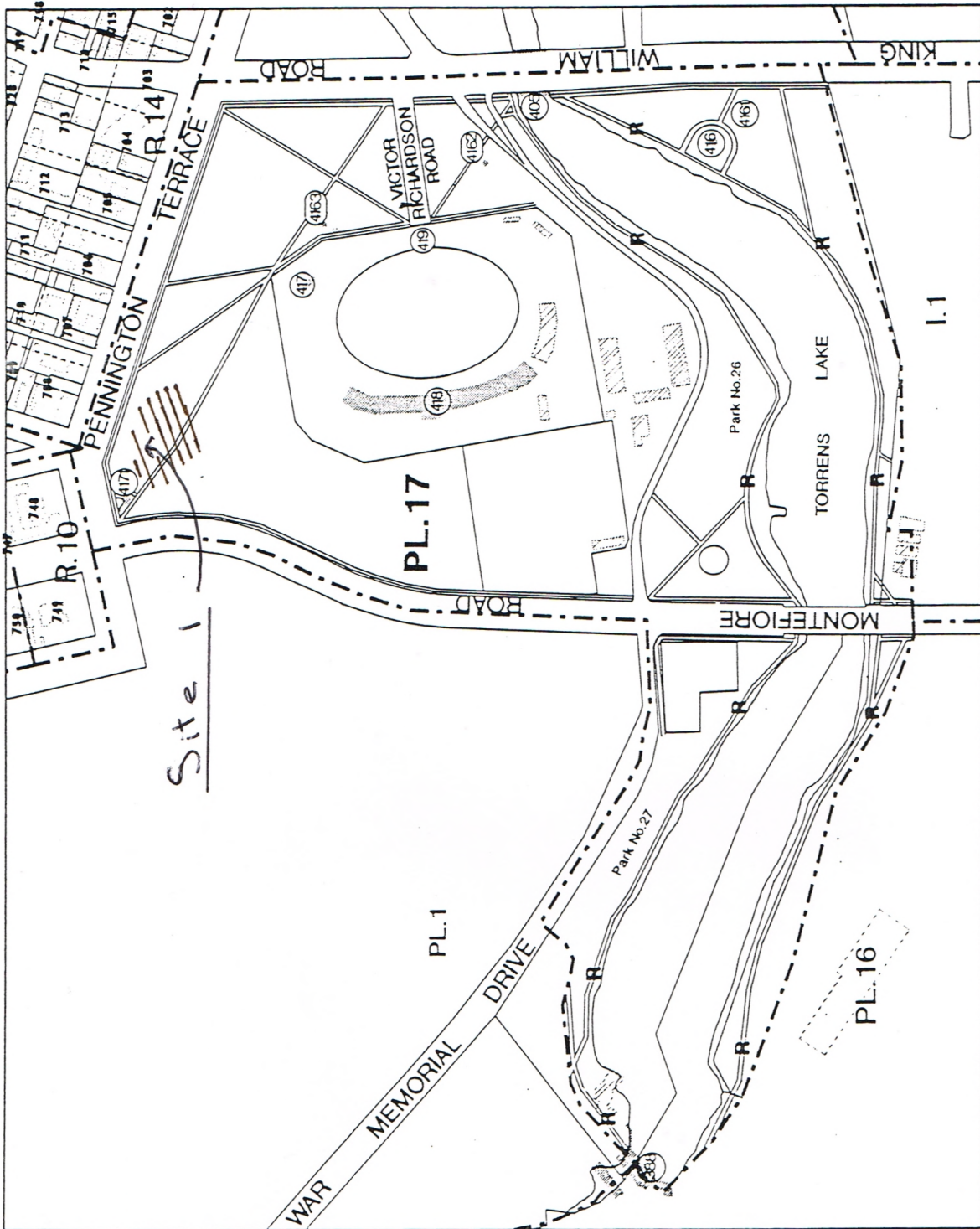
The trees, particularly the Moreton Bay Figs on the northern side of the Adelaide Oval, together with buildings of heritage significance, should be conserved and enhanced.

## MOVEMENT

Provision for pedestrian and cycling access should be made through the Precinct. Additional pedestrian access should be provided between North Terrace and the south bank of the Torrens Lake. Provision should be made for on-road cycle lanes on King William Road.

Car parking should be limited to support activities in the Precinct and to occasional special functions in the Park Lands. Car parking on Pinky Flat should only be permitted as an overflow area when both the northern and southern car parks adjoining Adelaide Oval are likely to be filled to capacity.

Car parking along King William Road should be removed to improve street tree health and to enhance the appearance of the northern entrance to the City from North Adelaide.



# LEGEND

- PRECINCT BOUNDARY
- BUILDING (within Precinct)
- BUILDING (outside Precinct)
- HERITAGE ITEM
- EXISTING PATH
- PROPOSED PATH
- RECREATION LOOP
- CRICKET PITCH

PRECINCT MAP  
**PL.17 TORRENS LAKE**

<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	Two (Horse paddocks, North Adelaide) A.C.C.Ref. PL 3. Park No 6.
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Between Kingston Tce. and Robe Tce, North Adelaide
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Medium gradient
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	Large stand of native trees several years old in middle of the site. Scattered mature gums throughout the site with plantings of mature gums along boundary roadways.
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/ Roadways</b>	Minor paths around southern perimeter of site
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Bus routes, Melbourne St and O'connell St.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	No large scale designated parking nearby. Street parking available
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	None
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Low to medium. Main noise intrusion is from aircraft as site is in the flight path approach to Adelaide Airport.
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	Adjacent residential areas on Kingston Tce. and nearby may present potential conflict.
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Large scale undeveloped site with ideal topography containing three potential locations for a Dendro Theatre

Site 2 (a)



Looking East



Looking West towards Le Fevre Tce.



Site 2(b)



Looking East



Looking West towards Le Fevre Ice

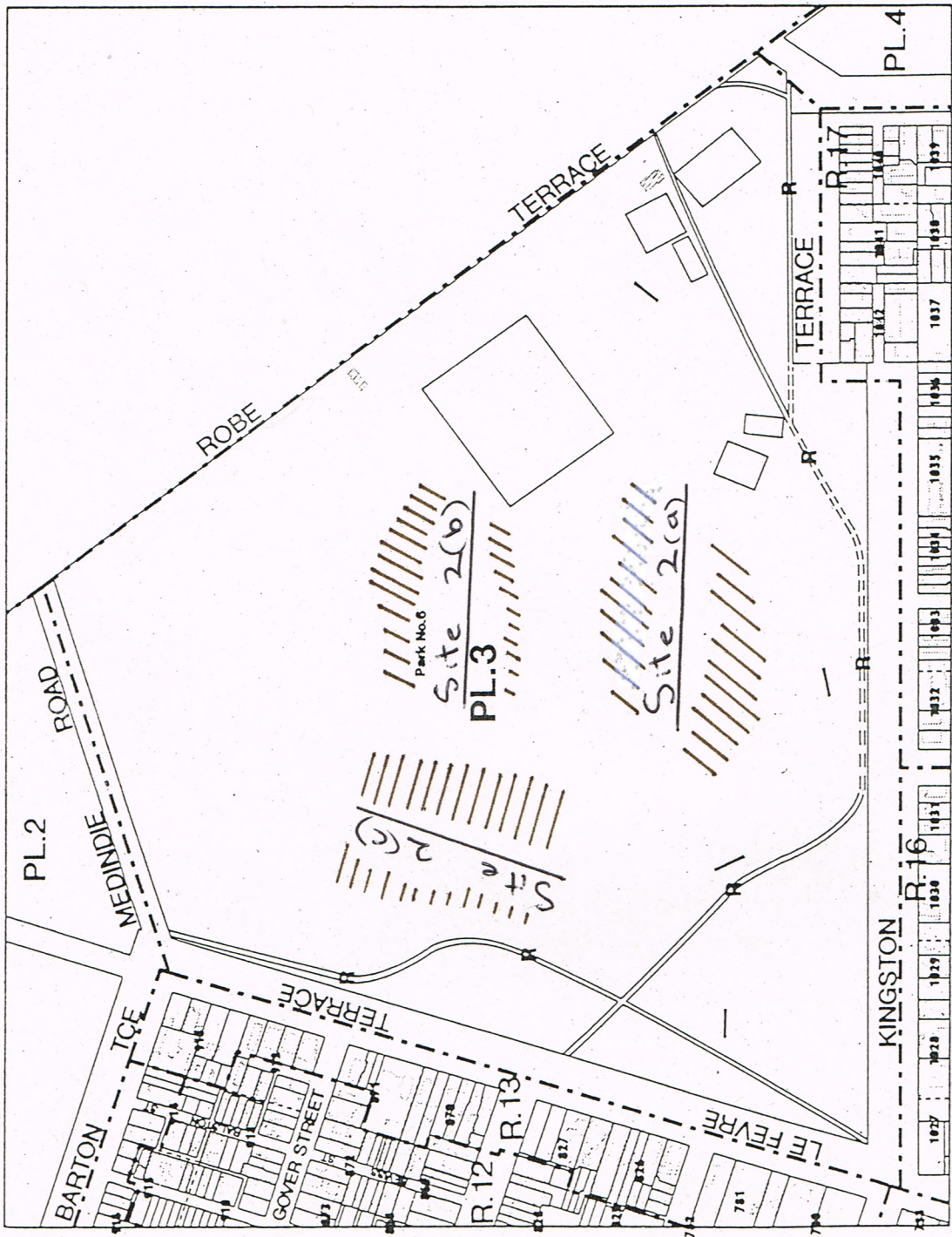
Site 2 (c)











Looking North East towards Robe Tce



Looking East



# LEGEND

-  PRECINCT BOUNDARY
-  BUILDING (within Precinct)
-  BUILDING (outside Precinct)
-  HERITAGE ITEM
-  EXISTING PATH
-  PROPOSED PATH
-  RECREATION LOOP
-  CRICKET PITCH

PRECINCT MAP  
**PL.3 PADDOCK**

### PL3 Paddock Precinct

The Paddock Precinct should be maintained as an area of open grassland used for passive and active outdoor recreation, with woodland planting.

#### ACTIVITIES

The Precinct should provide for mainly passive outdoor recreational activities while maintaining active outdoor recreational activities on the existing playing fields, tennis courts and the Glover Playground along LeFevre Terrace. Passive activities including horse agistment and riding are appropriate. Further expansion of active outdoor recreation should be restricted.

#### ENVIRONMENT

##### *Planting Character and Landscape Design*

The existing open grassland and Australian native woodland should be reinforced with additional planting. The views from LeFevre Terrace over the Klemzig Valley towards Mount Lofty Ranges should be framed with tall growing tree species.

##### *Permanent Structures*

The retention of the existing buildings should be reviewed, and where possible the buildings should be replaced with structures more appropriate to the Park Lands environment. No additional buildings should be permitted.

##### *Areas of Significant Landscape Character*

Items of significant landscape interest include a stand of trees along LeFevre and Kingston Terraces. These trees should be retained and supplemented by additional plantings of the same species to maintain the environmental character of that part of the Precinct.

#### MOVEMENT

Public vehicle access into the park should be restricted and car parking within the park *prohibited*. Cycle and pedestrian access paths should be improved to link with paths in adjacent Precincts and with regional cycle networks in adjacent local government areas.

<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	Three (River Torrens Bank, behind Zoo) A.C.C. Ref. PL 5.
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Off War Memorial Drive, between Frome Rd and Bundys Rd
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Medium to steep gradient
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	Scattered mature native plantings , mainly gums
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/ Roadways</b>	Torrens Linear Park bikepath / footpath runs through the site
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Bus route, Frome Rd and Hackney Rd.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	Designated car parking, War Memorial Drive
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	None
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Low to medium. Vehicular traffic and animal noises from the Zoo
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	Adelaide Zoological Gardens. Potential conflict with animal husbandry if intrusive night time activities
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Small intimate site with ideal topography.

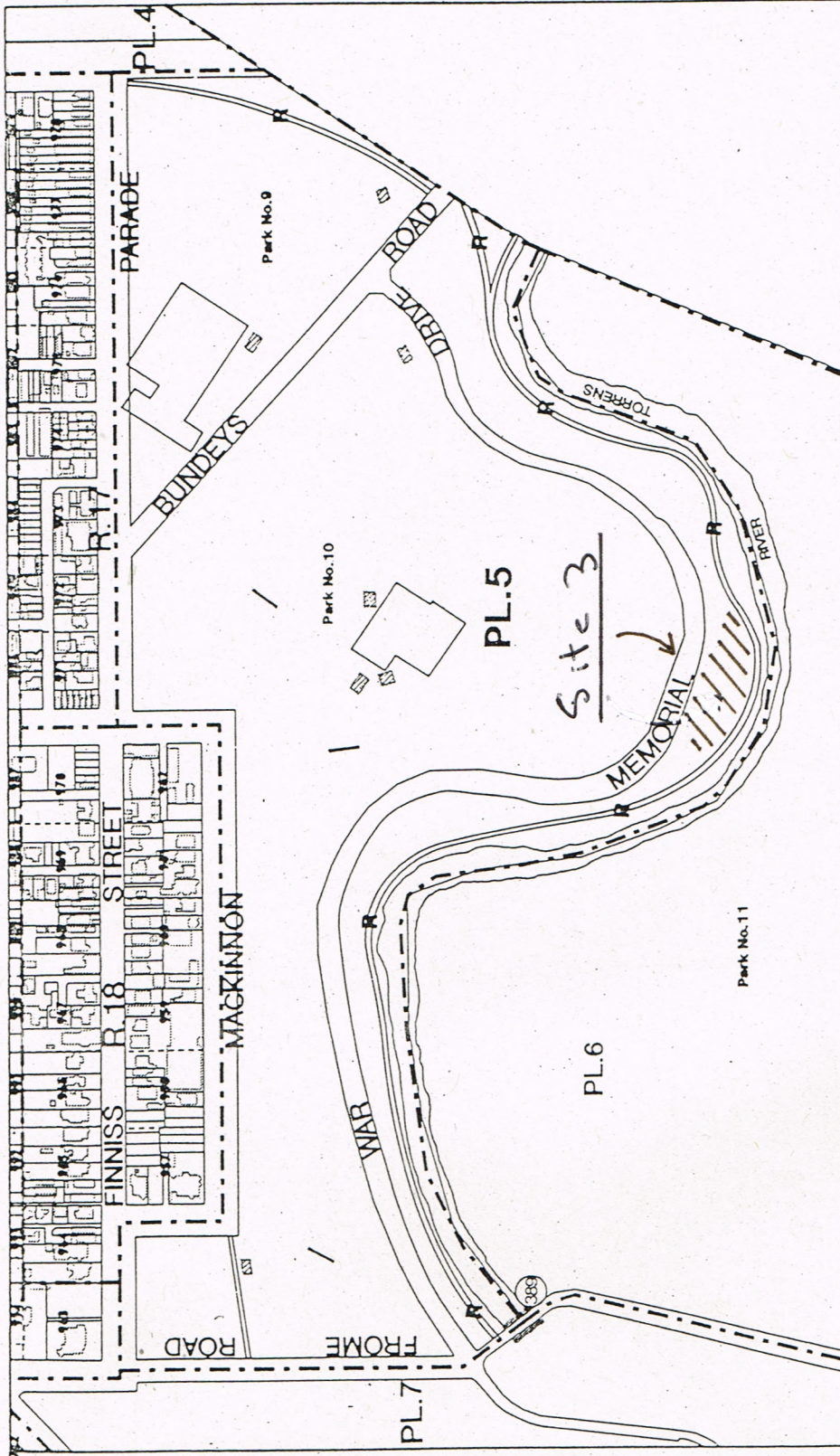
Site 3





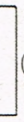


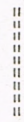
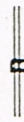
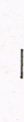
Looking South West towards Zoo



Looking South East towards Botanic Pk.



# LEGEND

-  PRECINCT BOUNDARY
-  BUILDING (within Precinct)
-  BUILDING (outside Precinct)
-  HERITAGE ITEM
-  EXISTING PATH
-  PROPOSED PATH
-  RECREATION LOOP
-  CRICKET PITCH



PRECINCT MAP  
**PL.5 UPPER TORRENS SPORTSFIELDS**

## PL5 UPPER TORRENS SPORTSFIELDS PRECINCT

The Upper Torrens Sportsfield Precinct should continue as an important open area for passive and active outdoor recreation.

### ACTIVITIES

The Precinct should provide for a mix of active and passive outdoor recreation. The existing level and variety of sporting uses should be maintained except for the concentration of tennis courts in Park No. 9 which should be partly replaced by other passive and active outdoor recreation uses.

### ENVIRONMENT

#### *Planting Character and Landscape Design*

The existing character of the component parts of the Precinct should be maintained. The overall Park Lands and Torrens River Valley theme of Eucalypt plantings should be strengthened in conjunction with the deciduous planting character around North Adelaide. The banks of the River Torrens should be planted in accordance with the Torrens Linear Park indigenous vegetation planting theme and to encourage the safe breeding of native fauna. The open sportsfields of Park No. 9 should be enclosed by perimeter woodland plantings.

#### *Permanent Structures*

Expansion of active recreation facilities and buildings in the Precinct should be restricted, existing tennis courts in Park No. 9 reduced in number and the surrounding area landscaped. Overhead power lines through the Precinct should be placed underground.

#### *Heritage*

Within the Upper Torrens Sportsfield Precinct the following Item is included on the Register of City of Adelaide Heritage Items contained in the Schedule to the Regulations:

Item 389 Albert Bridge, Frome Road (Parts in PL6 and PL7 Precincts).

The location of the above Item is indicated on Precinct Map PL5.

#### *Areas of Significant Landscape Character*

The stand of Eucalyptus trees adjoining MacKinnon Parade west are of significant landscape interest. These trees should be maintained and supplemented by additional plantings around the perimeter of Park No. 10. The desired environmental character is that of irrigated open sports fields surrounded by woodland planting.

### MOVEMENT

Public vehicle access should be confined to existing roads and no additional car parking should be permitted within the Parks. Cycle and pedestrian paths should be improved to link with paths in the adjacent precincts and with regional cycle networks in adjacent local government areas. Jogging paths should be maintained.

Provision should be made for on-road cycle lanes on Frome Road.



<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	Four (Rymill Park) A.C.C.Ref. PL 8. Park No. 14
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Between Bartels Rd and Rundle Rd
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Gentle gradient
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	Site bounded by avenue of Plane trees and a variety of mature exotic and native species. A single mature conifer sits in the middle of the site.
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/ Roadways</b>	Extensive system of pathways and roadways.
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Bus routes, Bartels Rd, Rundle Rd, Botanic Rd and Hutt St.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	Large scale designated street car parking nearby.
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	Area well grassed. Excellent facilities in the form of children's playground, barbeques, seating, lake and kiosk.
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Low to medium. Vehicular traffic Bartels Rd.
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	Adelaide Bowling Club. Minimal potential conflict.
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Large scale well grassed site with excellent existing facilities that could be expanded upon. Vehicle noise intrusion can be lessened by earth mounding and plantings. Provision of security enclosure could be problematic. The City of Adelaide Plan (p377) mentions festivals and performances as appropriate activities in the precinct.

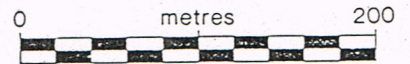
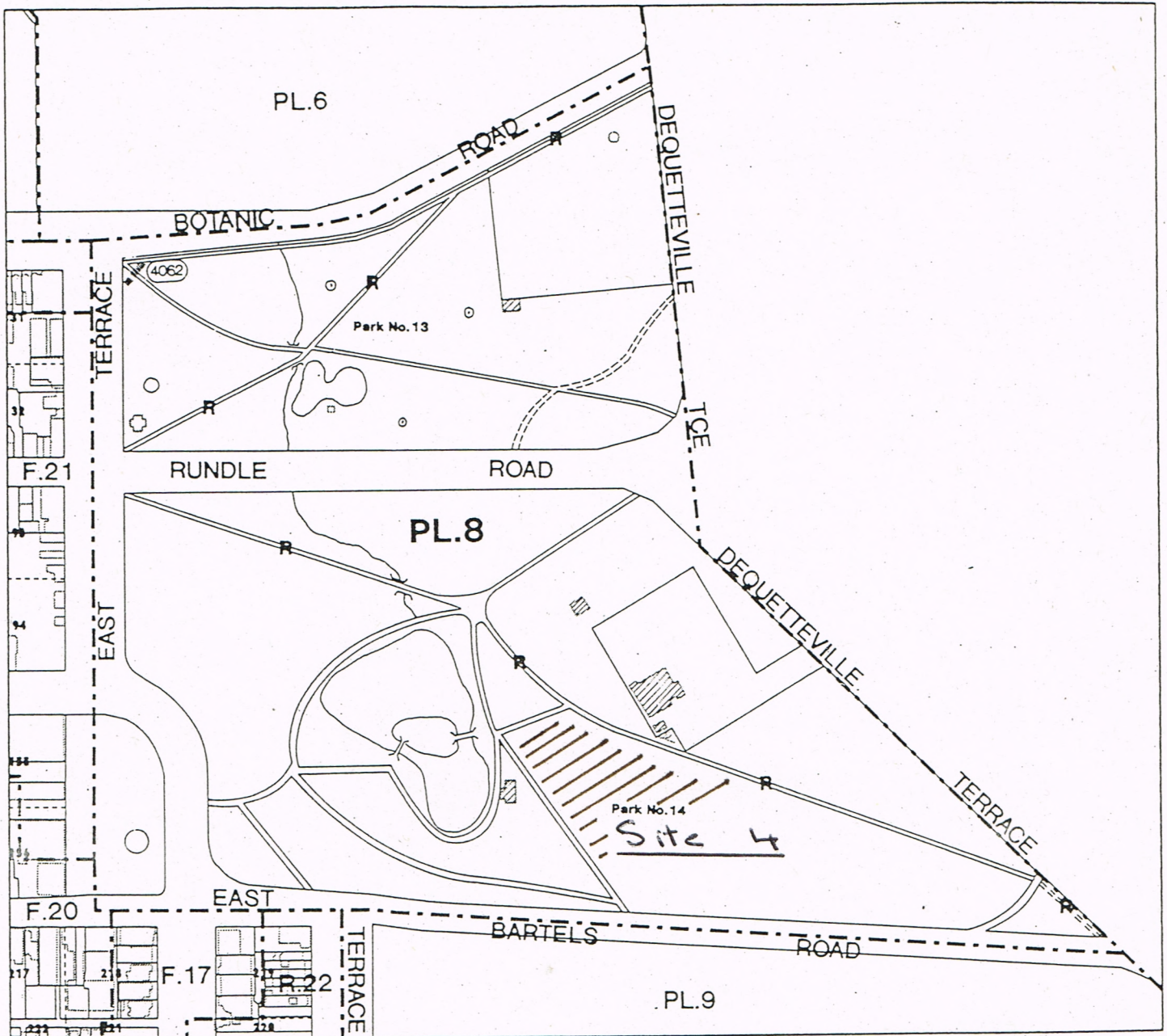
Site 4



Looking South East towards Bartels Rd.



Looking North West



### LEGEND

- PRECINCT BOUNDARY
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- PROPOSED PATH
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- CRICKET PITCH



PRECINCT MAP

## PL.8 RUNDLE AND RYMILL PARKS

## PL8 RUNDLE AND RYMILL PARKS PRECINCT

The Rundle and Rymill Parks Precinct should be maintained and reinforced as a developed garden and open park area. Activities which alienate Park Lands from public usage should be restricted and the surrounding planting theme extended.

### ACTIVITIES

The Precinct should provide for a range of leisure and passive outdoor recreational activities including festivals, picnics, social gatherings, weddings, public displays and performances. The Rymill Park lake should be maintained for boating. These parks should be serviced by a kiosk. Facilities for provision of meals and refreshment to the public are appropriate.

### ENVIRONMENT

#### *Planting Character and Landscape Design*

The Precinct has the character of an English park land with a mix of exotic and Australian native plantings, lawns and garden beds. This character should be maintained and strengthened.

#### *Permanent Structures*

The expansion of the Adelaide Bowling Club beyond its existing boundaries is *prohibited*.

No development of additional buildings or additional car parks should be permitted. The expansion or replacement of buildings should be restricted.

Temporary stands and facilities should be permitted in association with the Grand Prix where they will not result in permanent damage to the park surfaces or character.

#### *Heritage*

Within the Rundle and Rymill Parks Precinct the following Item is included on the Register of the City of Adelaide Heritage Items contained in the Schedule to the Regulations:

Item 4062 War Horse Memorial Trough and Obelisk, Rundle Park, corner East Terrace and Botanic Road.

The location of the above item is indicated on Precinct Map PL8.

#### *Areas of Significant Landscape Character*

The significant avenue of Plane trees and significant individual trees in Park No. 14, and the avenue of White Cedar trees in Park No. 13 should be retained and maintained by replacement plantings of the same species when required to maintain the environmental character of those parts of the Precinct.

### MOVEMENT

Car parking on the Adelaide Bowling Club site should be for recreation and service uses only. Pedestrian and vehicle access to the Parks should be maintained. Cycle and pedestrian paths should be improved to link with paths in adjacent Precincts and with regional cycle networks in adjacent local government areas. Provision should be made for on-road cycle lanes on Rundle Road.

<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	Five A.C.C.Ref. PL 9. Park No. 15
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Off East Tce near corner of Flinders St.
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Medium gradient with creek running through the lower part of the site.
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	Several mature gums, some moribund, scattered throughout the site. Olive grove on the southern boundary. Poplars and Peppercorn trees along the creek.
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/ Roadways</b>	Minor foot track through the site from Bartels Rd to East Tce and Wakefield Rd.
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Bus routes Bartels Rd, Rundle Rd. Hutt St.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	Large scale designated street car parking nearby
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	None
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Medium. Vehicular traffic
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	Residential area on East Tce. Potential conflict over noise and traffic
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Small scale site with appropriate topography. Location of some existing trees problematic

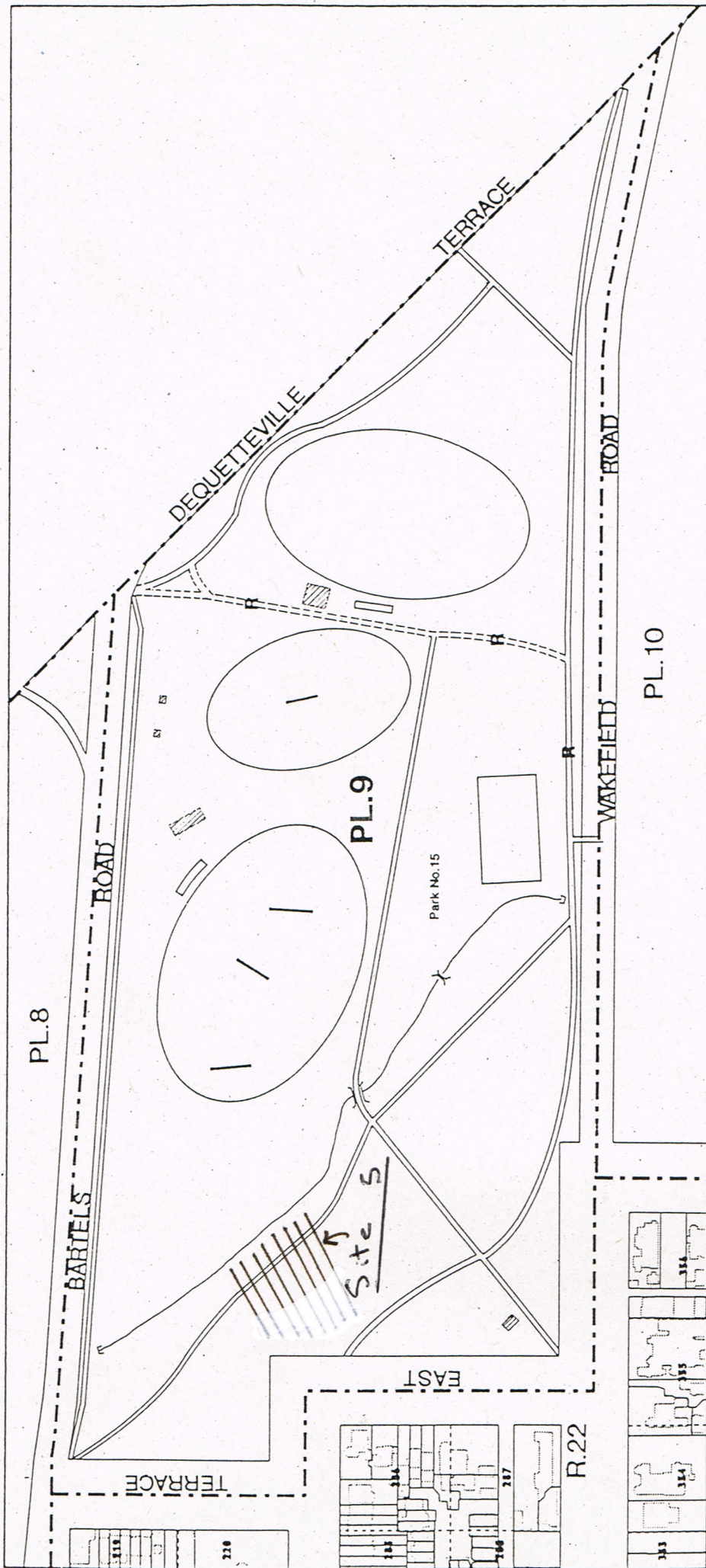
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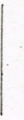
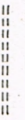

Looking South West towards East Tce.

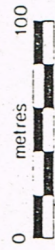


Looking North East towards Bartels Rd.



# LEGEND

-  PRECINCT BOUNDARY
-  BUILDING (within Precinct)
-  BUILDING (outside Precinct)
-  HERITAGE ITEM
-  EXISTING PATH
-  PROPOSED PATH
-  RECREATION LOOP
-  CRICKET PITCH



## PL9 EAST PARK PRECINCT

The East Park Precinct should be maintained as an area for active and passive outdoor recreation activities with sporting grounds set amongst dense woodland plantings.

### ACTIVITIES

The Precinct should provide for a range of recreation opportunities including passive and active outdoor recreation. The expansion of existing sports playing fields and tennis courts should be restricted. The existing playground in the south-western corner of the park should be retained.

### ENVIRONMENT

#### *Planting Character and Landscape Design*

The Precinct contains a tributary of First Creek which runs into Parks No. 13 and 14, and the Botanic Gardens. The banks of this creek and its tributary in Park 15 should be regraded to improve safety and amenity. The variation in landform and parkland feature provided by the creek should be acknowledged in its planting character.

The Precinct is characterised by a central row of Peppercorn trees and Eucalypts along the tributary and Wakefield Road, and an Olive Grove between the tributary and East Terrace. These components of the landscape of the Precinct should be conserved and maintained.

Existing sports grounds should be retained and enhanced by additional perimeter woodland planting.

#### *Permanent Structures*

The replacement of existing buildings, by well designed pavilions and structures which are sensitively sited and complementary to the park character, is desirable. No additional buildings should be permitted.

Temporary stands and facilities should be permitted in the Precinct in association with the running of the Grand Prix where they will not result in permanent damage to the park surfaces or character.

### MOVEMENT

No further car parking should be permitted in the park. Pedestrian and cycle routes through the park should be improved to provide a link with paths in adjacent Precincts and with regional cycle networks in adjacent local government areas.



<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	Six (Southern end of Victoria Park Racecourse) A.C.C.Ref. PL 11
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Off Beaumont and Greenhill Rds
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Minimal gradient, Glen Osmond Creek running through northern boundary of the site.
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	Mature gums and Aleppo pines.
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/ Roadways</b>	Foot-track from Fullarton Rd to Beaumont Rd.
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Bus routes, Hutt, Glen Osmond and Greenhill Rds.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	Designated street parking Beaumont and Greenhill Rds.
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing.
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	None.
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Low. (vehicular traffic and sporting activities - horse racing and touch football)
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	No adjacent residential or business areas. Minimal potential conflict except perhaps when racing held at Victoria Park.
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Medium scale site . Some existing mature trees, mainly pines, would need to be removed.

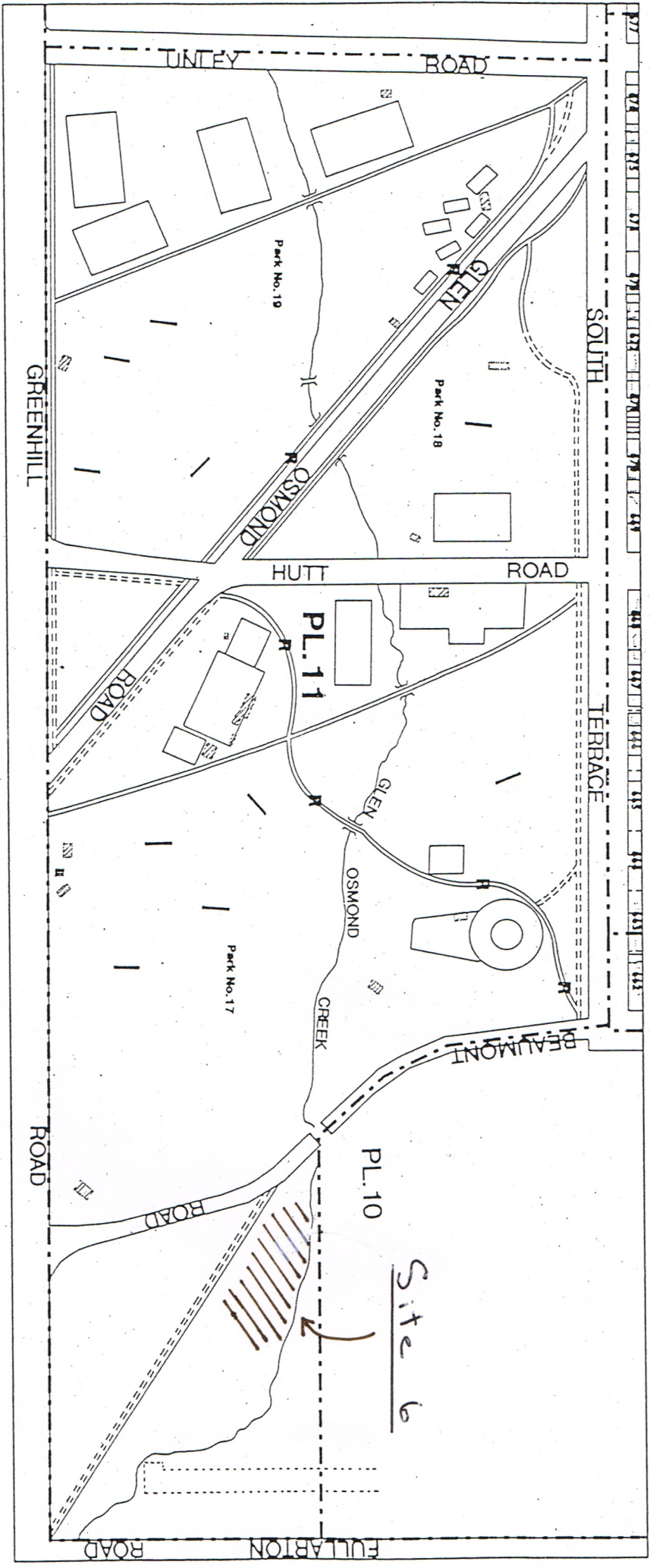
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Looking North East towards racecourse



Looking South towards Greenhill Rd.



**LEGEND**

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- ▨ BUILDING (within Precinct)
- ▭ BUILDING (outside Precinct)
- ▧ HERITAGE ITEM
- ▬ EXISTING PATH
- ▬ PROPOSED PATH
- ▬ RECREATION LOOP
- CRICKET PITCH



PRECINCT MAP  
**PL 11 SOUTH-EAST PARKS**

## PL11 SOUTH-EAST PARKS PRECINCT

The South-East Parks Precinct should be maintained for passive and active outdoor recreation within a series of open grassed areas enclosed by peripheral woodland.

### ACTIVITIES

The Precinct should provide for a diversity of passive and active outdoor recreation activities. A range of field sports should be permitted provided they are not incompatible with the achievement of the open and woodland character of these parks.

### ENVIRONMENT

#### *Planting Character and Landscape Design*

The Eucalypt avenues and boundaries should be maintained along Glen Osmond Road, and reinforced by additional large tree plantings.

The banks of Glen Osmond Creek should be regraded to improve safety and amenity and the variation in landform and parkland feature it provides should be acknowledged in its planting character of Eucalyptus species dominant woodland, enclosing playing fields and open grassed areas.

Unley Road plantings should be reinforced to reduce the formality of the existing planting, and additional landscaping of the tennis courts in the area between Greenhill, Glen Osmond and Hutt Roads is appropriate.

The more formalised landscape of Osmond Garden and the Adelaide Himeji Garden should be maintained.

The perimeter of the Precinct should be heavily planted to strengthen the desired woodland character.

#### *Permanent Structures*

Existing buildings in the Precinct should be rationalised or relocated further from Greenhill Road.

#### *Areas of Significant Landscape Character*

The old Engineering and Water Supply Reservoir mound and its surrounds should be conserved and enhanced.

### MOVEMENT

Access for pedestrians and cyclists through the Precinct should be improved to link with paths in adjacent Precincts and with regional cycle networks in adjacent local government areas. Provision should be made for on-road cycle lanes on Unley Road.

<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	Seven A.C.C. Ref. PL 11
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Off South Tce, between Hutt and Beaumont Rds.
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Flat site.
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	Site bounded by mature gums, Aleppo pines and an avenue of English elm adjacent Glen Osmond Creek. Some scattered recent planting of gums a few years old
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/ Roadways</b>	Pathway from Hutt St to Beaumont Rd along the avenue of elms.
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Bus routes, Glen Osmond Rd, Hutt St.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	Minimal parking on South Tce, greater capacity on Beaumont and Greenhill Rds.
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing.
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	None. Derelict tennis court in south east corner of the site.
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Low
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	Close to St. Andrews Hospital and residential area on South Tce. South Adelaide Croquet Club on eastern side of the site. Potential noise and traffic conflict.
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Flat, medium scale site.

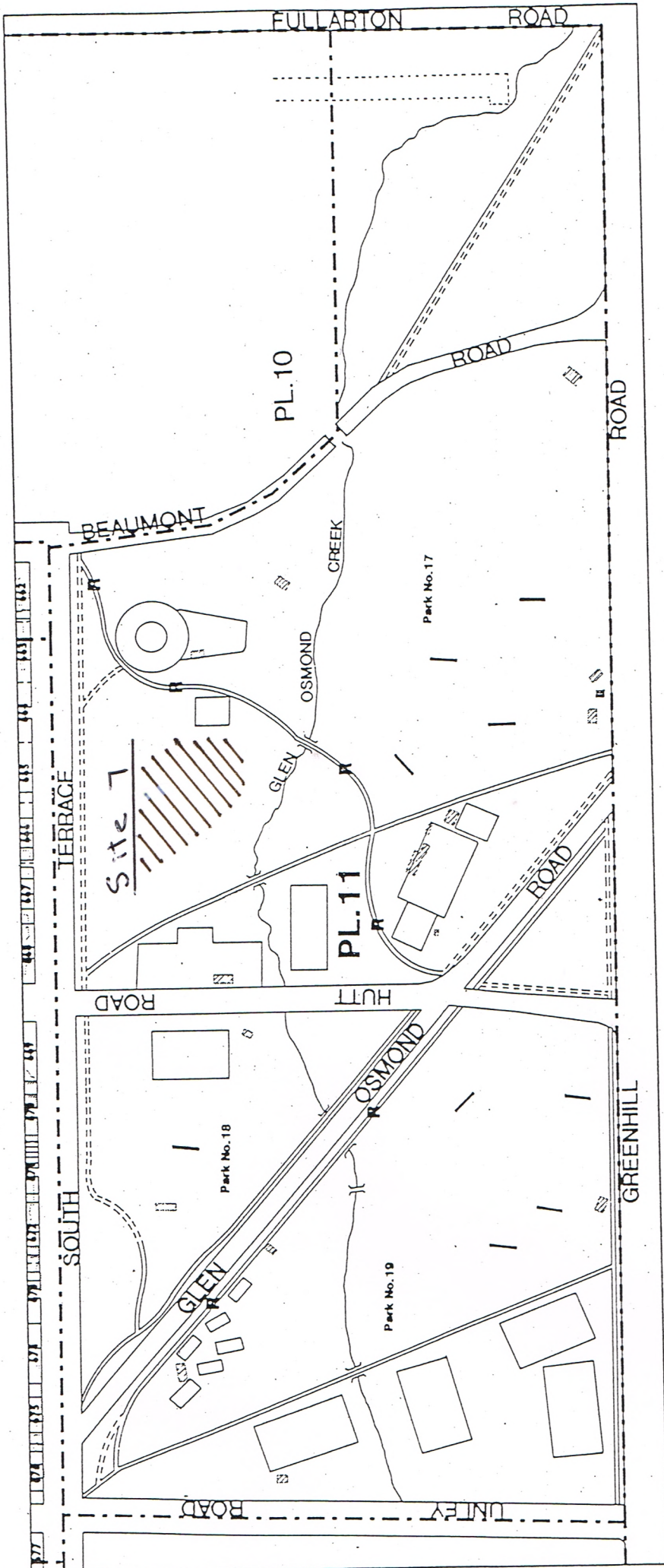
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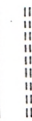
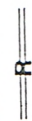


Looking North west towards South Ice.



Looking South East



# LEGEND

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-  RECREATION LOOP
-  CRICKET PITCH



<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	Eight A.C.C.Ref. PL 11. Park No. 17
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Off Hutt Rd, near corner of Glen Osmond Rd.
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Gentle gradient with Glen Osmond Creek running through northern part of site.
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	Open area bounded by Upright White poplars along Glen Osmond Creek and an avenue of elm along a footpath. Scattered mature gums with some recent plantings.
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/ Roadways</b>	Several pathways or bikeways border the site.
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Bus routes, Glen Osmond and Hutt Rds.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	Minimal parking on Hutt Rd. Greater capacity on Greenhill and Beaumont Rds.
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing.
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	None.
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Low Vehicular traffic
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	Sporting activities located adjacent the site are soccer, touch football South Australian Croquet Association and the hockey field on Hutt Rd. Possible conflict when sporting activities in progress.
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Small to medium scale site with useful surrounding mature plantings.



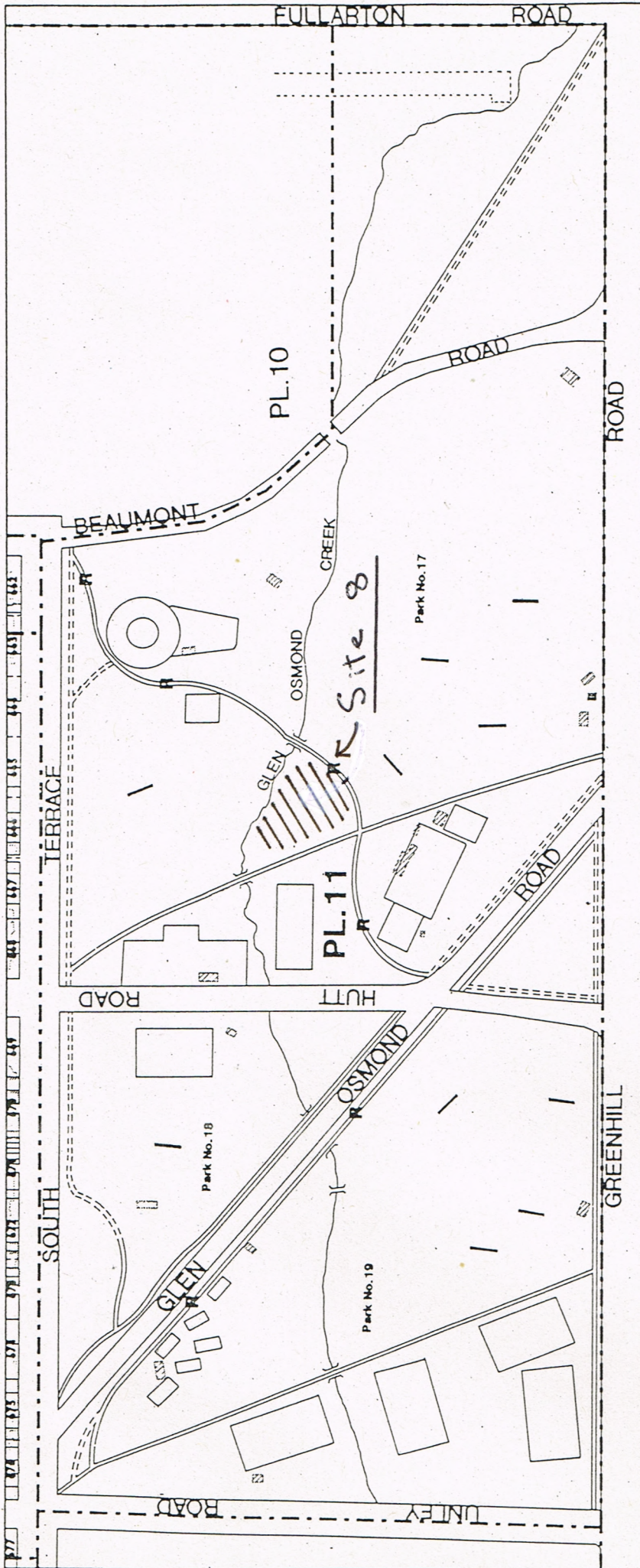
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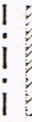
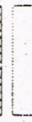

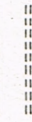
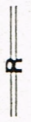
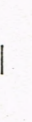

Looking North West towards creek



Looking South East towards Greenhill Rd.



# LEGEND

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-  RECREATION LOOP
-  CRICKET PITCH



<b>1</b>	<b>Site Number</b>	Nine (behind Veale Gardens) A.C.C. Ref. PL 12. Park No. 21
<b>2</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	Off Sir Lewis Cohen Ave.
<b>3</b>	<b>Topography</b>	Flat.
<b>4</b>	<b>Existing Plantings</b>	South and east boundaries planted with native species several years ago.
<b>5</b>	<b>Existing Pathways/ Roadways</b>	Roadway to Veale Gardens restaurant. Footpath on south eastern side of site.
<b>6</b>	<b>Public Transport Access</b>	Tram line and bus route, Peacock Rd.
<b>7</b>	<b>Existing Car Parking</b>	Designated street parking Veale Gardens roadway, Sir Lewis Cohen Ave, Peacock and Greenhill Rds and South Tce.
<b>8</b>	<b>Bike Parking</b>	None existing.
<b>9</b>	<b>Existing Infrastructure</b>	The adjacent well developed Veale Gardens provide an excellent retreat area with existing toilet facilities( inadequate in the long term), landscaped garden and the restaurant.
<b>10</b>	<b>Ambient Noise</b>	Low
<b>11</b>	<b>Neighbours</b>	Minimal potential conflict
<b>12</b>	<b>Comments</b>	Large scale open site. Other than its flatness the site has numerous advantages in terms of public transport access, car parking, the well developed Veale Gardens, minimal potential conflict with neighbours and no existing plantings that would inhibit the proposal. However growth of shade trees would take several years. The City of Adelaide Plan (p385) mentions that mounding for an amphitheatre in the precinct may be appropriate as are activities associated with a Festival Park.

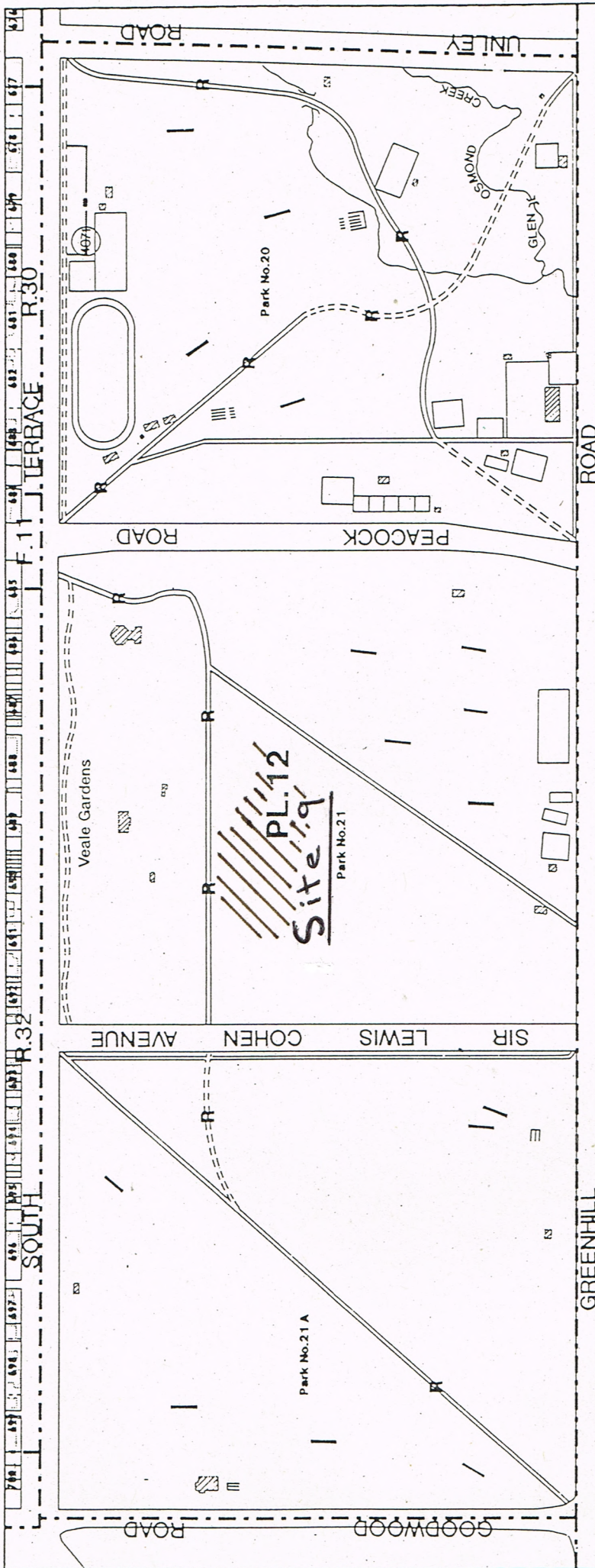
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Looking South East towards Greenhill Rd

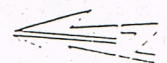


Looking North towards Veale Gardens



# LEGEND

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- HERITAGE ITEM
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- PROPOSED PATH
- RECREATION LOOP
- CRICKET PITCH



## PL12 SOUTH PARKS PRECINCT

The South Parks Precinct should be maintained for passive and active recreation usage and approved community events and characterised by a series of open grassed areas enclosed by peripheral woodland or garden.

### ACTIVITIES

The Precinct should provide for a variety of passive and active outdoor recreation activities. Sporting activities which may be appropriate include athletics, tennis, bowling and team games. Passive outdoor recreation activities, particularly picnicking, are desired. Activities associated with a Festival Park are appropriate in Park No. 21A.

### ENVIRONMENT

#### *Planting Character and Landscape Design*

The South Parks Precinct character should be that of woodland defining open grassed playing fields, so that there is a continuity of theme between the three parks. Veale Gardens should be retained as a formal landscaped garden area and integrated with additional woodland planting in the southern part of the park. Woodland planting should be introduced between playing fields to promote passive outdoor activities such as picnicking.

The banks of Glen Osmond Creek should be regraded to improve safety and amenity and the variation in landform and parkland feature provided by this creek should be acknowledged in its planting character. Drains should be landscaped to improve the aesthetic and functional qualities of the Precinct.

Increase in paved areas in the Precinct should be limited, however earthworks such as mounding for an amphitheatre may be appropriate.

#### *Permanent Structures*

Additional buildings should be limited and existing buildings rationalised. The retention of the existing conservatory in Veale Gardens should be reviewed with a view to replacing the structure with a more appropriate building. Fencing, walling, paving and pathways should be rationalised.

#### *Heritage*

Within the South Parks Precinct the following Item is included on the Register of City of Adelaide Heritage Items contained in the Schedule to the Regulations:

Item 4071 Glover Playground Pavilion and Perimeter Hedge, South Park Lands, South Terrace.

The location of the above item is indicated on Precinct Map PL12.

### MOVEMENT

The surrounds to the existing car parking areas should be landscaped to reduce visual impact of cars in the Park Lands. Car parking should be provided for special events at the Wayville Showgrounds within Park 21A and adjacent precincts. The Park Lands road at the rear of Veale Gardens should be landscaped. Pedestrian and cycle access routes through the Precinct should be improved to link with paths in adjacent Precincts and with regional cycle networks in adjacent local government areas. Provision should be made for on-road cycle lanes on Unley Road.