



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

KNOX PARK ATHLETICS AND MULTI-USE SPORTS PARK

Background

Knox Park is 5.1ha in size and is situated in a prominent and high-profile central location within the City of Onkaparinga, along Kantalpa Grove, Morphett Vale.

The Southern Athletics (SAC) does not have a home and is currently operating from a local senior school. Creating a hub and permanent home for athletics in the south is important to strengthen participation. The SAC offers opportunities to participate in athletic programs and events from cross country in the winter to track and field events throughout the summer.

Will locals still be able to use the Park?

In addition to organised club sport, the upgrade of Knox Park will provide additional open space for use by the broader community potentially encouraging participation in unstructured recreation such as use of the upgraded playground, jogging and walking.

What are the short-term priorities that are currently funded?

Short term priorities include the following:

- irrigated turf (1.8ha) with 400m athletics track
- senior sized soccer field/junior AFL/training
- discus and hammer throw/shotput/javelin
- two-way long jump/triple jump
- storage facility with power
- public toilet and DDA access
- priority pedestrian access
- Priority tree planting/mulching
- playground upgrade

The Council has committed \$1.1m funding to match the State Government's \$1.1m funding to deliver the short-term priorities to upgrade the park.

The medium- and long-term priorities will be subject to future budget processes and funding opportunities.

What are the medium and long-term priorities?

Medium term priorities include:

- additional tree planting/mulching along the boundary
- fencing (oval, Main South Road)
- car park upgrade
- perimeter walking trail and site connections
- lighting
- shelter with seating.

Long term priorities (subject to realising increased demand and availability of funding) include:

- car park extension
- make northern 'D' section of the oval to artificial turf
- potential new entry from Main South Road
- supporting building facility changerooms/pavilion/club rooms etc).

How long will the project take to complete?

The design will commence once we have received feedback from the community.

Construction is expected to begin by mid-2023 and be completed by the end of the year.

We will continue to keep the community informed as dates are confirmed.

Will there be new trees planted?

Yes, there will be tree plantings to help strengthen the existing tree canopy around Knox Park.

Will any trees be removed as part of the construction?

There are no trees that have been identified as requiring removal at this stage. There may be some trees that may be assessed as unwell and may be replaced as part of the landscaping enhancements.

Community engagement and having your say?

Consultation is open until 22 June 2022.

There are many ways you can have your say:

- Provide feedback online at www.onkaparingacity.com/yoursay and complete a short 3-minute survey
 - Join us on-site at Knox Park on Saturday 18 June between 2pm and 4pm
 - Email your feedback to yoursay@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au
 - Call us on 8384 0666
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Further Information?

For further information please contact us on 8384 0666 or email mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au