



State Planning Commission 2016-17 Annual Report

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This annual report is presented to Parliament to meet the statutory reporting requirements of *the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* and meets the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular *PC013 Annual Reporting*.

This report is verified to be accurate for the purposes of annual reporting to the Parliament of South Australia.

Submitted on behalf of the State Planning Commission by:

Tim Anderson QC

Chair



07/09/2017

Signature

Date

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Section A: Reporting required under the *Public Sector Act 2009*, the *Public Sector Regulations 2010* and the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*

Agency purpose or role

The State Planning Commission is a non-partisan body providing advice and leadership on all aspects of planning and development throughout our state – housing design, roads, public transport, location of schools and services, and open space. The Commission is also the state’s principal development assessment and planning advisory body.

The State Planning Commission members were appointed on 30 May 2017 and therefore the reporting period is for one month only.

Objectives

- deliver and manage instruments of the new planning system;
- lead the development of planning policies that are informed by genuine engagement with our community;
- ensure future development is coordinated with the provision of public transport, roads, services and open space; and
- guide councils and professionals in the delivery of new planning services.

Key strategies and their relationship to SA Government objectives

Key strategy	SA Government objective
Not applicable for the 2016-2017 reporting period.	The State Planning Commission is in the process of developing its Strategic Plan, Communications Plan, and operational policies and procedures.

Agency programs and initiatives and their effectiveness and efficiency

Program name	Indicators of performance/effectiveness/efficiency	Comments
Nil	Nil	-

Legislation administered by the agency

Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016

Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017

Planning, Development and Infrastructure (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2017

Development Act 1993

Development Regulations 2008

Organisation of the agency

Subsequent to the reporting date, on 1 August 2017 by proclamation by the Governor, the Commission assumed the responsibilities of the Development Assessment Commission, the Building Rules Assessment Commission and the Development Policy Advisory Committee which were established under the *Development Act 1993* and *Development Regulations 2008*.

The Commission on 1 August 2017 established the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP) under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*.

Agency performance management and development systems

Performance management and development system	Assessment of effectiveness and efficiency
Nil	Not assessed in this reporting period.

Fraud detected in the agency

Category/nature of fraud	Number of instances
Nil	0

Strategies implemented to control and prevent fraud

The Commission will be operating under the Minister's Code of Conduct as well as policies and registers for Declaration of Conflicts of Interest and Gifts and Benefits.

Whistle-blowers' disclosure

Number of occasions on which public interest information has been disclosed to a responsible officer of the agency under the *Whistle-blowers' Protection Act 1993* 0

Consultants

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged by the agency, the nature of work undertaken and the total cost of the work undertaken.

Consultants	Purpose	Value
All consultancies below \$10,000 each	-	\$0
All consultancies above \$10,000 each	-	\$0
Total all consultancies		\$0

See also <https://www.tenders.sa.gov.au/tenders/index.do> for a list of all external consultancies, including nature of work and value. See also the Consolidated Financial Report of the Department of Treasury and Finance <http://treasury.sa.gov.au/> for total value of consultancy contracts across the SA Public Sector.

Financial performance of the agency

The following is a brief summary of the overall financial position of the agency. The information is unaudited.

State Planning Commission Members - Fees and Retainers	\$118,498.68
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Other information requested by the Minister(s) or other significant issues affecting the agency or reporting pertaining to independent functions

Nil

Section B: Reporting required under any other act or regulation

<p>Name and date of act or regulation</p> <p>Enter name of act or regulation</p>
<p>5—Annual report—Commission</p> <p>For the purposes of section 32(2) of the Act, an annual report of the Commission must also contain the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) information about any strategic or other similar objective adopted by the Commission for the coming year or years; (b) information about the extent to which the principles referred to in section 14 of the Act are being reflected in the planning system established under the Act; (c) information about— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) any performance targets set under Schedule 4 of the Act during the relevant financial year; and (ii) the work of the Commission under clause 1 of Schedule 4 of the Act during the relevant financial year; (d) information about any review under clause 3 of Schedule 4 of the Act concluded during the relevant financial year.
<p>In relation to 5(a) during the reporting period the Commission did not adopt any strategic or similar objective for the coming year or years. It is expected that during the period 2017/2018 the Commission will undertake significant work in relation to this provision through the development of the Community Engagement Charter, State Planning Policies and the Planning and Design Code.</p> <p>In relation to 5(b) during the reporting period the Commission did not specifically develop any prescribed documents or make statutory decisions that relate to the principles of good planning as set out in section 14 of the <i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016</i> (the Act). The Commission is committed to ensuring that as the Act is progressively implemented over the coming years that all functions, documents and persons performing a role under the Act ensure that they promote and abide by those principles.</p> <p>In relation to 5(c) the Commission during the reporting period, due to the fact that the much of the Act's operation was suspended from operation, did not set any performance targets under Schedule 4 and no review of performance was required.</p>

Section C: Reporting of public complaints as requested by the Ombudsman

Summary of complaints by subject

Public complaints received by the State Planning Commission	
Category of complaints by subject	Number of instances
No complaints received	0

Complaint outcomes

Nature of complaint or suggestion	Services improved or changes as a result of complaints or consumer suggestions
No complaints received	N/A