# Your Community Your Future Your Opportunity

# **Boundary Realignment – What Does it Mean for You?**

CCC (Campbelltown City Council) is investigating the possibility of moving its boundary to include Woodforde and part of Rostrevor.

We would like to hear what you think about the possibility of living in the City of Campbelltown. Apart from being much closer to the centre of your Community, we think there are many reasons this boundary change makes sense.

There are strong common interests between CCC and Woodforde and Rostrevor. These include managing the hills face zone and protecting the environment, tackling climate change, and preventing further infill development.

Being so close means we can provide prompt and efficient services, and you can influence and shape delivery of these services and facilities as a member of our Community. You may already attend schools, belong to sporting or other clubs, shop, work or play in the area. We have a strong, vibrant and connected Community. We are committed to you for the long term, which provides certainty for your future.

Soon you will receive a survey on the very important topic of Boundary Realignment. Before you complete it, we would like to provide you with some information about the history of this issue, as well as what being a Resident of CCC could look like for you.

# It's all about Belonging

The best local communities make you feel like you belong.

You share common interests, common values and often, a common history too.

The communities of Campbelltown, Rostrevor, and Woodforde share a common history that stretches all the way back to the 1850s.

At that time, we were all together in what was called East Torrens Council, the second Council to be declared in the new state of South Australia.

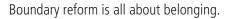
As Campbelltown grew and prospered, we became our own Council in 1868, bound together and sharing a common purpose with areas that we know today as Woodforde, Hamilton Hill, and Upper Rostrevor.

Indeed, our modern landscape is dotted with many old landmarks like St George's Anglican Church, Fourth Creek Estate (Rostrevor College), Woodforde House and the pristine and peaceful Glen Stuart Falls (Morialta Falls).

Families, businesses and social enterprises worked, lived and played together, creating the sense of belonging that is so strongly embedded in our Community more than a century later.

Over time, discussions, even Royal Commissions (1933, 1973), have been held around boundary changes, as Governments seek to bring together local Communities that have the perfect fit.

In 2020, we are still talking about it and that's a good thing. Councils should always review and reflect upon what is best for their local Communities, their shared purpose, and their common interests.





Providing a quality lifestyle

### Rates

We offer lower, value for money rates. In 2020/2021, Campbelltown was proud to deliver a **0% rate increase**. To work out what your rates would be in Campbelltown Council in 2020/2021, use this formula:

Capital value	X .00304791	= Rates payable in	
(found on your rates notice)	(CCC rate in \$)	Campbelltown	

We also provided a package of rate relief measures for our Community to support them through the COVID 19 pandemic. We carry no debt and have healthy cash and investment balances, which provide certainty for future generations.

Our Long Term Financial Plan shows low rate increases in all 10 years and healthy operating surpluses, with the exception of 2022 & 2023 where there are small operating deficits forecast, due to the COVID-19 rate relief measures Council introduced.

# **CHSP (Campbelltown Home Support Program)**

Council is funded to provide CHSP activities for eligible older people including home maintenance, domestic assistance, home modifications and social support for individuals. As a CHSP client you can access unique initiatives like our transport service and social programs.

### **CHSP Social Program**

Eligible CHSP clients can participate in our social program which includes bus trips, art classes, walking groups, chair yoga, information talks on a range of topics, songs around the campfire, singles lunches, coffee club, and an annual Christmas Celebration.

One of our most popular offerings are our Bus trips which provide an opportunity for you to see some of the wonderful things Adelaide and South Australia has to offer. Recently our clients have been to:

- Victor Harbor
- Port Adelaide
- Monarto Zoo
- Festival Theatre to see Billy Elliot the Musical
- Fishing at Brighton

During COVID-19 we did our best to ensure that our CHSP clients remained connected We phoned them regularly to see if they were OK, and so that they could have a chat to someone if they were isolated. We also delivered 320 activity kits to our social program clients (including toilet paper!). Our clients were so grateful for this meaningful distraction in such worrving and uncertain times.



### **Volunteer Transport Service**

We run a transport service for eligible clients for daily essential needs such as medical, personal or social appointments, and daily shopping. It is flexible and affordable. Subsidised taxi vouchers may also be provided when no alternative options are available.

CHSP transport clients can also participate in small group trips for cemetery visits and special shopping trips e.g. Westfield Marion, Harbour Town and Adelaide Central Market.

# **Community Bus**

Our Community Bus provides a door to door service Wednesday to Friday to attend local shopping centres and the Campbelltown Library. More local destinations can be added on request. This service is available to all residents.

You are invited to attend a bus tour on Tuesday 17 November at 10.30 am. The tour will visit some of the beautiful features of our area and end with a BBQ lunch at Thorndon Park. To reserve your place on the tour please call 8366 9261. Seats are limited.





# Neighbours

Council knows that people feel safer and more connected to their Community when they know their neighbours. We have a number of initiatives that support local area and street activities.

### **Street Play**

Council works with local residents to close their streets for play and social connections. These are Community led events which give neighbours a chance to meet and get to know each other, while the kids enjoy playing in the street.

### **Neighbourhood BBQs**

During daylight savings Council selects 6 parks across the City and invites all residents within 400m of each park to come to a Neighbourhood BBQ. This is an informal way to meet new people and rekindle friendships. The Neighbourhood BBQs finish in March each year with a final 'Neighbour Day' celebration.



# Arts & Culture

We are proud of our artistic Community. We have several arts groups using Council facilities and we have just launched a self drive public art map to see the current public art in the area which continues to grow.

We hold a very popular Art Show annually in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Campbelltown, and have monthly exhibitions at the Campbelltown ArtHouse and Campbelltown Library Gallery.

Along with our existing events we are also working to attract external events to the area. Earlier this year we hosted the Police Band at Thorndon Park, which was a lovely night for people to relax and have a picnic in the park and enjoy music.

Council is currently finalising its Arts and Culture action plan in partnership with artists and groups which will further develop Campbelltown as a creative Community.



# **Community Grants**

Our Community Grants Program aims to support its Community through recognising individual excellence, as well as groups and organisations to provide activities, services and events that make Campbelltown an even greater place to live. Community grants are based on the principles of social inclusion, access and equity, and openness and transparency.

Grants are available in the following categories:

**Minor Grants** – up to \$700 for equipment or programs, and includes in-kind hall hire or bus use

**Major Grants** – from \$700 up to \$2,000 for projects, programs or equipment

**Events Grants** – 50% of the total cost of a Community event up to \$5,000

**Personal Achievement Grants** – \$50 to \$300 depending on location, when representing South Australia or Australia

#### Private Bus Subsidy - up to \$400 per trip

Council is also very supportive of groups or organisations who apply for external grant funding and can assist with these applications or provide letters of support.

# **Volunteering in Campbelltown**

We have over 250 active volunteers who provide a range of services and programs in the Community including graffiti removal, Lochend House history tours, Community Orchard, Library and so much more. Council recognises these volunteers each year with a dinner during National Volunteers Week where years of service are awarded, and also an end of year celebration.

### **Fruit Crew**

One unique volunteer program we have is the Fruit Crew. Volunteers harvest excess fruit from people's yards, that would otherwise be left to rot, and redistribute it to local preschools, schools, churches and domestic violence services. The lesser quality fruit is given to Fauna Rescue for animals. Since the Fruit Crew began they have rescued over a tonne of fruit.



### **Give an Hour**

Council has commenced a campaign to support people who can give one hour to the Community to make Campbelltown an even better place to live. The first 'Give an Hour' initiative was the Waste Warrior Project where over 150 people gifted over 780 hours to assemble, pack and deliver 9,000 kitchen caddies to their Community.



# **Campbelltown Library**

Our Library is a vibrant hub of Community and family activity offering a wide range of services including a Justice of the Peace Service. Below is a sample of what we have on offer.

### **Toy Library**

The very popular Toy Library is located within the Library. The aim of the Toy Library is to provide toys, games and puzzles of an educational nature that provide pleasurable learning experiences and promote child development in language, numeracy, social interaction, muscle development, imagination and creativity; all for a modest annual membership fee.



### **Housebound Service**

We offer a Housebound Service for residents who are unable to visit the Library due to medical reasons or disability. This was an extremely popular service during the COVID-19 period.

### **Child and Youth Programs**

A range of programs are offered across age groups including:

- Wriggle and Giggle (0-2 Years)
- Storytime (3-5 years)
- Little Bang Discovery Club (3-5 years)
- Discovery Club (6+ years)
- Minecraft Mondays (8-12 years)
- 12-16 year Club
- Chesslife Club
- School Holiday Programs

We were very proud to be able to continue most of these services online during the COVID period and Library staff continue to find innovative ways to provide online opportunities for the Community.

### **Gallery Space**

There is a gallery space located near the front entrance to the Library which has lovely natural lighting along with a professional tracking system for spotlights. This space is offered to locals who wish to display their work to an audience of over 600 people per day.

### **Digital Literacy**

The Library offers free computer classes on topics including computer basics, iPads, androids and internet safety. Classes are delivered by a skilled trainer, and supported by Library volunteers. We also offer a Digital drop in service where Library volunteers are on hand to try and answer your technology questions and help you discover ways of using technology for learning, entertainment and staying connected.

# The ARC Campbelltown

This high profile facility opened in July 2016 and provides state of the art aquatic, fitness, sports, café, function and crèche facilities. The ARC is a well loved Community asset which operates on a very successful business that funds its operations. The learn to swim program is extremely popular and along with the usual gym offerings, the ARC also offers a range of classes for our residents aged 55+ including bowls, badminton, aqua classes and chair yoga.



The ARC is the home of the Norwood Basketball Club and is the regular training facility for Futsal, Norwood Volleyball Club, Campbelltown Squash Club and two Tea Tree Gully Swim Clubs. It is also a popular venue for high profile State and National Competitions such as Squash SA State Championships, Australian Open Table Tennis Championships, Pacific School Games (International), SA Country Basketball Championships, Special Olympics Australia (Basketball), and the Australian Masters Games (Volleyball).





# **Community Events**

We love to bring the Community together when we can, to celebrate all things great about Campbelltown. We run our very successful Moonlight Markets at Thorndon Park across the summer months and these Markets are well attended and attract people from all over Adelaide.

We have a Christmas Parade, which enables Community groups and businesses to share in the Christmas spirit and showcase their members or services. This event culminates in a Christmas Carols Event in Thorndon Park which is a joint partnership with the Lions Club of Athelstone.



Other events across the year include Movies in the Park, Pizza Festival, School Holiday Trail, Anzac Day Service, Mayoral Bowls Tournament, Literary Awards and Reconciliation Week. Service Clubs are very active in our Community and also host several events themselves such as Markets, Breakfast in the Park and Fundraising Events.

### Committees

As Residents you can help shape the Community you live in by nominating for one of the following Advisory Committees when opportunities arise:

- Active Ageing
- Reconciliation
- Youth
- Disability Access & Inclusion
- Service Clubs

We also have the following Committees, which include Residents with the relevant skills to provide professional advice to Council:

- Council Assessment Panel
- Audit & Governance
- Economic Development

# **Disability Access and Inclusion**

We have a Disability Access & Inclusion Plan that outlines how we ensure that our area is physically accessible and socially inclusive for people of all abilities. When we make facilities better for people with disabilities, we make them better for everyone. We have some best practice accessible facilities including Campbelltown Memorial Oval and The ARC.

### Reconciliation

Council is committed to Reconciliation. We have a Reconciliation Action Plan, endorsed by Reconciliation Australia and we commit to a whole of organisation approach to the shaping and implementation of our Plan.

# **Parks and Open Spaces**

We have some beautiful parks and open spaces including the beautiful River Torrens Linear Park which boasts great walking and riding trails, abundant nature, and several recreational spaces.

Thorndon Park offers a beautiful shaded lawn area for family gatherings and recreation, BBQs, and parties. There is a covered playground area, which includes a Liberty Swing, and of course the wonderful Pavilion which offers all round weather access to the park. Council is currently consulting on its Thorndon Park Super Playground which proposes some

great improvements to the Playground area and will make the park a destination of choice for families across Adelaide. The park also offers walking trails, an amphitheatre, an Oval, a small heritage museum and a kiosk that is open on weekends.

Other parks that are popular for family gatherings, parties, BBQs, and even weddings, include The Gums Reserve, Magill, Foxfield Oval, Wadmore Park (Pulyonna Wirra), Gurners Reserve and Lochiel Park. We also have a fully fenced playground at Charlesworth Park.

We have several well used sporting facilities including the newly renovated world class facility at

Campbelltown Memorial Oval. Steve Woodcock Sports Centre, Daly Oval and the Max Amber Sportsfield are homegrounds for successful sporting Clubs, as well as being available for Community use. Tennis and Netball are also strong elements of our Community and we have several court spaces throughout the Council area for Clubs and the Community to enjoy.





# **The Environment**

We are fortunate to be set amongst the foothills with an abundance of natural environment areas and open space including 3 main creeks and the River Torrens.

We have an Open Space Strategy as well as an Environment Plan with vision of a City where people choose to live because of its sustainable living options, healthy and biodiverse environment, and connected open spaces. Our Community highly values the proximity to the hills, open space, creeks, nature/wildlife and trees.

Key achievements under our Environment Plan over the last 4 years include:

- Creek Management Plans for Third, Fourth and Fifth Creeks
- Native Bee Hotels
- Water Sensitive Urban Design Trials
- Expanded kitchen caddy system for food waste to all residents
- Baseline heat, canopy cover and biodiversity mapping
- Increased greening measures in Council operations
- Transitioned to LED street lighting
- Compostable dog bags available throughout Council reserves.

Our draft Environment Plan 2020-2024 is currently out for consultation and has 4 pillars. The Liveable Campbelltown Pillar has a strong focus on:

- Protecting and enhancing natural areas, creeks, flora and fauna, biodiversity, and open space
- Investing in, maintaining and expanding green infrastructure (including canopy cover, verges and open space)
- Implementing and managing water sensitive urban design (WSUD)

We also have several Community Groups who assist with looking after our Environment.

### **Friends of Lochiel Park**

This group collects and grows around 1,000 local native plants each year for Council plantings. Their work contributes to biodiversity and provides habitat for native animals, and helps our Community connect and engage with nature.



#### **Campbelltown Landcare Group**

This group, which has been supported by Council for 15 years, undertakes countless hours of weed control and planting in selected areas, which has significantly improved the condition of the vegetation. Recently the group undertook bird and fauna surveys, which will inform Council's Wadmore Park/Pulyonna Wirra Management Plan.

#### **Gums Landcare Group**

This group helps improve biodiversity at an area of The Gums Reserve along Third Creek. They have removed feral olives, planted additional local native understorey, installed several native bee hotels, engaged local schools (including an 'Adopt a Tree' program), and organised a successful Festival of Nature event for the Community.

### **Campbelltown Friends of the Environment**

This group provides feedback to Council on policies and programs and aims to increase public awareness of environmental issues through information sharing and practical activities. The group is committed to sharing the message about environmental responsibility and sustainable living.



### Friends of Black Hill and Morialta

We proudly support this group who work to conserve, protect and restore the beautiful foothill areas of Black Hill and Morialta Conservation Parks.

# **Climate Change**

Council has been part of the Resilient East Climate Adaptation partnership since 2016. Resilient East works on collaborative and regional climate adaptation issues with a focus on greening initiatives, urban heat island impacts and increasing water sensitive urban design.

In 2019 Council signed the Climate Emergency Declaration, adopting climate change as a key priority as part of Council's Strategic Plan. Council is also preparing a Climate Solutions Strategy and Policy to lead broader action on climate change issues. We are currently trialling new approaches to greening and cooling our streets.

We recently ran a successful Climate Ready Campbelltown forum. We shared information about heat mapping, heat waves and impacts within our local Community. The forum allowed us to inform the Community about how to be prepared for extreme heat events, how to use their gardens and water to cool their homes, and tips for smarter energy use.



# **Clean Campbelltown**

Council offers a 3 bin waste collection service which collects general household waste weekly, and green waste and recyclables fortnightly.

All residential households are entitled to one free hard waste collection per financial year, and one free at call mattress collection. We also offer scrap metal collection.



Council also runs a FREE household TV, computer and chemical drop off facility at its Depot at 6 Newton Road, Campbelltown. This facility is a self-service, user friendly way to drop off unwanted household chemicals and electronic goods (TVs and computer items).

All residential households have recently been provided with a free food waste kitchen basket for food scraps and an annual allocation of 150 bags.

# **Public Health**

Campbelltown is a member of the regional subsidiary, EHA (Eastern Health Authority). EHA protects the health and wellbeing of about 160,000 residents plus visitors and is an example of Council shared service delivery at its very best.

EHA manages vital public and environment health services such as immunisation, hygiene and sanitation control, and inspection and regulation of food outlets. Free immunisation clinics are held monthly in the Council area.

We are a partner to the Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2020-2025 'Better Living, Better Health' which focuses on regional activities that require collaboration between the Councils and Community partners. The Plan builds on regional strengths and addresses regional challenges. It also considers priority populations identified in South Australia's State Public Health Plan 2019-2024, and it addresses the State's four strategic priorities.

# **Planning and Development**

Like all Councils, we need to follow the Planning Legislation and policy framework established by the State Government. Council successfully lobbied the State Government and won recent changes to Campbelltown's Development Plan, which resulted in increased block sizes and other improved conditions for ratepayers within the Council area. You can be confident that Campbelltown will fight to protect the Adelaide Hills area (Rostrevor and Woodforde) and commits to maintaining the hills face zone.

Campbelltown has publicly committed to maintaining the Development Plan Rules in the AHC exactly as they are now by creating a separate planning policy zone, just like we have with Poets Corner, Tranmere. The draft Planning and Design Code would retain both Woodforde and Rostrevor as very low density areas with minimum allotments sizes of 1000sqm and minimum frontages of 20 metres. Going forward, the Planning Minister will have primary responsibility for maintenance and changes to the Code. If you ever need to inspect plans of a development that are available for public inspection, the Council Office is just down the road!

# **Footpaths**

Council has a policy to provide a footpath on at least one side of each street in our Council area in consultation with Residents. In some cases where there is high pedestrian use or special circumstances, footpaths may be installed on both sides of the road. Roads without footpaths are priority listed for construction as funds become available, and this construction program is almost complete.



### **Rostrevor College**

We already have a strong relationship with Rostrevor College, even though it is just outside of our Council area. We include Rostrevor Students in our Young Citizen of the Year Awards, NAIDOC Awards, and the College has a representative on our Youth Advisory Committee.

We look forward to developing stronger partnerships with the College and we are committed to installing footpaths around the College if the Boundary Realignment proceeds.

We would also work with the College to effectively manage traffic around the College during peak hours.

### **Bushfire Safety**

Bushfire prevention is a year-round responsibility and a necessity for property owners in the Urban/Rural interface of the Council area. Recent fires in South Australia have shown that Bushfires can have a significant impact on areas across the Urban/Rural Interface. An appropriately maintained garden and well prepared house can minimise the risk of a bushfire impacting you and your family.

Council is diligent in managing inflammable undergrowth at properties within the Council area and ensuring that all access points are clear in the event they need to be accessed by emergency services vehicles. The Athelstone CFS operates in our area and the Athelstone Fire Siren is located within the Black Hill Conservation Park.

# **ERA (Eastern Region Alliance)**

ERA is a voluntary regional association of eastern metropolitan Councils including Campbelltown, Burnside, Norwood Payneham St Peters, Prospect, Unley, and Walkerville. These Councils have executed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to form ERA.

The magnificent eastern suburbs of Adelaide are areas of high-quality residential amenity, with proud communities that expect high standard facilities and services, and share interests in many issues including quality public transport, youth, and environmental sustainability.

ERA provides an opportunity for these Councils to work together to better serve their Communities. With the goal of securing a sustainable lifestyle, excellent services and facilities for its constituent Communities, ERA aims to:

- Improve cooperation, collaboration, and coordination across the member Councils
- Establish a robust operational framework to deliver effective and efficient services
- Be successful in attracting State and Federal Government funding for regional initiatives
- Increase awareness, and the influence, of ERA within the three spheres of Government.

# We Listen to Our Community

Council provides many opportunities for our Community to connect with Council and provide feedback. We use the IAP2 framework for Community Engagement and seek to engage people from all ages and demographics. We provide open, transparent, accessible opportunities to help people connect with Council via online, hard copy and face to face consultation methods. In 2019/2020 we ran 21 consultations on plans, policies, playgrounds, new facilities and traffic matters where respondents gave meaningful input into project outcomes.

We consistently strive for continuous improvement in our Community engagement program and have been recognised twice in recent years for IAP2 SA Project of the Year.

# **Need More Information?**

If you would like any more information about us and the services we offer please visit our website at www.campbelltown.sa.gov.au

If you would like more information about the boundary realignment process, or to see the information that we have previously provided to you please visit www.campbelltown.sa.gov.au/council/our-city/boundaryrealignment

If you have a question or any comments please email **boundary@campbelltown.sa.gov.au** 

We would love to welcome you to our Community. Please fill out the survey you will receive, from McGregor Tan, so that we know your views on living in the City of Campbelltown.



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