

# GREENER NEIGHBOURHOODS

**A STRONG PLAN  
FOR REAL CHANGE.**



## **We're ready.**

Over the last four years, we've been working hard developing our vision for the future of South Australia.

Not just policies, but a series of achievable milestones that have been crafted for the long-term benefit of our state.

*Our focus will be*

**MORE JOBS.  
LOWER COSTS.  
BETTER SERVICES.**

We've got a strong plan for real change.

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## WHAT WE'LL DO

If elected in 2018, a Marshall Liberal Government will provide funding through local councils to help keep our suburban streets green.

Street trees provide enormous benefits to our neighbourhoods, enhancing social and environmental outcomes and increasing the liveability of suburbia.

Trees help to improve air quality and visual amenity as well as providing shade. They are also a haven for birdlife.

A Marshall Liberal Government will work with local government to implement a 'Greening our Neighbourhoods' initiative.

Our plan will enhance the existing street tree management plans of councils, ensuring the roll out of street tree planting involves the local community.

The Greening our Neighbourhoods initiative will further support greening targets within The 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide.

We want to ensure South Australia retains its unique natural beauty, and by increasing natural vegetation we can reduce the severity of the 'heat island effect' within our urban areas, encouraging happy and healthy communities.

## **WHY WE'RE DOING IT**

Significant pressure is being placed on our urban environments as the State Government vigorously pursues its urban development infill agenda.

The government's '30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide' has a target of increasing infill from 70% of new developments to 85% in established urban areas, including Gawler Township.

Meanwhile, Adelaide's tree coverage is amongst the lowest of the state capitals. Its proportion of tree canopy is 27% - less than half Hobart's, which is the highest at 59%.\*

There are also marked variations between Adelaide suburbs. A 2020 Vision report breaks down the tree canopy within each of Adelaide's 19 metropolitan council areas. The proportion of tree coverage ranges from 44% in the Adelaide Hills to only 12% in Port Adelaide Enfield.

*\* Tree canopy coverage has been measured and reported on in a report by 2020 Vision.*



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