CREATING PLACES FOR PEOPLE
AN URBAN DESIGN PROTOCOL FOR AUSTRALIAN CITIES

'Urban Design in its best form is a collaborative, cross disciplinary process vital to the creation of successful and liveable cities; a process drawn from the inter-connectedness of things that places people first.'

—Benjamin Hewett, South Australian Government Architect

'Increasingly we're understanding the link between the quality of our built environment, to the quality of our lives, and that good design, visionary planning and clever delivery is vital to the economic, social and environmental future of the our communities. Successful urban design brings these streams together.'

—Timothy Horton, Commissioner for Integrated Design
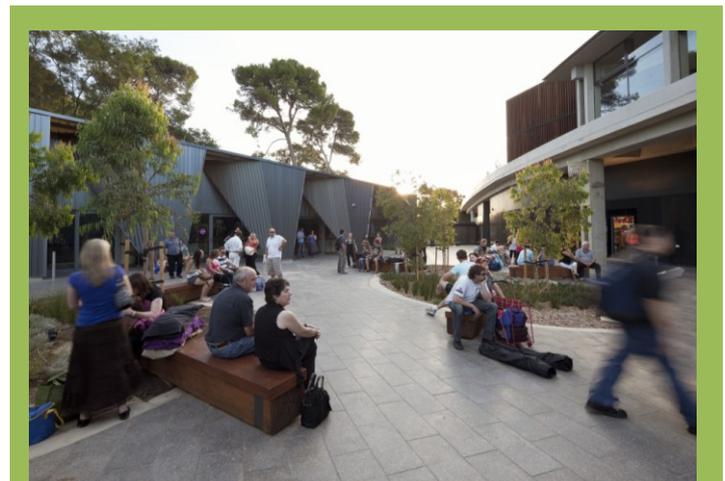
A liveable State through urban design

The residents of Adelaide rated their city the most liveable Australian capital in a 2011 Property Council survey. The attribute of 'attractive look and design' was particularly highly rated.

Leading design outcomes through integration

Good design is enabled as much by having the right pre-conditions as it is by the skills and capacity of the design team involved on any single project. Good design can only be delivered if accompanied by great planning, and excellence in development - all enabled by innovative urban policy.

The Integrated Design Commission was established in 2010 to provide independent advice to the Premier and the Cabinet of South Australia across the fields of design, planning and development and in the context of the broader state strategic framework, the State's Strategic Plan, the 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide, and the state reform agenda.

Integrated and collaborative process has been a hallmark of South Australia's approach to urban design & planning. A 'Capital City Committee' ensures joint State government/city council co-ordination and an integrated state agency combining Planning, Transport & Infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development was established in 2011 to encourage more integrated decision making across the built environment.

ADELAIDE ZOO ENTRANCE PRECINCT

2010 AIA JACK MCCONNELL AWARD

Award winning urban design in South Australia

- Victoria Square Tarndanyangga Urban Regeneration Master Plan, 2011 PIA Award

- Adelaide Zoo Entrance Precinct, 2010 AIA Jack McConnell Award for Public Architecture

- Rundle Lantern, Adelaide, 2009

- Mawson Central Mawson Lakes Development, 2010

- Glenelg Tramline Extension, 2008 Australia Award for Urban Design, commendation

- The Australian Garden Stage 1, Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne, 2008

- Lochiel Park Green Village: Urban Design Guidelines, 2008

- North Terrace Redevelopment, recipient of 2006 Australia Award for urban design

South Australia

Examples of urban design charters, guides and handbooks in South Australia

Level	Examples	Statewide initiatives
National	Our Cities, Our Future · COAG Objectives and Criteria for Capital Cities · CREATING PLACES FOR PEOPLE	
State	State Policies and plans · in a great state	South Australian Premier and Cabinet Circular 24 · Treasury Guidelines for the Evaluation of Public Sector Initiatives
Region	The 30-Year Plan for Greater Adelaide · Murray and Mallee Region Plan · Kangaroo Island Plan	Places for People
Town/District	Local Area Plan · Greenfield structure plan · DesignLAB v1.0 Safety in the City · KNOWLEDGE BASE RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT	5000+ Integrated Design Strategy for Adelaide
Neighbourhood	Neighbourhood Plan · Town Centre masterplan	Design Lab v1.0 Safety in the City
Street	Street-scale plan	Streets for People
Site	Site Plan	