



For
the
Future

Heritage

South
Australian
Labor



Acknowledgment of country.

We acknowledge and respect the Traditional Custodians whose ancestral lands we live and work upon and we pay our respects to their Elders past and present. We acknowledge and respect their deep spiritual connection and the relationship that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have to Country. We also pay our respects to the cultural authority of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their nations in South Australia, as well as those across Australia.

Foreword

Labor is looking to South Australia's future. A future that honours where we have been and forges a clear path to building the state for future generations; a future that places South Australia on the front foot to be the first choice for people to live and work.

While we push ahead with securing South Australia's future, we must ensure that Adelaide remains Australia's most liveable city with ease of access to public transport, green open space and vibrant local communities.

A large part of what makes Adelaide such a desirable city to live in is the heritage and character of our suburbs.

We have seen several times in the last four years that the Marshall Liberal government has chosen to destroy heritage rather than protect it and we have also seen how poorly the government has treated heritage advocates such as the National Trust.

A Malinauskas Labor government will:

- ✔ Legislate to require proposed demolition of state heritage sites are subject to full public consultation and a public report from SA Heritage Council.
- ✔ Guarantee the ongoing tenure of the National Trust in Ayers House, though an Ayers House Act and work with the Trust and the community on a shared plan for the future of Martindale Hall that will allow public access
- ✔ Legislate to increase protection of Aboriginal Heritage.

Recognising that urban infill is threatening the green open spaces we cherish in Adelaide, **Labor will:**

- ✔ Allocate 10 per cent of developer contributions to the Planning and Development Fund to allow councils to buy land to create pocket parks, to add to the open space in Adelaide.
- ✔ Revise tree regulations to match Australian best practice to protect and increase the green canopy in Adelaide

- ✔ Work with the Green Adelaide board to prioritise projects that actively green neighbourhoods.

Labor will also protect Adelaide's unique Park Lands.

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A Malinauskas Labor government will:

- ✔ Restore full protection to Helen Mayo Park.
- ✔ Investigate creating an uninterrupted walk, run and cycle circuit around the Park Lands.
- ✔ Ensure membership of the Park Lands Authority reflects the skills and experience required by the Act, including knowledge of biodiversity and cultural heritage.

By ensuring we have the right balance between growth and protection for our streets, suburbs and Park Lands, Adelaide will remain one of the world's most liveable cities.



Peter Malinauskas MP
SA Labor Leader





Source: Shed26.org

PROTECT STATE HERITAGE PLACES

The community was shocked with the Marshall Liberal government announced it would demolish the Waite Gatehouse – the building was rescued only because people protested, signed petitions and insisted that demolition was not necessary. This occurred after the Marshall Liberal government decided to allow Shed 26 in Port Adelaide to be demolished despite the Heritage Council approving it for listing on the State Heritage Register.

Despite promising not to in opposition, the Marshall government introduced into parliament a bill that would remove the conservation park status and charitable trust of Martindale Hall with no consultation, no rationale and no clear plan for the future.

To ensure that demolition cannot occur at the whim of a future government, Labor will legislate to better protect State Heritage Places, including

requiring a public report by the SA Heritage Council being prepared and laid in parliament before any consideration of a demolition approval and full public consultation so that all South Australians can have their views heard.

Labor will investigate National Heritage listing for Ayers House, Edmund Wright House, Fort Largs and Martindale Hall.



Source: University of Adelaide



PROTECT AYERS HOUSE AND THE NATIONAL TRUST

The National Trust has worked tirelessly to protect and promote heritage in South Australia since 1955. The Trust has over 1000 registered volunteers and over 5000 members, and it has been responsible for the equivalent of millions of dollars every year of work supporting National Trust collections and museums. Labor will treat it with the respect it deserves. That means supporting the Trust to have a permanent home in Ayers House and working with the Trust to develop a plan to cement its home as a place that works as a museum and where the Trust can generate income to support its activities. To ensure that this location is safe from a minister evicting the Trust on a whim, Labor will introduce the Ayers House Act.

CREATE SA HERITAGE AGREEMENTS

Heritage agreements on private land has been a long-standing mechanism for protecting the natural environment. Labor in government will commit an additional \$6 million to support new and existing heritage agreements. A Malinauskas government will also fund Landcare \$1 million to help coordinate on ground planting, weeding and other conservation works.



MARTINDALE HALL

For too long the future of the magnificent Martindale Hall has been in doubt. When the Marshall Liberal government decided, without warning, to introduce legislation to remove the charitable trust and conservation park status, understandably many heritage lovers in the community were concerned about what the future of this special part of our history was to be.

Labor will start this process from the beginning with the community, not against it. That means asking the community near Martindale Hall and across the state for what they want to see and what we need collectively to protect. Once there is a shared vision, Labor will work on how to deliver that with the community not despite of its wishes. The only restrictions are these: Labor will not sell Martindale Hall and will not reduce the protection afforded to it under law.



From an empty block



to a pocket park

GREEN OPEN SPACES

Where we live should be as green and pleasant to live in as possible, not hemmed in by buildings and roads, and nowhere to breathe. While we all understand that a rising population means a busier capital city, we can manage this while also keeping Adelaide cool and green.

Labor will use the Open Space Grant Program to invest in green space. We will offer 10 per cent of the contributions to the Planning and Development Fund every year to councils to apply to buy land to create pocket parks. This will balance the spaces lost as more dense housing is built. We will make every effort to spend the funds from new developments in the same council area.

A Malinauskas Labor government will work with the Green Adelaide board to prioritise projects that actively green neighbourhoods, supporting biodiversity and a good quality of life for families getting out and enjoying the outdoors.

Labor will address the loss of trees that has seen us become one of the capital cities with the least green canopy by undertaking serious urban forest management. That means having Australian best practice for tree removal regulations and a targeted plan, with Green Adelaide, for new plantings so everyone benefits from access to green space near them.

ABORIGINAL HERITAGE PROTECTION

The destruction of Juukan Gorge in Western Australia was a wake-up call to all Australians that our unique heritage can be wiped out in an instant. In South Australia, nuclear fuel dump proposals and drilling approval for Lake Torrens show the risks to Aboriginal heritage and the need to better include Aboriginal people in decision making.

Labor will ensure local Aboriginal communities and traditional owners are fully consulted on any proposal that would risk damaging Aboriginal heritage.

In consultation with local communities, Labor will increase financial penalties for serious breaches of Aboriginal heritage laws so penalties for destroying the past are not just seen as the cost of doing business. Labor will establish a mechanism to ensure a company cannot benefit from breaching Aboriginal heritage protection laws.

Better protection will preserve priceless heritage and, where culturally appropriate, ensure that it can continue to be shared with visitors from home and overseas.



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