Community Forum

Teringie, Woodforde & Rostrevor

30 April 2024 | The Summit Community Centre



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Acknowledgment

Council acknowledges that we conduct our business on the traditional lands and waters of the Peramangk and Kaurna people. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging as the Custodians of this ancient and beautiful land. Together we will care for this country for the generations to come.



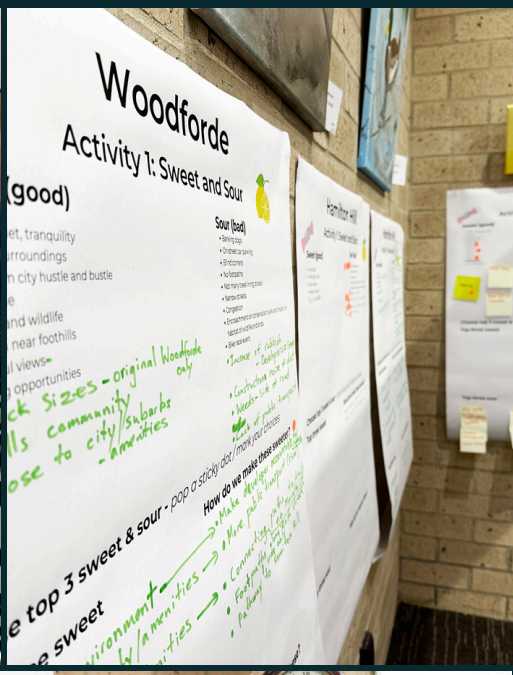
Purpose

A conversation about your neighbourhood

This forum was a chance to connect with residents of Teringie, Woodforde and Rostrevor and hear what is important to them. The structure of the evening allowed for conversations and group work activities to unpack what our community value, want changed and prioritised. Our overall aim was to listen, gain a greater understanding of hopes and dreams, along with challenges and concerns.

The community Forum was facilitated by Steve Dangerfield from TSA Riely.









Community Forum Agenda

The Summit Community Centre
Arrive from 5.30pm and leave by 8.30pm

	time
Arriving Hello, sign-in, grab a cuppa, find your suburb table	*5.30pm*
Welcome, introductions and purpose Acknowledgement, agenda, context, rules of engagement	*6.00pm*
Boundary realignment update Current status, timeframes, position, process	*6.10pm*
Group activities Sweet and sour, silver and gold, present and future	*6.30pm*
Next steps, close, thanks and supper Wrap up, food and connect	*7.50pm*

Mingling with Elected Members and staff from 8.00pm - 8.30pm

Boundary Realignment

Update provided

Acting Mayor Nathan Daniell provided an update on the Boundary Change Proposal. Background of the process to date, confirmation of Council's position, an indication of where in the process we are at and what the community can expect to see next, was provided.

Here is what we shared:

- Council are participants in the boundary reform process and not the decision makers.
- Council will represent the interests of the community through the process.
- Council is focused on service provision and how it can improve and deliver for the community.
- Your contribution in this Forum will help shape the way Council supports you going forward.
- While we cannot control the outcome of the boundary realignment process, we can control how we connect and engage with you and how we improve our services to you, this being important in the lead up to the boundary change process.
- A number of people in the community are working hard to present the views of the community into the boundary reform process when it gets underway.
- If you are of the view that Woodforde, Teringie and Rostrevor should remain with the Adelaide Hills Council please speak to one of the following after the session this evening: Mardi Espinoza (Morialta Residents Association) or Janet Spouse (Woodforde Residents Association).
- If you would like to receive updates please see a Council staff member.

See Boundary Realignment handout on next page.



Boundary Realignment Handout

The Local Government Boundaries Commission is an independent body established by the State Government to investigate boundary change proposals and make recommendations to the Minister for Local Government. The Commission is currently considering a proposal by the Campbelltown City Council to move their Council boundary to take in the parts of Rostrevor and Woodforde that are currently part of the Adelaide Hills community. Read more here: https://www.dit.sa.gov.au/local-government/boundaries-commission

Step 1. Initial proposal submitted (2019)

CCC submitted an initial (Stage 1) proposal to the Commission (February 2019)

Decision by the Commission to progress to the next stage (May 2019)

Step 2. Consultation and preparation of a general proposal (2019 – 2022)

CCC and AHC separately consulted the community on the initial boundary change proposal

AHC requested that CCC withdraw the proposal due to lack of community support

Step 3. General Proposal Submitted (2022)

CCC submitted a general (Stage 2) proposal to the Commission (April 2022)

Decision by the Commission to inquire into the general proposal (July 2022)

Step 4. Investigations (2024)

The Commission will appoint an independent investigator to assess the impacts of the proposal and undertake community engagement. The investigator will provide a report to the Commission.

Current Stage

Step 5. Commission makes a recommendation

Commission prepares a report to the Minister with recommendations about the proposal (including any variations to the proposal as the Commissions thinks fit)

Report will be published online

Step 6. Decision

The Minister will decided whether the proposal (including any variations recommended by the Commission) will proceed or not.

Boundary Realignment Q&A

A question and answer session took place between our facilitator and Acting Mayor Nathan Daniell (responses indicated in italics).

What is Council's position with respect to the boundary reform process?

"This process has been quite a journey, five years and ongoing. We have formed a strong position that we do not agree with the City of Campbelltown's application and are committed to retaining the current boundary.

The change would have a significant and negative impact both on yourselves as those most directly impacted by the change, but also more broadly our Adelaide Hills Council community. It would fracture our community and impact all of our residents. The character of our Council is unique and the foothills forms an important part of that character - we see one Hills community connected by a love of nature and enjoyment of our relaxed lifestyle and friendly village feel. Our Council is committed to keeping our community together so we can all continue to serve the entire Hills regions with quality services, programs, facilities and events for you to enjoy."

Will Council advocate on our behalf? What can the community do to have its collective voice heard?

"Council has and will continue to advocate strongly on your behalf. The process will soon enter into the Investigation stage. At this stage the Boundaries Commission will appoint an independent investigator to assess the impacts of the proposal and undertake community engagement. The investigator will provide a report to the Commission for consideration.

It is important to remember that it is not Council's decision to make, but AHC will keep working with communities, stakeholders and decision makers to achieve the best outcome for all Hills residents."



Boundary Realignment Q&A Continued

How can we provide feedback and stay updated?

"The most valuable thing you can do is engage yourself in the Commissions' inquiry process. We are unsure how the consultation will look, but you will get to have your say and we will keep you informed on the opportunities.

We also encourage you to link up with your active community associations, both Morialta Residents Association, who have been incredibly active since this proposal was first submitted and the newly formed Woodforde Residents Association. Please also see Council staff here tonight to register your interest to be kept informed."

Will the decision makers (Boundary Reform Commission) take into account the views of the community? Will our effort to be heard be worthwhile and make a difference?

"Yes, it certainly will. Community sentiment is a key part of the criteria by which the Commission will assess this proposal, in the legislation it states they must consider: The extent of support for the general proposal within the affected community. Further they must undertake consultation, along with us as a Council directly affected by the proposal."



Group Activities

Following the presentation we moved into a series of group activities.

There were three activities:

1. Sweet and Sour - What's good and what's not
2. Silver and Gold - Meeting new neighbours
3. Creating the Present - Inspiring the future



Activity 1: Sweet & Sour

Aim: Getting to know neighbours, understanding what people love and do not love about where they live and how we can make things 'sweeter'.

- Participants were invited to submit with their registration, prior to the evening, the things they love about where they live and the things they least like about where they live
- We consolidated these thoughts and listed them under the two columns, sweet and sour
- Workshop instructions:
  - At your neighbourhood (by suburb) tables, choose a scribe and collectively work through both lists
  - Cross out those that you consider are not relevant to your neighbourhood
  - Add any new issues that may be missing
  - Work back through both lists to identify improvements: What could be done to make the sweet even sweeter, what could be done to improve sour to sweet. Note: you do not need to provide an 'improvement' for everything – focus on what's important, particularly what is needed to turn the sour into sweet and indicate Council's role, especially with respect to what's sour.

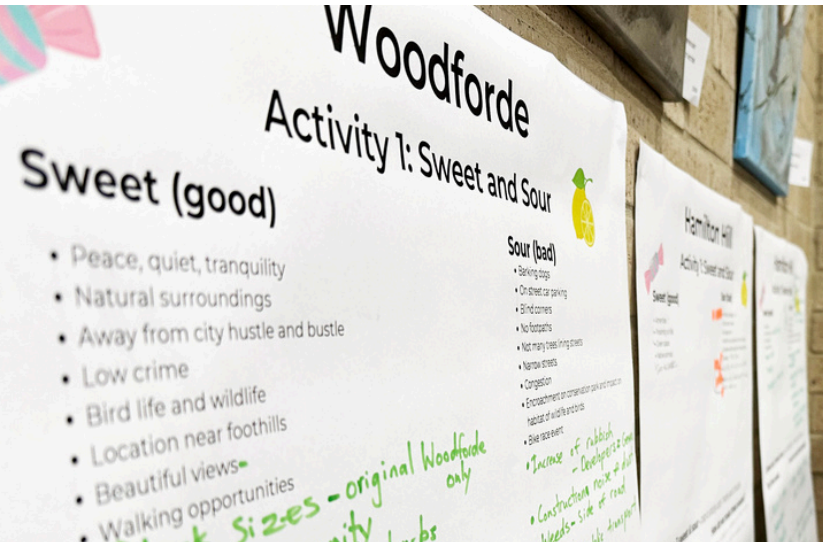








Results from Activity 1





Images from participants Activity 1.

	Teringie (3 groups)	Woodforde (1 group)	Hamilton Hill (2 groups)	Rostrevor (2 groups)
Top sweet	Trees. Fauna. Views. Space, Clean air.	Natural Environment. Close to city/amenities. Walking opportunities.	Access to nature. Landscaped verges/green spaces + reserves. Strong sense of community /good neighbours.	Native vegetation. Large blocks. Strong sense of community. Morialta Conservation Park.
Ways to make sweeter	Playgrounds - Langman Drv, Colonial Drv. Irrigation.	More public transport. Connecting paths to trails eg. Morialta. Pathway to Hamilton Hill.	Better walking trails/access to Morialta. More regular maintenance. Better responses by Council to issues. Create community tidy neighbourhood/ verg group.	Look after trees. Value around keeping blocks larger. Not small blocks. Support the community - community forms, mail outs. AHC online not usable enough.
Top sour	Cyclists. No Hard Rubbish. No Town Water. Traffic flow at New and Old Norton Summit Rd. Council rates.	Lack of accessible footpaths. Narrow streets - parking congestion. Increase of rubbish from developers.	Construction - noise. Parking congestion. Lack of playspace.	Speeding. Parking. Green waste. Campbelltown take over. Traffic flow.
Sour resolutions	Cyclists: Single file only. Passing lanes to overtake cyclists. Wider verges for cyclists. Free hard rubbish collections.	Footpaths on at least one side of every street. Parking on one side of road. Make developers accountable for their rubbish.	Construction noise enforcement by Council.	Review speed limits. Only park on one side of road in Nanoota Ave. More green waste drop offs.

Activity 2: Silver & Gold

Aim: Getting to know others in the room and defining your vision for the future of your neighbourhood - "What I value about where I live".

Workshop instructions:

- Pick an animal from the activity box. Move to the table that has your animal as a centre piece. The animal you pick needs to match the animal that is the centre piece on the table. If you are here with a close friend or partner you can move together if you wish – but preferably limit your move to no more than two people to any new table.
- At your new table pick a picture from the box that best represents your vision / future for your neighbourhood (first in best dressed).
- Stick the picture to the A5 card at your table place. Take a pen and write on the card under the picture why you chose it / what I value about where I live.
- Wait for everyone to be seated. Use your picture card to introduce yourself to your table.









Results from Activity 2





Images from participants Activity 2

"Views, sunsets, sense of space, peacefulness"

In the words of participants...what I value about where I live

- Coming together as a community
- Nature - having a beautiful plant loving community
- I love living in Teringie for its space, privacy, openness and the spectacular views of Adelaide City. I've lived here for 35 years and came here in the '70s
- The "feel" of the hills. The villages and the countryside and the vines and trees
- Beauty. Abundance of nature. Prolific bird life, koalas, Kangaroos, echidnas, wombat. The open landscapes, home to cows, sheep, goat, horses, alpaccas etc. My children grew in this Garden of Eden and my grandchildren now enjoy this environment
- I love the trees and the koalas and the Morialta ecosystem just down the road
- I like pizza. All the other options were taken. Pizza is a great group calmer
- Birds and animals coming and going
- The restful natural environment - lots of trees & birdlife and animals including kangaroos, echidna and lizards
- We love the hills view and Morialta
- The hills should have more trees
- Proximity to natural areas
- The relatively natural environment of the reserves associated with the Hamilton Hill development
- Amenity - the look and feel of living in our area
- Wildlife in trees

Results from Activity 2 Continued



In the words of participants...what I value about where I live

- Trees mitigate the effect of climate change
- Native vegatation, environment, open space
- The "feel" of the hills. The villages and the countryside and the vines and trees
- I love the greenery
- It is the type if environment that I aspire to live in
- I value the environment, the space, the hills and the accessibility to both nature and amenities within the suburbs
- Close to nature
- Peace and quiet
- Walking and cycling trails
- Safe spaces
- Seasonal changes
- The beauty of nature
- Sharing spaces with fauna
- I value having space to grown my own fruit and vegetables
- Open spaces, tranquility, birds, lack of pesticides
- The open space, trees and room for dogs and other native animals
- Native bird attracting plants. Bush scape, wildlife, Feeling of being in the hills
- Views, sunsets, sense of space, pleacefulness
- Close proximity to wildlife and Morialta reserve attracted us to Woodforde. Unfortunately access to these attractions are very limited
- The new, the vegetation, wild flowers, peaceful surroundings, beautiful nature, lots of space, fresh air
- The open space and greenery
- Being away from built up areas
- The closeness to nature and bird life
- Natural environs, space, beauty
- It's home. It's cool
- I like a relaxed life
- Environment and views
- Views and the serenity
- Resilient and prepared to live and understand the natural environment
- Natural environment and views to the ocean
- Home grown produce
- The ability to have a lovely garden
- Trees and wildlife
- The changing seasons and the "Hills" outlook
- Feeling country in the city
- The opportunity to grow a lot of your own produce and share it with the local community

Summary of - What I value about where I live (Activity 2)

From the responses provided, several key themes emerge about what participants value in their neighbourhood:

Connection to nature
Appreciation for abundant wildlife, native vegetation, open spaces, and proximity to natural areas like Morialta Reserve.

Community and lifestyle
Strong sense of community, peaceful surroundings, and opportunities for gardening and outdoor activities like walking and cycling.

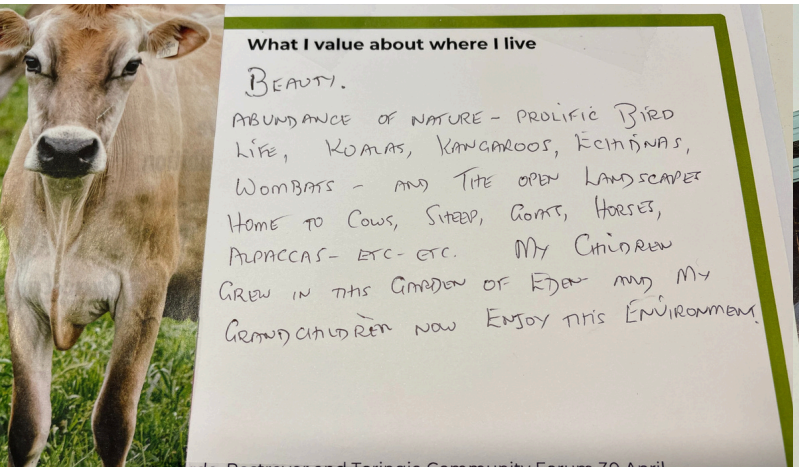
Scenic beauty
Spectacular views of Adelaide City, sunsets, and the serene "Hills" environment with its villages, countryside, and vineyards.

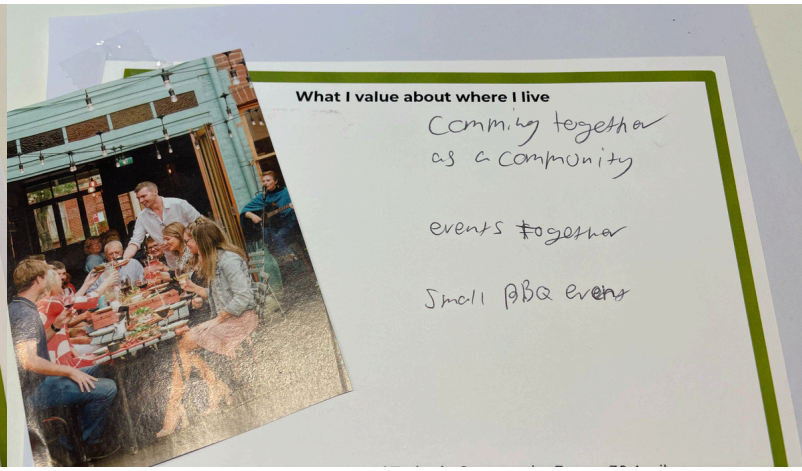
Environmental consciousness
Value placed on sustainability, resilience to climate change, and the opportunity to grow one's own produce.

Peace and tranquility
Enjoyment of peace, quiet, and safe spaces, away from built-up areas, fostering a relaxed lifestyle.

Amenities and accessibility
Appreciation for amenities within suburbs while maintaining close proximity to natural environments.

Seasonal changes
Recognition and enjoyment of seasonal variations and the beauty they bring to the area.





Activity 3 Creating the Present - Inspiring the Future

Aim: Identifying any new ideas and priorities and focus areas for Council to address, investigate or advocate for.

Each table had two facilitators - one facilitator (Staff of Elected Member) was asked to go to the front of the room and choose a “lucky dip theme” from a basket. The theme options were:

- Roads and traffic management
- Recreation and open space
- Events
- Boundary reform
- Community engagement
- Development (planning)
- Environment (flora and fauna)
- Footpath and pedestrian infrastructure
- Waste Management
- Community programs
- Boundary reform
- Wellbeing
- Parking
- Regulations / control
- Customer Service



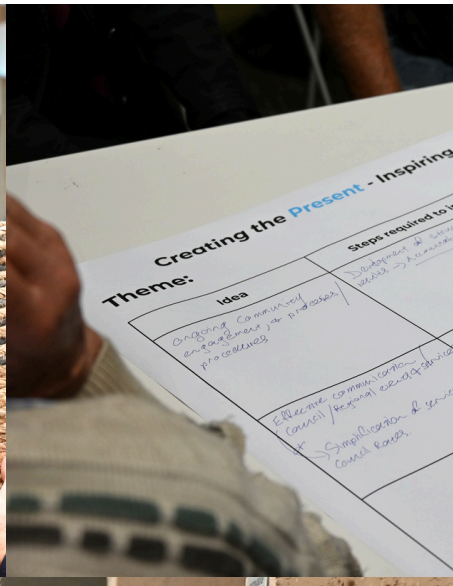
Activity 3 Creating the Present - Inspiring the Future

Workshop instructions:

- Each representative to return to their table to discuss the two topics they have selected from the lucky dip. Each person at the table is to be given opportunity to raise an idea for that topic – something you would like to see implemented that will benefit the future; it can be an idea to be implemented short term (low hanging fruit) or long term.
- Document the ideas. Choose as a group 2 ideas that you consider most important. Describe what you think needs to happen for the idea to be successfully implemented – be sure to state the role of Council. Choose one idea (priority) to present back to the group.













Summary of Results from Activity 3 Creating the Present - Inspiring the Future

Theme	*Idea*
Community engagement	• Creation of a community Garden at Hamilton Hill. • Create a hard copy newsletter. • Education and trial sites for community gardens. • Community development for vulnerable seniors. • Ongoing community engagement opportunities. • Addressing the need for a community hall or space for hire in Woodforde/ Teringie. • Facilitate coffee shop in Hamilton Hill.
Environment	• Encourage composting. • Improving public spaces in Hamilton Hill. • Support native tree plantings. • Address issues like bats impacting cherry farmers and fruit damage.
Footpaths/pedestrians	• Network of pathways to connect neighbourhoods & parks. Sealed path on at least one side of roads. • Seled paths in reserves to avoid erosion. • Hamilton Hill connectivity including to BBQ area.
Traffic	• Consider blocking the Stradbroke Rd end of Baroota Ave. Parking in Hamilton Hill. Parking in Woodforde. • Local traffic only signs for Hamilton Hill. 40kmh limit for Hamilton Hill. • Create more off road parking spaces Woodforde/Hamilton Hill. • Parking - New Norton Summit Rd parking for rock climbers. • Speed mitigation - Coachouse Drive, Norton Summit Rd, Woodforde Rd.

Summary of Results from Activity 3 Creating the Present - Inspiring the future

Theme	*Idea*
Council/Boundary	• Inform boarder AHC community of boundary change proposal.
Events	• Shannons Rally: Effect on traffic and cherry growers in season.
Council Services	• Increase access to library services. • Simplification of Council services/contact/rates. • Review planning and development processes. • Advocate for water mains for Teringie.
Recreation/Trails	• Review Mountain Bike usage in Morialta.
Waste Management	• More green waste drop off days and more locations. • Increase frequency of green bin pickup.





Connect & Supper

The evening concluded with supper and a chance to connect with community, Elected Members and Staff. There was a chance for community group leaders to talk with new members and share contact details.



Next Steps

- All inputs and contributions represented on the worksheets have been collated in this report.
- A summary of outputs from the Forum will be prepared and circulated to all participants (this report).
- Council will give consideration to all inputs with a particular focus on the priority areas identified.
- Council will subsequently communicate which activities they are able to focus on immediately, and which ideas will be considered in Council's strategic plan for the future.
- We encourage you to get involved in the boundary reform process to advocate staying with Adelaide Hills Council.





Thank You

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped facilitate the Community Forum. You are an important and valued part of our community.

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