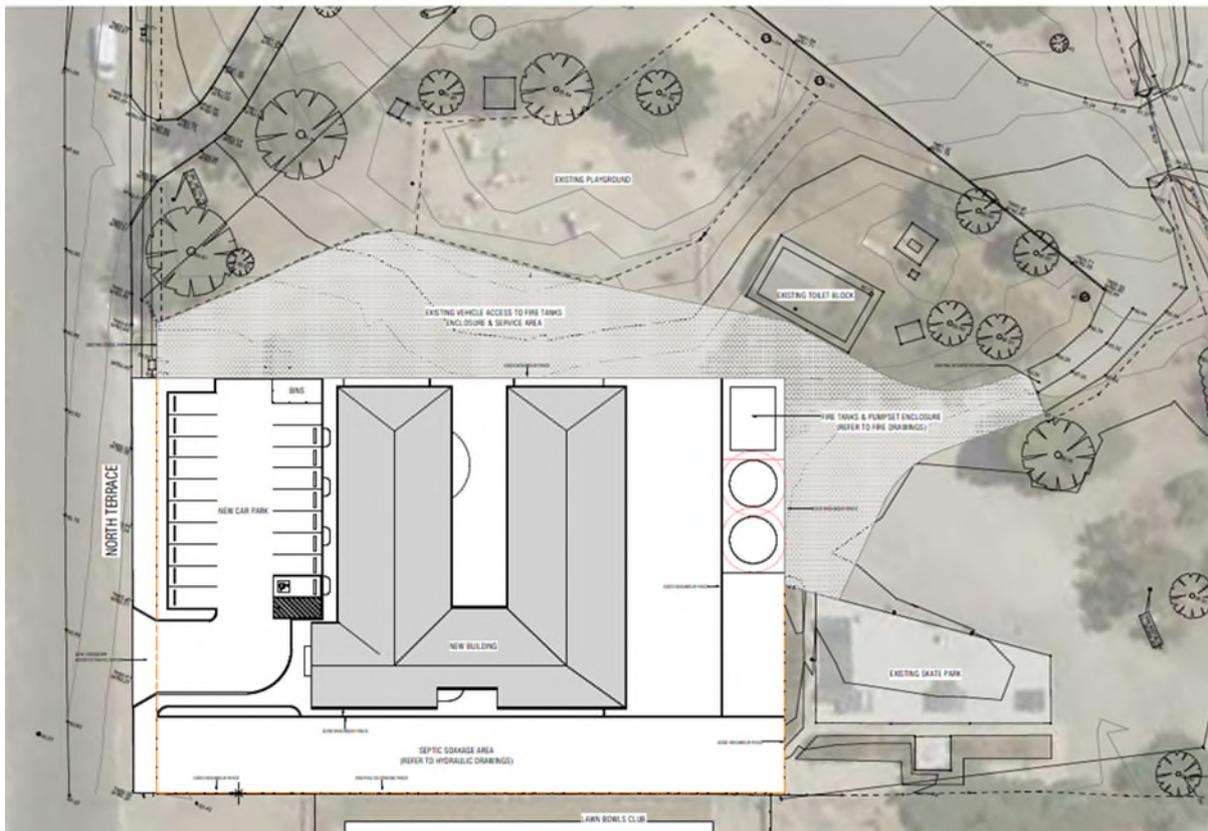




Public Consultation Plan

Southern Yorke Peninsula (SYP) Community Childcare Centre and Maitland Childcare Facility

Lease Proposal



SYP Community Childcare Centre

The Yorke Peninsula Council is seeking public feedback on a proposed lease agreement between Council and Jawbem Group for the SYP Community Childcare Centre, located at 11 North Terrace Minlaton SA 5575, and the Maitland Childcare Facility, located at 15 Kilkerran Terrace Maitland SA 5573, for the purpose of providing childcare services:

Under the Local Government Act 1999, Council is required to formally undertake community consultation for a lease or licence over community land when the term is greater than five (5) years.

Background

The lack of access to childcare services within the Council area has resounded for several years and has recently become increasingly urgent. In response to this unmet demand, the Council successfully obtained Australian Government funding via the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grant for the construction of the Southern Yorke Peninsula Community Childcare Centre (the Centre). It is anticipated that the Centre will be a childcare facility with capacity for 80 long day-care places for children between 0 and 5 years old. The Centre, which is located at 11 North Terrace, Minlaton SA 5575, is currently under the construction. It is projected that the Centre will be open for enrolment by early 2024.

In addition to this SYP Community Childcare Centre project, the Council owns a building at 15 Kilkerran Terrace, Maitland SA 5573 (Maitland Childcare Facility). This building has functioned as a childcare centre (up to 48 places) and is currently available to provide childcare services.

With the objective of delivering high-quality childcare services for the community over the long term and on a continuous basis, Council has decided to seek a partnership with childcare providers to run these facilities. After four months of seeking expressions of interest from childcare operators across the state (September – December 2022), Council is now at the stage of negotiating a lease agreement with the selected childcare provider for both premises.

Adelaide Family Learning and Care Services (Jawbem Group) as the selected childcare operator

Adelaide Family Learning and Care Services is an Adelaide-based, family-owned operator with over 14 years' experience delivering early childhood education and care to South Australians.

As of current, the business's capability spans the following services:

- Early Learning Centres (ELC)
- In Home Care
- OSHC
- Registered Training Organisation



Logo - Adelaide Family Learning and Care Services

Three current ELC partner Centres of the business include:

- The Ranges Infant Toddler Centre
- The Ranges Early Learning Centre
- Gawler Riverside Early Learning Centre

Additionally, the organisation operates as a Registered Training Organisation through their affiliate ELC Training Australia Pty Ltd, RTO #45839. ELC Training Australia focuses on delivery of workplace-based Early Childhood VET qualifications and First Aid qualifications addressing workforce demands.

With an educational philosophy focusing on strong value system of community and recognition of individual's potential, Adelaide Family Learning and Care Services is keen to partner with the Yorke Peninsula community to deliver services that go beyond just childcare to work with the local community and to support families broad array of needs.

Apart from standard long day care, Adelaide Family Learning and Care Services has a vision to expand the role of an Early Learning Centre in a community to become a central focus for the young families and their needs. This would see opportunity for the facility itself to offer space for other complimentary family needs to be delivered on a regular basis with suitable supporting providers. If successful, following genuine engagement with the community an array of additional needed services may become available. Examples of services being considered include:

- Partnering with Allied Health and other professionals to provide a central place for the community to attend for family needs such as:
 - Mums and Babies Clinic
 - Mental Health support services
 - Chiropractic services
 - Physiotherapy services
 - Speech, Dietary, Adiology specialist services
 - Occupational Therapy
- 24 hour Respite Care – in family homes or off-site
- Early drop off / late collection to early learning centres from 5am – 11pm if demanded
- Complex care support for children with special needs
- Provision of space for after hours and weekend use for family orientated needs or uses where families may need associated care for their children while attending a class or other event/meeting.

Being the early childhood services partner for this Centre and the Maitland Childcare Facility, Adelaide Family Learning and Care Services would undertake a consultation project with key stakeholders and the community to establish strong guidance for the service model to be delivered that will ideally fit with the Yorke Peninsula community needs and not just be an extension of a metropolitan model of care imported from the city.

Lease proposal

Proposed initial lease of the SYP Community Childcare Centre for a period of two (2), with additional four (4) by five (5) year rights of renewal resulting in an overall lease term of twenty two (22) years.

The lease for the Maitland Childcare Facility is an ongoing annual lease agreement with reviews to be conducted biannually.

How to “Have you say”

The Council welcomes your feedback on the proposed lease agreement. To provide your feedback:

- By email to admin@yorke.sa.gov.au
- By post to PO Box 57, Maitland SA 5573

All feedback must be returned before 5pm on Monday 4 April 2023

Next step

Following the public consultation period, all submissions received will be provided to Council for consideration.

More information

Got a question about the lease proposal or the project's progress? Contact Ben Thompson - Director Corporate & Community Services - Yorke Peninsula Council, at admin@yorke.sa.gov.au or phone 08 8832 0000.