Petition: Stop The Chop - Save the Adelaide Park Lands

To the Honourable President and Members of the Legislative Council in this present Parliament assembled,

We, the undersigned South Australian community, express our collective and growing concern at the State Government's continued legislated takeover of the Adelaide Park Lands to enable unprecedented and inappropriate development such as Festival Plaza, the North Adelaide Golf Course, and MotoGP.

Colonel Light's vision for Adelaide as the world's first city within a park has been upheld for nearly two centuries. However, recent encroachments suggest that the Park Lands have become a land bank for development – with their original vision of public green space for all, trumped by a "build, baby, build" approach that benefits only a few.

This petition calls on your Honourable House to acknowledge the strong community concern regarding the permanent loss of Adelaide's most unique natural asset and that these developments in the Adelaide Park Lands are contrary to the State Government's own Strategies, and requests that you will:

1. Immediately halt works on the MotoGP redevelopment.
2. Return Possum Park and John E Brown Park (GRO Plan G17/2026) to Crown Land under the care and control of the City of Adelaide.
3. Establish a Legislative Council Committee to review:
   a. *North Adelaide Public Golf Course Act 2025*, *South Australian Motor Sport Act 1984*, and related acts and subordinate instruments.
   b. the effects of bypassing planning, state and national heritage, Kaurna heritage and site significance, and environmental development safe-guards.
   c. how government action has established the use of the Adelaide Park Lands for state development projects.
4. Urgently implement the recommendations of the Committee, to allow for *responsible* works to resume, subject to the appropriate development processes.

SIGNATURE	**NAME**	**ADDRESS** *Number, Street, Suburb, Postcode*

For residents of South Australia only. You must complete all sections. Please write neatly.
Return completed petition sheets by 31 July 2026 to:
Lead Petitioners: Councillors Patrick Maher and Keiran Snape
Adelaide Town Hall, 128 King William St, Adelaide 5000