

CITY OF SOUTH PERTH

NEIL MCDOUGALL PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN COORDINATION



City of
South Perth



Background

The City of South Perth area is the country of Beeloo Noongar people, or river people. Noongar people who used this area were known as Gareen and their place was Gareenup.

The City covers nearly 20 square kilometres and is situated across the Swan River from the Perth CBD. The City is bounded by the Swan and Canning Rivers and is widely recognised for its aesthetic appeal and amenity. There are several major local attractions and activities, including: Mindeerup; Sir James Mitchell Park; Perth Zoo; the Old Mill; Heritage House (displaying artworks from the City's May and Herbert Gibbs art collection and other items of historic connection); Ferry Tram; Collier Park Golf (including mini golf); Royal Perth Golf Club; Mends Street, Angelo Street and Preston Street precincts; and the Waterford Plaza Shopping Centre.

The City is also the home to various community facilities including community halls, libraries, recreation centre, play spaces and a community garden.

Community Gardens

Community gardens contribute to social and community development. The activities that take place in a community garden bring people of all ages and walks of life together and assists in building stronger communities. By getting involved with a community garden, or starting up your own, you can enjoy recreational gardening, information and knowledge sharing, cooperating through work parties, social events and growing food. The City aims to recognise the value of community gardens as a public amenity, as well as promote and encourage their positive outcomes including recreational activities, community development, education and events. For general information and ideas about community gardens, please visit the [Australian City Farms and Community Gardens Network website](#)

Expression of Interest

The City is inviting expressions of interest (EOI) from suitable applicants to undertake the coordination of a community garden in Como. Applicants should be passionate about sustainable gardening and skill sharing, community capacity building, organic food production and/or promoting healthy living.

The community garden is a prospering organic fruit and vegetable farm that was established by a group of passionate volunteers in 2012 who believed in creating a safe, healthy and enjoyable community enterprise. The group has recently disbanded so an opportunity exists for a new group to undertake the community garden coordination into the future. The garden is fully reticulated and comprises a number of raised garden beds, wooden fencing planted with herbs, pizza oven, water tank and two ancillary buildings for storage and activities.

All EOIs submissions will need to address the qualitative criteria outlined in this document.

Site Plan

The community garden is known as the McDougall Farm Community Garden and is located at Neil McDougall Park in Clydesdale Street, Como. See Site Plan below.



Image: Aerial View of McDougall Farm Community Garden and Surrounds

Project Alignment to the City’s Strategic Community Plan 2021-31

The McDougall Farm Community Garden aligns with various strategies in the City’s Strategic Community Plan, including:

- 1.1.1 Develop and facilitate events, services and programs to respond to community needs and priorities.
- 1.1.2 Facilitate and create opportunities for inclusive and cohesive social, cultural & healthy activity.
- 1.1.3 Celebrate, support and value heritage and culture within the City for present and future generations.
- 1.1.4 Encourage volunteering that benefits our community.
- 1.3.2 Facilitate and foster a healthy and connected community.
- 3.4.1 Actively manage and promote sustainable water, waste, land and energy practices.

Policy (P113) ‘Community Gardens’

You can read more about community gardens on the City’s website via the link below.

www.southperth.wa.gov.au/community/get-involved/community-gardens

Support from the City

The City facilitates a range of community development and recreation development activities to support local community groups. These include:

- ✓ Assisting with establishment processes for a local community group to become an incorporated association
- ✓ Governance advice
- ✓ Volunteer management advice
- ✓ Funding advice (including funding opportunities via the City's Community Funding Program)

Some or all of the above support activities may be undertaken to establish a new McDougall Farm Community Garden Coordination Group if required. The successful applicant will be required to enter into a land use agreement with the City prior to commencing operations in the garden. This agreement will provide a framework for the management of the community garden. A full handover of the garden will be provided to the successful applicant.

EOI Overview

Timeline

EOI Open	3 July 2023
EOI Close	28 July 2023 – 4pm (WST)
EOI Assessment Period	1-14 August 2023
EOI Applicant Outcome Notification	1 September 2023

Submission Process

Please complete the Expression of interest form and submit with your supporting documentation by 4pm, 28 July 2023 to enquiries@southperth.wa.gov.au

A selection panel will review all the EOI submissions and undertake an assessment based on the selection criteria outlined in this EOI document.

The City reserves the right to accept or refuse any EOI submission. All decisions are final, and no further correspondence will be entered into. Canvassing of City staff or Elected Members is not permitted.

Selection Criteria

Qualitative Criteria

It is essential that respondents address each qualitative criterion. The EOI submissions will be used as the basis for assessing proposals. Failure to provide the specified information may result in elimination from the EOI assessment process.

Description of Criteria	Weighting
<p>Relevant Skills of the Respondent Does the EOI demonstrate that the respondent has the necessary gardening, community engagement and coordination skills to oversee a community garden on an ongoing basis?</p>	40%
<p>Demonstration of Capacity Does the EOI demonstrate that the respondent has the ability to be self-reliant, sufficiently resourced and prepared to fund and manage the governance, finances, insurances and operations of a community garden?</p>	40%
<p>Project Vision Does the EOI demonstrate that the applicant has an achievable vision for the community garden including where and how produce from the garden will be distributed; and that the vision aligns with relevant strategies in the City's Strategic Community Plan and requirements in Policy P113 'Community Gardens'?</p>	20%

What to submit

As part of your Expression of interest you will need to submit the following:

- Completed EOI Application Form addressing the selection criteria.
- Any relevant documentation, images/pictures, or attachments to support your proposal.
- References to support your application (including business, contact person and details and the project details etc.).
- A copy of your certificate of incorporation (if incorporated).
- A copy of your certificate of currency (if you have public liability insurance).

EOI Application Form

Contact details

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms Surname: _____ Given names: _____

Organisation (if applicable): _____

Organisation's Purpose: _____

How long has the organisation been in operation? _____

Website: _____

Postal address: _____

Postcode: _____

Phone: Home: _____ Work: _____ Mobile: _____

Fax: _____ Email: _____

On Site contact (if different to applicant): Surname: _____ Given name: _____

Phone (mobile): _____ Email: _____

ABN: _____

Do you (or your organization) have current valid public liability insurance?

- Yes
- No

How to submit your EOI

Please complete and submit your EOI with any supporting documentation before the nominated EOI closing date to the City’s Community Development Team via one of the following methods:

Alternate EOI Submission Methods	Details
1. Email	enquiries@southperth.wa.gov.au
2. In Person	City of South Perth Civic Centre Cnr Sandgate Street & South Terrace South Perth
3. Mail	City of South Perth Cnr Sandgate Street & South Terrace South Perth WA 6151

Enquiries

If you have any further queries related to this EOI, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Civic Centre**9474 0777**

Cnr Sandgate St & South Tce,
South Perth WA 6151

Fax 9474 2425

enquiries@southperth.wa.gov.ausouthperth.wa.gov.au**Animal Care Facility****9474 0777**

199 Thelma St, Como

Collier Park Golf Course**9484 1666**

Hayman Rd, Como

collierparkgolf.com.au**Collier Park Village****9313 0200**

16 Morrison St, Como

Ferry Tram

Windsor Park, South Perth

Graffiti Hotline 1800 007 774**George Burnett Leisure Centre****9474 0855**

Manning Rd, Karawara

leisurecentre@southperth.wa.gov.au**South Perth Library****9474 0800**

Cnr Sandgate St & South Tce, South Perth

southperthlib@southperth.wa.gov.au**Manning Library****9474 0822**

2 Conochie Cres, Manning

manninglib@southperth.wa.gov.au**Old Mill****9367 5788**

Melville Pl, South Perth

oldmill@southperth.wa.gov.au**South Perth Senior Citizens****9367 9880**

53 Coode St, South Perth

spsc@bigpond.com**Manning Senior Citizens****9450 6273**

3 Downey Dr (off Ley St), Manning

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