

## Media Release

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## A safer park for Littlehampton

The Glebe, an 8 hectare park in Littlehampton, recently received a facelift, with a new play space for children, toilet facilities, shelter pavilion, landscaping and walking paths.

"This is a substantial investment for our community and we look forward to it being an exciting destination for families, locals and visitors to the hills," Mt Barker Council's General Manager Infrastructure, Phil Burton said.

"As the Glebe is not a formal dog park, there were practical needs to provide increased dog management measures for the safety of children and families using the new playground and picnic space".

The council recently engaged the community to decide the best way to manage the risk of dogs interacting with people in this much-used public open space.

"Feedback was considerate and insightful and with independent expert advice, the Glebe will continue to function largely as an off-leash dog area while providing a fully fenced area desirable for community use," Mr Burton said.

To maintain the existing open nature and character of the Glebe, a rural style fence with pedestrian and maintenance vehicle access gates will go around the new playground and picnic area. Other recommendations include improved signage and an additional bin.

The council's public safety officers will also provide education to park users and actively monitor the site once the new measures are introduced in the next few months.

"We're also looking forward to engaging the community on a formal dog park in Nairne this year where dogs will have another safe place in the district to socialise and exercise," Mr Burton said.

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