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CITY OF ADELAIDE PLAN

The City of Adelaide Plan, adopted by Resolution of Council 23/6/75, has been on display at the Pirie Street Centre for some weeks past. The closing date set for submissions and representations on the Plan was November 14. Opposition to the Plan and to the proposed City Environment Act by some ratepayers and trade organisations was reported in "The Advertiser" (4/11/75) under the headline "Meeting called as city plan protest", to be held on November 13, the night before the closing date for submissions. According to this press item a principal objection to the plan is "the apparent total disregard by the City Council of objections already lodged", and among other objections "the feeling that there has been insufficient consideration to the economics and costs, and control being vested in State Parliament, with the city council purely and simply acting as caretakers for the plan".

Whatever the outcome of this protest meeting, the North Adelaide Society wishes to place it on record that so far from its submissions being "totally disregarded" there is, in fact, very little in the Plan that differs from its submissions concerning North Adelaide.

CITY OF ADELAIDE : INTERIM DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

The City of Adelaide Development Committee's "Second Statement of Policy" (18/6/75) is now available. It is a slim well-produced volume, with boldly printed maps of Precincts and Land Use Zones within the City of Adelaide. The text includes a Statement of Aims and Objectives of Interim Control, followed by a series of Statements on each Precinct. It is prefaced by a page on "How to Use this Guide", and if these instructions are carefully followed it is not difficult even for a layman to find detailed information concerning proposed developments in any part of the city.

Copies of the Statement are available on request from the C.A.D.C. at the Town Hall.

VANDALISM IN NORTH ADELAIDE : Three recent examples

- \* Blackamors in Hill Street.  
One was ripped from its pedestal, the other damaged on the feet.

The City Council has had them repaired and put back in position. These picturesque reminders of a past age are a landmark in Hill Street and are of great interest to tourists. Any defacement or damage is quickly spotted and adversely commented on both by local residents and visitors to the area.

- \* Cars in Molesworth Street.  
Cars parked in this street were damaged by deeply-gouged lines along the body-work.
- \* National Trust Plaques in Archer Street.  
Two of these plaques were torn from their mountings and stolen - one on Dolphin, the other on Boehm Terrace.

Please report all such incidents to the Police. We suggest also you let the Society know. It may become necessary to request additional patrols if vandalism increases.

REPORT ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT QUESTIONNAIRE

The response to this was overwhelmingly in favour of the proposal that some buses travelling to and from the city along Melbourne Street to King William Road should be re-routed via Frome Road. A letter has been sent (2/11/75) to the Traffic Manager of the M.T.T. enclosing a copy of the questionnaire, stating the result and requesting that favourable consideration be given to the proposal. It is too early as yet to expect a reply.

REPORT ON SEPTEMBER MEETING

Mr D.L. Campbell-Smith's talk was of special relevance to our Society. Based on what he saw of Urban Conservation Projects during his recent visit to Europe, he spoke in turn of Venice, Edinburgh New Town, and Little Houses in Fife. His account of what is being done, and the organisation and financing required to ensure success in the two Scottish projects, was of particular interest to the North Adelaide Society with its concern for preserving the best of what remains of the North Adelaide heritage. Our

warm thanks go to Mr Campbell-Smith for his interesting talk and for his informative answers to the wide-ranging questions which followed.

### NEWS ITEM

A Conference on "Planning in Perspective", arranged by the Building Science Forum of Australia (S.A. Division) is to be held on Wednesday, 26 November 1975, (From 2.15 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.) at Highways Department Theatre, Warwick Street, Walkerville. Its purpose is to ventilate the need for rational planning in the metropolitan region and to establish priorities for action at all levels of government.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING : WEDNESDAY, 3 December 1975, at 8 p.m.

PLACE : NORTH ADELAIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL,  
TYNTE STREET.

BUSINESS : Informal gathering, with DISPLAY + FILM.

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A DISPLAY - of maps, photographs etc. of old North Adelaide.

A FILM - "Environment in the Balance".

This meeting is being planned as a social occasion to give members an opportunity to meet informally and, in particular, to welcome new members who have joined this year. The maps and other material collected by Committee members will be on display in the meeting hall; the film will be viewed in a separate room. Coffee and party drinks will be served.

### PARKING METERS IN O'CONNELL STREET

Shoppers in O'Connell Street on a recent October morning witnessed a lively demonstration by the O'Connell Street Traders against the installation of parking meters. Holes had been dug and concrete mixed, but the workmen were induced to hold their hand and seek further instructions. Despite this active intervention, and despite written protests (including one from the North Adelaide Society), critical letters to the Press and the opposition of all our four Councillors, the City Council confirmed its intention, and the meters are now installed. In reply to the Society's letter of protest the Lord Mayor wrote (8/10/75):

"As O'Connell Street has a car park very handy to the shops, I can only suggest that residents use the car park and not the meters, and the revenue will clearly indicate that meters are NOT required and this would be a good argument for their removal. If the meters are used extensively, then it would indicate that turnover was being achieved and this surely would be in the interests of both traders and residents".

(Footnote : A careful inspection of the meters has shown that a small number of spaces offer free parking for 15 minutes).