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What we provide:



- WSUD policy development and implementation pathways
- specialist training
- networking opportunities and peer-to-peer
- more accessible WSUD research for practitioners
- guidelines and tools
- information sharing through our website, e-newsletter, blog articles and forums.



Angas Street, Adelaide adjacent SAPOL Photo: Water Sensitive SA

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT SCHEME



























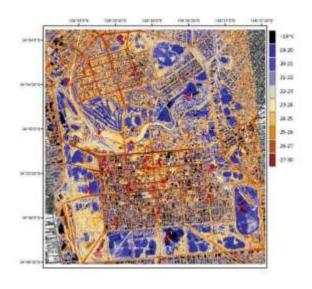
Water sensitive communities



Liveable

Green and blue natural landscapes enhancing human health and wellbeing

- ↑ in daytime temp. ↑ can increase cooling demand in Adelaide's CBD by 1.5 million kWh per year = 1000 tonnes in CO₂ emissions
- 10% ↑ in tree cover gives a reduction in land surface temp of between 0.5 1.0°C
- threshold temperature for Adelaide above which mortality rates increase by 2- 10%
 - community less likely to be overweight living in greener neighbourhoods (European study)



Surface brightness temperatures of the CBD and North Adelaide in the early hours of 7 March 2011 – Source: Flinders University

40%

Liveable





Lightsview infill development

Source map: www.lightsview.com.au







Water sensitive communities



Resilient

- integrated infrastructure provides protection against flooding
- diversity of water sources = security
- freedom from water restrictions.
- treated sewage effluent a nonclimate dependent resource.



No easing yet for SA watering bans

Updated 10 Nov 2009, 8:11am

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Sustainable

More healthy natural ecosystems in urban environments



Stormwater contribution to total annual load of sediments to marine waters = 6,180 tonnes.



Stormwater contribution of stormwater to the marine environment p.a.



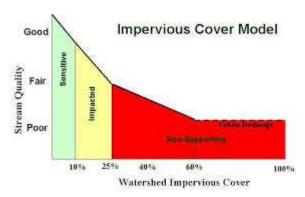
No. of ASR schemes operating in the Greater Adelaide area as at 2012, recharging groundwater.



Impervious cover at which stream health is impacted



Bowden Urban Village.



Source: clear.uconn.edu. Centre for Land use education and research, Connecticut.

30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide



- 70% of new housing stock from infill development and
- remaining 30% from greenfield sites
- 258,000 net additional dwellings in Greater Adelaide (including Murray Bridge) by 2040.
- population increase of 560,000
- downward trend in median allotment sizes
 - 375 m2 in 2011-13 compared with
 - 520m2 2002-03 (UDIA, 2013)



Dana McCauley Stonnington Leader

Water sensitive communities



Productive

Enhance productivity and economic prosperity

- food production, and irrigated crops,
- deferring / eliminating infrastructure augmentation
- avoiding operating costs for potable supply schemes
- Enhancing tourism and commercial centres
- strategic and opportunistic investment in infrastructure renewals
- market advantages for residential developers



Adelaide Zoo entrance

SA WSUD Policy

WATER
SENSITIVE SA

- Is it being implemented?
- What more could be done?
- Where does Water Sensitive SA fit?





Dunstone Grove, Linde Reserve Source: Baden Myers



Franklin Street Photo: City of Adelaide

Water Conservation



Demonstrated compliance with South Australian residential building requirements for water efficiency.

Non-residential: water efficient techniques in commercial, industrial and other non-residential urban settings.

Irrigated open spaces: best practice irrigation management in outdoor irrigated open spaces.

- Optimal Rainwater tank size supply reliability,
- Optimal storage sizes to retain pre-development runoff
- Ministers Specification for on-site detention
- Incentives needed for commercial and industrial



Flood management



capacity of the existing drainage system is not exceeded.

no increase in the 5 year ARI peak flow compared to existing conditions.

no increase in flood risk for the 100 year ARI peak flow, compared to existing conditions.



Bowden Urban Village

Source: Water Sensitive SA



Kirkcaldy Avenue, Grange

Source: Baden Myers

Stormwater Runoff Quality



45%

retention of typical annual urban load of total nitrogen.

60%

retention of typical annual urban load of total phosphorus.

80%

retention of typical annual urban load of suspended solids.



Caltex, 734 Marion Rd, Marion

Source: Baden Myers

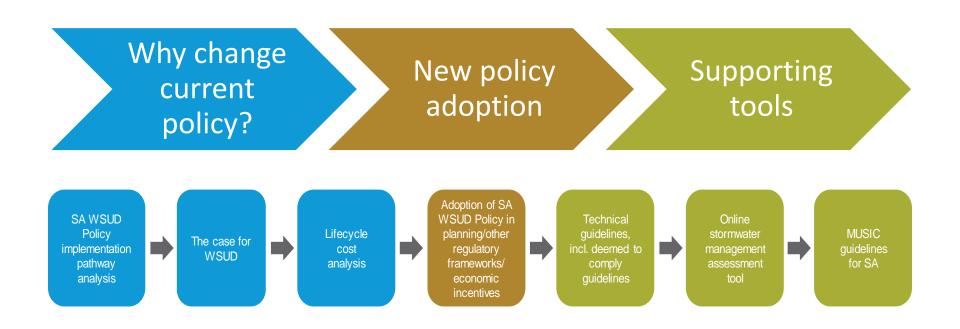


Cooke Reserve, Royal Park.

Source: City of Charles Sturt

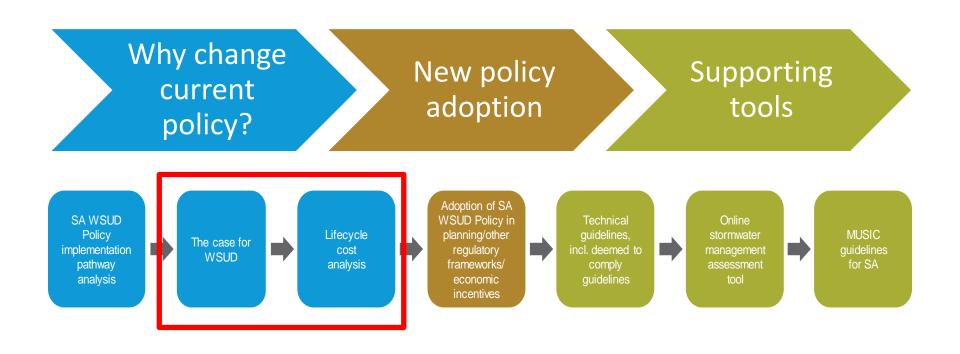
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Cost-benefit analysis tool



Urban design and water management solutions at a range of scales, with the lowest community cost

- Transparent framework determining multiple benefits and costs of WSUD
- Lot scale to catchment scale projects
- New development, infrastructure capital works / asset renewals and retrofits
- Demonstrate:
 - who pays
 - who benefits
 - what changes to the urban water cycle are required
 - what are the community benefits



Christie Walk

Source: Baden Myers

Impact / Benefit - monetised



Western Sydney households willingness to contribute to recycled water schemes \$0.45 - \$1.22/kL.

Marsden Jacobs Associates (2007)

Abatement cost Total Suspended Solids removed via Swales \$20 - \$120 (\$AUD 2010) / tonne of pollutant.

Abatement cost Total Nitrogen removed via WSUD bioretention \$100,000 to \$1,000,000 (\$AUD2010) / tonne of pollutant. Hall (2012)

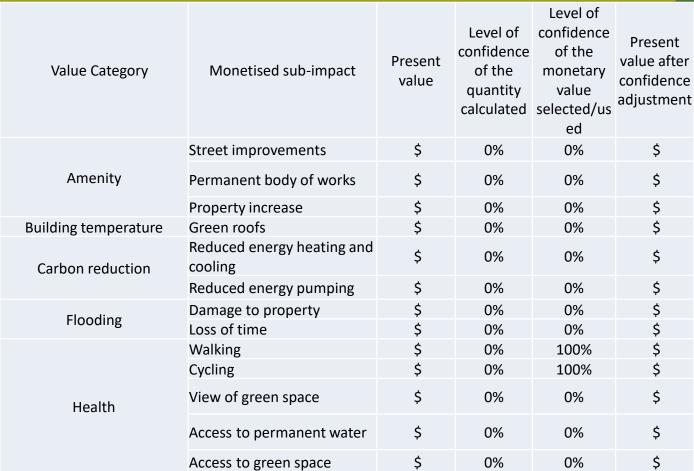
Air quality **Amenity** Biodiversity and **Ecology** Building temperature Carbon sequestration Rain water harvesting **Enabling development** Flood risk Groundwater recharge Health Pumping wastewater Recreation Treating wastewater Water quality of receiving water Crime **Economic growth** Education Flexible infrastructure Tourism. Traffic calming

Brisbane household willingness to pay for one % improvement in public parks and gardens that are green, \$1.20/household Marsden Jacobs Associates (2010)

5kL rainwater tank cost effectiveness - \$2.29 and \$5.47/kL for 200m2 and 50 m2 connected roof respectively Marsden Jacobs Associates (2007)

Seagrass contribution to secondary production of SA fish Species \$1,500 per hectare per year

McArthur, 2003 and McArthur and Boland 2006



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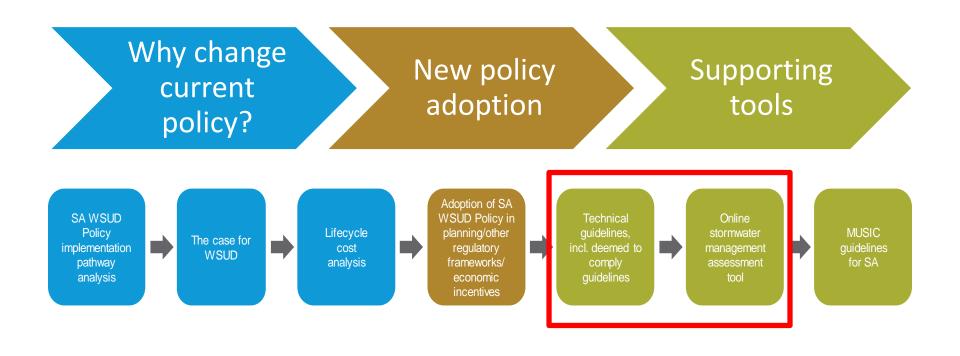
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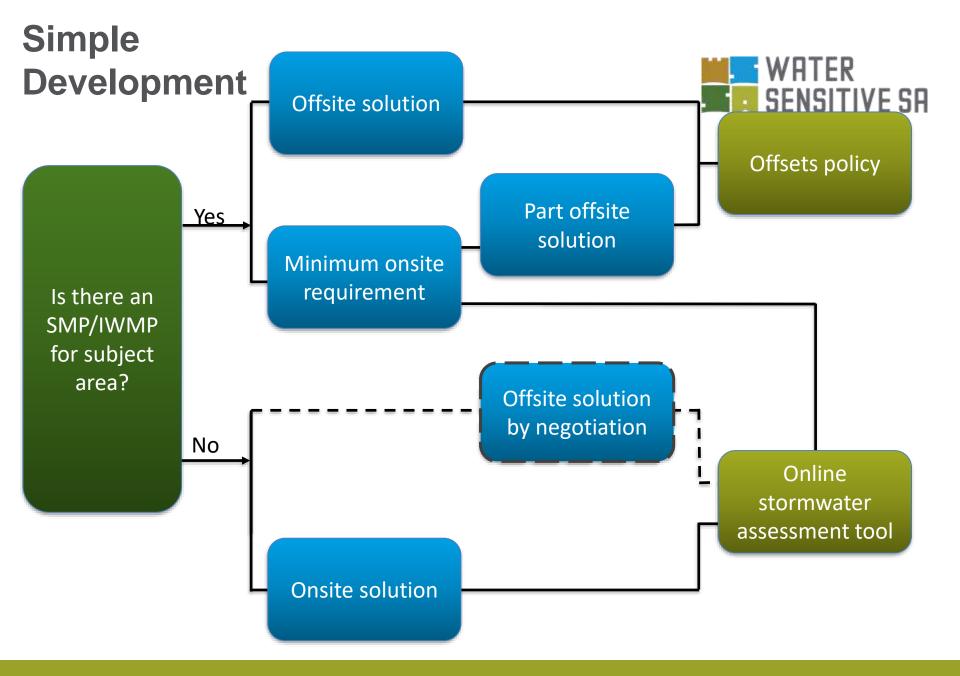
Source: Adapted from

www.ciria.org

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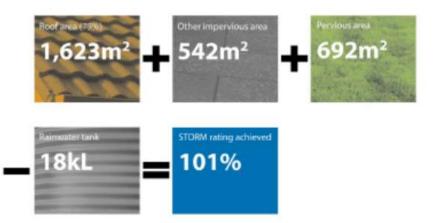
Online stormwater assessment tool

- for small scale / simple developments



Optimise solutions for site:

- Impervious area
- Rainwater storage (retention and re-use)
- Raingardens
- Permeable paving





Source: City of Mooney Valley

Infill - raingarden





Offsets





Stawell Street, Mentone (VIC) Source: M. Dobbie



Lochiel Park



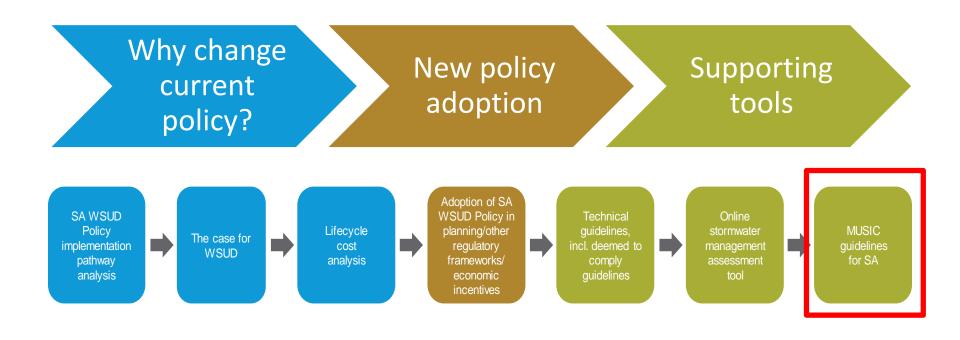
Redfern, NSW Source: M.Dobbie

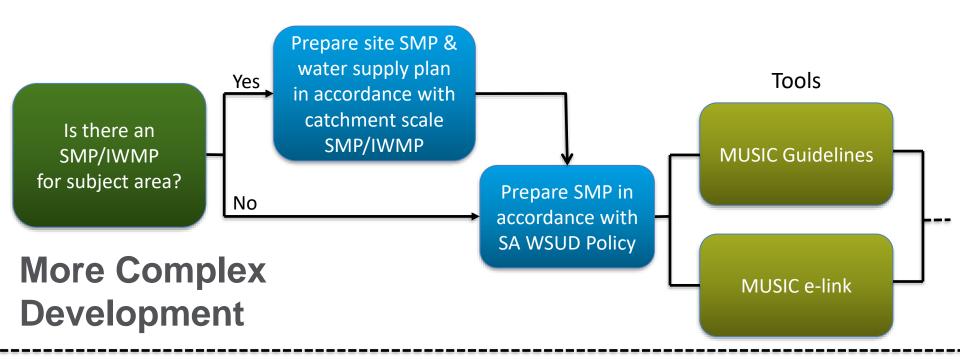


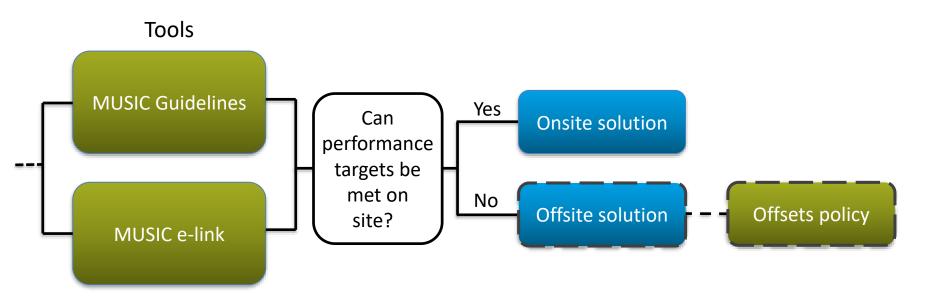
Springbank Waters, Burton Source: City of Salisbury

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Upcoming training

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Leadership across boundaries to advance water sensitive urban design

16 NOVEMBER - 8:30am to 17 NOVEMBER - 5:00pm

Upcoming events

16 OCT 15 Plant species selection for amenity & resilience in stormwater biofilters

& wetlands

16 OCTOBER - 10:00am to 11:30am

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Pathways to water sensitive communities through planning

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29 OCTOBER - 10:00am to 4:00pm



North Terrace Source: City of Adelaide



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