

ANDREA MICHAELS MP

Member for Enfield



ANDREA'S COMMUNITY UPDATE

Welcome to 2025! I hope you've had a great start to the year and wish you a wonderful year ahead.

This year we continue our work in helping ease the cost-of-living pressures and assisting with housing solutions. In this edition of my newsletter, I have highlighted some of the Malinauskas Government's initiatives introduced to support our most vulnerable when they need it most.

We've introduced measures to help first home buyers by removing stamp duty (with no property value cap). Eligible buyers can also receive a \$15,000 grant to assist with the purchase of a newly-built home. We are also working to provide 1,144 public homes by mid-2026 to help with housing accessibility.

My Electorate Office has relocated to Lightsview Village, Shop 5/163-169 Fosters Road, Lightsview. We are open Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you need any assistance with State Government matters or require the services of a Justice of the Peace.



Official office opening by Andrea, Steve Georganans MP and community members.

OUT AND ABOUT | *Our Community*

Thank you to all the residents who attended my street corner meetings last year.

It was wonderful to see many locals take the time to join these conversations and share their thoughts on how we can make our community an even better place to live.



I look forward to speaking with more passionate residents this year!



“Bloom and Craft” workshop - empowering youth beyond digital screens. Organised by the Anglican Parish of Broadview and Enfield and supported by the State Government to help reduce children’s screen time while promoting recycling and environmental sustainability initiatives.



Jack Watkins Memorial Reserve for the Asbestos Victims’ Memorial Service

to remember and honour the workers we’ve lost to asbestos-related diseases and those still suffering from its devastating effects. We stand in solidarity with their families and loved ones.



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SUPPORTING LOCAL

LET'S BUY SA FOR SA

The State Government is urging South Australians to support local businesses, the backbone of our economy, contributing \$49 billion annually and employing 300,000 people, or 40 percent of our workforce.

Small and family businesses enrich our communities and invest back into our local economy. South Australian products and services, from gourmet food to top-quality manufacturing, are celebrated worldwide. Let's support our local businesses.



Andrea at Hazara Business Network event.



Andrea at Lumi Lane, Lightsview.

HAZARA BUSINESS NETWORK

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the committee members of the Hazara Sports and Community Club for organising this wonderful event.

My previous electorate office on Prospect Road was surrounded by many great local businesses, including KSM IGA and several others. It was fantastic to reconnect and discuss our government's South Australian Small Business Strategy that supports thousands of local small and family businesses.

It was wonderful to see business and community leaders from both the Hazara community and the wider community come together to network and build relationships.

SUPPORT AND SERVICES

Dr. Jonathan Ucinck is the clinical optometrist leading Northgate Eye Care, where patient care is their top priority. Located in Northgate Shopping Centre, the practice uses advanced technology to identify and treat various eye conditions like early childhood myopia, keratoconus, dry eye, and diseases such as diabetes, macular degeneration, and glaucoma. Their focus is on preventing vision loss and promoting overall eye health.



Andrea and Dr. Jonathan Ucinck,
Northgate Eye Care.

Dr. Ucinck and his team use advanced Rodenstock DNEye Pro scanning technology for every patient, providing valuable insights into eye health. They are one of only five practices in South Australia to offer the latest Rodenstock lenses, ensuring optimal vision without unnecessary costs.

They are dedicated to discussing preventative tips and providing effective treatments that support your family's eye health. Northgate Eye Care is an experienced local optometry practice that values your vision and well-being. Remember, you only have one pair of eyes so take care of them.

SCAM ALERT FOR SA SENIORS

South Australian seniors are being urged to be aware of a scam website that attempts to charge applicants a fee in exchange for a Seniors Card. The website, **theseniorsassistant.com**, claims to specialise in “providing assistance and consultation services for several senior-related applications and processes such as the Seniors Card.” Seniors should be aware that the SA Seniors Card is always free of charge and applicants are never requested to pay a fee or disclose their bank, credit card or PayPal details in exchange for membership.

For any assistance please feel free to contact my office.

COST OF LIVING

NEW COST OF LIVING MEASURES IN 2025

The State Government has introduced a range of new and expanded cost-of-living measures for 2025.

These initiatives include:

- ✓ Health Care Card holders can access concession travel on public transport
- ✓ Families will benefit from the renewed material and services subsidy (\$200 per public school student)
- ✓ Share houses now have access to household concessions
- ✓ Extended eligibility and access to the GlassesSA subsidy
- ✓ Increased access to and the level of support available under the Emergency Electricity Payment Scheme, assisting an additional 1300 households experiencing bill hardship
- ✓ Expanded access to the funeral assistance scheme by increasing the current asset threshold from \$3000 to \$4000
- ✓ Improved access to Changing Places facilities for around 10,000 Companion Card holders
- ✓ Improving the Home Dialysis Concession and
- ✓ Access to concessions for about 500 asylum seekers.

These measures complement ongoing cost-of-living initiatives by the Malinauskas Government, which include:

- ✓ Energy bill relief (\$300 per household)
- ✓ Doubled cost-of-living concessions for eligible South Australians and
- ✓ Free public transport for Seniors Card holders.

**DOUBLED MATERIALS
& SERVICES DISCOUNT**

**\$200
BACK
IN YOUR POCKET**
for every public school student.



EDUCATION

**DOUBLED
SPORTS VOUCHERS**
**2 X \$100
VOUCHERS**

per child, per calendar year!

NOW INCLUDES MUSIC LESSONS

Available to children
in Reception to Year 9.



Doubling the materials and services charge subsidy.
\$200 saving



Autism Inclusion Teachers trial introduced to high schools



\$50m for Tailored Learning to re-engage high school students in education and support



Introduced a mid-year intake for preschool and reception



Rolling out three-year-old pre-school from 2026



Expanding Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)



Building 5 new Technical Colleges

**DELIVERING
THE BEST
EDUCATION**



Cedar College Graduation



Northfield Primary School Graduation



Christmas card design winner



St Paul Lutheran School Graduation

TRANSPORT

LABOR'S COMMITMENT TO BRINGING TRAINS AND TRAMS BACK INTO PUBLIC HANDS

The Malinauskas Labor Government is preparing to return our rail services to public ownership after they were privatised by the former Liberal Government. Essential services must be kept in public hands to ensure they serve the community effectively.

The Liberals have refused to rule out the possibility of selling off rail services again, if they return to government. This is a shocking admission that re-privatisation remains a viable option should the Liberals regain power.

Now is a great time to remind South Australians of how together, we fought to stop the privatisation of our trains and trams, and how we're fulfilling our election commitment to reverse the Liberals' sell-off.

In addition, the Malinauskas Labor Government has made it easier for people to use public transport by providing SA Seniors Card holders with free all-day travel on Adelaide Metro services.

Providing accessible public transport is essential for our community, which is why I made the commitment to deliver the Lightsview Go-Zone, further improving public transport services in our area.



PLANNING

ON-STREET PARKING ISSUES

Car parking has become a significant concern, especially in areas undergoing substantial infill development. My office has received many enquiries from residents about cars parked on-street that obstruct rubbish trucks and hinder vehicle movement in narrow streets.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is addressing these issues to alleviate congestion and enhance amenity in Adelaide's neighbourhoods.

To address this, we are consulting on proposed changes to planning laws that would establish updated minimum off-street parking requirements for new residential developments in Greater Adelaide.

The draft bill proposes a Vehicle Parking Scheme, requiring one parking space for one-bedroom dwellings and at least two for homes with two or more bedrooms. Additionally, the minimum dimensions for off-street parking areas will be increased to accommodate larger vehicles, with single vehicle parks measuring 3.5 metres wide and 6 metres long, and a minimum garage door size of 3 metres.

Under the proposed changes, vehicle parks do not necessarily need to be covered garages or carports, but at least one must be capable of being covered in the future. The scheme will apply to residential developments throughout Greater Adelaide, with potential exclusions for certain areas. Community consultation with the building industry and local government will be undertaken.

