



# Agenda

## Public Libraries SA 2024 Annual General Meeting

Auditorium, Hamra Centre Library – City of West Torrens

9:30am on Monday 25 November 2024

**1. Welcome and Apologies**

**2. Confirmation of Minutes**

**2.1. Meeting held 28 November 2023**

*Recommendation: That the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 28 November 2023 be accepted as a true and correct record.*

**3. Business Arising from Minutes**

Nil

**4. Reports from Office Bearers**

**4.1. President's Report**

**4.2. Treasurer's Report**

**4.2.1. Financial Statements for 2023/24**

*Recommendation: That the Public Libraries SA Incorporated Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 be received and noted.*

**4.2.2. Budget Update for Financial Year 2024/25**

**4.2.3. Membership Fees 2025/26**

*Recommendation: That the PLSA Executive Committee recommends that the membership fees for the 2025/2026 financial year increase by 3%.*

**4.2.4. Appointment of Auditor**

*Recommendation: That the PLSA Executive Committee recommends to the PLSA AGM that the current PLSA Auditor, Creative Auditing, be appointed as Auditor for the 2024/2025 financial year.*



#### 4.2.5. Bank Account Signatories

**Recommendation:** That:

1. The bank signatories for the Public Libraries SA accounts be:
  - President: Pepper Mickan
  - Treasurer: Vicki Hutchinson
  - Vice President: Meegan Barrett
  
2. Dionne Collins be removed as a bank account signatory.

**CARRIED**

#### 5. Election of Office Bearers

**Recommendation:** That the nominees be appointed to the PLSA Executive Committee for a period of 2 years each under their respectively nominated positions.

#### 6. In Memoriam

Nil

#### 7. Next Meeting

#### 8. Close



# Minutes

## Public Libraries SA 2023 Annual General Meeting

Domain Theatre at the Marion Cultural Centre

9:30am on Tuesday, 28 November 2023

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

We would like to acknowledge this land that we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Kurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their country. We also acknowledge the Kurna people as the custodians of the greater Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kurna people today.

Apologies:

- Andrea Kipperman, City of Port Adelaide Enfield
- Georgina Davison, City of Mount Gambier
- Meegan Barrett, City of Burnside
- Belinda Halling, City of Tea Tree Gully
- Emma Gosbell, City of Tea Tree Gully
- Michelle Elliott, City of Tea Tree Gully
- Benjamin Wheal, City of Tea Tree Gully
- Kim Ritter, City of Tea Tree Gully

### 2. Confirmation of Minutes

#### 2.1. Meeting held 28 November 2022

**Moved:** Dionne Collins, City of Port Adelaide Enfield

**Seconded:** Chiah Mayne, Town of Gawler

**Recommendation:** *That the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 28 November 2022 be accepted as a true and correct record.*

**CARRIED**

### 3. Business Arising from Minutes

Nil



## **4. Reports from Office Bearers**

### **4.1. President's Report**

Firstly, I would like to start by acknowledging we are meeting on the traditional lands of the Kurna People, and I pay my respect by recognising elders past and present. I also recognise that there is still much hurt and trauma affecting First Australians, so I also make a personal commitment to doing what I can to help in that healing journey.

Welcome to all who could make it today, I appreciate the time you have taken out of your diaries to be here. I am incredibly proud to work in a network of such dedicated and passionate people who truly make a difference in the lives of so many.

Over the past 6 years that I have been on the committee, I have seen many changes, improvements, and challenges that PLSA have been able to directly influence. And more recently in the last 2 years as president, I am proud of a few things that have both been seen and unseen to the network.

Firstly, the huge task of rebranding the network and going through the process of defining our identity. This was no small challenge, but the way the Libraries Manifesto can encapsulate our work, and the branding which visually represents us is now a perfect reflection of the work we do each and every day.

And off the back of our Branding, the now award winning Firstival Campaign that has been incredibly successful. In large, the success of the campaign was no accident, and I want to thank all the Marketing and Promotions committee (chaired by Jess Paul) for their dedication and sacrifice to delivering an amazing network wide campaign. In particular, I'd like to acknowledge the work done by Veronica and Jon at PLS (especially Jon) for supporting the network. It's an excellent testament to what is possible when you get the right people, who are the best at what they do, to come together and give them the freedom and support to create and deliver.

Some of the unseen has been the significant and substantial work around our funding agreement. With the economy in a tough position, and the Government needing to spend big in some areas and cut back in others, there was a real and actual threat to our funding agreement. While this threat will continue over the coming years, I am proud that when the risk presented itself, we did not simply back down and accept what we were given. We got onto the front foot, mobilised our resources and made sure the Government knew the importance of our network and that we would not go quietly if funding was cut, and if agreements were broken. Externally it may not seem like a win to just get what we were promised, but I can assure you that under the current circumstances it's a bigger win than it may feel.



I want to acknowledge Bruce Linn as Chair of the Libraries Board and Geoff Stempel as the Director of the State Library. During these times, they are in an extremely difficult position of wanting the best for our Public Libraries, but also needing to fulfil State Government directions. In my experience, Bruce (along with the whole Libraries Board) as well as Geoff are always working hard to make our network better. We are lucky to have strong and visionary leaders who care about our communities, and who I am confident will never jeopardise the fabric of what makes our network world leading.

I'd like to thank Hanlie for all her work in supporting our network as well. I have experienced firsthand how hard Hanlie works and how passionate she is about supporting our network. It is not an easy job, and I have seen the stress and pressure her position can come under from time to time, but she has always handled herself with grace and dignity and has maintained her drive to do the best she can for our network. At times I know she is probably dreaming of her caravan out on the open road, but that has never stopped her from giving 100% each and every day.

And quickly I'd also just like to thank Veronica, Helen, and James (and all their teams) for their work and support as well. We would not be the network we are if it were not for your commitment and support.

Finally, I would like to say a big thankyou to the PLSA Executive Committee. This is a volunteer role that is in addition to all our day-to-day jobs. It goes without saying that each of the committee has contributed a great deal to the success of the network, but I want to thank them personally for the support, encouragement, and commitment to being in this together.

We do have 2 retiring members from PLSA being Kim Ritter from TTG and Jackie Edlington from Unley - Thank you both for all your work over recent years.

And continuing on the committee we have -

- Dione Collins as Vice President (Also the APLA rep and on PLC)
- Vicki Hutchinson as Treasurer
- Tania Paull (also on PLC)
- Chiah Mayne
- Georgina Davison
- Meegan Barrett
- Helen Walkden
- Pepper Mickan
- Nicole Turner (JULA Rep)

I want to say a special thanks to Vicki for all her work as treasurer (which has been huge). She has undertaken the task of digitising our accounting system and establishing our banking system to make things easier going forward. I know from the number of approvals I get that she is always on the ball and doing a fantastic job.



And lastly, I want to say an extra special thank you to Dionne. While the title says Vice President, Dionne really has acted as Co-President in so many ways, and taken leadership and accountability wherever needed. She was instrumental in those funding agreement discussions, making sure we were represented in the best possible light, and is always on the ball with the important matters for the network. I have really appreciated your wisdom and leadership, and your ability to balance me out and calm me down when needed (probably a mutual benefit).

With all of this in mind I have come to the difficult decision that my time on the PLSA Executive has come to an end. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time and have learned so much. I have had the opportunity to be part of things I would never have normally been able to, and I am extremely grateful for that. I am taking far more out of this experience than I have ever been able to put in. I do want to thank Lynn Spurling and Ben Footner as the 2 Presidents before me, for setting up a great foundation to jump straight into, and I also really want to thank Janice Nitschke who has always been an incredible font of knowledge and support.

Thank You

Damian Garcia

#### **4.2. Treasurer's Report (Vicki Hutchinson)**

##### **Financial Statements for 2022/23**

**Moved:** Vicki Hutchinson, City of Victor Harbor

**Seconded:** Susan Lawrence, City of Adelaide

**Recommendation:** *That the Public Libraries SA Incorporated Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2023 be received and noted.*

**CARRIED**

##### **Budget Update for Financial Year 2023/24**

Vicki provided an update on the budget from the 2023/24 financial year.

##### **Membership Fees 2024/25**

**Moved:** Vicki Hutchinson, City of Victor Harbor

**Seconded:** Damian Garcia, City of Marion

**Recommendation:** *That the PLSA Executive Committee recommends that the membership fees for the 2024/2025 financial year increase by the Local Government Price Index figure for South Australia, calculated with the price index at the June 2024 quarter.*

**CARRIED**



### **Appointment of Auditor**

**Moved:** Vicki Hutchinson, City of Victor Harbor

**Seconded:** Dionne Collins, City of Port Adelaide Enfield

**Recommendation:** *That the PLSA Executive Committee recommends to the PLSA AGM that the current PLSA Auditor, Creative Auditing, be appointed as Auditor for the 2023/2024 financial year.*

**CARRIED**

### **Bank Account Signatories**

**Moved:** Vicki Hutchinson, City of Victor Harbor

**Seconded:** Tim Law, Rural City of Murray Bridge

**Recommendation:**

*That:*

1. *The bank signatories for the Public Libraries SA accounts be:*

- *President: Pepper Mickan*
- *Treasurer: Vicki Hutchinson*
- *Vice President: Dionne Collins*

2. *Damian Garcia be removed as a bank account signatory.*

**CARRIED**

## **5. Election of Office Bearers**

Nominations were called from the Network to fill the upcoming vacancies for President, Treasurer and 4 Committee Member positions. The following nominations have been received:

**President Nomination:** Pepper Mickan, Light Regional Council (returning in a new position)

**Treasurer Nomination:** Vicki Hutchinson, City of Victor Harbor (returning)

**Committee Member Nominations:**

- Chiah Mayne, Town of Gawler (returning)
- Tania Paull, City of Holdfast Bay (returning)
- Emma Gosbell, City of Tea Tree Gully (New)



*Emma is the Team Leader, Technology & Digital Learning at the Tea Tree Gully Library. She is a part of the Library Leadership team and oversees the management of Library systems, RFID and the delivery of digital literacy programs to the community. Emma has worked in public libraries for 30 years and has worked for several services in the network across a variety of teams including collections, programs and customer service. She is passionate about the future of public libraries in SA and collaboration opportunities as a united network and would be very excited to pursue these as a Committee Member of the PLSA Executive.*

**Thank you to our retiring Committee Members:**

- Damian Garcia, City of Marion
- Kim Ritter, City of Tea Tree Gully
- Jaclyn Edlington, City of Unley

**Moved:** Tim Law, Rural City of Murray Bridge

**Seconded:** Ben Footner, Mount Barker District Council

**Recommendation:** *That the nominees be appointed to the PLSA Executive Committee for a period of 2 years each under their respectively nominated positions.*

**CARRIED**

**6. In Memoriam (Pepper Mickan)**

Teresa Quartermaine, City of Mount Gambier

Teresa worked at the City of Mount Gambier in the Technical Services Team from 09-02-2011.

**7. Next Meeting**

TBC November 2024.

**8. Close**

The meeting closed at 10:22am.

# Financial Statements

Public Libraries South Australia

ABN 69 562 359 779

For the year ended 30 June 2024

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# Committee's Report

## Public Libraries South Australia For the year ended 30 June 2024

### Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of Public Libraries South Australia for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

### Committee Members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Committee Member	Position
Pepper Mickan	President
Dionne Collins	Vice President
Vicki Hutchinson	Treasurer
Tania Paull	Secretary
Chiah Mayne	
Helen Walkden	
Georgina Davison	
Meegan Barrett	
Nicole Turner	
Emma Gosbell	

### Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were:

State Public Libraries Representative

### Operating Result

The surplus after for the financial year amounted to \$27,370 (\$15,601 surplus 2023)

# Income and Expenditure Statement

## Public Libraries South Australia For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
<b>Income</b>		
<b>Donations</b>		
Interest Income	1,980	1,001
Membership Fees	47,116	43,307
Sponsorship	2,000	-
<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>51,096</b>	<b>44,307</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>51,096</b>	<b>44,307</b>
<b>Gross Surplus</b>	<b>51,096</b>	<b>44,307</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Bank Fees	7	8
Conference Expenditure	4,563	12,350
Accounting	870	1,260
General Expenses	-	81
Insurance	1,640	1,416
My Health Training	-	9,091
National Projects	1,609	-
Office Expenses	2,870	3,575
Quarterly Meeting Expenses	7,331	778
Website and Software Expenses	1,288	1,069
Workshop & Seminar Expenses	2,727	-
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>22,905</b>	<b>29,627</b>
<b>Net Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit)</b>	<b>28,191</b>	<b>14,680</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

# Assets and Liabilities Statement

## Public Libraries South Australia

As at 30 June 2024

	NOTES	30 JUNE 2024	30 JUNE 2023
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>			
NAB Term Deposit		19,468	18,648
PLSA Inc.		242,662	219,723
<b>Total Cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>262,130</b>	<b>238,371</b>
Trade and Other Receivables		5,860	1,250
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>267,990</b>	<b>239,621</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>267,990</b>	<b>239,621</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
GST		4,361	4,183
Grant Received in Advance		60,000	60,000
Trade and Other Payables		-	-
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>64,361</b>	<b>64,183</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>203,629</b>	<b>175,438</b>
<b>Member's Funds</b>			
<b>Capital Reserve</b>			
Current Year Earnings		28,191	14,680
Retained Earnings		175,438	160,758
<b>Total Capital Reserve</b>		<b>203,629</b>	<b>175,438</b>
<b>Total Member's Funds</b>		<b>203,629</b>	<b>175,438</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

# Notes to the Financial Statements

## Public Libraries South Australia For the year ended 30 June 2024

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

#### Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

#### Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

# Statement By Members of the Committee

## Public Libraries South Australia For the year ended 30 June 2024

The attached financial statements of Public Libraries South Australia Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2024 are, in our opinion properly drawn up:

- (a) so as to present fairly the financial position of the Association as at 30 June 2024 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, and;
- (b) in accordance with the provisions of the Association rules, and;
- (c) in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards.

As at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

During the financial year no;

- (a) officers of the Association,
- (b) firms of which an officer is a member,
- (c) corporation in which an officer has a substantial financial interest,

have received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer, firm or corporation and the Association.

During the financial year the following officers received payments or benefits of pecuniary value as follows;

Nil

Signed according to a resolution of the Committee.



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**President**



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**Treasurer**

Dated: 19 / 11 / 2024

# Auditor's Report

## Public Libraries South Australia For the year ended 30 June 2024

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Public Libraries South Australia (Association) for the year ended 30 June 2024.

### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of the Association are properly drawn up:

1. to present fairly the financial position of the Association as at the 30 June 2024 and the results of its operations for the period then ended, and;
2. according to applicable Australian Accounting Standards.

### Basis for Opinion

For the audit of the Association we have maintained our independence in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110 Section 290. We believe that the audit evidence that we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Other Information – Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report is prepared to assist the association to meet the requirements of Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985 and regulations. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the members.

### Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of Public Libraries South Australia is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985 and regulations and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Ian G McDonald FCA

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jon Mc Donald". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Registered Company Auditor

Grange, SA

Dated: 21/11/2024

**Budget**  
**Public Libraries South Australia**  
**Budget Year 2024-2025**

**Account**

**Income**

Conference and Event Fees (240)	\$70,000.00
Conference Sponsorship (245)	\$70,000.00
Grant Income (230)	\$0.00
Interest Income (270)	\$1,000.00
Membership Fees (210)	\$49,500.00
Other Revenue (260)	\$0.00
Sponsorship (220)	\$3,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$193,500.00</b>

**Gross Profit** **\$193,500.00**

**Less Operating Expenses**

Accounting (412)	\$2,000.00
Bank Fees (404)	\$200.00
Conference Expenditure (473)	\$100,000.00 <i>**conference postponed to 24/25FY -</i>
Consulting/State/PLSA Projects (480)	\$80,000.00 <i>(branding project \$15k)</i>
Executive Expenses (493)	\$500.00
General Expenses (429)	\$100.00
Income Tax Expense (505)	\$0.00
Insurance (433)	\$1,800.00
Interest Expense (437)	\$0.00
Legal expenses (441)	\$250.00
Library Award Expenses (425)	\$1,500.00
Members Professional Support (500)	\$2,500.00
Membership & Subscription Fees (485)	\$9,000.00
National Projects (482)	\$5,000.00
Office Expenses (453)	\$10,200.00
Printing & Stationery (461)	\$500.00
Quarterly Meeting Expenses (400)	\$8,000.00
Website and Software Expenses (489)	\$5,000.00
Workshop & Seminar Expenses (427)	\$2,000.00
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$228,550.00</b>

**Total Expenses** **\$228,550.00**

**Net Profit** **-\$35,050.00**



**Meeting Date:** 25 November 2024  
**From:** Patricia Coonan  
**Subject:** Election of Office Bearers

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## **Discussion**

Nominations were called from the Network to fill the upcoming vacancies for Vice President, four (4) Committee Member positions and the JULA Committee Member position. The following nominations have been received:

### **Vice President Nomination:**

#### **Meegan Barrett – Current Executive Committee Member Nominating as Vice President**

Meegan is the Team Leader Library and Volunteers at the City of Burnside. She has worked in South Australian public libraries since 1995, holding roles in both small and large libraries across country and metropolitan areas. Meegan began her career at the Flinders Mobile Library and later moved to libraries in Gawler and Burnside, where she has now served for over 21 years.

As a dedicated advocate for the public library network, Meegan actively pursues collaborative opportunities within her Council and across Councils. Since 2021, she has also served as a member of the Public Libraries South Australia (PLSA) Executive, where she looks forward to continuing to advocate for and strengthen our library network. Meegan is currently the PLSA representative on the community languages group and will continue to advocate for this vital service.

### **JULA Representative Nomination:**

#### **Nicole Turner – Current JULA Executive Committee Member Re-nominating**

Nicole has been working at Cowell School Community Library since 2013. She joined the library as a part of the transition team as they moved over to OneCard, and was fortunate enough to stay on as a School Library Assistant and their then CLA. Since the retirement of the Teacher Librarian 4 years ago, Nicole has been managing the library as well as the CLA role.

Nicole's passion is her community (including the school) and the services that can be provided to them through the library. She is extremely proud of the developments that have been made over the last 9 years, from refurbishments to visiting artists but she is most proud of the connection the library has with the students and community. Being a small library, means they need to multitask, rather than specialise in a particular area. This provides great exposure and understanding of how libraries operate. Nicole believes strongly in collaboration and supporting other libraries, especially rural and regional libraries.



**Committee Member Nominations:**

**Adele Walsh – New Nominee**

Adele Walsh is the newly appointed Lead Coordinator, Library Strategy at the City of Charles Sturt Library Service, bringing a wealth of experience in libraries, education, and community engagement. At State Library Victoria, she led the Centre for Youth Literature, delivering national programs and campaigns to support youth literature professionals. She established StartSpace, supporting diverse emerging entrepreneurs, and contributed to Australia Reads. At La Trobe University Library, Adele advanced communications, professional development, and events, fostering community engagement. In her new role, she is dedicated to driving innovation and community-centred strategies.

**Benita Parsons – New Nominee**

Benita Parsons is a library leader with over 17 years' experience in public libraries, across programs, marketing, library operations and customer experience. She is currently Community Learning Leader at City of PAE Libraries, after holding roles at City of Salisbury and City of Tea Tree Gully.

She has qualifications in Library and Information Management and Project Management. She is passionate about lifelong learning, sustainability and reconciliation. Benita brings critical thinking, pragmatic mindset and a focus on community outcomes to any committee. She has been on previous Public Libraries SA conference committees and is currently a member of the Australian Learning Communities Network Committee.

**Georgina Davison – Current Executive Committee Member Re-nominating**

Georgina Davison has been working in libraries for more than 30 years. Her experience includes all facets of Public Library work commencing as a Library Assistant in Queensland, moving to Alice Springs as a Children and Youth Services Librarian for 12 months and then Manager for 9 years and most recently moved to be Library Manager at Mount Gambier Library.

Georgina was lucky enough to be part of the International Network of Emerging Library Innovators (INELI) Cohort 2 – from 2013-2015. This program was funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and provided Georgina with the opportunity to be one of the 26 Public Library managers from around the world to travel to Europe, South America and Africa for convenings and participate in the professional development training. Georgina is extremely passionate about the role Public Libraries play within their respective communities and is very excited to be part of the South Australian Library network.

**Helen Walkden – Current Executive Committee Member Re-nominating**

Helen has over 25 years' experience in libraries, with the past 20 years as Team Leader Collection Management and Library Services at Onkaparinga Libraries. Previously she worked at Public Library Services. Helen's areas of interest and expertise include customer experience and collection development/management. She has been on a number of network working groups as she values both the opportunity to share her skills and knowledge and to help shape the future directions of our libraries. Helen is currently the chair of the Strategic Collections Group and a member of the OneCard 2.0 Steering Committee.

Some of Helen’s key achievements include being involved in 3 library redevelopments, being an early adopter of RFID and implementing the technology at Onkaparinga, improving collection development processes and practices at Onkaparinga plus much more.

Helen welcomes the opportunity to continue to be a part of the PLSA Executive and to utilise her extensive skills and knowledge for the long term benefit of the network and our communities.

**Melissa Whitrow – New Nominee**

Melissa has been working in Public Libraries since her career change from public health research in 2020. She is currently Manager, Library Services at Barossa Libraries. Since starting in public libraries Melissa has led a Barossa Library Service Review (and associated deliverables), written an early childhood strategy for The Barossa Council, contributed to the Reading and Literacy Framework for SA Public Libraries, and been a member of the SAPLN Programs Survey Working Group. She is passionate about public libraries working together to develop resources, promotional material, and services that benefit all South Australian communities.

A voting survey has been developed. Please scan the QR code below to vote.



**Recommendation:** *That the nominees be appointed to the PLSA Executive Committee for a period of 2 years each under their respectively nominated positions.*