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# **Auchendarroch Hotel and Entertainment Precinct**

On behalf of Wallis Cinema, we are writing to share information about an exciting new entertainment development being proposed for Mount Barker.

The proposed development includes a brand-new 92 bed hotel and an expansion to the existing Wallis cinema complex at Auchendarroch in Mount Barker. You can read more about the proposal in the enclosed fact sheet.

Wallis is committed to keeping their community informed and have engaged URPS to assist with the project. If you have questions about the proposal or would like more information, please contact me on 8333 7999 or email <a href="mailto:engage@urps.com">engage@urps.com</a>

You can also stay up to date by following the project webpage: www.auchendarroch.com.au/wallismtbarkerproject

The Mount Barker District Council will be considering the development proposal in the future and will undertake a separate community consultation process at that time.

Wallis looks forward to continuing to entertain the growing population of Mount Barker and Adelaide Hills region.

Yours sincerely

**Emma Williams** 

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# Wallis Cinema

# Auchendarroch Hotel and Entertainment Precinct Fact Sheet

Wallis is planning to expand and improve the entertainment experience at Auchendarroch in Mount Barker. The proposal includes a brand-new hotel and fun new entertainment facilities alongside the existing cinema complex.

Wallis has been involved in the Mount Barker community for over 20 years, contributing in multiple ways through community fundraisers and disaster relief.

We're sharing this update because we're excited about what's coming – and we want to keep our community informed every step of the way.



### What's being proposed?

The plans include:

- A new five-storey hotel with 92 rooms.
- An expanded cinema complex featuring mini golf, laser tag, bowling, arcade games, and new function space for up to 350 people seated and 400 people standing.

## What are the benefits for the community?

This project will bring new and much-needed entertainment, accommodation and event spaces to the growing Mount Barker and Adelaide Hills region.

The location is ideal – close to other entertainment venues but away from homes, helping reduce any impacts on nearby residents.

#### What will the new buildings look like?

Both buildings have been thoughtfully designed by architects to suit the area and carefully placed on the site to complement the existing surroundings.

We will acknowledge the Scottish history of Auchendarroch House, which means 'Holy Place of the Oaks' in Gaelic, by replicating the use of stone and oak throughout the buildings.

Importantly, there are no changes to Auchendarroch House or the award-winning gardens.

#### What about traffic and parking?

There is an existing arrangement which allows parking to be shared between the TAFE, library, cinema, tavern, and Auchendarroch House.

While a few car parks will be removed to make space for the new buildings, car parking studies show there will still be enough parking available on site and nearby. Importantly, peak parking times vary for each venue – school traffic, cinema nights, and event bookings don't usually overlap.

#### Will any trees be removed?

Yes – to make room for the new buildings, two regulated trees and one significant tree (all currently in the car park area) will be removed. No trees in the Auchendarroch Gardens will be affected.

# What's the next step?

Two development applications have been lodged with Mount Barker District Council. In the coming weeks, Council will invite the public to review the plans and share feedback as part of a formal consultation process.

#### Want to know more?

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Emma at URPS:

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This fact sheet is prepared by URPS on behalf of Wallis.

