



**How do we work together to prevent cruelty to animals?
We educate, engage and empower.**

Did you know?

We have been caring for animals in South Australia for 142 years.

In 2016/17 our inspectors investigated 4,231 reports of cruelty.

Most of these animals suffered because people did not understand how to properly care for them.

Education is our most powerful tool to reduce animal suffering.

We now have the most outdated RSPCA animal shelter of any of the major states.

To best help animals in South Australia, we are embarking on a new direction. We must create a visionary new Animal Care Campus, placing education at the core of everything we do.

Introducing the RSPCA Animal Care Campus Concept

Our vision?

More than a shelter. A hub for all creatures and for you.



VETERINARY CARE

A veterinary clinic will be developed, including expanded care and expertise for native animals, which is currently not broadly available in South Australia.

The option of a 24 hour emergency animal hospital is being explored.



ANIMAL CARE

Modern animal science principles will be employed to design enclosures and care facilities that support best practice veterinary and behavioural management practices, reducing disease and animal stress.



VIRTUAL SHELTER

On-site accommodation of animals will be reduced through the development of an innovative 'virtual shelter' concept that allows more of the community to foster animals in their homes, with support from RSPCA professionals.



EDUCATION SERVICES

An education centre will provide programs about the care and welfare of all animal groups, for pre-schools, primary and secondary schools and community groups.

School holiday programs, weekend and after school programs would be offered.



VOCATIONAL COMMUNITY TRAINING

RSPCA will partner with TAFE and universities to provide hands-on training opportunities that complement tertiary studies in animal care and veterinary science.

Local Government Dog and Cat Management imperatives will be supported by a more skilled and educated community.



COMMUNITY & VOLUNTEERING HUB

We are currently supported by more than 2,000 volunteers.

The Animal Care Campus will provide facilities to support growth in the volunteer program and to facilitate best practice volunteer attraction, engagement and management, via appropriate training and certification.



ANIMAL CARE NETWORK

A multitude of community based, not-for-profit animal care organisations exist in SA.

As the pre-eminent animal welfare organisation in South Australia, RSPCA hopes to better connect these organisations and the care they provide.

The Animal Care Campus would provide facilities for these organisations to conduct various aspects of their operations – offering meeting and training spaces, equipment storage, volunteer support and more.



ANIMAL CARE SERVICES

RSPCA South Australia is over 90% community funded. Our future sustainability relies on moving from a not-for-profit model to a social enterprise. We need to find new ways to generate revenue to support our operations.

Our Animal Care Campus would incorporate pet services such as a dog training, grooming, boarding and doggie daycare facilities.



ADOPTION CENTRE

A vibrant, attractive and welcoming adoption centre will be developed to better meet the behavioural needs of animals, while improving the experience for families and individuals looking for a new pet.

We would like to create our visionary new RSPCA Animal Care Campus at Glenthorne Farm.

Our vision for a community facility underpins our new direction to educate, engage and empower the community to prevent animal cruelty.



Why?

Our Lonsdale site is not suitable for the proposed expansion. But we want to stay in the southern region where we have enjoyed enormous support for more than 30 years.

We need a location that is more accessible to all. To families, community groups and schools across Adelaide.

We need a highly visible location. A presence always reminding passersby to care for animals, while inviting everyone to engage with this important community hub.

We need space - 4 hectares of land is required to realise our vision. This represents only 2% of Glenthorne Farm's 208 hectares.

We have investigated other sites in southern Adelaide, but none were right in terms of accessibility, visibility and size.

Our Animal Care Campus would be designed to blend seamlessly with the natural environment of Glenthorne Farm, featuring low-rise Australian vernacular architecture.

To register your interest in being a part of the consultation process, please visit our website at www.rspcasa.org.au/newdirection or call 1300 477 722