

# Regency Road to Pym Street Project

## COMMUNITY WILDLIFE PROJECT

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### Butterfly gardens

The Community Wildlife Project is a R2P Project initiative to encourage the community to help maintain habitat in urban environments.

Reduction in floral diversity results in lower numbers of wildlife species. This is why the R2P Project is raising awareness of how the community can contribute to the enhancement of local biodiversity.

#### Butterfly garden landscaping

The R2P project team has developed a tailored landscaping package focusing on increasing the quantity and variety of native plants, to enhance local biodiversity. This will be achieved by including pockets of butterfly-attracting vegetation.

The butterfly gardens will have interpretive signage and information about the native plant species and butterflies they attract.

These pocket butterfly gardens complement the Community Wildlife Project also being delivered.

### Working with local schools

The R2P Project partnered with local schools to deliver two presentations facilitated by wildlife specialist organisation fauNature.

The first presentation focused on biodiversity and the importance of butterflies. The second presentation was an introduction to, and explanation of how to navigate the online application for butterfly tracking via the [Butterflies Australia App](#).

On World Environment Day (Friday, 5 June 2020) students from two schools participated in the planting of a butterfly garden on their school grounds. This was facilitated by the community education venture, Bringing Back the Butterflies.

The planting workshop introduced students to a range of native species that attract butterflies by providing food for caterpillars and nectar for butterflies. Students learnt how to prepare the space for new plants, how to dig an appropriate hole, use the correct soil treatment, carefully remove seedlings from their casing, and plant them.



Planting workshop on 5 June 2020

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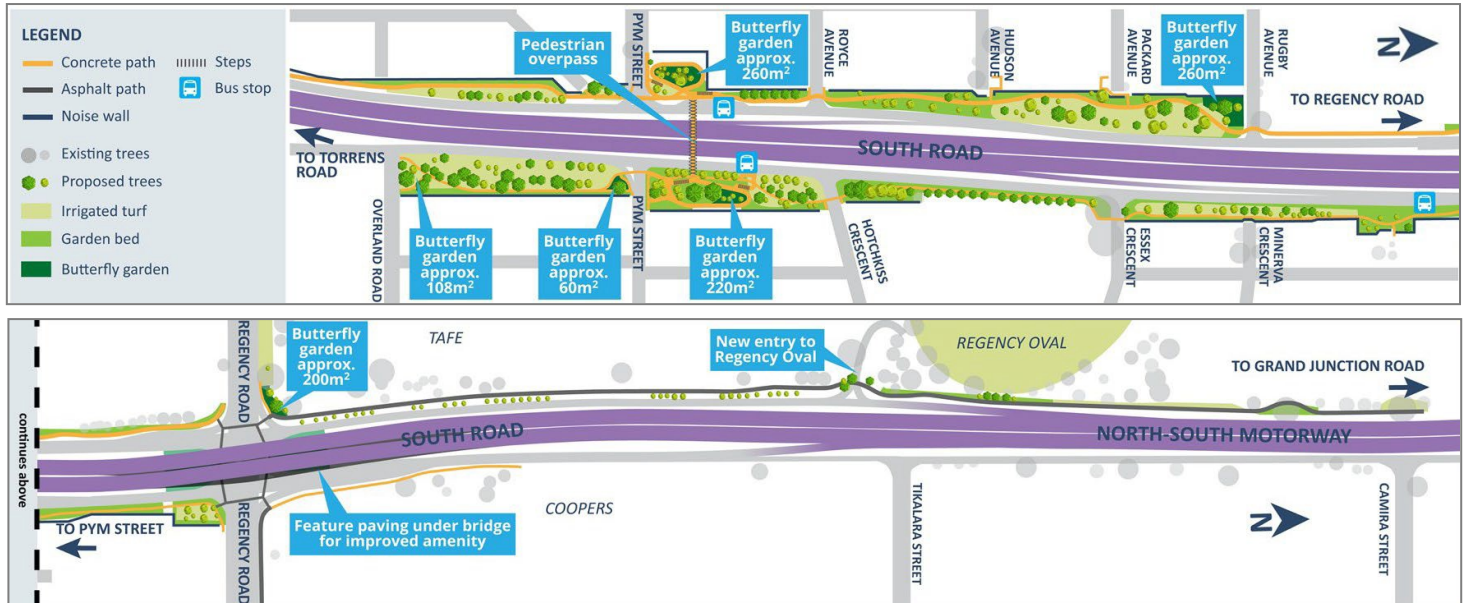


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Locations for butterfly-attracting species within R2P Project landscaping

The Community Wildlife Project provides an opportunity for students to learn about the important role native vegetation plays in providing habitat to native fauna. It also explores how the R2P project and the community can work together to reduce the impacts that a growing city can have on our environment.

Students were encouraged to take ownership of their new butterfly garden by getting involved in the care and maintenance, keeping a record of growth, creating identification signage for the plants and sharing their new knowledge with peers.

The R2P project team will continue to work with these schools to track the success of their butterfly gardens.

### Community wildlife packs

In late 2020, community wildlife packs will be offered to local residents to encourage native planting within their neighbourhood.

The packs will contain butterfly-attracting seeds, information on how to plant and care for the butterfly-attracting plants, and a list of local resources and environmental organisations.

The packs will be available upon request to residents within the R2P Project area who receive a newsletter with registration information.

For further information on native vegetation and providing habitat to our native fauna, please visit the [Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges \(AMLR\) Natural Resources Management Website](#).

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