

## Mr Kelvin Trimper – University Fellow

Mr Kelvin Trimper is General Manager, Sustainability Initiatives, Lend Lease Communities. In this capacity he also facilitates economic development within Delfin Lend Lease's major projects nationally, working closely with State and Local Governments, Business Leaders and Education Providers.

Kelvin joined Delfin Limited in 1987 after spending twelve years in Education Facilities Development and Education Administration with the Education Department of South Australia. Kelvin was instrumental in establishing Delfin's leadership in the provision of education services in Delfin's communities.

He played a key role as Project Director in both winning and establishing the mixed-use Mawson Lakes project (formerly the Multi Function Polis) to the north of the city of Adelaide.

Kelvin is a past President and a Fellow of the Urban Development Institute of Australia (South Australia Division), past Deputy Chairman of the Board of the Botanic Gardens of South Australia, a passionate rose grower and wine consumer and is married with two children.

Kelvin has been nominated for an honorary award in recognition of his involvement in the Mawson Lakes Economic Development Project since its inception. He played a significant role in the early stages of establishing such a unique project in capturing the commitment and enthusiasm of all of the key stakeholders, particularly the University of South Australia and the City of Salisbury.

He has continued to provide strong strategic input to various stages of the project in particular those involving unique educational and educational facilities outcomes. These include the development of Endeavour College on the University Campus, the realisation of a different model supporting the

Mawson Lakes School and the development of the Mawson Centre.

Kelvin has been influential in the development of strategic partnerships in relation to the Mawson Lakes Economic Development Project and in bringing external national and international experts to Mawson Lakes to develop new ideas concerning both Community Engagement and Education models and facilities planning.

Kelvin was instrumental in ensuring that the University became an active member of the Innovations and Economic Opportunities Group whose membership includes the City of Salisbury, Lend Lease Communities and the Land Management Corporation. Via this Group he promoted and encouraged engagement with several sectors of the university: with Health Sciences in the Trinity Gardens Aged Care facility, with the Sustainable Energy Centre and the Urban Water Resources Centre in the provision of solar

lights and the dual-water system (which is one of the largest of its type in the southern hemisphere).

Kelvin's ability to combine a very bold and long-term vision with the ability to persuade the more sceptical to join the venture, and get things done remarkably quickly is admirable. His vision was of building a living – working – learning community with affordable environmental sustainability and this is emerging as a reality at Mawson Lakes.

Chancellor, it is my great pleasure, on behalf of the University of South Australia, to present to you Mr Kelvin Trimper for the Honorary Award of 'Fellow of the University of South Australia' in recognition of his contribution to the University and to Community Engagement.