

# Clarence Park Assessment Unit

c. 1990 – c. 1992

## Details

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The Clarence Park Assessment Unit was opened by the government at Clarence Park in 1990, on the site of the former Southern Region Admission Unit. It provided short-term accommodation to children in State care while their residential and care needs were assessed. The Unit closed in 1991-92. Its functions were transferred to the Sturt Community Unit and the Woodville Assessment Unit.

The Clarence Park Assessment Unit was opened by the Department for Family and Community Services at 28 William Street, Clarence Park in 1989-90. It was situated on the site of the former Southern Region Admission Unit. The Clarence Park Assessment Unit provided short-term accommodation to children in State care while their residential and care needs were assessed.

An assessment unit was the name given to a residential unit used for the short term placement of children under the care of the government. Children were placed in these units while their needs were assessed and longer term placements were found.

After the passing of the Community Welfare Act in 1972, assessment became the policy of the Department. It was introduced with the aim to ensure that the most appropriate form of longer term residential care was chosen for each child based on his or her individual needs.

The Clarence Park Assessment Unit closed in 1991-92. Its functions were transferred to the Sturt Community Unit and the Woodville Assessment Unit.

## More info

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### Chronology

- Clark Cottage, Clarence Park (1963 - 1979)
  - Southern Region Admission Unit (1979 - c. 1990)
- **Clarence Park Assessment Unit (c. 1990 – c. 1992)**

### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Department for Family and Community Services, South Australian Government \(1990 - 1998\)](#)

#### Related Events

- [Children in State Care Commission of Inquiry, South Australia \(2004 - 2008\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Sturt Community Unit \(1990 - 1995\)](#)

When the Clarence Park Assessment Unit closed some of its functions were taken over by the Sturt Community Unit.

- [Woodville Assessment Unit \(1990 - 1992\)](#)

When the Clarence Park Assessment Unit closed in 1992 some of its functions were taken over by the Woodville Assessment Unit

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records

- [Records of the South Australia Youth Remand and Assessment Centre \(c. 1961 - c. 1999\)](#)
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