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Yarra Glen
Place Plan

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Executive Summary

Yarra Glen is celebrated for its stunning landscapes and strong sense of community. Residents deeply value the natural environment, healthy lifestyles, and meaningful community connections. To plan for the future, we need a shared vision that supports balanced growth, protects the environment, and preserves the unique character of the township.

Over the past year, Council has partnered with the community to develop the Yarra Glen Place Plan—a long-term strategic framework that will guide decision-making, resource allocation, funding priorities, and advocacy efforts.

The Place Plan:

- Articulates a future vision and long-term action plan for Yarra Glen.
- Identifies key issues and opportunities for the township.
- Establishes a foundation for detailed design and implementation plans.
- Provides a basis for government and private investment advocacy.

This Plan is informed by research and extensive community engagement. Beginning in early 2025, Council facilitated broad community conversations and hosted a series of collaborative workshops with community representatives. Reports detailing this engagement are available on the [Council website](#).



Action Plan

A Community Reference Group worked closely with Council officers to shape both the Community Vision and the Action Plan.

Drawing on broad community feedback, reviewing background information, hearing from guest speakers, and engaging directly with relevant Council officers, more than 22 community representatives developed an Action Plan focused on the following priorities:

- **Community Connections**
- **Supporting All Ages**
- **Support Services**
- **Emergency Resilience**
- **Planning and Development**
- **Township Design Framework**
- **Community Facilities and Infrastructure**
- **Protection of the Environment**
- **Revitalisation and Economic Development**
- **Tourism**
- **Roads**
- **Parking**
- **Transport**

Details of the Action Plan are outlined on pages 10-13: “A Plan for Action” of this report. The Place Plan will guide and prioritise future projects. Actions will be incorporated into Council’s annual business and project plans, with specific tasks assigned to relevant teams. Progress will be reported annually and made available on the Council website.

A Vision for Yarra Glen

This vision statement was co-created with community representatives through a series of workshops facilitated by Council Officers. It reflects the shared aspirations for how Yarra Glen will be experienced in the future as the Place Plan is progressively implemented. The vision serves as a guiding compass, ensuring that decisions and actions align with the community's values and long-term goals.

Community Vision

Yarra Glen is a connected, welcoming township that protects and celebrates its natural beauty and unique spirit. Here, people of all ages feel supported and inspired, with opportunities for residents to thrive, while visitors experience the warmth, culture, and stunning landscapes that make Yarra Glen the proud heart of the Yarra Valley.



What is a Place Plan?

Place Plans outline Council's long-term strategic intent for a place by providing a clear vision for the future and outlining specific actions to achieve this vision, over 20 years or more.

These plans are developed through extensive community engagement and thorough research, which is guided by five key principles, shown below. Place Plans establish Council's long-term goals and vision for the area, identifying key challenges and opportunities for improvement.

They also serve as a foundation for more detailed planning and design efforts, offering a clear evidence base to support planning decisions and advocate for funding and investment. Involving local community in the development of a Place Plan ensures that the areas growth aligns with aspirations of community and Council's strategic goals.



PRINCIPLE A: Culture, community & service needs

A

What is the current population telling us about this township?

Appropriate policies, support services and resources are based on a clear understanding of the community's aspirations, needs and culture.



PRINCIPLE B: Economic prosperity

B

How can we improve resilience and help a township flourish through changes occurring on a global scale?

Working together based on local connections to create shared values and a strong, resilient community, maximising benefits for the economy, health, and environment.



PRINCIPLE C: Transport, movement, public space & infrastructure

C

How can we best use common land in our townships?

Well-structured and welcoming public spaces integrate multiple functions, such as public transport and active transport, recreation and conservation areas, vibrant and attractive streets and meeting places.



PRINCIPLE D: Future land use & development

D

How will townships in Yarra Ranges respond as Melbourne develops?

Policy, planning and investment attraction help guide development and use of private land and buildings in order to support public and social activity.



PRINCIPLE E: Leadership & governance

E

How will we sustain and manage Council and community effort?

Planning for place and making those plans a reality involves many different parties and processes. Ongoing management is required to implement actions and evaluate their effectiveness once completed.

Why a Place Plan for Yarra Glen?

The Yarra Glen Place Plan was developed in partnership with the community to guide the township's long-term strategic direction. The priorities identified through this process will influence Council's decision-making, resource allocation, and delivery of infrastructure, programs, and services over time.

Yarra Glen is a small township located approximately 55km northeast of Melbourne, in the heart of the Yarra Valley. Renowned for its wine production, scenic landscapes, and tourism appeal, the township is home to more than 3,800 residents and services surrounding villages such as Dixons Creek, Steels Creek, and Tarrawarra.

The area offers a mix of residential, agricultural, and commercial uses, with an economy strongly linked to viticulture, hospitality, and tourism. Key attractions include world-class wineries, the TarraWarra Museum of Art, heritage sites such as Gulf Station, and outdoor experiences like hot-air ballooning, events and horse racing at Yarra Valley Racing.

Yarra Glen is accessible via the Melba Highway and is approximately one hour's drive from Melbourne, and a short drive from Healesville, making it a picturesque yet quieter tourism alternative than its bustling neighbour. Public transport options are limited to bus services. Its natural beauty, combined with cultural and culinary experiences, makes Yarra Glen a key destination within the Yarra Valley region.



The Yarra Ranges Destination Management Plan forecasts that visitation to the Yarra Valley will more than double over the next decade. Yarra Glen is expected to experience significant growth in tourism, driven by initiatives such as the Rail Trail and Yarra Valley Railway, which will attract more visitors to the township.

The region is also predicted to experience more extreme weather events in future, including increased temperatures and rainfall, which may lead to more frequent bushfire and flooding events.

As Yarra Glen evolves, it is essential that Council plans for change in a way that balances the needs of the local community with those of visitors, ensuring the township's character and environment are preserved while supporting sustainable growth.

What's the strategic context

The Yarra Glen Place Plan works alongside existing planning controls to guide development decisions for the township.

Yarra Glen is designated as a Large Neighbourhood Activity Centre, providing a mix of community, health, recreational, retail, and commercial services that also support surrounding rural communities and convenience centres.

The Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) guides where towns and communities—such as Yarra Glen—can grow in the future. Yarra Glen's activity centre has its own dedicated UGB, which means land within this boundary can be developed for housing and subdivision. Outside the boundary lies Green Wedge land, protected by State Government policy to prevent residential development and preserve the natural and rural character of the surrounding landscape. This ensures that Yarra Glen can grow in a planned, sustainable way without encroaching on the countryside.

The Design and Development Overlay 12 (DDO12) provides additional guidance to maintain Yarra Glen's distinct built form and township character as development occurs.

Housing diversity in Yarra Glen is currently limited. Ninety-four percent of homes are separate houses, and 76% of these have three to four bedrooms. This creates a shortage of affordable and appropriately sized housing options, particularly affecting young people and older residents who wish to age in place but struggle to find suitable alternatives.

The Yarra Ranges Council Plan 2025–2029 sets Council's overarching strategic direction and outlines key priorities for the next four years. It is essential that all plans and frameworks align with the objectives of the Council Plan.

Key priorities from the Council Plan that directly support the Yarra Glen Place Plan include:

- Initiative 1:** Place-based approach to achieve local priorities.
- Initiative 2:** Work with partners to advocate for local priorities.
- Initiative 5:** Enhance energy and infrastructure resilience for Council and community before, during and after extreme weather events.
- Initiative 6:** Increase and protect biodiversity links and tree canopy connections.
- Initiative 7:** Use nature-based solutions to increase resilience of natural landscape in a changing climate.
- Initiative 8:** Provide leadership in pursuit of net zero emissions and developing a resilient local energy supply.
- Initiative 9:** Proactively manage stormwater and flooding risk.
- Initiative 10:** Activate ridges and rivers.
- Initiative 11:** Facilitate diverse housing options.
- Initiative 12:** Improve safety and maintenance of local roads.
- Initiative 13:** Enhance local amenity and walkability.
- Initiative 14:** Strengthen tourism destination management across the region.
- Initiative 15:** Support local agri-food futures centre of excellence and innovation.

How was the community involved?

Yarra Ranges Council engaged community through interviews, surveys, workshops, pop-up stalls, social media, and events. Over 300 people participated directly, and thousands more were reached through various outreach efforts.

The project team engaged with local clubs, groups, schools, kindergartens and service providers to better understand community needs.

In October, four community representative workshops were held, each with 22-30 participants, including members from local groups, clubs, service providers, business owners and residents. Using an Asset Based Community Development approach, participants received insights from the first round of engagement, strategic context on emerging priorities, heard from guest speakers on topics of interest and collaborated with Council officers.

A detailed community engagement report explaining the ways community was engaged and what community told Council can be found on [Council's website](#).



What did the community tell us?

The people of Yarra Glen value their strong sense of community, natural environment and healthy lifestyle. They want balanced growth with diversity in services, activities and amenities to support the local community and visitors to the area.

Key themes from community feedback include:

- **Community Connections:** Foster ongoing community connections through activities, events, services, and infrastructure.
- **Revitalisation:** Supporting local businesses and celebrating town pride with attractive streetscapes, public spaces and activation of empty shops and land.
- **Rail Trail:** Prioritise the completion of the Rail Trail into the township.
- **Local Industries:** Support balanced development of local agriculture, viniculture, artisans and tourism.
- **Roads and Transport:** Well-maintained roads to support increased traffic, improve reliability and safety, and provide with more local transport options.
- **Community Infrastructure:** Accessible facilities, with focus on developing indoor and outdoor spaces with and for young people.
- **Pedestrian movement:** Improve pedestrian movement and safety, by improving path networks, crossings, lighting and signage.
- **Services and Healthcare:** Addressing service gaps, particularly in local emergency healthcare, family support and aged care.
- **Environment:** Caring for and celebrating the natural environment.
- **Housing:** Diverse and affordable housing options with a focus on sustainable design.
- **Township Character:** Protect the regional appeal of the town by ensuring controlled development and maintaining a consistent aesthetic.

A Plan for Action

The Yarra Glen Place Plan identifies five key priority areas essential to achieving the vision. While no funding is currently allocated for large infrastructure projects, ongoing planning and design will inform costed project proposals for future State and Federal funding opportunities.

The Plan outlines actions classified as short term (1–4 years), medium term (5–10 years) and ongoing. These actions will be incorporated into Council’s annual business planning and reporting processes to ensure steady progress and accountability.

Priority 1 – Culture and Character

Action 1.1 - Community connections

Short Term (1-4 years)

Support Yarra Glen’s community connections, activities and events through a broad range of activities that promote social engagement and well being. Foster ongoing relationships between Council and community, with opportunities for engagement and clear communication.

Action 1.2 – Community needs

Short Term (1-4 years)

Understand and support the diverse service needs of all ages, including young families, children, youth and our ageing community.

Benefits

- Enhances community connections and wellbeing.
- Preserves and values community assets.
- Fosters a sense of belonging and community pride.
- Increases community perceptions of safety.
- Supports diverse service options to support all ages.
- Promotes intergenerational connections.



Priority 2 – Developing Place

Action 2.1 – Township design framework

Short Term (1-4 years)

Develop a Township Design Framework aligned with Yarra Glen Place Plan priorities, integrating building design, public spaces, lighting, and movement to establish clear design objectives and a suite of deliverable projects that attract project funding.

Prioritise centralised nodes of community connection, opportunity for success and growth of local businesses, and safe, accessible pedestrian movement within the centre, including crossings at natural community pathways. Strengthen residential connections by identifying and delivering missing links in the pedestrian network.

Cater for people of all ages with design principles such as seating, shade, safe lighting, and play opportunities—to foster intergenerational interaction and a sense of belonging.

Action 2.2 – Community facilities and infrastructure

Medium Term (5-10 years)

Undertake a comprehensive review of community infrastructure with a long-term vision for resilient, accessible, and sustainable facilities that support people of all ages. Collaborate with young people to co-design diverse and inclusive youth spaces that offer a range of activities.

Celebrate and enhance McKenzie Reserve by working in partnership with the community to create vibrant spaces that support events, activation, and promote wellbeing. Complete flood modelling and develop a proactive action plan to mitigate the impacts of flooding on community facilities, with a particular focus on working alongside local clubs to explore strategies that reduce future flood risks to the Yarra Glen Recreation Reserve Pavilion.

Action 2.3 – Planning and development

Short to Medium Term (1-10 years)

Promote future housing diversity to enable balanced development that supports ageing in place, affordable options and seasonal worker accommodation.

Encourage the adaptive reuse of disused buildings to enhance activity and improve the visual appeal of the activity centre.

Benefits

- Enhances safety for pedestrians and drivers.
- Reduces car dependence and congestion.
- Improves accessible movement.
- Encourages active transport and walkability.
- Provides reliable and functional access to community facilities and spaces.
- Builds community resilience.
- Offers diverse housing options for all ages.
- Fosters a sense of belonging and community pride.



Priority 3 – Movement and Place

Action 3.1 – Roads and pedestrian movement

Short to Medium Term (1-10 years)

Address key transport and infrastructure challenges to improve safety, accessibility, and connectivity. Prioritise consistent traffic management, safe pedestrian movement, and enhanced road conditions.

Ensure upgrades benefit both local residents and visitors, creating a safer, more efficient activity centre. Maintain ongoing advocacy to the State Government regarding safety and flooding issues on Melba Highway, working towards reliable access to the urban area.

Action 3.2 – Local transport

Short to Medium Term (1-10 years)

Advocate with the State Government to deliver innovative solutions that improve local access, frequency, and safety of public transport. Explore opportunities to support local transport providers, encourage alternative transport options, and ensure safe, accessible infrastructure to strengthen the overall transport system in better servicing people of all ages.

Action 3.3 - Parking

Short Term (1-4 years)

Develop a Yarra Glen Parking Strategy to deliver adequate accessible and short-term parking in the heart of the activity centre. Improve parking efficiency in the shopping precinct through clear wayfinding and better connections.

Prioritise upgrades to parking around community facilities, school bus stops and school zones by formalising spaces, improving traffic flow, and enhancing lighting for safety.

Benefits

- Boost the local economy and industry growth.
- Enhances day and night-time activity in the town centre.
- Creates more local jobs.
- Inspires future generations to stay and thrive in Yarra Glen.
- Promotes a diverse and resilient economy and community.
- Expands tourism opportunities and benefits.

Benefits

- Enhances safety for pedestrians and drivers.
- Reduces car dependence and congestion.
- Improves accessible movement.
- Supports positive travel experiences for locals and visitors.
- Encourages active transport and walkability.
- Improve access to local transport options.
- Ensure parking is balanced and accessible across the centre.

Priority 4 – Economic prosperity

Action 4.1 - Revitalisation and economic development

Short to Medium Term (1-10 years)

Support local businesses to collaborate on shared outcomes. Revitalise the activity centre by encouraging activation of shop fronts, and upgrading infrastructure that reflects Yarra Glen's unique identity and vibrant character.

Enhance public spaces to foster community connection and activation through events and activities for both locals and visitors.

Action 4.2 - Tourism

Short Term (1-5 years)

Develop Yarra Glen's tourism profile, celebrating local creatives, artisans and producers. Improve infrastructure and the pedestrian network to increase dwell time of visitors. Advocate to all levels of Government for the completion of the Rail Trail as a priority project to support local business and community.



Priority 5 – Partnerships

Action 5.1 - Emergency resilience

Short Term (1-5 years)

Encourage community emergency resilience by supporting preparedness programs and planning resilient infrastructure. Empower a self-sufficient community with sustainable and reliable electricity and communication networks. Advocate to State Government for improvements to the road and communications networks, allowing for consistent means of access and communication in emergencies.

Action 5.2 - Protection of the environment

Short to Medium Term (1-10 years)

Deliver targeted on ground and planning actions to improve the ecological condition and climate resilience of waterways and connected habitats in Yarra Glen and its surrounding landscape. This includes identifying priority restoration sites, supporting Traditional Owner led practices, and working with community to implement nature based solutions that enhance biodiversity and support local connection to the natural environment.

Action 5.3 - Support services

Ongoing

Advocate for a consistent local healthcare network for the Yarra Valley area working towards improving diversity in services, including medical care, social development programs, emergency response, and aged care support, ensuring accessibility and equity for everyone in the community.

Benefits

- Build local capacity and resilience.
- Secure road network to consistently service community.
- Improve communication in emergencies.
- Protection of the natural environment.
- Improved access to local health services.
- Improved health and wellbeing outcomes for community.

Bringing the Place Plan to life

The Yarra Glen Place Plan sets out Council's strategic intent for the township and will guide decision-making, resource allocation, funding, and advocacy over the next 20 years. While some actions will be delivered in the short term, others will be implemented progressively, and some will remain ongoing.

Currently, funding is not allocated for major infrastructure improvements identified in the Place Plan. The following steps will ensure the Plan moves toward delivering real projects and community outcomes over time:

1

Adoption

Council adoption of the Yarra Glen Place Plan, ensuring alignment with key strategies and actions in the annual Corporate Action Plan.

2

Township Design Framework

Following adoption, a Township Design Framework will be developed to translate the Plan's principles into detailed designs and projects ready for delivery.

3

Masterplans and Place Making Projects

Solutions that can be delivered in the short to medium term will be designed, costed, and prepared for funding opportunities.

4

Major Infrastructure Projects

Planning for major infrastructure will begin with the Township Design Framework, masterplans, supporting studies and feasibility assessments. Long-term advocacy and funding commitments will be essential for delivery.

5

Annual Action Plan

Actions will be integrated into Council's annual business and project planning, with specific responsibilities allocated to relevant teams.

6

Reporting

Progress on actions and projects will be reported annually, with performance and monitoring information publicly available on Council's website.

7

Review

The Yarra Glen Place Plan will be reviewed and evaluated periodically to ensure it remains current, relevant, and responsive to changing needs.

How will we measure progress?

Place Planning focuses on collaboration to create vibrant, thriving communities. It establishes a shared vision to guide future development and strengthen advocacy for investment and funding.

Impacts of a Place Plan are seen over time and can include both physical improvements and positive outcomes for community, the town and the natural environment. By gathering data as the plan progresses, we can track how well we're achieving our goals.

Different sources are used to establish baseline data, allowing Council to review progress of the Place Plan and impacts on the community of Yarra Glen over time.

The following indicators have been selected to measure change in Yarra Glen over time.

Priority 1: Culture and Character

Measures:

- Sense of community
- Community participation
- Experience of local high-quality health services
- Physical, mental and social wellbeing

Priority 2: Developing Place

Measures:

- Community facilities usage and demand
- Diversity of housing supply

Priority 3: Movement and Place

Measures:

- Access to paths and walkability
- Public transport services
- Walking/cycling visitor economy

Priority 4: Economic Development

Measures:

- Local Employment
- Overnight stay tourism
- Visitor economy
- Economic activity

Priority 5: Partnerships

Measures:

- Community preparedness for climate change
- Safety and security



Appendix A: Yarra Glen Snapshot

The following overview of Yarra Glen has been developed around the five Principles of Place (see page 5 “What is a Place Plan?”)



Culture, community and service needs

PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY

Yarra Glen’s population in 2025 was approximately 3,835 residents.

3,835 RESIDENTS



44 **MEDIAN AGE**

Compared to 40 years across Yarra Ranges.

43% of the population are between the ages of 25-59, meaning most of the population is workforce age.

There is limited growth forecast over the coming 10 years, with only 3.12% growth expected by 2046.

3.12% Growth



70+ HIGH LEVEL

Higher levels of residents aged over 70 years, with concerns around housing diversity and services to allow people to age in place.

14.5% compared to 12.2% for Yarra Ranges

HOUSEHOLD TYPE AND INCOME

WEEKLY INCOME

23% high income, \$3,000+ per week
54% middle income, \$800 - \$2999 per week
16% low income, less than \$800 per week



35.5%

36.5% of households are made up of couples with children and 8.5% are single parent families.

This is a car dependant community with 72% of households owning 2 or more cars.

72%



50.5% of households are without children. 28% of households without children are made up of people over the age of 65.



SOCIAL ISSUES AND SERVICE PROVISION

33% of the population live with at least one long-term health condition, which is lower than the Yarra Ranges average of 36%.



Yarra Glen is located only 15 minutes drive from the Major Activity Centre of Lilydale.



SERVICE CENTRE

Secondary school students are dependent on bus services to take them to schools in other townships.



The bus service is the only public transport option in the area.

HERITAGE AND CHARACTER



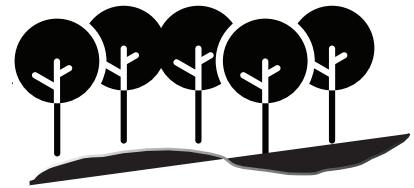
There is desire to celebrate the heritage and histories of the area in preserving the character of the township.

There is evidence of a significant Indigenous history in the area.



1.4% of the population identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

The areas natural assets are highly valued by community, particularly the Birrarung (Yarra River), surrounding hills and landscapes.



HIGHLY VALUED



Appendix B: Yarra Glen Snapshot



Economic prosperity

TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT

TOP THREE INDUSTRY SECTORS

Top three industry sectors employing residents of Yarra Glen:

18%

Construction

10%

Retail Trade

10%

Manufacturing

HIGH LEVELS EMPLOYMENT

98% of residents in the labour force age group were employed. 58% of them are employed full time.

98%

Compared to 88% across Yarra Ranges



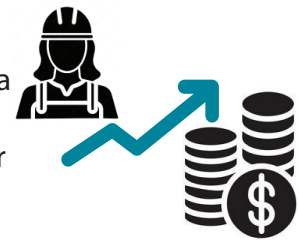
Growing trend of residents achieving vocational qualifications. 19%
Higher levels of residents achieving trade qualifications. 25%

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

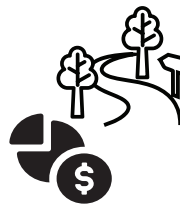


If nothing else changes in the region day trip visitation to the Yarra Valley will more than double by 2046.

The largest sector for economic output in Yarra Glen is Construction, generating over \$2M per year for the past 5 years.



Local producers will need to adapt to more extreme weather events over the coming decade.



The completion of developments such as the Rail Trail and the Yarra Valley Railway will provide opportunities for increased economic benefit to the township.

HOUSING



83% of households in Yarra Glen are purchasing or fully own their homes.

Compared to 81% across Yarra Ranges.



Only 10% of households are renting, compared to 14% across Yarra Ranges.

LIMITED DIVERSITY

94% of dwellings in Yarra Glen are separate houses, with 76% of houses being 3-4 bedrooms.

Appendix C: Yarra Glen Snapshot



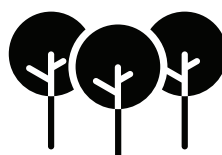
Transport, movement, public space & infrastructure

PUBLIC SPACE ACTIVATION



The activity centre could use stronger connections and signage to encourage pedestrian movement by locals and visitors.

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT



The township value the visual connection to the natural environment.



Community would like accessible public spaces that support community events and activity.



A public toilet is lacking from the main activity centre.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

There is a lot of opportunity for community to better utilise the community facilities available in the township.



PARKING



More signage is needed to promote underutilised areas of parking in the activity centre.

There are requests for more accessible and short-term parking options in the activity centre.



There are concerns about the quality of parking and movement around community facilities and the school bus zone.

ACCESS AND MOVEMENT

PEDESTRIAN MOVEMENT

Accessibility could be better addressed with connections and crossings at natural places of movement for community.



Community would like to see pedestrian movement prioritised in the town centre.

Missing links in the path network from residential areas to community facilities, shops and bus stops.



Limited public transport service provision.

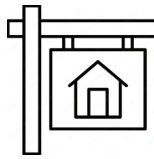
Appendix D: Yarra Glen Snapshot



Future land use and development

DEVELOPMENT

There are dormant sites in Yarra Glen's activity centre that community would like to see developed.



Several disused buildings and shops fronts could be positively activated, reflecting community aspirations.



**VIBRANT
CENTRE**

Community would like to see more vibrancy in centre, particularly with outdoor dining options and activation of public spaces.

COUNCIL ASSETS



There are many Council facilities across the township that could be better utilised by community.



Flooding at the Recreation Reserve significantly impacts local sports clubs.

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Some community members do not know what services and activities are run in Council owned facilities.



Appendix E: Yarra Glen Snapshot



Leadership and governance

COMMUNITY



People value the strength of community and connection in Yarra Glen, particularly amongst community groups and clubs.



The natural environment is highly valued by community and needs continued protection.



RESILIENCE PROGRAMS

Commitment to Community Resilience Programs to ensure preparedness for emergencies.

COMMUNITY GROUP

There is interest in community to work together to improve outcomes for the township.



NEW INVESTMENT AND ADVOCACY



Council will continue to explore opportunities to encourage new investment in the area.

Tourism visitor numbers are expected to increase.



BALANCED GROWTH

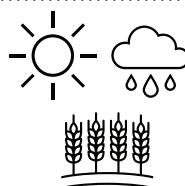
Community would like to see balanced growth.



Council will continue with State Government advocacy for roads and infrastructure.



Council continues to advocate for funding to ensure the Yarra Valley Rail Trail reaches the township.



CLIMATE CHANGE

Local industries will need to adapt to a changing climate.

Glossary

Accessibility - The ease of reaching destinations. Highly accessible locations, enable a person, regardless of age, ability or income, to reach many activities or destinations quickly. People in places with low accessibility can reach fewer places in the same amount of time.

Activity centre - Activity centres are a focus for services, shopping, employment and social interaction. They are where people meet, relax, work and often live. Usually well-served by public transport, they range in size and mix of uses from local strip shopping centres to traditional town centres and major regional centres.

Affordable housing - Housing that is appropriate for the needs of a range of low to moderate income households, and priced so these households are able to meet their other essential basic living costs.

Community Infrastructure – Infrastructure provided in the public domain for community use, which is generally maintained by Council. This could range from facilities or parks through to park benches and bins.

Governance – The system by which something is controlled or operates, and the way in which authorities or people are responsible for something.

Land use - The purpose for which the land has been or is being or may be developed. The activity on the land.

Neighbourhood activity centres - Local centres that provide access to local goods, services and employment opportunities and serve the needs of the surrounding community.

Precinct - The designated area of a town highlighted due to similar land uses or defined by major edges including roads, rivers, or land uses.

Priorities – The things that are regarded as the most important.

Traffic - Devices, such as speed humps, installed in streets to slow or reduce vehicle traffic and improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists. These measures can slow cars speed to between 15 and 40km per hour.

Vision – Is a statement defining the future priorities for a township or place, it should be aspirational yet realistic. The vision sets a direction, outlining goals and priorities to be worked towards over time.

Walkability - Walking environments that best balance safety, connection, accessibility and enjoyment.

Wayfinding - signage designed to help direct people to a location or amenity.



