



Township Structure Plans Deliberative Engagement Report

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Background

Introduction

The deliberative engagement report outlines the considerations of the five township Community Panels convened across the townships of Clunes, Creswick, Daylesford and Hepburn Springs, Glenlyon and Trentham. During the Council Plan process Council committed to protecting and enhancing the existing character of our towns and rural settings through community inclusive strategic planning to strengthen planning controls on growth and development.

Following on from the initial broader community engagement five township community panels, made up of up to 21 residents from each of the towns, were randomly selected from the Engagement Pool. The selection of the Panels was based on demographic indicators to ensure that the composition of each of the groups was as reflective of the local population as possible.

Each Community Panel was tasked with balancing competing community values and determining what would be appropriate growth. Their challenge was to develop a shared vision for their township and an objective for each of the six identified key themes.

The Structure Plans

Future Hepburn

The development of the five township Structure Plans is part of the Future Hepburn project. This project is designed to protect and enhance the existing character of towns and settlements in Hepburn Shire. The project includes the development of Structure plans for Daylesford and Hepburn Springs, Creswick, Clunes, Trentham and Glenlyon. Various technical studies have been undertaken to support the development of the structure plans including Cultural Values Assessment, Heritage Assessments and Neighbourhood Character and Urban Design Frameworks. It also includes two shire-wide strategies, Rural Hepburn: Agricultural Land and Rural Settlement Strategy and the Integrated Transport Strategy.

Structure Plans

Structure Plans are documents that articulate how Council and community believe their towns should be in the future. They provide an opportunity to guide how towns will change and develop over time. They articulate what is loved about a town, what could change and how that change might occur.

Structure plans are future focused and generally have a long timeframe. The Future Hepburn structure plans have a 30 year timeframe. This long timeframe allows for genuine, longer-term planning and the opportunity to think about the town residents would like to hand over to future generations. While structure plans have a longer term focus, they are regularly reviewed and updated to take account of changes and developments that are happening locally and more widely.

A structure plan will generally contain the following elements:

- **A Vision** – A shared statement that outlines how we would like the town to be in 30 years. This statement helps to focus the rest of the plan, guiding appropriate growth and development, protecting what we value, improve liveability, and empower communities to thrive into the future.
- **Objectives** – A statement outlining how the vision will be achieved. The strategic objectives for the Future Hepburn structure plans have been themed around housing, urban design, business and economy, environment and heritage, movement and access and community facilities and infrastructure.
- **Strategies** – A range of long term (10-15 years) strategies that will help achieve the each of the objectives.
- **Actions** – Short term (5-10 years) actions that may include elements such advocacy, the development of master plans or planning responses to challenges identified during the structure planning process.

The Engagement Process

Previous engagement

The deliberative engagement process was part of the second, deeper phase of engagement. Prior to the deliberative engagement, Council undertook a number of key engagement activities to determine the values, priorities and preferences of community members across the five townships. The survey asked community members about their experience of living in the shire, what they wanted to change and what should stay the same. There were 499 responses collected from across the Hepburn Shire community. The results of that survey were used to develop the deliberative process.

Pre workshop reading

Prior to commencing deliberation Community Panel participants received a pack containing:

- Overview of the Future Hepburn project and structure planning process
- The role of both the Community Panel and Council.
- An overview of what to expect from each of the sessions.
- Council's commitment to Community Panel members.

Participants were encouraged to review the following information to support their understanding of the Future Hepburn project and the engagement findings to date:

- The relevant township Conversation Starter.
- Township Structure Planning Survey Engagement Report.
- Other Future Hepburn project information including the Engagement Report.

Printed copies were distributed to those members who required them.

Session one – Meet and Greet

This session provided participants the opportunity to meet the team and fellow participants and gain an understanding of the project and their role in developing the draft structure plan.

The session included the following key activities:

- Welcome, introductions and background of the project.

- The development of agreed behaviours for the three sessions.
- An activity to bring in voices that might be missing from the group.
- A visioning session to establish what words and phrases describe how they want the town to be in the future.
- A preview of the next session.

Session two – Learning session

This session provided participants to delve a little deeper into the vision and start developing strategic objectives for each of the pre-determined themes.

The session included the following activities:

- Welcome and review of the previous session.
- A review of the vision words and phrases from the previous session and a discussion on the priorities for the vision statement.
- A preview of the key themes and a discussion on the priorities for each theme.
- A preview of the next sessions.

Additional session – Ask the experts

An additional online session was added to provide Community Panel members the opportunity to ask technical questions of the consultants involved in the Future Hepburn project. This session was delivered online and was a voluntary addition to the process.

Session three – Drafting the Structure Plan

Prior to this session planners took the notes from previous sessions and developed a draft vision, objectives and strategies.

This session provided the opportunity to work with officers and consultants on the draft that had been developed and make changes and improvements.

The session included:

- Reviewing the vision and discussing potential improvements as a group.
- Reviewing each of the strategic objectives and suggesting changes and improvements.
- Adding strategies and actions.
- Reviewing the township boundaries.
- Reviewing urban design principles.
- A presentation of the agreed outcomes and areas that still needed to be confirmed.
- A thank you and outline of the next steps for the project.

Engagement outcomes

Vision

Developing a vision for the townships was a key activity for the deliberative process. Participants worked on the vision in all three engagement sessions. Between session two and three consultants use the words and statements developed from participants to develop a draft vision. This draft vision was then workshopped during the third session.

Strategic objectives

Participants worked on the strategic objectives in workshops two and three. In workshop two participants discussed what they considered the most important objectives for each of the six themes. Their comments were taken away and developed into a strategic objective statement for each of the themes. These statements were then tested and workshopped with participants in the third session.

Actions and comments

During the process of developing the vision and objectives participants shared more general concerns, ideas, actions and comments. All comments were noted and have been transcribed. These were used to understand what participants wanted to achieve and will also be used to shape actions for the structure plans.

Clunes

Vision

The vision was discussed in all three sessions. In session one participants were encouraged write sentences or words to describe their town in 30 years' time. In session two participants reviewed the comments and discussed the key elements. In session three participants reviewed the draft vision and offered ideas and improvements.

Outcomes	
Session one	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better access around and beyond town for all Access to services and facilities More community events and activities Better management of natural environment (trees, creek etc) Sustainable businesses Links to Dja Dja Wurrung Youth engagement
Session two	<p>Agreed elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Links to and between Natural beauty – link to nature Celebrate shared history Collective past Thriving and sustainable economy Transport – accessibility – connections and linkages Demographic diversity – interaction – feel connected Range of housing options
Session three	<p>Draft Vision provided to participants at the session for feedback</p> <p><i>'Clunes is a town with a celebrated shared history and collective past with First Nations people coming together to create a thriving resilient community and economy. It is a dynamic and prosperous place with a busy main street and supported by community focal points providing spaces for all ages to meet and be active. It is a more resilient town with improved sustainability and improved access to broader regional services. There is a wide range of housing to meet the needs of the diverse community nestled within the natural beauty of the valley. While Clunes celebrates and preserves its history, it is a town adapting to the challenges of the future.'</i></p> <p>Comments/ suggestions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link directly to town and community 'We are...' about us, our future Include Dja Dja Wurrung as Traditional Owners Emphasis climate resilience and safety Recognise the rich and complicated shared history Ensure it encompasses a resilient and sustainable community, environment and economy. Emphasis climate resilience

Accessible places and spaces to meet and connect

Strategic Objectives

Strategic objectives were discussed in sessions two and three. In session two participants were invited to consider what objectives would help them meet their housing needs. In workshop three, participants were invited to consider what objectives would help them meet their housing needs. The results of these discussions have been sorted by theme and are provided below. A full transcript of all the comments is provided as Appendix one.

Housing

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A need for a broader diversity of housing including smaller lots and houses. A concern over the impact of short-term rental property A need to maintain heritage values in the town A desire to maintain the rural feel including the space around the buildings
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To promote the development of diverse, affordable, and sustainable housing options.'</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use stronger wording – address - not facilitate Emphasis the need for social and affordable housing Include environmental sustainability in new house design/build Smaller houses in centre – ensure space for gardens further out The importance of maintaining population to ensure service provision Importance of maintaining heritage

Business and Economy

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activate the town and manage vacant space Build a more varied and resilient economy for locals and visitors Look at for light industrial areas Use tourist features better
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To foster a vibrant, sustainable economy by harnessing traditional trades and nurturing creative businesses.'</i></p> <p>Alternative suggestion <i>'To foster a sustainable economy and nurture creative businesses.'</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farming is critical to town's economy Light industrial and commers to be included Protect heritage as an attraction to business and economy The beautiful nature and surrounds are important Harness all trades – not just traditional

Mining – a risk to the town
Need business diversity and business sustainability
Need to connect businesses to each other and the community

Environment and Heritage

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and improve paths along the creek to link people and nature Increase vegetation in town Develop a green corridor Maintain low levels of light pollution Nature stewardship Community engagement/ education on environment, First Nations and township history
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p>'To safeguard the town's environmental, landscape, and heritage assets within its rural context.'</p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Safeguard' not strong enough – 'protect and enhance' 'Support and reflect' its rural landscape Consider liveability of residents with usability conflicts eg crossovers over bluestone drains Consider health, wellbeing, creativity and art

Urban Design

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve access for pedestrians including safe road crossings and disability access Develop places to congregate Provide for a range of housing options More trees and parks Look after heritage buildings
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To ensure that buildings and streets harmoniously contribute to the town's character and heritage.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work collaboratively with community to enhance the public realm Include safe and accessible Meet the needs of all the disabled and aged community Add families and younger people

Capture wellbeing, play and families
 Challenges to work through - heritage v character, sustainability v heritage, pedestrian crossings v character
 Reduce traffic, remove trucks from town
 Safe crossing places

Movement and Access

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <p>Improve the bus/ train service/ connections Improve the footpaths and connections around town Improved disability access around town Provide shaded areas for walking Make longer creek walks Provide seating</p>
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To offer diverse, safe, and accessible transportation options and enhanced pedestrian infrastructure.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <p>Impact of trucks on town need managing Need share cars/ electric vehicles Could have town bus – linking to events and other towns Improve cycling infrastructure and shared equipment (pumps, tools etc) Improve footpaths – quality and links Improve disability access Activate laneways</p>

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <p>Better utilise existing venues and infrastructure for community activities More multipurpose facilities/ shared space Activities for elderly Activities for children and young people Maintain primary school</p>
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To ensure that community facilities and infrastructure are geared towards fostering a robust, well-connected, and healthy town community.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective.</p>

Comments

More services and social activities

Shared facilities

Extend the creek walking track

Walking trails with signage

Utilise existing spaces for community events

Improve access to heritage buildings

Improve disability access

A centralised space for youth

Gender equity in sporting facilities

Facilities for all ages

Creswick

Vision

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Outcomes	
Session one	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friendly, cooperative local community and community associations Local employment and businesses Mix of housing for all ages – in housing appropriate for a rural town Access to a range of services locally Access to and care of heritage Access to trails, forests and nature Safe from fire floods A destination Safer pedestrian and cycling around town Climate change resilient Access to well managed and maintained open space Links to other towns Access to a range of community infrastructure
Session two	<p>Agreed elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safe Vibrant Live and work local Beauty of Creswick Active Coming together Culturally inclusive Ethically responsible growth Shared heritage Connectedness – physically and socially Creswick identity Small town Sustainability Maintain Creswick culture
Session three	<p>Draft Vision provided to participants at the session for feedback.</p> <p><i>'Creswick is a vibrant town with a strong sense of community pride and identity that culturally and historically recognises the significance of its First Nations and colonial past and future. With a productive economic centre, the town generates valuable jobs for locals and ample opportunities to come together within the regenerated and</i></p>

thriving town centre. The natural beauty of Creswick is maintained with a healthy Creswick Creek, large canopy trees and abundant ecosystems surrounding the town. Residential growth complements the town's neighbourhood character and responds to the community's evolving needs with greater affordable housing options.

Comments/ suggestions'

Include diverse economy

'Enhanced with healthy waterways'

'energised' rather than regenerated

Progressive rather than vibrant town

More focus on recreation and lifestyle

Emphasise the future

Add creativity

Contest the use of First Nations – could be all people or Dja Dja Wurrung

Include beauty/ streetscape

Strategic Objectives

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Housing

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need for housing for over 55's Support infill and higher density (in certain areas) Support low cost/ social housing but should be spread throughout Need tourist accommodation Respect heritage and environmental issues (flooding)
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To facilitate the development of diverse, affordable, and sustainable housing options to accommodate a growing population.'</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be more specific – eg 'rebuild Creswick North Pavilion Need diversity of housing – including tiny houses Increased housing density (contested) Need stronger wording than 'respond' Community housing to be spread around town (not all in one place) No battle-axe blocks in older areas Identify growth areas

Business and Economy

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build on existing businesses and events Grow recreation and outdoor recreation opportunities Create entertainment zone Creative/ artisan industries Co-working and small office space Space for commercial/ industry Accommodation for visitors
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To develop Creswick as a strong economic centre maximising its core attributes.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add diversify

Encourage weekend business activation
 Activate visitor information centre to promote business/ economy
 Value add to core industries
 Identify place for light industrial (environmentally neutral)
 Support outdoor recreation
 Include local employment

Environment and Heritage

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <p>Retain and promote heritage buildings and assets (station north platform) Extend museum – coffee shop, gift shop Aboriginal art installation – heritage Creswick creek Protect significance of area – bioregions, fauna and flora, culturally significant spaces Habitat connectivity</p>
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>‘To protect the environmental and heritage amenities of Creswick while managing t environmental risks.’</i></p> <p>Participants supported the objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <p>Amenities sounds like toilet block – add unique/ precious – lighten language Suggest ‘To protect the unique/ precious environmental and heritage assets of Creswick while managing environmental risks’ or ‘To protect the precious environment and heritage assets of Creswick while managing environmental risks such as flooding, fire and climate change.’ Less jargon more ‘life’ in language Make it more specific and real</p>

Urban Design

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <p>Walking and cycling connections Better use of creek – great asset Improved community meeting spaces Manage the urban design and housing affordability issues Design guidelines for sustainable buildings Some opportunity for higher buildings (contested)</p>
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>‘To encourage development which responds to the natural features in Creswick and contributes to a positive town character.’</i></p> <p>Participants indicated this was missing public realm and streetscapes/ open space</p>

Comments

Need wayfinding throughout town/ area – hidden gems
 Create a chain of parks
 Not all focus on cyclists- include pedestrians
 Landscape pallets contested – indigenous v exotic
 Work collaboratively to deliver public realm
 Use ambiance and character
 Make it about design to address sustainability – sustainability key feature of town

Movement and Access

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road/ traffic safety Improved cycling links and connections Improved walking facilities/ footpaths Walking and cycling links to Clunes Busses to Daylesford Car parking improvements
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To ensure that residents are able to move freely around the town in a manner which is accessible for individuals of all mobilities and ages.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add cyclists and cycling Include community transport Link to facilities in Ballarat Movement corridors Make it really pedestrian, cyclist and mobility scooter friendly Public transport Safe crossings at key places Reduce traffic movements through town

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link up community groups More accessible facilities (especially for people with a disability) Integrate people from North Creswick No secondary school Health and allied health services

Session three **Draft Strategic Objective**

'To provide facilities, services and infrastructure which respond to changing community needs and demographics.'

Participants suggested 'evolving' community needs would be better than changing.

Comments

Include safety

Add aged care and disability services to strategies

Indoor recreation centre and pool

Better public toilets

Add in missing links (paths) to access facilities

Work with other agencies (Melbourne Uni) to share/ increase access to facilities

Include social gathering places

Secondary school

Trentham

Vision

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Outcomes	
Session one	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Landscape and environment, tree lined streets, wildlife links, embracing nature Healthy active transport Trails and meandering paths Heritage character preserved and expanded into new builds Vibrant, diverse and creative town Importance of surrounding agriculture Connected community, indigenous connections Connected town to Woodend and Daylesford
Session two	<p>Agreed elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green corridors Meandering Streetscapes heritage Facilities + services Sustainability Vibrant local economy Inclusivity, integrated Mingling spaces Merging of nature, village and agriculture Maintaining residential vegetation
Session three	<p>Draft Vision provided to participants at the session for feedback</p> <p><i>'Trentham is a town connected to the forest and highly productive farms that surround it. The community and wildlife meander through corridors where our First Nations people once travelled. A welcoming community with a generosity of spirit, today we are known for our great food, our lost (but important) trades and farms. We live harmoniously with the land aiming to reduce our impact on the land and earth, respecting our heritage and environment and looking forward to creating a more sustainable future.'</i></p> <p>Comments/ suggestions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make it more active – looking forward to... Small, creative, simple, age diversity, friendly Specify what more sustainable looks like Make it more aspirational Fertile not productive

Better use of what we have

Strategic Objectives

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Housing

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mix of housing – for all ages – price points – housing diversity Vegetation Review planning controls Mixed zones Allow small house in backyards
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>‘To ensure a range of diverse and affordable housing to meet the needs of the community today and into the future.’</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human scale and diversity Advocate for sustainable designs Support tiny houses to improve affordability New development to respect neighbours and street frontages Medium density if well designed/ respectful of character – in centre Maintain vegetation Clarify parameters for respectful subdivision Lighting to be respectful of wildlife/ dark sky Maintain large blocks for family housing

Business and Economy

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eco businesses and tourism Support for small business Services (and jobs) such as childcare Arts/ artisan – creative Co-working space Railway space – markets Viable farming Business collaboration Space for industry Value add – paddock to plate

Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective <i>'To support the growth of business and the local economy, value adding onto regional produce and products.'</i></p> <p>Comments Need housing for workers Need mid week activation of town (restaurants) Undercover market Maintain farm land Improve rail trails for tourists</p>
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Environment and Heritage

	Outcomes
Session two	<p>Themes Preserve trees – particularly Brooker gums and large trees Wildlife/ habitat corridors Protect key heritage sites – Wisewoulds Keep heritage buildings in use Protect and enhance waterways, biodiversity, fauna and flora</p>
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective <i>'To protect and enhance the environment and heritage of the town.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the objective</p> <p>Comments Use word 'improve' or 'sustain' instead of enhance Protect significant trees Proactive weed management Manage impact of significant natural events Traditional Owners – language, history, visibility</p>

Urban Design

	Outcomes
Session two	<p>Themes Make development work around existing vegetation Better links for town to nature Keep building design consistent with heritage Improve pathways and linkages (for people and wildlife) High quality streetscapes Need some diversity in development No over development</p>
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective <i>'To ensure development is designed to respond to the town's context and natural assets with a human scale that links the forest to the town.'</i></p>

Participants broadly support the objective.

Comments

- Include sightlines
- Define town centre
- Wayfinding
- Potential of old buildings
- Traffic issues and pedestrian safety
- Link off road connections

Movement and Access

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Links – green and walking / cycling for people and wildlife Improved bus services to key towns – Woodend and Kyneton Safe and accessible walking tracks/ paths Rail trail Woodend, Kyneton, Malmesbury Trentham Falls, Radio Springs access Parking on weekends
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>‘To ensure Trentham is well connected both within the town and surrounds and that car ownership is not a barrier to connections.’</i></p> <p>Participants broadly support the objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace car with ‘private vehicle’ Be more visionary – alternatives to private vehicle People centric town More things to do that don’t need a car Alternative ways to move around Improve safety in streets Reduce/ reduce the impact of heavy vehicles Improve bike connections

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More kinders and childcare Community recreation/ sport facilities – for all ages Improved walking/ cycling access to key facilities Shared working space Community meeting/ gathering places Better utilisation of square

Session three **Draft Strategic Objective**

'To ensure community and cultural facilities, services and infrastructure nurture a healthy and happy community across all life stages.'

Participants broadly support the strategic objective.

Comments

Town square activation

Council partnering with others to provide youth activities

Connections to key destinations – Trentham Falls, Community Garden, Town Square

Community seating

Connect existing infrastructure

Daylesford and Hepburn Springs

Vision

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Outcomes	
Session one	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better transport connections Green and beautiful main street and beyond Well considered housing density Housing mix – accessible and affordable Access to infrastructure (including footpaths) Bushfire safety A well connected and diverse community Sustainable tourism Room for nature and wildlife
Session two	<p>Agreed elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical and cultural heritage Sensitive architecture – continuing and beautiful Gathering spaces for community Housing – diversity of scale Transport – access to services Balance needs of local of all ages and tourism and business Fostering creative economy Wildlife Natural assets Native v introduced (tension) Natural beauty (landscape) Climate resilience Trees, canopy, mature – potential for
Session three	<p>Draft Vision provided to participants at the session for feedback.</p> <p><i>'Daylesford and Hepburn Springs are famous scenic tourist towns underpinned by a diverse and strong community that culturally and historically recognises the significance of its First Nations and colonial past and future. Daylesford is a vibrant place where a colourful mix of creative businesses and eateries thrive in historic public spaces. Hepburn Springs is equally vibrant but conveys a more peaceful, village atmosphere in keeping with its spa town heritage. The towns are linked by safe and accessible pedestrian and cyclist networks that encourage active transportation. Views to surrounding farmlands and forested hills are framed by an eclectic mix of preserved heritage buildings, sensitively designed new development and dense street tree</i></p>

canopies. New residential development is sustainable and managed, fitting seamlessly into the existing built fabric while also offering greater housing choice and affordability. Daylesford and Hepburn Springs truly are picturesque destinations where people can live, work, visit and relax.'

Comments/ suggestions

Not visionary enough – needs to be more vibrant and creative

Include creativity

Include sustainability and climate change risks

Mineral springs and water are important

Include health and wellbeing

First Nations – say Dja Dja Wurrung

Include picturesque nature of town – changing seasons

Sounds too much like a retirement village

Strategic Objectives

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Housing

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adhere to neighbourhood character rules Low emission housing – more garden space Strengthen rules around demolition of heritage homes Maintain character Housing for workers/ affordable housing including rental Housing for all ages Better utilise existing land Maintain character in building and plot sizes
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To ensure housing is affordable, sensitively designed and responsive to existing and future community needs.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support rang of affordable housing options Support sustainable housing Support housing in keeping with area Need options for co-housing Need to manage short term rental Need a balance of tourist and local housing options Need to protect the heritage, gardens, greenspace and sightlines

Business and Economy

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activation of vacant spaces Shared working spaces A diverse economy – beyond tourism Creative economy – arts, culture, events Mineral springs More communal space and venues for activities/ performances
Session three	Draft Strategic Objective

'To facilitate a unique mix of local retail, food outlets and tourist facilities that sustains town centre activation and vibrancy beyond weekend tourism.'

Participants supported the strategic objective.

Comments

Need to include diverse and creative industries

Need locally owned businesses for all ages

Link commerce activity

Acknowledge health and wellbeing industries

Environment and Heritage

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect the mineral springs Daylesford lake water quality Protect underground water Forest management Reduce environmental weeds Manage fuel load Protect heritage values/ styles
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To identify and protect the environmental, landscape and design features of the towns that reflects its rural setting and protects them from known environmental hazards.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the word 'unique' relating to the environment Redefine 'design features' – too ambiguous – maybe 'cultural heritage' Should it be regional or rural? (mixed views)

Urban Design

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inclusive design – accessible, safe and well lit High quality streetscapes Outdoor gathering places More medium density housing Site coverage to ensure landscaping New design to reflect local character Protect sightlines
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To ensure that well designed buildings and streets contribute to the character and heritage of the towns.'</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective.</p>

Comments

Higher buildings on lower areas
 Protect country feel
 Avoid colours in new buildings that do not support local character
 Protect picturesque colours of deciduous trees
 Maintain roofline compatibility
 Retain domestic heritage architecture

Movement and Access

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <p>Network of high-quality footpaths – accessible for all Community bus/ transport – feeder transport Bike paths Footpath to link Daylesford and Hepburn Springs Integrated within/ beyond the region</p>
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>‘To ensure residents are provided with a variety of movement options that are safe, accessible and integrated and do not rely solely on vehicle ownership.’</i></p> <p>Participants supported the strategic objective.</p> <p>Comments</p> <p>Include ‘attractive’ Need more footpaths and public transport Improve facilities and safety for cyclists Improve pedestrian safety – particularly at roundabouts and crossing spaces Public transport that connects (to broader system) Large trucks dangerous in town Community busses to surrounding towns Improve and promote existing walking tracks Create links – good for tourism</p>

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <p>Community arts/ performance space Community gathering spaces Access to health and wellbeing facilities Community notice board Indoor swimming pool Better access for all to community facilities Walking and cycling facilities</p>

Off lead dog park

Session three

Draft Strategic Objective

'To ensure community facilities and infrastructure support a healthy, resilient and well-connected town community.'

Participants supported the strategic objective.

Comments

Include 'accessible and safe' – equality

Embrace Daylesford's point of difference

Indoor aquatic centre

Create beach in lake Daylesford – cold water swimming

Connect key destinations

Improve public toilets

Need community notice board

Need community meeting/ performance space

Need arts/ performing arts spaces

Glenlyon

Vision

The vision was discussed in all three sessions. In session one participants were encouraged write sentences or words to describe their town in 30 years' time. In session two participants reviewed the comments and discussed the key elements. In session three participants reviewed the draft vision and offered ideas and improvements.

Outcomes	
Session one	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A welcoming village/ country town Clean, green, fresh, peaceful An inclusive, friendly community – all ages, diversity Walkable Accessible for all Access to transport and services Safety – from roads and fire Trees, wildlife, biodiversity Basic infrastructure, water, energy, sewerage
Session two	<p>Agreed elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local employment opportunities Sustainability Trees Diverse business Rural feel Clean, green Healthy environment Biodiversity Range of businesses Small vibrant rural town Protection of water Access connections (regional) Ageing in place Multigenerational population Celebrate our heritage Some tension around bushfires and environment
Session three	<p>Draft Vision provided to participants at the session for feedback.</p> <p><i>'Glenlyon is a vibrant rural town centred along a grand avenue of elms where the pre contact and colonial past meets the present. Housing growth, while limited by environmental constraints, provides a range of options that fit seamlessly into the existing built fabric. Home based and small commercial businesses provide employment. Community spaces create places where people can meet. Glenlyon is not</i></p>

only beautiful and dynamic but also robust and resilient ensuring its endurance for years to come.'

Comments

Peaceful/ quiet village/ township

Limited housing growth – respectful and sustainable

Connection with past including where the Dja Dja Wurrung meet the colonial past

Multigenerational – want people to stay

Be an exemplar for small towns

Connections to other towns

Walking tracks

Recognise the farming heritage

Opportunities for home-based industries

Strategic Objectives

Strategic objectives were discussed in sessions two and three. In session two participants were invited to consider what objectives would help them meet their housing needs. In workshop three, participants were invited to consider what objectives would help them meet their housing needs. The results of these discussions have been sorted by theme and are provided below. A full transcript of all the comments is provided as Appendix five.

Housing

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-generational – small units – aging in place – second dwelling on lots Sustainable and zero emissions housing Potential for flooding/ climate change risks Country living Quiet living – working from home
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>‘To facilitate a wider range of options and well-designed housing responsive to the environmental challenges that limit growth.’</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A wider range of housing options for environmental challenges More diversity of housing, tiny houses, granny flats Development to reflect character of the town Designed for solar/ water capture Site coverage to include space for water tanks and septic

Business and Economy

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment opportunities – light industry Childcare, local service Boutique/ passive recreation tourism Farming – organic Improve telecommunications to allow work from home Attract visitors to the area
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>‘To facilitate home based and small commercial businesses to enable residents to live and work in Glenlyon.’</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitate home based commercial businesses Create business links – connect local businesses Encourage businesses to adopt/ include renewable energies Shared office space

NBN connections

Environment and Heritage

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Celebrate the heritage – make more use of heritage buildings Information on First Nations People More interpretive signage Protect trees Water protection Wildlife corridors Environmental stewardship Restrict use of herbicide in farming
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To enhance and protect the environment and heritage features of the town while managing environmental hazards.'</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Protect biodiversity and heritage of the village and respond to climate change risks' Change hazard to challenges Include Firewise planting Consider climate, biodiversity, pressure on local systems

Urban Design

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design for high fire risk and water limitations Houses to blend in Better connections from new developments to open space Good roads and drainage – but not necessarily sealed Accessible for all ages Promote alternatives to septic Maintain trees – exotics for shade and fire resistance
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To ensure that well designed buildings and streets contribute to the rural town character and heritage of the town.'</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor seating Open space in subdivisions Pedestrian links Generous trees Ensure the design of buildings and streets retains the rural character and heritage of village (include street trees)

Public spaces to reflect the town character

Movement and Access

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safe walking and cycling paths Community bus service/ connections to other towns Zero emissions transport Fire escape routes Quality road surface
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To ensure residents are provided with a variety of movement options that are safe, accessible and integrated and encourage walking and cycling.'</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Include bus and road connections Create links to surrounding towns Improve road safety for pedestrians and cyclists The quality of the roads Improve cycling and pedestrian links to dam and river

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Outcomes	
Session two	<p>Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centralised multi use hub Public toilets at the hall Mobile child/ maternal meeting space Multigenerational recreational facilities Power security Community services (respite) Social support Bike/ BMX track – keep young people engaged
Session three	<p>Draft Strategic Objective</p> <p><i>'To ensure community facilities, services and infrastructure support a healthy, resilient and well-connected town and community, connected to regional services.'</i></p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental centre, first nations Information Centre Upgrade existing facilities Public toilets at the hall Facility for teens/ tweens Dog park

Next steps

All original material from the workshops will be used by the consultants writing the structure plans. The structure plans will be developed in the coming months. It is anticipated that a draft structure plan for each of the five towns will be available for public comment in March 2024.

Appendix one – Clunes workshops notes

Session One

Ground rules

Group one

Be flexible
Respect everyone's opinions
Try to be concise
There is no RIGHT or WRONG
Don't interrupt
Everyone gets a say
BE KIND
LISTEN
Be empathetic
Have a voice

Group two

No dissing ideas
Mindful of duplication (ie circular conversations)
Positive discourse
NO GUNS
All are here for Clunes and want the best
Respectful engagement
Let everyone speak
Actively listen
Respect differences and experience
All voices heard
No opportunism
Hearing point of view till they finish
Let each person speak without interruption
Immigration
Disclose self interest – transparency
Respectful engagement
No politics, no religion

Vision

Group one

Increased community collaboration
Spaces that allow for more inclusive consultation
Strong relationship with D'jarra and place
Transport even within the town
Immigration
Addressing local climate change – trees, creek
Lush shady trees

Clear clean creek – lots of platypuses
 Increased opportunity for natural environments
 Better creek management
 Keep country feel – more flora and fauna
 Progressive housing design – meets passive design and diversity
 Minimum house land sizes – zoning town
 Minimum standard of essential services
 Better access for people with disabilities/ elderly
 Improve roads – traffic flow
 Better walking tracks around town
 Thriving town
 Better Transport
 Improved Infrastructure
 Disability access
 Successful business operations in town that engage with local community
 Banning Air BnBs
 Health services active and accessible
 Limit air BnB's rental/ homes a priority
 More structured activities for youth
 Infrastructure (community) must be multi use
 Respect the past before moving into the future
 Social sustainability
 More community events, utilise current buildings more
 Entertainment events
 Care for the elderly
 Power cuts reduced
 Improved drainage

Group 2

Better footpaths
 Improve green environment
 Event committee
 Council assistance programs
 Lower speed limit in centre of town
 More events – eg music festival
 Access to mains power and services
 Emergency shelter needed
 Home fire protection as part of CFA
 Greater event diversity
 Keep rural environment not tiny blocks
 Drain maintenance
 Connectivity, paths, walkways
 Public toilets in public spaces
 Animal welfare
 Speed limits
 Interactive environment
 Aboriginal; recognition of all spaces
 Better medical facilities

Safer truck route
Community resilience – flood/ fires
More footpaths that are connected
Gold history
Footpaths
Transport for town to station
Block size
Future housing
Youth body
Mains water quality
Cultural mix and abilities
DDA Inclusive
Effects of chaos (flood/ fires)
Local food coordinated systems
Holistic vision
Dja Dja Wurrung Heritage awareness
We need a proper history museum
Spaces for young people
Demographic mix
Sustainability of water quality

What you need to know more about?

How do we engage all the people
How healthy is Clunes aquifer? How do we keep it healthy
Council's level of influence over mining licences and exploration and what could it look like in 2050.
How Clunes is supplied by water – how sustainable is it?
Information on wind turbines
What bio-diversity/ ecology is at risk – how to protect?
Transport overlays
A snapshot of Clunes in 2050 – what will employment look like? Water supply? Temperature?
Road congestion from VicRoads
Creeks and waterways vision
Overall strategy for foot traffic
Factual information on First Nations locally.

Session two

Vision

Links to and between
 Natural beauty – link to nature
 Celebrate shared history
 Collective past
 Thriving and sustainable economy
 Transport – accessibility – connections and linkages
 Demographic diversity – interaction – feel connected
 Range of housing apartments

Themes

Housing

Clunes – open up for tiny houses esp. north area near school
 Relax regs for well designed new houses
 Smaller lots for smaller housing
 Need to discourage mock heritage replica development
 New housing should be single storey
 Need to maintain the country feel and uniqueness not the city
 Retain space around the houses
 Shortage of rental housing
 Need more housing diversity
 More social housing
 Address the AirBnB issue of vacant houses
 Community forums for self building housing schemes eg 10 houses
 Housing for special needs
 Air BnB implication for housing stock
 Have appropriate lighting in township – colour – baffling
 Special needs accommodation
 Smaller lots in central core not outskirts
 Town boundary should be reduced esp west in areas of cultural heritage – larger lots
 Green belts around buildings

Business and Economy

Boom
 Unesco world heritage bid
 Better utilisation of tourism features (board walks etc)
 Anchor (unclear) attraction
 Thriving town economy based on variety of traditional trades
 Understanding why retailers are half empty
 Capitalise on local trades
 Industrial zone – secondary business district behind Fraser st
 Build a creative economy
 More events for locals

Filling spaces
 What is Clunes economy?
 Light industrial lands on (unclear) land
 More (reno???? To come and stay
 Warehouse windows – activate
 Short term activation strategies – vacant
 What is the employment needs/ wants
 Grow population – managed

Environment and heritage

Nature stewardship – ethical/ safe pesticide use
 Paths along whole creek – brings people into nature/ environment
 Create green belts
 Turning off non essential lights after a certain time
 Open all of Clunes as recreational space, heritage meadows
 Swamp recognition and promotion
 Appropriate lighting design for the central town
 More vegetation in town
 Preservation of all laneways and roads with significant growth
 Key routes selected for green corridor
 Gold museum
 First people information and natural museum through Clunes common
 Info signage about wildlife
 A Creswick creek that extends to Mount Cameron Road
 Education to community about environment
 Maintaining low levels of light pollution
 Stick the cars in the unused mines as car parks to free the street
 Community engagement and knowledge of our environment (landscape)
 Gardens for wildlife in Community House
 Nature stewardship what other towns that make it part of identity

Urban Design

More trees (deciduous) in parks/ gardens
 Circus schools has closed – kids have nothing to do – accessible to all
 Need for a good place to meet
 Wesley kids use all the town facilities – take over the town
 Pedestrian friendly crossovers – disabled access
 Busking licences are \$100 per day – too expensive for musicians
 Better footpaths – too many dangerous roads
 Library shuts early so secondary kids cant use it
 Community engagement areas in town
 No secondary school
 Not safe to go to school on the local roads- dangerous
 Belonging and connection to place – connection to the land
 Pedestrian crossing B/W IGA and service street – dangerous – traffic is too fast
 Not much to do in Clunes – better transport
 Wesley kids do not integrate
 Landlords need to maintain heritage places

Care of our buildings – no enhancement
 Gathering spaces for younger people
 Connection with Mt Beckworth – locals/ tourists
 Public seating
 Relaxing size of houses
 Choice of housing – town housing for elderly
 Land size – large garden areas preferred
 CFA easements open
 Paths and Easements + laneways reopened

Movement and Access

More trains
 Community bus system
 Easement laneways open again
 Bus service between townships
 Vehicle share schemes
 Longer creek walks
 More seating on the walking paths
 Improved footpath – connect
 Commuter friendly – not just cars (train)
 Shaded areas for walking
 Community engagement pedestrian areas
 Restoring footpaths, building new links
 Buy back leases where access can be made
 Divert Ballarat- Maryborough road to avoid town
 1 side footpaths
 Improved disability/ safer access in main street
 Align train timetable to actual working hours

Community Facilities and infrastructure

Opening up creek connected with minor (unclear)
 Focus on elderly (daytime) lack of evening activities
 No local secondary school, primary school students disengage
 A building providing shared space for club for example a gem club, a bird watchers club etc
 Maintain primary schools
 Alternatives to football and netball for primary aged school children
 Parents on school council – maintain
 Better utilise available resources venues for community activities
 Rec facilities to include sprung floor studios for dance/ increase participation of girls
 Leverage local buildings to grow interest in local history
 Transport for elderly – get to the shops
 Bring back community dinners

Other comments

Areas that I've found to be beneficial in a town's make-up:
 Roads and footpaths that are well-maintained and/or have sealed surfaces.
 An effective drainage system that allows for occasional excessive precipitation - this one seems very popular as a talking-point in Clunes.

Street lighting in the main parts of town and within the closer environs.
 Carefully planned housing development, rather than large parcels of condensed housing taking over an area.
 Public refuse bins, emptied on a regular basis, around public, out-of-the-way places.
 I know this only covers a fraction of what was discussed, and that there are other infrastructure issues that are related; fire prevention, animal control, wildlife protection, etc. All important issues for maintaining stability for the residents - at least for the ones in the remaining 40% of occupied buildings!

Session three

Vision

Celebrate 'complicated' shared...
 Change First Nations to Dja Dja Wurrung
 Points providing 'accessible' spaces...
 Improved sustainability 'safety'
 Include safe from fire
 Emphasise climate resilience – flood mitigation – architecture and value of buildings
 Include something about environmental care
 Complicated/ rich and complicated shared history
 Be clear on focal points
 Like improved access to broader services (or excellent)
 Remove 'busy main street and more resilient town
 'Lively main street
 Meet and 'connect' not be active
 What does sustainability refer to environment? business
 Change natural beauty to landscape
 Personalise the vision
 Better management of trucks through town
 Priorities – accommodation for autistic son who does not qualify for NDIS
 More consideration of greening and protection of heritage
 Localise it – DjaDja Wurrung
 'rich and complex shared history
 Resilient, community, 'culture' and economy
 How will access be improved
 Could change this to diverse community ' to cover access/ disabled
 What does focal point mean? Community places
 Rich and complex history
 Children walking on streets accessibility not reflected
 Perhaps not natural beauty
 Climate resilience and flooding – fire break around town
 'We, - about us, our future
 Dja Dja Wurrung – use the name
 Resilient town, shared history acknowledged – supported
 'Double up of history
 'celebrated' shared history
 'Focal points' too vague

Themes

Urban Design

Strategic Objective To ensure that buildings and streets harmoniously contribute to the town's character and heritage.

Comments

Work collaboratively with the community to deliver and enhance public realm improvements

Capture innovation spirit that was once in Clunes

Include safe and accessible in strategic objective

Include disabled in strategies eg 'meet the needs of **all the disabled and aged** community

Add families after younger people

Question 'crossovers'

Like 'implement appropriate lighting and reduce light pollution

Elements that are supported

All

Missing

Creek as a massive asset

Improving cycling

Capture play and family orientated places

Capture community well being

Elevate standard of sustainability in buildings

Reduce perception of roads

Creswick Creek trail as the biggest asset in town/ rail trails/ off road trails

More pause points for resting in Fraser Street

Safe crossings at key locations

Re- organise parking

Better signage and wayfinding

Activate ex mining sites – we do not want mining here

Elements that are not supported

No traffic lights – it feels to urban

Ban the trucks

Reduce traffic speeds

Double story buildings

Elements that are contested

Crossover v character

Sustainability v heritage

Pedestrian crossings v character

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Strategic Objective To ensure that community facilities and infrastructure are geared towards fostering a robust, well-connected, and healthy town community.

Agreeable to all

Elements that are supported

More services
 Social activities
 Ambulance service for Creswick and Clunes combined
 Upgrade Queens Park with improved planting and landscaping
 Gender equity in sporting facilities
 Walking trails with signage
 Shared facilities
 Extend walking track along the creek
 Centralised youth neighbourhood house
 Utilise existing spaces for community events
 Multi function
 Service street
 Separate walking paths from bridges
 New footpath for the disables
 Disability access in building
 Heritage building are to hard to access
 Road safety – reduce speed limit to 20km
 Improved drainage
 Roundabout to slow traffic down so that it is safe for scooters
 Sporting complex including facilities for aged
 Central location
 Improved library hours

Elements that are not supported

McDonalds/ KFC

Elements that are contested

Walking track over the creek should be better maintained by council
 Grass is too long
 The Ron Hatley Track needs improvement
 Open air concert venue

Actions/ comments

The structure plan and urban design improve:
 Walking routes in a linear path
 Disability access
 Cycling routes
 Safe crossing points
 Accessibility and (unclear) activities for the youth
 Can we add arts and culture facilities needs assessment?

Housing

Elements that are not supported

Attract residents (careful)
 'Fake' houses (mock)
 'Short term' tourism
 'We are not Melbourne'
 '...and connect'
 Wordy 'facilitating'

Priorities

Maintain population at a level we don't lose any community services
 Relationship between number in the town and services
 Protection of heritage

Actions/ comments

Social housing within walking distance of town centre and animals – or train station- Wesley getting rid of their housing Templeton/ Fraser
 Used to be a lot of little blocks – see old maps – after fires – consolidated
 Want to keep single storey, no apartments
 Area near school may be OK for denser development
 Could we add – environmental sustainability of housing – biodiversity – weave in – enhance – leave better
 Number of vacant blocks
 Land size – smaller in centre, more out – want trees/ gardens
 Where is subdivision necessary
 How many houses empty on Census night in Clunes
 Some of the words haven't got the strength want 'facilitate' 'address'
 Action plan important – want time lines and reporting
 Strategy 5 Reduce the impact of 'short term' tourism

Environment and Heritage

Strategic Objective To safeguard the town's environmental, landscape, and heritage assets within its rural context.

Objective supported

Elements that are supported

'safeguard' – not enough 'protect and enhance x5
 'within' its rural landscape 'support and reflect'
 Consider liveability of residents where heritage and usability conflict eg crossovers over bluestone drains
 'Assets' – considered capitalist/ extractive?

Elements that are contested

Green belt/ corridor ambiguous better definition required
 Evolve – respectfully adopt
 Last strategy – 'town' re cultural heritage does not (?) First Nations excludes this history
 Tension – regeneration of mullock

Strategies

'Protect and enhance' x4

'Create' doesn't include existing 'Maintain and extend' green belts...

Green belt = specify what this is 'landscape' amenity and health?, buffer? Better term required

Green corridor – instead ecological corridor, wildlife corridor

'Wetlands' natural assets, rural landscape – broader description?

Agreed – consider community engagement with Dja Dja role, collaborate

Evolve – instead 'respectfully adapt' x3

'Meet community's needs – consider range of diversities

'celebrate' alternate wording to respect first nations

'towns' cultural heritage excludes First Nations that existed prior to Clunes township

'cultural heritage' open to different interpretations – First Nations or broader definition – all heritage types

Also consider health and wellbeing and creativity and art

Wildlife corridors where animals hit on road require protection

Business and Economy

Strategic Objective To foster a vibrant, sustainable economy by harnessing traditional trades and nurturing creative businesses -

Comments

Farming economy is critical and important to town. Town needs to engage with Ag/ farming areas: they are symbiotic

Need more focus on more diverse events

Elements that are supported

Linkage b/w heritage

Upkeep and business vibrancy

Light industrial land and commerce – need to not take away from town core

Some concern with mining and large areas of exploration licences

Protection of heritage and links to image/ attraction and business/economy

Focus the economy on the beautiful/ nature surrounds of the town

Economy is mainly food and beverage related. Books, antiques and memorabilia, need more of them

Lots of people working out of town: observation not many working at home but commuting

Elements that are not supported

Remove traditional trades – it is too confusing and broad – harnessing all trades- some support for this some lack of supporting.

What does viable business look like in town 10-20 years

Mining – are under most of Clunes – risks future viability of town

Town is more than just tourism but need other businesses (eg for kids future employment

Need business diversity in town for towns spirit

Need world heritage listing to provide community benefit for the town

Businesses that use trades and tradies in town

Elements that are contested

Need meeting between council and local traders/ businesses to disseminate the vision

Feel like Clunes is not prioritised by council – need to feel part of the shire

Need coordination of large groups from Council to the traders so they can plan ahead

Need sustainable businesses For the community
 Need more information on businesses start ups from Council and business Victoria- what is their market research
 Needs to change the book town persona/image and identity
 Clunes Tourism and Development Association – book town, the newsletter, connect up on some limited

Actions/ comments

Helping hand to support business and start up's – eco dev area to support initial start ups
 Need sustainable business to consider the social sustainability/ personal aspect
 Need circular economy and incentivising businesses and sustainable economy
 Need sustainable businesses
 Secondary business district – needs this to be clear about warehouse space for smaller tenancies
 community consultation re priorities and incentives for those
 Additional - Strategy – foster a more sustainable business image and profile

Movement and access

Strategic Objective To offer diverse, safe, and accessible transportation options and enhanced pedestrian infrastructure.

Comments

Agree to all
 S(?) (animal laws)
 Car share in town, trucks of main road

Strategies

Activation of laneways
 Reopen old access tracks
 Bring back walking – destination walking 'Clunes common
 Impact of trucks/ movement on heritage buildings
 Town bus? Events and other towns
 Social connection through better links
 Share car sales/ electric vehicles (can council put up some share cars
 Dogs of leash not
 Cycling infrastructure – shared stuff pumps etc - Ceres bike shed
 Tree lined accessways
 Collaboration with youth
 Need round about in main street/ move (?) slow trucks down
 Not accessible for scooters/ mobility vehicles
 Footpath links and connections – improve pedestrian use
 Connection loop for scooters/ walkers
 Prioritisation of public land/ laneways

Appendix two Creswick workshop notes

Session one

Ground rules

Group one

Best Table

Listen

Be the best table

Honesty

Not too many personal stories

We find a way to agree to disagree

Tolerance

Willing to listen to other points of view

No rambling – collect your thoughts and be brief

Everyone has the opportunity to speak

Be prepared to listen to others

Don't talk over the top of others

Listen to each other

Achieve objectives

Open listening

Respect

Thoughtful discussion

Everyone is special

Group two

Topic based

Let people finish what they are saying

Respect each other and lived experience

Open minded

Blue sky/ eagle vision

Sustainable town

Developed within township boundary

Central transport hub, easy access to public transport

Transport improvements

Pathway Allendale to Creswick

Connection to Geelong

Improved public realm

More light industrial land

Renewable energy

Infill development

Adaption of EV charge precinct

More employment

More land for industry, growth, jobs and community businesses
 Localised economy
 Improved access to parks
 Safe community
 Better connections within Hepburn
 Proper implementation of infrastructure, do it properly, maintain it, fix it
 Improved availability of land for Traditional Owners
 Ensure Standards of facilities are sufficient – maintenance, visitor, accessibility
 Cultural centre
 Renewable energy
 Cycling opportunities
 More employment opportunities
 Connected to beach community – Geelong
 Safe community
 Infill development rather than sprawl
 Improved Transport connections - -TSM linked + more services
 Allendale to Creswick North Pathway
 Safe links
 Localised economy
 Expand local industrial areas

Vision

Train services (for bikes)
 A transit bus to provide transport in Creswick
 Attention to traffic control
 Heavy traffic diverted via ring road
 Friendly, cooperative, supportive community
 Sustainable local economy
 Affordable housing
 Rich variety of small locally run shops
 Bus services for cyclists
 Creswick needs a bypass/ ring road for heavy transport to take them out of the main street
 Facilities suitable for community living
 Local employment
 Local businesses that employ locals
 Think tank to invent/ find new businesses, products to be started, relocated (invited) to Creswick
 Busy, peopled streets
 Each organisation has home and storage
 Creswick association become more integrated
 Public facility for maintaining health
 Visitors come for our heritage
 A stand lone town (not joined to Ballarat)
 Our heritage is much more accessible
 Not suburb of Ballarat
 Community gardens that provide fresh food
 Multigenerational community
 More home units for disadvantaged people (like more street units)

Increasingly leafy
 Tree lined streets
 Maintaining country rural feel
 A town that is famous for skilfully adapting to climate change
 Maintain country rural feel
 Several vibrant cultural festivals per year
 Maintain the small town feel
 Limit housing not look like estates
 Access for all - footpaths key asset
 Align bus/ forest with climate change
 Well managed natural assets – st Georges, Park Lake
 Clean out Creswick Creek, take out accumulated gravel and trees back to the stone wall (water street bridge down to Castlemaine roads
 Vision for street scape into future
 Open spaces for parks
 Safe from fire and flooding
 Futureproof the entire area against fire and flood
 Flood mitigation – more could be done to allow faster water flow so that flood levels do not rise so high
 Protect nature – manage weed – gorse/ blackberry
 Pool/gym
 ‘Messy’ businesses in business park – no offence I know we need them
 Establish Industrial Zone for factory buildings to facilitate local employment – repair service, manufacturing, all our workers go to Ballarat to work.
 Powerlines all underground
 Creswick becomes more of a destination than a throughfare
 More trees for climate change
 Rail trails created
 Recreational facilities maintained and expanded
 Bike paths to Ballarat and surrounding towns
 Safer cycling for pedestrians and cyclists
 Bike paths to Ballarat and surrounding towns
 Recreational facilities maintained and expanded
 Missing from this process – Youth, scouts, sports teams
 Creswick is more physically integrated
 Wayfinding
 World destination for cycling or walking tours – working as a shire
 A place where older people feel safe – including benches
 A high school
 High School
 Creswick needs and could be ready for a secondary school. The north Creswick reserve of St Johns Road would be an appropriate site
 Missing from this process – Arts, pavilion arts theatre group, Cresfest.

Loves

Access to forest
 Biodiversity
 Aesthetics (green)
 Outdoors

Quiet, open
 Choice
 Infrastructure
 History and heritage
 Future planning
 Friendly community
 Good services and amenities
 Proximity to hospital facilities and good services and good farming
 Affordability
 Train station, high density around train

What you need to know more about

Need to know how ideas are to be collated
 Why 30 years
 Implementation of suggestions time line
 Will Creswick be retained in the Hepburn Shire (or returned to Ballarat as it was)
 Councils vision – town size, business plan – business park type, streetscapes
 Transport m'ment – do they have plans
 Access to council – calls returned etc
 What restrictions might there be in current strategic plan 'rules' that may override anything we may put forward
 Need to know future of traffic movement through Creswick
 What are the priorities of Councils vision of the future
 Where housing is planned to be positioned in town precinct
 Useful to know the growth zones, business, schooling, pop age – caring facilities and disability access
 Demographics
 Voice of young people
 State Government commitment to aged care
 Indigenous plan
 Not enough visitor accommodation but anti BnB culture emerging – eco development and tourism
 Economic trends
 If any Urgent suggestions can be addressed
 How to get a grant
 Youth
 Education department re planning/ reality of a high school
 Health services Creswick hospital future need
 ITS
 Plans for retention of trees – bio strategy
 Parks Vic – how can we be included in preserving
 Vic's regional plan for area
 Youth services
 Councils sustainability plan
 Internet capacity in area – future plan
 Blackspots impacting home businesses
 Youth services/ youth centre
 Traffic through the midland highway
 Safety Issues

If town is going to grow trucks need to be controlled
What teen and youth activities do we have
What is being done for youth – high school years

General notes

Hand written note

30 years ahead

Get a secondary school

Divert truck and passing through traffic away from the centre of Creswick

Develop business opportunities away from the town centre

'Police' parking policy to free traffic flow in town

If forestry is to remain a thing then then (unclear) celebrate and make it work

If gold and the Lindsays are to also be celebrated help make them varied/ sustainable in a business sense.

Celebrated and proactively work on bike track tourism future (ie Support and encourage business activity)

'30 years' 22 years living here and this is happening – why so long?

Session two

Vision

Safe

Vibrant

Live and work local

Beauty of Creswick

Active

Coming together

Culturally inclusive

Ethically responsible growth

Shared heritage

Connectedness – physically and socially

Creswick identity

Small town

Sustainability

Maintain Creswick culture

Themes

Housing

More people create a community

Higher density around train station

More retirement homes and serviced villages

Over 55's + services – where do you go? Retirement

Big enough block for a driveway and garden eg corner of Melbourne Road and Albert Street – block house

Tourist accommodation

Support infill

Respect drainage issues

Low cost housing – must look good with gardens
 More social housing
 Too much public housing in one area – enclaves are bad
 Battle-axe blocks – are they destroying heritage feel of the town?

Business and economy

We want accommodation and housing – not either or
 Identify appropriate industrial land (eg John’s road north connection)
 We want jobs but not ‘dirty’ industry
 Build on existing exports (meat works, forestry, fertiliser, uni)
 Grow our events – creek activation/ access
 Utilise vacant tenancies
 Transport routes to support industry
 Sustainable ‘ethical’ business
 Entertainment zone/ precinct
 Grow outdoor/ indoor recreation (tourism and community)
 Communal arts spaces – coworking spaces
 Artisan precinct – tourism
 Potential commercial growth onto Cambridge Street
 More tourist accommodation – purpose built
 Connect railway precinct to town
 Office space – small business hub incubator
 Wayfinding signage
 Newsagent, bank, post office, health (gym), allied health
 Expand C1Z – look to railway precinct
 How do we deal with short term accommodation (AirBnB)
 Gascoyne Junction example

Heritage

Aboriginal art installation +/- mural acknowledging Dja Dja Wurrung
 Retaining museum and engaging community – perhaps akin to art gallery in Ballarat – café, gift shop, free entry
 Creswick Nth rail platform area – link heritage to world heritage bid (rail to Maryborough)
 Cultural hub/ centre
 Promoting and maintaining heritage buildings for tourism – heritage grants?
 Creswick north cemetery – cultural, mining, Chinese and Aboriginal heritage – create area as cultural area
 Better access to genealogy queries from visitors

Environment

Creswick creek a natural asset
 Awareness of significant bioregions – two bioregions boarding each other VVP and CVU
 Protecting significant trees
 Promoting and looking after environment
 Signage on flora species on walking tracks
 Habitat connectivity – more corridors
 Enhancement of culturally significant spaces (fauna and flora)
 Roadside vegetation protected and enhanced

Urban Design

Walking trails and bike trails connected to the town
 Turn development to better interface the creek/ rear of commercial properties
 Need more mobile activities and activation in/ around creek – Cresfest food trucks, festivals, market
 Need existing boundary made permanent
 New development needs to be in keeping with heritage feel but maintained
 Improved stormwater management and flood management
 Walkability and better access through improved design/ development
 Some opportunities for 3-4 story development ? behind/ at side of commercial land
 Height limits throughout to stop high rise development
 Design guidelines for sustainable design
 More street landscaping/ canopy vegetation
 Areas within development for canopy vegetation
 Better interface/ address to waterways and more connected with paths
 Creek is under utilised but is a great asset/ opportunity
 Creek walkway and not just along Drummond Street
 Improved safety and walkability through better managed through traffic
 Improved community spaces/ places in town to meet etc – cross pollination, tourism to sell town – cultural tourism
 Old train bridge above transfer station – convert to bike/ walking bridge
 Need increased (?) density around the station with well designed development
 Good urban design creates a good healthy environment
 Urban design issues and balance with housing affordability
 More vibrancy through more people interaction and improved safety

Movement and access

Road safety enforcement
 Improved cycling links and connections
 Cambridge street links
 Albert street not very functional
 Median strip so people cant drive over
 Traffic on Albert – concern
 Multi use trails (maintained) horses and bikes
 Cambridge street footpath improvements
 Walk/ ride/ wheel between Creswick and Clunes
 Broomfield Road needs pathway
 Access for info across town
 Link all up
 Emergency access improvements
 Improved walking links
 Berry's (?) Road link
 Better management of cycling/ walking of cars and trucks
 George (?) Lake accessibility for all
 Walking link from (unclear) to service station
 Safe connections
 Broomfield Road link to Allendale
 Walkway on creek
 Gillies Street bypass traffic

Midland Highway 80kmh from Surky (?) Hill to town
 Improved facilities through business and growth
 Daylesford buses to Creswick
 RACV resort to be in town boundary
 Levy banks to be used for walking and cycling
 Car parking improvements Cambridge Street

Community facilities and infrastructure

Community organisations many but fragmented associations
 No secondary school
 More suitable accessibility for disabled
 Creative City of Ballarat utilise empty space for creative activity – adopt similar plan
 Health rehab services
 Leverage aged care facilities to provide (unclear) health care
 Cultural hub (Aboriginal focus)
 Community integration and physical integration north and south
 Attract people to northern Creswick - integrate rest of Creswick – signage location
 Establish community battery
 Park lake proposal – what status with council?
 Retain access to Le Gerche Gully amphitheatre and grounds
 Defibrillator locations
 St Georges lake
 Locate Creswick through RACV Creswick identity need to market – other aspects of Creswick

Session three

Vision

Change First Nations and colonial past and future to ‘all its people’
 Include diverse economy
 ‘Enhanced with healthy waterways’
 Safe
 Separate from Ballarat
 ‘energised’ rather than regenerated
 Beautiful creek ‘enhanced Creswick’ future multicultural community
 Growth in business not included ‘Creswick is an independent safe and vibrant town’
 First Nation and colonial – are these the right words – a shared heritage?
 Change regenerated to energised town centre
 Add farming support
 Safe town
 Identity
 Progressive rather than vibrant town
 Blending of cultures – culturally open
 Change First Nations to Dja Dja Wurrung
 Include mention of mining history

Change maintained (Creswick Creek) to enhanced
 Residential growth – add economic
 Consider – school of forestry, home of forestry,
 Focus on Future
 Recreation and lifestyle
 Recreational and lifestyle
 Good healthy businesses
 Tourism
 Creative town
 Emphasise the future
 The natural beauty of Creswick is enhanced rather than maintained
 Last sentence too generic
 Support more housing where strategically it can be supported
 Infill housing near the station
 Identify growth in business, industry, education to supplement existing...
 Add creativity, recreation, direct stronger country character
 Vibrant and beautiful town
 Creativity?
 Recreation
 Rural character (housing) cohesive
 Streetscape – beauty
 Creative and recreation should be recognised in the vision
 Too general
 Enhanced not maintained
 Future focused!

Strategic objectives

Housing

Objectives

Strategies

Need to strengthen 'responds' to appropriate to the community – be more specific
 Housing options to north of town
 – rebuild Creswick North Pavilion

Supported

Housing needs to reflect existing town and heritage and character particularly in the core of the historic town
 Must have better train service and better leveraging of land use and development
 Need well designed medium density development
 Diversity of housing
 Tiny houses and housing affordability

Not supported

Urban development occurring seemingly everywhere

Poor train service and links to land use and development
 In the old part of town not all battle axe subdivisions (related to character)
 Don't want social housing put in open area but spread throughout (not another Reid Street)

Contested

Increased density around the station
 Wants to retain heritage around the station
 Need green belts – how do we keep the integrity of areas without losing the elements that make the area special
 Taste and how variable that is between different people. Cant dictate taste
 Sustainability and affordability

Actions/ comments

Broomfield road- cemetery – 100 year lease
 Higher density – town centre and beyond – west of station
 Character and heritage of town and residential areas
 'integrity' of greenbelt areas of township
 'Responds' strengthen words
 Inner city 'battle-axe' – no battle-axe ...old area
 Community housing – not all in the same place
 Not another Reid St
 North south divide
 Car parking
 Identify areas for growth zones eg areas west of the station
 Check RLZ and FZ land north of cemetery on east side – min lot sizes

Business and economy

Objectives

Good – add diversifying

Strategies

Industry service/ manufacturing
 6. Add all recreational activity

Top strategies

Weekend traders activation – open for business
 Strengthens capacity of local businesses leverage on existing assets
 Active outdoor recreation/ tourism – not just mountain bikes
 Environment
 Links and connections
 Support aged community by including more health services housing and care (NDIS)
 Youth
 Encourage more weekend business activation
 Support industry around outdoor precreation – youth and kids
 Identify appropriate area for light industry/ business park – trade centre (environment neutral)
 Help support new business through streamlining council process – council to explore partnership with (?) to open cafes etc
 Visitor info centre, improve economic knowledge
 Creswick a location for tourism – feet cycles etc
 High School

Day travel and stay travel
 Professionalise the museum/ commercial activation
 Work with primary school to help create jobs, links for youth to Creswick
 Value add to core industry
 Creswick is an active town – opportunity got ?
 Mosquito Creek – north side of town activation – mixed business option (Northern Albert St activation)
 Multi user facility
 Activation around visitor centre – open Albert Street
 More events like Cresfest – more open public space and activation
 Strengthen capacity of local business, leverage on existing assets
 Self sufficient town

Actions/ comments

Include local employment

Environment and heritage

Objectives

Generally supported – amenities sounds like a toilet block ‘asset’ is bland but better – add unique/ precious to emphasise/ enlighten the language

‘To protect the unique/ precious environmental and heritage assets of Creswick while managing environmental risks

Need language that is sufficiently engaging less jargon, more ‘life’

More specificity to make it more real

‘To protect the precious environment and heritage assets of Creswick while managing environmental risks such as flooding, fire and climate change.

Strategies

Add enhance to identity needed trajectory

Remove repetition start of sentence

Remove ‘natural resource’ with ‘natural asset’ (resource implying extractive relationship)

Add ‘heritage landscapes’

Add its tributaries and wetlands as ‘to capture the range of locations – this needs identify Creswick as a town within a catchment and benefits of this for awareness raising

Add ‘...and its historic channel’ to identify non nature feature

Add enhance and...’ to identity needed trajectory

Include recognition of our responsibilities to downstream communities.

Enhance

Remove repetition

Add integrate (Creswick folk have tended to turn back on native bush/ landscape

Has to ‘strengthen and extend’

Specify culturally significant spaces is referencing First Nations – not relevant to colonial spaces/ cultures

Actions/ comments

Urban design

Objectives

Missing objective e – public realm and streetscapes – open space – not just development – objectives and strategies not strongly relatable

Strategies

Supported

More vibrant along Albert Street
 Zip up Albert Street
 Create nodal point
 Consolidations of services that run (?)
 Support most of the objectives and strategies
 Wayfinding
 Garden entry definition/ indigenous, permaculture, different type of garden presentation and key entry points of town (cemetery)
 Creating a chain of parks and public space
 Improving wayfinding around the town – connectivity – hidden gems
 Water sensitive urban design
 Emphasis on sustainability
 Public cemetery/ toilet North Creswick

Not supported

Creswick creel strategy too specific
 ‘Bottled’ creek maintenance – towards Nth Pde/ Clunes road
 Focusing on cyclists and leaving pedestrians behind
 Be specific about mountain bikes

Contested

Development in town. What is it? Residential only?
 Respond versus respect
 Encouraging development versus deliver development
 Indigenous versus exotic – landscape pallets (reflective of reason)

Actions/ comments

Use old character- ambience+ character
 Missing open space and public realm
 Do not like ‘to encourage development’ first
 Autumn Colour!
 Make it more about design, both buildings and public realm and address sustainability in it
 Sustainability to be the key feature of the township
 More peds area
 Less confusing for people to navigate the town! – Wayfinding
 Encourage young people to live – to want to live there
 Biodiversity confluence point
 Improve Albert Street North
 WSUD
 Ensure work collaborative to deliver public realm/ UD outcomes
 To support local businesses and jobs
 To support sustainable housing
 Speed limit from 50 to 40km/h
 List all development types in the objective
 Improve cycling and walking for all ages and abilities
 Manage/ divert heavy vehicles
 Manage through traffic
 Enhance the understanding and appreciation of Creswick waterways and system through public realm, artworks (interpretive and arts), information to educate the community and visitors

Forestry and mining history – historical layer
 Yellow brick road to link hidden gems
 Ballarat and Creswick natural walk connection
 Multipurpose community recreation centre (indoor) all year venue for youth and all ages – options for recreation that are not just footie/ netball (ie gymnastics) similar to Ark in Daylesford – centrally located
 Possible town boulder definition extended south to the resorts to make sure council maintains the public realm.

Movement and access

Objectives

Like the objective

Strategies

Add cyclists and cycling

Add community transport

More train services

Speed limits

Add cyclists – link to trail network

Links to facilities/ Ballarat

What is the best way to manage movements on Main Street?

Movement corridors?

Want it really pedestrian, cyclist and mobility scooters friendly town

Tourist – viable location will enhance it for locals

PT to support visitors

Actions/ comments

Railway station is a commercial kitchen

IGA gives people first job

Waterways – Kalambeen, St Georges Lake and Creek – all

Bus stop on Midlands – so dangerous

Main street crossing – so dangerous (near disabled parking between key facilities)

Links for bikes trails through towns – separated from traffic

Mobility scooters – enhanced links – John Curtain – retirement Maryborough has accessible

Shared paths

Lack of footpaths in many areas

Bikes to travel on PT – how can this happen

Crossing at IGA – very unsafe – and info centre

Median strips – peds – stop U turns

Bike lanes

Extend 50km – all of Albert Street – roundabout current boundary

Remove traffic/ vehicle movements through town

Another round about at Melbourne Road intersection – alternative to median

Some concerns around 100km areas into town – needs to slow to 80km and 60km at RACV resort

Uni students can't buy a myki card – need one at station – have to tap on at Ballarat

More trains – 2 trains per day at the moment – greater frequency

Lots of missing links – footpaths

School – connections – no footpath to Kalembeen Park

Bus every hour from Cres to Ballarat

Separated bike path from Ballarat to Creswick

Main Street is confusing – what/ where meant to be

40km through town
 Access along the creek improved – then into other parts of town
 Linking in cycling trails to town
 Connection between Creswick North and town poor – safety, Woollen Mills across to milk bar – potential along the rail line – overgrown at the moment
 Old Melbourne Road – not well maintained – pot holes
 80km zone – makes dangerous – shoulder on road – cant see at times
 Access to native forests for recreation – need to be kept – 4WD bushwalking, prospecting
 Do we need to put up signs saying slow down in our town until get 40km zoon?
 Intersections of Victoria and Albert Streets – really dangerous
 Trains in morning wont get you in by 9am

Bus to Stockdale, Wendouree Shopping land in Ballarat
 Key places for improvement – Victoria/ Albert Intersection, Supermarket Intersection/ Toilet on other side crossing main street
 May need traffic lights
 Need to think about it as and integrated system
 Trucking business in residential areas – supposed to be 7am-7pm – woken up really early
 Footpath into Doug Lindsey Reserve missing

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Objectives

Respond to ‘evolving’ not changing
 Inclusive, accessible for all, shade trees – climate change

Strategies

Include safety
 Add aged care and disability services
 ‘...designed to enable...’

Add Park lake and landscape walk, Kalambeen, community café and social events
 Centre of excellence – connected to the school of forestry – trade school for all and women – learn carpentry, timbers etc
 Support

Contested

Delete/ include reference to First Nations people
 Indoor recreation centre
 Social housing

Actions/ comments

Indoor recreation centre and pool (heated)
 Support for community for buses to Daylesford sec collage – bus connection is poor
 Secondary school
 Improvement to lake
 Netball and basketball indoors
 Restore Kuola Park – rebuild the fences
 Toilets at the end of town – Coopers Reserve toilets are terrible
 More cycling facilities
 Share visitor centre and library – shared facility

Social gathering places

Lighting

Passive surveillance

More signalised crossings across highway

Reduce speed limits

Missing links

You cant walk on a dedicated path

Integrated leisure and aged care

John Curtain aged care is full – more care services

Creswick should be more attractive to workers

Safe level crossing and footpaths

Gymnasium/ Melbourne Uni infrastructure would work together with the town – integration of uses

Appendix three Trentham workshop notes

Session one

Ground rules

- Respectfully listen
- Stay strategic
- Everyone be given an opportunity to talk
- Explore other views respectfully -curiosity
- Positive intent coming into this
- Factual not emotional
- Be nice
- Respect all views

Vision

- Picturesque – big trees
- Advocacy for environment
- Wildlife links
- Large landscaped areas
- Tree lined avenues – expanded with growth
- Retention of green spaces
- Embracing nature
- Focus on Environmental tourism
- Pedestrian accessibility
- Healthy active transport
- Human scale urban development
- Meandering path movement
- World class rail trail – economic/ artistic/ environmental
- Trails more (unclear) less cars
- ‘Design in’ wildlife/ habitat into town planning
- Large blocks and public realm x3
- Heritage and character for new builds
- People centric housing (not cars)
- Unique, distinctive
- Minimum block size
- Vibrant town – central creative space in town that’s comfy in all weather for community/ music/markets
- Fertile soil – foster a connection with our grower/ farmers (large, medium, small)
- Do we need street lighting with new developments
- Like it is now
- Vibrant diverse small township with all ages living connected, surrounded by small scale agriculture
- Tourism and locals living together
- Connected community - indigenous language/ history visible, cycling walking paths
- Connecting Woodend, Trentham, Dayesford

What you need to know more about
 Energy resilience for Trentham plan
 Water supply
 Rail grant proposal
 Population growth (land demand) – correlate with (unclear) supply
 Business attraction
 Where the population of Trentham works
 Younger population demographics
 Air BnB info – how many in Trentham
 Public Land
 Transport Info
 New development Character – current requirements
 Social (unclear from Air BnB)

Session two

Vision

Green corridors
 Meandering
 Streetscapes heritage
 Facilities + services
 Sustainability
 Vibrant local economy
 Inclusivity, integrated
 Mingling spaces
 Merging of nature, village and agriculture
 Maintaining residential vegetation
 Other ideas (not part of group discussion)
 We connect to forest – wildlife corridors right into town – nurture our habitat
 We celebrate our fertile soil, hear cows from the main street
 We are known for our great food, lost trades and farms
 A welcoming place where large and small scale farmers sell fresh produce
 We are eco friendly: bike paths to Daylesford – Soring Hill – Trentham etc
 We have generosity of spirit, we have warm vibrant market hubs to mingle

Themes

Housing

Cut red tape
 Living closely creates a cohesive neighbourhood
 Vegetation
 Review planning controls
 Trentham has a high price point – can it be affordable?
 Need diversity of housing sizes
 Allow small houses in backyards
 Balance needs for farming

Affordability
 What housing do young people need
 Ageing in place
 People centric medium density housing
 Housing – uniting church – affordable housing co working other?
 Mixed zones – commercial – live above

Business and economy

Tree Agri – 50 year vision – supports makers in future – tools manufacturing supports farming
 Eco – tourism
 Eco sustainable business (world class)
 Mixed trades fair
 Ability for town centre to expand near railway
 Link small scale producers
 Better support for small industries
 Rail trail TSM (?) Hospitality boost
 Need services such as childcare centre (and jobs)
 Paddock to plate + craft
 Strong quality food industry
 Warm undercover markets
 Rail station regeneration
 Railway markets – what happening
 Niche arts space
 Keep farm sizes viable – 100 acres min? – smaller lots not enough for cost effective farming
 Old foundry option as arts space
 More business collaboration
 Room for industry
 Room + access for Spudfest to grow
 Co-working space/ hub
 Nowhere is open on Monday/ Tuesday night
 Sustainable economy
 Encouragement of small business
 Ensure people can work trades – zoning reflects this
 Coordinated approach to hospitality businesses
 Support infrastructure – self sufficient
 Council advocate for right kind of eco dev
 Shire incentives for business
 Better marketing

Environment and Heritage

Brookers gums around town rare, specific top Trentham and Tas – Reserve+ others
 Cultural heritage – acknowledge + support to celebrate
 Foragers
 Kangaroo and wombat track at falls rise houses pushing wildlife off the path and across roads
 Protect Trentham’s biodiversity
 Wisewoulds corner house, greenspace and clock
 Extend Domino trail corridor
 Keeping heritage buildings in use – repurpose

Sympathetic new buildings in CBD
 Protect entrances coming into town – visitors
 Protect mineral/ fresh water springs from development
 Protect and enhance waterways
 Maintain natural environment
 BIG tree lined entry to Trentham 200-300 yr old trees must be protected
 Acknowledge the heritage of Trentham
 Keeping heritage names eg Mechanics institute
 Promote environmental groups and organisations
 Promote and celebrate Trentham’s biodiversity
 Maintaining vegetation
 Improve habitat corridors
 Protect habitat corridors

Urban design

Bio-urbanism? Can we be radical - YES
 Celebrate density in town – lanes are human scale
 No concrete kerbs and crossovers, no concrete footpaths (no suburban infrastructure)
 Make sure development works around existing vegetation
 Make sure biodiversity corridors are nominated
 Limit solid fencing to support treed character and biodiversity
 Need to better link houses/ farming lots on the edge of town into the town
 Need a ring an agricultural diversity around town that is better connected
 High quality streetscapes with decent setbacks
 Need diverse development and some variation – difference between old and new
 Need some variety and diversity in commercial areas
 Need some diversity of lots/ houses and variation
 Buildings in town should be consistent with the towns visage (visual landscape/ look of it)
 Need better and more distinct connected pathways through the town and surrounds
 Need larger lot sizes to have large private open space and vegetation
 Need more dictating of Trentham building materials and not project built homes
 No axe handle or battle axe blocks – lots must have defined frontage and sidage
 Importance of tree canopy and the backdrop
 Not over develop the town but need to grow not solve Vic’s housing crisis
 More consistency in colour scheme for shops in main street and consistency in look and feel (eg Warburton)
 Neighbourhood character shouldn’t be the same residential development
 European hamlet scale support diversity of (affordability) scale/ size
 Commercial advertising restricted to be appropriate

Movement and access

Provision for tourist parking area – weekends park a zone way from town centre
 Walking maps
 Green links – animal – walkability
 Look at lowering speed limit to 30kmph in core of town West Street to South
 Build links to connect (unclear)
 Need to bus people from here to Woodend/ Kyneton
 Walking access integration to avoid walking on major roads

Interconnect towns through community bus
 Traffic congestion on weekends – Backwood Road traffic truck bypass
 General bike track improvements
 Pathway behind Park Street that start/ ends near the cemetery vits been closed since the storm
 Aging population need safe walking paths/ footpaths
 Alternatives to concrete paths/ gravel asphalt hard surfaces – aesthetics
 Model density on pre car so waling dominates
 Truck movements through town
 Rail trail – Woodend, Kyneton, Malmsbury
 Connecting Trentham – need walking facilities
 Increase frequency to Kyneton + other rail heads
 Develop Trentham Falls – walkway to bottom of falls
 Giving infrastructure supports economic sustainability
 Smaller subdivisions = more cars – car density
 Walk the rail trail to radio springs
 Curfew Trucks on weekends – air brakes at night
 Mt Bikes track to Daylesford + Railway

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Basket ball court, soccer pitch'
 Indoor sports facility
 Places for everyone
 Domino rail trail – world class trail
 Child care centres
 More kinders
 Basketball half court in town
 Better utilisation of square
 Playgrounds for all ages – table tennis for elderly – all ages – big swings – welcoming – upgrade the skate park
 Shared public space for different sports – frisbee – gold
 Undercover community gathering facilities (town square)
 Trentham falls – walking path, needs better tourist attraction
 Better school bus service – more buses
 Dentists and health care – ambulance service
 Dog park and swimming pool clash
 Celebrate public spaces – multi use – share!
 Children's nature playground
 Larger dog park that does not block the pool entrance
 Shared work spaces
 Community meeting spaces – loss of uniting church hall

Session three

Vision

'Small town'
 Lost trades maybe too specific

Friendly community
 Looking forward to – actively
 Not just broadacre farming – nuance
 ‘once travelled’ sounds like ghosts walking in corridor
 Creative small scale
 Families and community – everyday life
 Small scale, friendly
 Creative
 Simple
 Age diversity
 Outdoor
 A more sustainable future = equals what?
 Need to be more aspirational and outline what this looks like in more detail.
 Vision needs to be short – something to inspire and focus community ownership
 Also 30 years timeframe – what do we want/ expect
 We have a rich history and will embrace the diversity the future encouraged. You don’t have to be all things
 to all people or you complicate what you are saying – or trying to say
 Not enough time
 ‘fertile land’ not productive farms
 Not lost (but important) trades but artisans
 Families – all ages – teenagers
 Simple, small scale, future
 Being efficient
 Consolidate
 Better use of what we have
 More prescriptive

Themes

Housing

Support
 Medium density housing
 Human scale
 Good price
 Enforce good design through planning
 Open space contribution (5%)
 Address street frontage
 Respectful with neighbouring property/ dwellings
 Support medium density housing but some designs don’t fit
 Housing is a large issuer
 Need an integrated approach
 A good result is human scaled
 Advocate for photovoltaics and batteries in new developments
 5% open space levy- need more transparency in where this is spent and on what
 Towns are growing – don’t want them to go backwards
 Trentham has a great selection of housing
 Support of tiny houses and more affordability

Recessive shop top housing that does not impact on the heritage streetscape

Not supported

Development at the expense of vegetation
 Intensification of housing in South East
 Two stories overlooking neighbour dwellings- need to respect privacy
 Airbnb – 25% across the shire
 Battle axe blocks that don't retain vegetation
 Narrative for town – needs to be backed with actions and enforcement
 Doscen'tsupport medium density in NRZ areas – need to concentrate around town centre
 Need minimum dimensions for subdivision (width, access, frontage)
 Not about housing styles and being the style police – need to incorporate particular elements
 Sustainability for housing needs to be the starting point – must be first filter

Missing

Houses should have solar panels and battery
 Define parameters for respectful subdivision
 Sustainable approach driving the strategies instead of at the end
 Housing for families (larger lots) as well as smaller lots (near town centre)– diversity of scale
 Sensitive lighting – respectful of biodiversity
 Minimise concrete areas

Other

Issue of 25% housing Airbnb
 Flooding issues – near gold course
 Overlapping (?) internet network (Telstra)
 What council land can be reforested
 Telstra pit and NBN infrastructure at Falls Rise across from golf course – flood issues
 Stabiliser used on Falls Rise which effects growth of trees
 Difficult to find a mechanic and repairer in the town of Trentham
 Need baffled lighting/ no light spill
 Location – more diverse housing closer into the centre of town
 Still need to retain large blocks and housing
 Housing diversity and a mix
 Concerns SGS report and its housing recommendations
 Don't support housing intensification along Mulcahy's road due to bushfire/ biodiversity issues

Business and Economy

Objective

Become for food and produce delivered by a central produce market

Supported

Homes for workers
 Activating the centre
 Rail trail upgrade
 Improved transport
 RV activities (caravans)

Comments

Nothing is open during the week – the heart of town, shops closed
 Midweek restaurants are closed
 Small businesses need to close mid week – part time workers?
 Better design interface areas to sustain the town
 Undercover market – all seasons community space

Not supported

Fragmentation of farm land

Contested

Weekday economy
 Weekend economy

Environment and Heritage

Objective

To restore and improve environment and develop cultural heritage
 Sustain or improve
 Natural environment
 Happy with objective – alternate word for enhance - improve

Strategies

1 Stronger wording than ‘protect’ eg prioritise restoration of biodiversity – ‘enhancing’ improve consider safety and funding
 Evolve rather than ‘maintain’ second half of sentence unnecessary
 Agreed – no visibility of First Nations people in town/ signage etc
 ‘Build’ instead of ensure. ‘Respond to’ rather than ‘cope’, ‘significant natural events’ instead of ‘natural disasters’
 5 + 6 consider combining as they are all environmental features. Consider very important elements of the town especially waterways.
 Consider adding a strategy for significant trees

Add additional strategy – protect and enhance significant trees and avenues
 Prioritise restoration
 Proactive weed management
 Traditional Owners/ language/ history/ visibility
 Need to include maintenance, funding, safety
 Significant natural events
 Add significant trees, avenues

Business and economy

Objective
 Include diversification

Urban design

Objective

Strategies

Include sightlines

Actions/ comments

Define town centre
 Relocate dog park
 Extend domino trail (potential shared use path)
 Reduce speed limit
 Way finding
 Distinction between town centre (east/west)
 More consistency (materials)
 Potential of old buildings
 Reinstate train station
 Impacts of street lighting
 Reduce speed limit
 Pedestrian crossing
 Traffic issues – eastern portion – safety
 Pool ‘magic’
 Wayfinding through town – great destination
 No 3 story
 Linking off road connections

Movement and access

Objective

Replace car with private vehicle
 Like vision but will need some vehicle – needs to be people centric – but be more visionary – not private vehicles but alternative transport vehicles – small town but more mobility

Strategies

Access to other towns and major features
 Hight street – heavy vehicles?

Blythes Road corner – dangerous – people accelerate coming out of town centre – extend 50 km zone all the way to Daylesford road – people pick up speed

So many cars in Trentham – main road through town – cars may not be around in 30 years

‘People centric’ ‘the cars that ate Trentham’

‘We don’t want Trentham to be known as the place where people come to die. We want people to come and live!’

More things that don’t need a car

Slow traffic speeds in town but don’t want roundabout and lights in main street. School to police station

Alternative ways of moving people at small scale – dial bus, volunteers, car share – but things may not even exist now – flexible, frequent, technology

Mixed range of mobility arrangement/ options

Access to high frequency services in bigger towns

Rail trail – world class, walkers, prams, wheelchairs – Daylesford- Woodend – feasibility studies done.

Safe and well maintained footpaths – autumn leaves slippery

Depends on private cars – is going to look very different

High Street – heavy vehicles have to come through Blackwood at town square/ IGA turn there T intersection – not sure what to do
 Subdivisions of Mulcahy's/ Blumont Road – lack of links through
 Roads head to forest – dangerous – number of roads on map don't exist
 Speed limits – 50km through town – should it be 40?
 Road maintenance issues
 Footbridge over Trent Creek – old rail bridge – open up access for residents but also support rail trail
 Can't ride to Trentham Falls
 Bike trail to Lyonville – to Daylesford – to Spring Hill – good for young people, forest trail – food and eco trail/ produce
 Needs to be people centric

Community Facilities and Infrastructure

Comments/ actions

Vacant paddock next to (?) – multi use community park
 Town Square activation
 Trentham Railway Station has room the was recently renovated
 Council partnering with youth, state to support community programs such as youth groups
 Weekender town – eco tourism, local produce, community – central location
 Encore fun runs, yoga, gym, basketball court and events
 Trentham Falls connection to town and community garden, town square – important
 Trentham has some great spaces just need them improved
 Grow aged care and youth services
 Swimming pool space?
 Dog park issues
 Lots of community seating to help people rest, sit and enjoy
 Trent Creek – cycle corridor
 Uniting Church for sale – rezone space for civic precinct
 More for kids, connect in Police, SES and local services
 Good community infrastructure – just needs connecting up

Appendix four Daylesford and Hepburn Springs workshop notes

Session one

Ground rules

Group one

Understand and respect the old and new voices to move to the future

Listen:

Put up hands

Ask questions

Facilitator keep on track

Accept different views

Be succinct

Stay on topic

Everybody has a voice

Group two

Stay on topic

Trust in the goodwill of others

Everyone has a voice

Stay curious

Listen respectfully

Respect disagreement

Be open to learning

Avoid interruption

Respect for other people time

Notes

Future focus versus what it was

Put hands up to speak

Everyone has equal time to discuss

Respect everyone's views

Respect opinion

Listen carefully

Clarify

Listen

Accept different views rather than argue

Seek to understand

Listen

Try to be succinct. State views as briefly as possible

Facilitator keep us on track

Ask questions for clarification

Stick to our topics and not get 'off track'
 Understand the old and new voices of the township for the improved Daylesford/ Hepburn
 Learn from our local history
 Respectful
 Share historical knowledge to inform future
 Respect others passion for the town
 Engage with others interests
 More open space for community engagement

Vision

Superlative outdoor amenity
 Protect our tourist industry sustainably
 How do we invest for our community
 Better transport to city and around town
 Outside places for community
 Well considered housing density
 Beautiful and green main street
 High Street commensurate with natural surrounds (considered, cohesive buildings)
 Internal community gathering spaces
 Mix of accessible and affordable housing
 Protected green space
 Cohesive and vibrant community
 Infrastructure accessibility (footpaths, increased street lighting)
 Spaces for young people to enjoy
 Nature and diverse wildlife
 Homes for people to live in
 Coordinated weed and pest control
 Promote land for wildlife
 Bushfire safety
 Accountability by Council eg 'The Rex'
 Green streetscapes
 More young people
 Greater access to quality healthcare (hospital services)

What you need to know more about

List of vacant housing blocks
 List of unused state on government buildings
 How can community take control of our spring water and also benefit from the \$\$
 Make greater use of assets we have eg historical society, town band!
 Is there vacant unused council own land
 Vic forests – impact on regional parks - wombat forest
 CFA rules – Bushfire – restricting future development – is this an issue
 What other revenue opportunities – ie water extraction
 Use area behind shops in Vincent for extra parking
 What are the future growth projections
 Demographics – present and future projections

What drives these projections?
 What initiatives/ works are already in place
 What can be done regarding road conditions
 What jobs need to be filled – how can we fill them
 What is the Hepburn/ Daylesford demographic? – Ave age, Ave employment, Aver needs

General notes

Where can housing go?
 Local employment opportunities for youth
 Community battery to offset power outages
 What other Australian regional town would we aspire to be like
 Tourism – do we really understand it
 Proper meeting place for residents
 Cross over of general (unclear)
 Community development
 Accessibility
 So many vacant land blocks in town v expanding the town boundaries
 Reduce numbers of crows around town (huge growth in crows in the past 2 years)
 More casual medic consult rooms around town
 Discover maybe unknown benefits of tourism
 Space for parents and children to meet/ play/ socialise
 No apartments or multi story development
 Transport connections
 How the structure plan can be informed
 What do we – want to keep – do without – make
 Do we want to be a tourist town or a town for living
 Ensure footpaths are clear of obstacles (chairs and tables)
 Great access to health care
 Fusion of tourist/ local needs met
 Preserve nature (parks and creeks)
 Public toilets in accessible place
 Beauty (aesthetic), community, sustainability, diversity, history
 More public toilets and seats
 Don't want gold mining or housing towers
 Daylesford town group
 Affordable housing options
 Don't extend residential land beyond the current town boundaries
 Increase diversity of shopping opportunities within the current zoned areas
 Accessible footpaths
 Renewable energy community battery
 Indoor aquatic centre – kids learn to swim
 Redevelopment of Daylesford Town Hall as live theatre art space , community information, public toilets
 Retain heritage buildings museum – extend
 Importance of environment
 Improve noise restrictions – doof doof, barking dogs
 Appropriate sized library, live theatre, cinema
 Separate heavy truck traffic from local places
 Stop heavy trucks down through town centre

Recycling information
 Improve rents
 Revamp existing HSC office to library and café
 Granny flats to increase housing options
 Relocate Hepburn Shire (back office) to industrial centre
 Focus arts and cultural hub
 More frequent train services of Woodend, Creswick and Ballan
 Encourage creative, artistic, activity showcasing

Session two

Vision

Physical and cultural heritage
 Sensitive architecture – continuing and beautiful
 Gathering spaces for community
 Housing – diversity of scale
 Transport – access to services
 Balance needs of local of all ages and tourism and business
 Fostering creative economy
 Wildlife
 Natural assets
 Native v introduced (tension)
 Natural beauty (landscape)
 Climate resilience
 Trees, canopy, mature – potential for

Themes

Housing

More scrutiny of modern plans in heritage area
 Removal of section 23 demolition capability
 Neighbourhood character rules adhered to
 Strengthen rules re demolition of heritage homes
 Low emission housing – more garden space
 Housing for workers – key workers, others
 Efficiency/ renewable energy in housing
 Better utilise existing land – with sensitive subdivision, servicing
 Maintain character both design, plot size, green space
 Future of housing to reflect needs of community, owners, renters
 Housing affordability – low level of rental stock (eg Airbnb etc) – land availability – infill/ subdivision eg household size, aging population, less younger people

Business and Economy

Activation of vacant places
 Why no Uber?
 No yoga studio

Community space for shared work environment
 Incubators – working groups
 Close down Vincent Street? Activate for pedestrians
 Diverse economy
 Diversification within ‘TSM’ activities (affordable for all)
 Artistic – cultural scene, wellness policy, sauna
 Beyond tourism WFH
 Do we meet expectations of tourists
 DMT – facts and figures
 Festivals and events
 Arts strategy links
 Boutique businesses
 Performance spaces
 Accommodation for staff
 Lack of basic needs shops (clothing, hardware etc)
 Mineral springs for all (not unclear)
 Venues need more communal space
 New business ideas

Environment and Heritage

Mineral springs protection
 Daylesford Lake – water quality management – sources of pollution
 Underground water – personal access management
 Bird life unique – crows! Indian Minors!
 Preservation of heritage character
 Appearance of neighbourhood character – re sympathy to heritage styles
 Trade of bio and fire risk
 Forest management – fuel management – trust DEECA?
 Planting guidelines strengthening to reduce environmental weeds
 Info on fuel management – needed what is possible?

Urban Design

More medium density housing
 Inclusive design – accessible spaces, safe and well lit
 Invest in beauty and quality – Vincent St and reserves
 High quality streetscapes – well maintained
 Outdoor gathering spaces
 No big estate housing development
 Renewables
 New houses to have solar panels
 More onsite landscaping – green x1
 Site coverage less than the present (unclear) x2
 Site coverage must ensure landscaping (eg footprint reduced)
 New design must reflect the local character
 Rigour around signage that obscures heritage buildings – not in keeping with heritage town

Movement and Access

Carparking – tourism – paid

Land use, multi car parks- local laws
 Travel without a car (for all ages)
 Network of safe paths for elderly – people, buggies
 High traffic areas to have footpaths on both sides
 Community bus for elderly/ infirm
 Provision of bike paths – encourage children
 Community transport opportunities – feeder transport
 Footpaths connecting Daylesford- Hepburn
 Function over form
 Hybrid solution for paths and trails
 Encourage shared vehicles
 Advocate for integrated transport within, across and out of region

Community and Social Assets

Community arts space
 Redevelop the Town Hall
 Live theatre
 Cinema
 Community gathering spaces with services (mother and baby, elderly services)
 A council that prioritises arts and culture through investment and events doe community
 Off lead dog park
 No central park
 Walking and cycling tracks
 More disabled parking
 Restoration of Hepburn natural pool – with lawn for picnics and place to gather
 Community garden – a place to meet for a chat
 A permanent arts space (eg (unclear) gallery in H/S
 Public toilets
 Access more P
 Amenities for young and old
 Non private gym facility
 Community services – library
 A township that enables social cohesion and a thriving community with provision of gathering spaces
 Bushfire last resort – what does it mean?
 Physical community notice boards maintained, not just social media
 Superlative sporting facilities (eg a modern heated pool)
 Access to health care and wellbeing facilities
 Weekly broadsheet info bulletin like Chewton Trentham Trumpet
 Incorporate shared community spaces (all ages) within community services and facilities
 Indoor heated swimming pool
 Access to current senior cits – not suitable steep ramp and steps
 Meeting space for older (and younger) residents

Session three

Vision

Scenic town – not just tourist – vibrant might be too strong
 Vision not visionary enough – youth, diversity of ages, cultural creativity sector
 Water quality and springs really important
 Too much emphasis on vibrant business – health and wellbeing not mentioned
 Picturesque nature of town – changing of seasons – greenery, plantings
 ‘... is environmentally sustainable’ – renewable energy
 Vitoria Park – different venues – gardens, lakes, springs – so much variety and so many options
 First Nations – Dja Dja Wurrung
 ‘Town that attracts tourists
 LGBTI town
 Youthful, creative, innovation, attractive
 Central space for artists
 Youth, creativity, art, architecture
 This sounds like a retirement village’
 Climate change risk – forestry – appropriate land management
 Adapt infrastructure
 Safe, resilient and adaptable, connected, supported
 Health and wellbeing centre
 Mineral springs
 Culture – creating
 Sustainable – beautiful
 Reads like describing a retirement village – needs to be more vibrant and creative, bring in young people, make it inspiring – where we want to be. Refer to First Nations from the initial section
 Needs to be more succinct – Daylesford is the busy thriving centre, Hepburn Springs will never be vibrant in the same way it should stay a sleepy village. Not a blanket statement on both towns ‘vibrant’ interpreted as busy, concern Daylesford will lose its character. Too much focus on tourism, not enough on locals

Themes

Housing and Urban Design

Objective

A range of housing – affordability – cultural heritage

Strategies

Central heritage view lines

Valued heritage character

Supported

Range of housing affordability – carefully located to protect view lines and heritage

Attract sustainable development and protect street trees

Ensure greening within res lots – minimise site coverage

Take into account roofscape/ roofline

Higher buildings can go to lower areas to the west of the town centre
 Preserving cultural heritage
 Control higher buildings in the town centre
 Country feel to be protected
 Take account of the accident – safety measures around roundabouts

Not supported

Grey materials in new houses don't fit with existing character
 No apartments for tourists in the town centre

Contested

Back blocks land use – resi, commercial, car parking
 Ageing population create the need for new people to work in services

Missing

Co-housing opportunities
 Residential v Airbnb – what %
 2000 houses are needed according to SGS – across the shire
 Parameters for good subdivisions
 Mix of socioeconomics
 Identify empty lots in used dwellings
 Developments that include community space communal parking, green space
 Car parking to the rear
 Spaces for use

Actions/ comments

Affordability challenge – very expensive to live here and rates for younger people and affordable rental housing
 Need a balance of tourism for Daylesford and Hepburn Springs
 Create businesses and eateries are not the only highlights
 Missing the health component
 Missing emphasis on youth
 Picturesque in the change of colours from deciduous trees – needs to be protected
 Wombat hill need to be connected
 Existing NCO and HO does not work
 Questioning if growth is supported
 Heritage domestic architecture
 Retain heritage domestic façade
 Heritage overlays – precincts
 Range of blocks
 Rooflines – compatibility
 Variety in buildings
 Affordable – for who? – identify locations
 Growth in town centre
 No apartments
 No plaza
 Car parking to the rear

Business and economy

Objective

Some changes around a diverse and unique mix, add in creative arts and culture industries

Encourage local businesses

To facilitate a diverse mix....

Add for all ages, encourage locally owned businesses, creative arts and culture

Supported

Support town centre consolidation

Need to understand the heritage importance of Wombat Hill – eg heritage buildings (eg brewery) And upgrading of buildings at the southern entrance to town, small business opportunities tourist centre near historical society – linking to the rest of town

Linkage to commerce and accessibility from car parking – better utilisation and management

Don't want commerce in pockets where you don't want to lose opportunities – eg East Street, Cliffs, Distillery

Need diverse mix and variety

Acknowledge health and wellbeing

Add in objective – creative industries – music, arts, etc

Opportunities for far gate businesses to sell in town

Comments

No meeting rooms in town – coworking hub

Connectivity – power outages/ nbn service – reliable infrastructure

Steep gutters!

Change 'ensuring it fits seamlessly' to respects and complements

Not supported

Hepburn/ Hepburn Springs – town centre need to be both sides of the road. Needs to link up the town centre

Coles in Daylesford – Tier 1 pricing which is way more expensive than Ballarat

Needs more competition in terms of retail outlets/ supermarket

Where is the commercial and vacant sites Where is the additional expansion areas – Bridgeport Street

Dan Murphy's site

Need to minimise chain stores and encourage locally owned businesses and diversity

Don't need more coffee shops

Environment and Heritage

Objective

Use of word 'unique' relating to the environment

Include heritage

Redefine 'design features' too ambiguous perhaps 'cultural heritage'

Regional not rural town perhaps – tension – some disagreement

Development and environmental hazards – overdevelopment

Hazards – does this include weeds, pests, goldmining, not just bushfire, floods etc

Definition of cultural heritage required as can be interpreted as First Nations only or built, landscape and First Nations

Strategies

More infill street tree planting

Increase in trees supported

Limit and or mitigate development outcomes – tension where it would result in removal of vegetation to allow development. Remove ‘identify’ manage/avoid. Mitigate to protect building
 ‘protect’ not determine ‘protect and enhance Biodiversity already determined through study
 Identity hi value/ treasured view points are required to be protected – include community input to determine views that are important
 Protect and regulate. Ensure quality regulated
 Not cope but mitigate and manage

Movement and access

Objective

Include ‘attractive’

Strategies

Improve existing walking tracks and encourage greater use

Comments/ actions

Need more footpaths – cater for electric/ mobility scooters
 Need more public transport options
 Parking systemic to solutions – to help bus/ tourism – not sure how to solve – clog streets with parking
 No bike parking in town
 Dangerous to cycle down Main Street
 Ageing and new riders
 How to make more accessible but not make suburban
 No car chare
 EV station in Daylesford doesn’t work well – constantly broken
 One in Hepburn Springs – new
 Public transport doesn’t align with train in Ballan (20 minutes)
 To Woodend a more reliable service but 45 minutes
 Entrance to Vic Park – very dangerous
 40km in Main Street
 East Street full of hoons
 Roundabouts are confusing – lots of challenges
 Raglan Street by Coles – dangerous
 Reversing at Clifty’s and market days – 60km
 Vincent Street very challenging to cross – blue stone drains ramps make accessible
 Bike riders and peds need separate strategies – not Vincent street – prefer off road bike corridor not on roads?
 B doubles going through town – why do the have to come through the centre of town? Why are the allowed through town – can we get them up on East Street?
 Connecting Ballan, Ballarat and Woodend and Castlemaine – PT
 Dan Murphys development at VCAT – supposed to be a supermarket but changed
 Bicycle riding is challenging in town but some streets may be more suitable
 Community busses to surrounding towns
 Lots of tracks that are not known – not maintained
 Improve existing walking tracks and encourage greater use – wayfinding – poor signage – many not known
 Connecting links – walking also tourism opportunities

Community infrastructure

Objective

Accessible and safe, equity

Strategies

What needs are we meeting? creative arts – all ages

Embrace Daylesford as a point of difference

Aquatic centre – indoor

Footpaths – in some areas

Activities for teenagers

Extend library

Communication – not everyone is computer literate

Supported

Performing arts hub

Transport for all

Turning the town hall into a hub for performing arts will spin off other arts shows and ‘chill out’

Indoor pool

Create a beach at Lake Daylesford/ saunas

Promote fresh clean water for swimming

Accessible- aged community – wheeling

Connect key features with hospital;

Balance of accessibility with key destinations

Rainbow town

Toilets

Health facilities locally owned and run – community health

Arts hanging space for new artists

Zebra crossing at Vincent Street

Community meeting places

Better maintenance

Contested

Extend the community garden

Remove the community garden and extend the library

Finance local brass bands

Toilets at the back of Coles to be reopened

Comments

Need public toilets in town

No community centre - library not big enough

Community newspaper in hard copy – large community noticeboard

Walking tracks

Appendix five Glenlyon workshop notes

Session one

Ground rules

Respect(the differences) x7
 Listen to the thought
 Take turns speaking 'no talking till have message stick
 Listen to and heard x3
 Appreciation of each other
 Understanding we have some differences – no prejudice x1
 Future view
 Global view not singular issue x1
 Open to other views x1
 More inclusion of young people x 1
 No non residents on panel

Vision

Walkable
 Sense of place
 Low traffic flow
 Welcoming village hamlet
 All abilities have capacity to access the things we value – eg wheelchair accessible reserve
 Accessibility for all
 Maintain country feel
 Resources for families
 Walkways – around dam, at reserve along creek, dry surfaces year round access
 Sense of community ie not a divided suburb
 Hall centre of community activities
 Low key and relaxing
 Friendly
 Green, clean, fresh
 Forest fire maintenance/ safety – locals can collect firewood and keep safe – tracks clear
 All age groups have opportunities to feel part of the community
 Support services are readily available – service provision, transport
 None has to be alone and lonely
 Transport – connect Glenlyon to Daylesford and Kyneton (and train to Melbourne)
 Roads- good maintenance, connection to Trentham via Glenlyon Little Hampton (Forest Road) maintained
 I would like to see a place where families young and older can freely move about to enjoy the biodiversity of the area – walking, biking up the forest, reserve, dam, falls, springs etc and be able to learn and experience them
 That provides the economic, liveability, natural environment and an economic asset
 Transport? V-Line to Malmsbury more activities for all people

Embrace growth and change
 Planning overlay – in character planning (unclear) township appeal
 Town, trees, avenue to remain/ extend
 Arbour of trees down Barkley – plenty more trees on nature strips
 Community batteries and power – become an example of sufficient town
 Dam access for all, no locks
 Recreation reserve – more older child activities, pump track? Mini skate park, tennis courts?, better access to facilities
 Integrated and caring community where the people are supported as well as the elderly
 Develop the business community there are many small businesses in Glenlyon
 Old CFA shed to be used as learning centre
 Community Hall – easier to access for new activities
 Move 60 zone out to edge of township
 Safety is inherently in our vision – particularly road and fire
 Peaceful and quiet, surrounded with nature as is an not overdeveloped – leave farm land to farmer
 Heritage retained succession planning for avenue, biodiversity entranced
 Infrastructure to provider water supply, wastewater management, energy production, emissions control
 Develop the town common into wetland

More pollen and tree corridors to further enhance the township
 Wildlife diversity
 Ecologically clean and protected
 Still a country town
 Biodiversity/ wildlife
 No info on 1st nations people and this land
 Move beyond diversity to inclusion of all age, (dis)ability, gender LGBTI etc
 Water drains to be completed all township
 Community café at the Glenlyon Reserve like the one at Lyonville
 Glenlyon Reserve – more facilities for younger people – skate park, BMX tracks
 Dam fishing continued, jetty, snake safety
 Information about the significance of Glenlyon and Glenlyon Reserve for 1st nation peoples.

What you need to know more about

Recreation reserve – what facilities on masterplan – what stage? Any further input
 Biodiversity profile – what species
 Realistic assessment of population given high current approvals
 Orientation for new residents – a big need
 Creative solutions to lack of transport eg – social enterprise to assist young, elderly, no licence etc with affordable transport
 Planning overlays and protection for trees and vegetation or habitat
 Clarity on Zoning and planning g
 Identification of Crown lands in Glenlyon/ shire and protection of fauna and flora
 Clarity on subterranean water resources and how much water is extracted by commercial, agriculture and domestic users
 Secondary apartment on building plans eg Munich
 Seating around the township

Planning approvals for tiny homes for young people, workers etc
What are the Council doing about the common?
Signed heritage trail

General notes

Public toilets in the main town
Forest management – esp fire hazard
Forest roads that act as evacuation routes
Indigenous peoples fire management
Water security esp in climate change
Maintaining water quality
Voices missing – farmers, young people, business
Traffic for trucks to not use engine brakes in town

Session two

Vision

Local employment opportunities
Sustainability
Trees
Diverse business
Rural feel
Clean, green
Healthy environment
Biodiversity
Range of businesses
Small vibrant rural town
Protection of water
Access connections (regional)
Ageing in place
Multigenerational population
Celebrate our heritage

Tension

Bushfires and environment

Themes

Housing

Multi generational – small units
Country living + preserve environment
Ageing in place
Quiet living + work from home

Sensitive design/ sustainable scale
 Second dwellings on lots
 Sustainable and zero emission housing
 Potential for flooding? Climate change events

Business and economy

Employment opportunities – light industry
 Child care centre – some local services
 Boutique tourism – finite resources
 Organic farming industry
 Attracting visitors to the area?
 Telecommunications – to support WFH and business
 Community facility activation
 Passive recreation tourism
 Draw on wider district for opportunities

Heritage

More use of heritage buildings – eg Hall
 Maintain and celebrate our heritage
 Information centre on First Nations People
 More interpretive signage
 First Nations knowledge of the area – and learn from them

Environment

Protect trees during development
 Maintenance of the significant trees
 Protect and retain remnant trees
 Water protection
 Wildlife corridors
 Environmental stewardship
 Restricting farming on RLZ (Herbicides)

Urban Design

Design houses/ subdivisions for high fire risk and water sensitive urban design – maximum tanks
 Need to allow individual house designs but so they blend in
 More access paths but not concrete but push chair friendly
 Better connections in new subdivision and open space
 Carbon neutral/ zero environmental impact from development
 Good roads and drainage but not necessarily sealed
 More separate horse/ mountain bike tracks
 Accessible housing for all stages of life, particularly aging
 Need spacing around dwellings and area for canopy trees
 Promote more alternatives to septic – waste to energy, composting toilets/ grey water
 Have more energy less intensive housing
 Importance of Barkly St avenue of trees – maintained, renewal
 Design/ construct ESD measures in all housing
 Areas for exotic canopy trees for shading in summer and fire resistance

Movement and access

Safe walking and bike tracks
 Community bus service
 Sustainable zero emissions transport
 Safer direct cycling route to Daylesford
 Public transport connecting multiple towns
 Heavy trucks are a challenge
 Safer and maintained fire escape routes
 Regular service to train station
 Disability access
 Quality and safe roads for diversity of users and modes

Community and social assets

Centralised multi use hub
 Public toilets at the hall
 Tennis wall to hit balls against – activities for teenagers – facilities
 Bike track
 Mobile child/ maternal meeting capability play groups
 Recreational infrastructure to retain multigenerational social make up
 Social support example – dementia meeting groups facilitation
 Pony club – infrastructure support – yards etc
 Utilise the Rec Reserve facilitated for community groups – disabilities
 BMX – pump track – recreation facilities, sealed surface, tennis court, basketball
 Bring young parents together to support – provide collective
 CHRH tree house respite for carers – school holiday programs?
 Multigenerational facilities at reserve
 Power security – eg batteries

Session three

Vision

Glenlyon is a peaceful rural town centred around an avenue of elms and oaks. Housing growth, limited by environmental constraints provides options that retain town heritage. Home based and small commercial businesses to be encouraged and supported (NBN). Community spaces where people can meet. Glenlyon is beautiful, resilient and dynamic ...

Glenlyon to retain its heritage and character

The community supports the retention of the towns farming heritage which will ensure future resilience

Glenlyon is a peaceful/ quiet village/ township centred along an avenue....where Dja Dja Wurrung and colonial past meets present. Limited/ some housing growth...

Multigenerational housing/ granny flats

Walking paths

Connections – bus to Kyneton/ Daylesford – roadways

Settlement or village not town

Quaint not vibrant, village not town

Reward precontact

Improve wider connections

Add activities
 Not town
 People of all ages
 ‘...not only beautiful sustainable
 Great statement – there are no constraints but things can change there are opportunities
 Rather than no development – need good development
 Want young people, children and young families to participate in community
 ‘people of all ages can meet’
 Elms – should read deciduous trees as likely to be oaks not elms in the future
 Small sustainable town – successful town, leading example of what a town can be – need to include net zero ambition
 Include young people
 Add sustainable
 Add being an exempla for small towns
 Identity of boulevard trees will be ‘substantial deciduous trees – Elms are not viable to disease and climate change
 Using ‘constraints’ as a term – negative connotations

Housing

Objective

A wider range of housing options for environmental challenges

Strategies

Facilitate housing in the township provide more affordable housing options + Elderly units ot the ability to provide transportable Tiny Houses with families
 Development to reflect the character of the town. + Septic
 Where is the town centre?
 Affordable – difficult to happen

Housing and Urban Design

Objective

Supported

Well designed smaller units – one story preferably
 Sensible materials – timber
 Gable roof – but pitch is better functionally – capture water, solar panels
 More community infrastructure around town
 Generous trees – oak
 Village-scape

Not supported

Black and grey colours on houses/ buildings
 Footpaths are not even – people walk on the road to avoid tripping hazards – don’t want footpaths
 Sealed roads come with crossovers – avoid them
 It is not called an avenue of honour – not enough funding to protect succession to be rep[aced with oaks
 Density/ affordable housing not supported

Contested

Objecting subdivision (2 acre)
 Town centre is not clear

Missing

Definition of minimum lot sizes
 Site coverage need to consider septic and tanks as places where trees cant be planted
 Generous trees
 Manage speed in residential areas including Dysart
 Contribution from development for open space
 Redirect traffic from Eldon street
 Lack of open spaces around
 Pedestrian links – loop around the river and biolink
 Wetland to be improved
 Well maintained drainage
 Continued speed limits along same street
 Wildlife crossing
 Outdoor seating along main pedestrian street
 Glenlyon market

Comments

Importance of following up after consultation sessions – keep the community updated on the project process
 Management of backwater (waste) and water available (bore)
 Vibrant doesn't necessarily work – peaceful and dynamic
 There is not Council land to put open space in – Rec Reserve is managed by Council but don't own it
 Open space in new subdivisions
 Need a variety of housing (like Trentham)
 2 story OK

Business and economy

Objective

Facilitate home based and small commercial businesses

Strategies

Create business links to connect local businesses
 Encourage business to include/ adopt renewable energies

Comments/ actions

NBN connections
 Shared office meeting spaces that are local

Environment and Heritage

Objective

Change hazards to challenges
 'Protect biodiversity and heritage of the village and respond to climate change risks

Strategies

1. Include 'Firewise' in tree planting (Fire resistant tree planting throughout the town)
2. Remove 'identify' – already have that data
3. 'manage appropriate considered growth' – this belongs in housing
4. Supported - strongly
5. remove celebrate – maybe respect/ acknowledge (some colonial heritage not to be celebrated)
7. Consider climate, biodiversity, pressure – supported but include consideration of commercial extraction – retention of environmental flows – management of sewage

Comments/ actions

Large community water tank to community to access

Urban design – see also Housing and Urban Design

Objective

Ensure the design of buildings and streets retain the rural character and heritage of the village (include street trees)

Strategies

Remove heritage elements including. Add trees to the street where there are none. = remove ‘avenue of honour’

Public spaces to reflect existing town character (remove the rest)

New development to reflect existing town character with landscaped setbacks

Remove +village not town, remove denser

Remove

Retain views retain protected and not affected by development

Retain farming – zone land – public seating outside shire hall

Minimum tank sizes – environmental and safety

Movement and access

Objective

Include bus and road connections

Strategies

Great dividing trail

Add Trentham, Kyneton, Malmsbury

Create links to major surrounding towns

Explore a separate walking and cycling link to Daylesford

Transport bus/ electric vehicles

Improve road safety for cyclists, pedestrian and cars

Road freight transport at night

Reduce road connections

Comments/ actions

More emphasis on safety

Improvement – Kyneton – vline connection

Public footpaths and quality of roads

Footpath, pedestrian access to the dam and river

No push bike lanes on main road

Public transport – Daylesford to Glenlyon

Quality of roads

Community facilities and infrastructure

Objective

Ensure community facilities, services and infrastructure support the community and are connected to regional services (do we have services in Glenlyon – drinking water? Access to services?)

Strategies

Community facilities and infrastructure meet the needs...

Ensure that Glenlyon Hall Remains a community meeting place

Comments/ actions

Environmental centre First Nations info centre , ranger training facilities (enterprise with Dja Dja Wurrung)

Improve footpaths within the Dam/creek

Upgrading and maintaining existing facilities (Dam Shire Hall)

Recognition of dam

Public toilets at Shire Hall (DWELP)

Facilities for teens/ tweens – BMX track, Tennis Courts

Dog park