



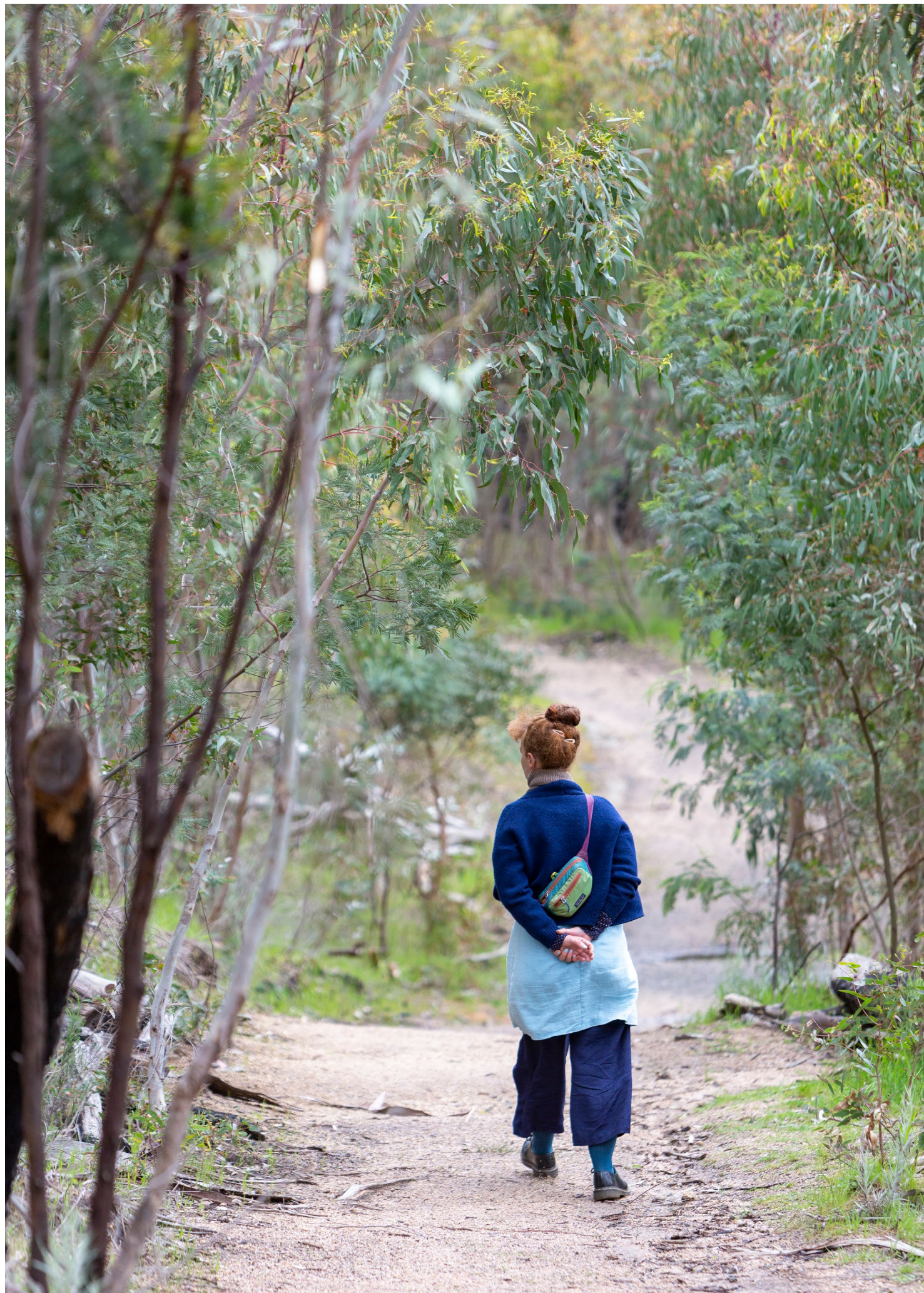
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## Nurturing Nature verbatim workshop notes



# CLIMATE-READY PLANTINGS

## SUPPORT BIODIVERSE BACKYARD & PUBLIC SPACES

Increase biodiverse <sup>open</sup> plantings for public spaces. Creating spaces that nurture biodiversity within towns and villages.

A community identified action.

→ Woodend, Gisborne

→ Mapping to assist w/ correct plantings.

→ Sport groups

→ Parks + reserves

Nurturing Nature



Topic: Biodiversity

### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

MASC - Mayor or owner.

Collaborators:

DEECA

NCCMA

MW

Parks Vic

Kids + sporting clubs

Friends + Landcare.

T.O's

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

☐ None

☐ Less than \$10,000

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☐ More than \$1M

Comments/notes:

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

→ Adaptation benefits

→ Reduce chemical use

↳ Fossil fuels (mitigation)

→ Rewilding

→ Urban cooling

→ Connect spaces for play.

→ Climate-ready plantings

→ "Seeds from the streets"

→ Seed bank building.

→ Recycled water use.

→ H + W

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

### 5. Are other resources are needed?

E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

use recycled products to fix them and plant native plants a collect seeds from the plants it will allow

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

engage Jackson Creek Eco Network

### 5. Considering the likely impact

Cost and resources outweigh the likely impact

ase score the project out of 10.

10 🤔 Likely impact outweighs the cost and resources

→ Adaptation



## PROTECT & ENHANCE BIOLINKS

Continue to work with the community to develop and implement the biolinks plans and strategic habitat links

A Council led action.

Biodiversity Strategy

WSUD

\* Biolink from Hanging Rock to Woodend along Five Mile Creek  
→ Lightning strike Hanging Rock  
→ Food Animals

Developers  
- biolinks incorporated into planning scheme.  
+ land management plans

by Lucy.  
Use natural forest seeds to make seed bombs that you can put out

### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:  
Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

Collaborate  
Land h  
Landcar  
CMAA

Need to encourage involvement of other agency Land Managers  
- Parks Vic  
- Vic Roads  
- Victrack

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- ☐ More than \$200,000

Needs to consider Plants + Animals - biodiversity

### 3. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

Very important but focus on protecting existing remnants.

MITIGATE EROSION OF EXISTING BIOLINKS / CORRIDORS

Indigenous led should be embedded

### 4. Are there any other spaces?

Yes - local roads

Implementation plans for Councils designated Biolinks (Biodiversity Strategy)

PRIVATE LAND ADJOINING PUBLIC (TREETOP CORRIDORS IN ROADS)

Urban sprawl is Shire's biggest

considering threat to sustainability  
nature loss. Council & state gov + VCAT needs to put strict rules about nature conservation & sustainable biolinks etc. on developers.

### 5. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Yes - ~~Hyndon~~ Woodthorpe  
Greenhill to Blackhill  
Deep Creek  
Coleraine → most successful  
Coleraine connection  
Biolinks Alliance  
→ landcare groups are active  
→ landholders

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action? Are current overlays successful?

How do we work with Developers? → planning scheme.

Biolinks incorporated into planning scheme → special designation condition re development → designate wildlife can that acknowledges potential

At risk Climate Change  
Gang-gang Cockatoos  
Koalas  
Silver Bantian  
Snow-burn

Required, please score the project out of 10

7 8 9 10 Likely impact outweighs



## NEW POTENTIAL COUNCIL ACTIONS

**Action name:**  
Adding to Biotink objective

**Action description:**

Reduce speedlimits on all roads through a biotink.

Retrofit wildlife crossings.

No expansion of roads in designated biotink areas.

> Signage > Animal crossings, Biotink areas.

Roadside veg management plans in Biotink zones.

Nurturing Nature



1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:

Council  
Vn Roads.

Collaborators:

2. What Nurturing Nature benefits could this action have?

3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Are there any benefits outside the nurturing nature theme?

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Comments/notes:

5. Are other resources are needed?  
E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

Wild life corridors with in small towns  
New owners are erecting high fences & gates blocking these historical corridors - pushing animals onto the road  
Death rates are high.

6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

help get the animals just to the habitat that they will be living worse they recoverd have or a rise habitat if they are staying there

7. Considering the likely benefits vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

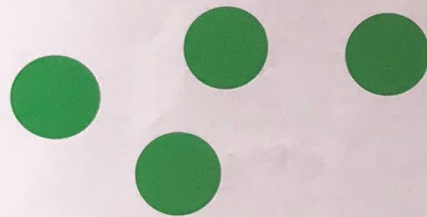
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## SUPPORT PRIVATE LANDHOLDERS TO REGENERATE

Continue Healthy Landscapes program. Providing practical, place-based skills to facilitate the uptake in regenerative & biodiversity enhancing practices.

A Council led action.



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:  
Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

Collaborators:

Ashbore landscape  
improving farmers.

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

Very much  
soil carbon  
practice change

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

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Comments/notes:

### 5. Are other resources are needed? E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

Possibly expanded  
to include  
biodiversity consult  
as well as Jason.

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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## NEW POTENTIAL COMMUNITY ACTION

Action name:

Action description:

Council lead carbon plantings:

- \* Roadsides.
- \* Waterway-reserves.
- \* Public space.

Obvious link to community carbon sink.

Nurturing Nature



1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

\* Council lead.

\*

Collaborators:

2. What Nurturing Nature benefits could this action have?

\* Ditto Carbon project.

3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Are there any benefits outside the nurturing nature theme?

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Comments/notes:

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Consideration of future uses.

6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

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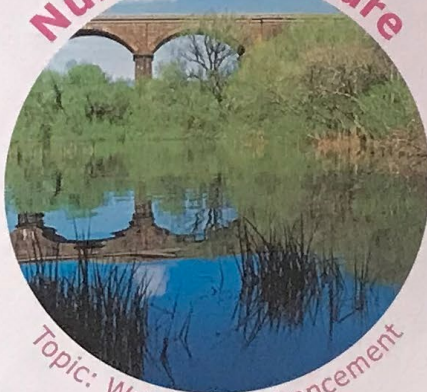
## INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT

Work with Water authorities to develop and implement

\* Integrated Water Management Plans that value water security, health of waterways and address all elements of the water cycle (ie, waterway management, waste water treatment, flood management and water scarcity).

A Council led action.

Nurturing Nature



Topic: Waterway enhancement

### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team: <sup>primary focus</sup> Macedon Ranges Shire Council. <sup>5 yrs ago</sup> + <sup>concluded LWM to RW, GWW, SRW</sup>

identified possible projects for recycled water  
→ infrastructure is costly.

#### Collaborators:

Water authorities \* <sup>New Culture sports centre</sup> MW, GWW, SRW, Colleen Water, NCCMA?

DEECA, esp across land +

EPA re licences for water till  
+ spills  
people pipe. ← developers?

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Comments/notes:

resources for office

lots!  
up for implementation

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

• keep water in local system  
for usage → daily  
• reserve in times of drought. less  
reduction

• T ripover vegetation + different  
widths.  
• LWM preference

• water quality, vegetation/habitat/  
habitat/shy.  
• separate usage -  
• waterway shaping... water security.

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

\* plan for 5 yrs ago → needs recap.

\* New Culture sports centre  
→ low to replicate across the river.

### 5. Are other resources are needed?

E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

• use of H/s + "let for purpose"

• LWM plans may be too big scale,  
→ proactive action for impact

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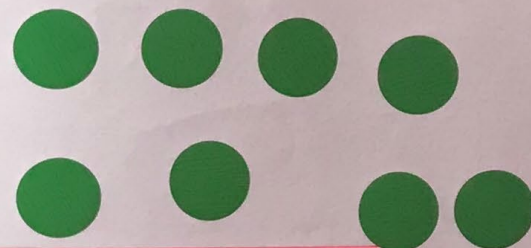


## ONE MILLION TREES (OR MORE)

Sequester carbon by planting a significant number of trees (e.g. a million) in a coordinated way.

A community<sup>+council</sup> identified action.

COMMUNITY CARBON PROJECT



It's not just about planting "trees" - we need HABITAT. (trees, shrubs, herbs & grasses)

TO's

### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

Nth Central CMA

Collaborators:

regen -g groups.

Possible partnership with Landcare

Other councils.  
Hepburn, Mt Alex,  
Bendigo, MRSC

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

Can this project offer offsets for local community, events, businesses?

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

- biodiversity conservation
- local economy.
- meets TO forest gardening
- carbon sequestration.
- landscape amenity
- social wellbeing.
- flora, fauna, knipits.

### 5. Are other resources are needed?

E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

- mapping + data analysis.
- landholders willing to be engaged.
- more detailed + broader carbon account.

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples? YES.

Feasibility study currently underway by Nth Central CMA

Pilot Program underway

- 4-5 sites in each council area.
- credits?

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

- Potential to provide councils offsets.
- Need to consider TO engagement.
- ~~Rene~~ Patrick's farm in Reneny could provide a good example.

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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## WATERWAY RESTORATION

Continue to implement various Waterway Management Plans.

Develop a plan for Campaspe River.

A Council led action.

? Woolomungyang - example where water in reservoir could be used for flows.



Nurturing Nature



Topic: Waterway enhancement

### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:  
Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

#### Collaborators:

MW, NCCMA, ~~celebrated~~

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

- evolve to reviews
- > values recognised
- guide who prepares to approach
- guide community in local works projects
- link agency + community etc.
- link to EMB. local clinics
- function better

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

- yes a few plans exist
- eg Boylston Ck.
- others in plans are prioritised
- some always still need plans
- eg Turillotte Ck.

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Comments/notes:

### 5. Are other resources are needed?

E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

Water will determine what our future looks like —

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

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→ Passive (WSUD) + Recycled

## IRRIGATION ENHANCEMENTS FOR PUBLIC SPACES

Upgrade Reserves with new plantings and watering system to ensure resilient to climate changes.

A community identified action.

★ Water harvesting



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

Collaborators:

GWN

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

- H + W/B (sporting clubs) etc.
- Reduce potable water
- Passive design = less infrastructure
- Water harvesting app. (stormwater)
- Builds resilience by ↓ stress on potable water
- Water reserves to enhance plantings for biodiversity.
- ↑ water literacy (program).

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

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### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

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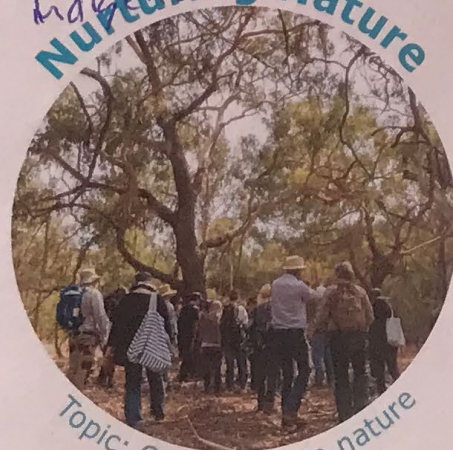
## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & CONNECTION TO PLACE WORKSHOPS + Signage

Place-based education activities for young and old to raise awareness of importance natural environment & ecosystems.

A community identified action.

- Connect back to Seasons, beyond the 4 seasons
- Story telling - words + stories.
- Better sign posts for walking tracks so people can self direct their connection to nature.

Use local knowledge for maps or signage



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

Collaborators:

### 4. If additional funding is required, roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

Establish an eco-centre for community env. gps. + agencies \$

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

Welcome to the shire written from the perspective of a native animal  
We need a walking map for the region + education and stories with the maps.

Helping people feel comfortable in nature, not scared.



## BUSH KINDER

Introducing nature-based play and education into early learning centers, with the goal to foster a deep connection to nature for children and their carers.

A community identified action.

Connection to the environment through knowledge & festivals revolving around our seasonal calendar ✓

Nurturing Nature



Topic: Connection to nature

### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

Collaborators:

Council is helping to facilitate this action.

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Action underway in Woodend.

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

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### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

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## RIVER CARE

Provide engagement and connection opportunities by co-ordinating projects that rehabilitate the Deep Creek Nature Walk. *waterways*

A community identified action.

*include workshops.*

*Combine w/  
waterway  
plans.*



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

*MRSC*

Collaborators:

*mw / neoma*

*Indecore*

*Caliber + GWW  
water.*

### 4. If add roughly

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Comments/notes:

*Engage  
Jacksons  
Creek  
Eco  
Network  
Network*

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

*waterway v. important  
under climate*

*community well  
being*

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

*Yes.*

*Needed*

- Campaspe river  
in Lygon water master  
plan.*
- fund the actions*

### 5. Are other resources are needed? E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

*- ~~camp~~*

*- carbon account  
for implementing  
these projects.*

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

*→*

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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## NEW POTENTIAL COUNCIL ACTIONS

### Action name:

Bushfire - cool burns  
Crosslands

### Action description:

#### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:

MRSC - Martin Roberts

Collaborators:

CFA

DEECA

Newham Landcare.

#### 2. What Nurturing Nature benefits could this action have?

Vegetation needing fire to germinate

Are there any benefits outside the nurturing nature theme?

Indigenous-led?

#### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Y - MRSC

N - Scared of fire.  
- Tough sell?

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Comments/notes:

#### 5. Are other resources are needed?

E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

\$

#### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

Risk

Ecosystems may be too fragile to burn

More botanical knowledge in the CFA

Nurturing Nature



#### 7. Considering the likely benefits vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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## NEW POTENTIAL COMMUNITY ACTION

Action name:

*mandatory  
advocacy for education  
on waterways*

Action description:

*in schools.  
and water management.*

Nurturing Nature



1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

Collaborators:

2. What Nurturing Nature benefits could this action have?

*continuity of knowledge  
across generations*

Are there any benefits outside the nurturing nature theme?

3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

*example  
ecologist doing one wk to Gosborne  
School*

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Comments/notes:

5. Are other resources are needed?  
E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

*\* potential to link to Earth  
watch  
Resource Smart Schools*

7. Considering the likely benefits vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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## LOCAL BOTANICAL GARDENS

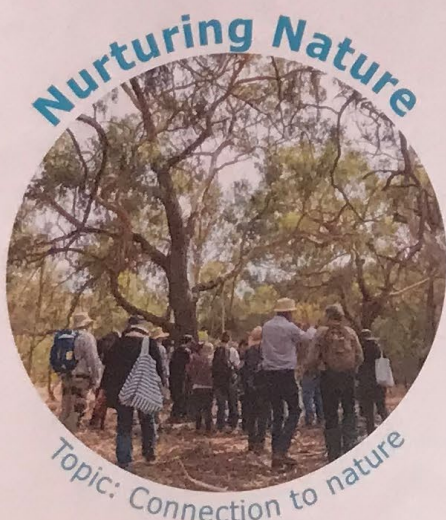
*Maintaining*  
Increase access to open space by ~~creating more~~ local botanic gardens.

A community identified action.

*seed bank*

Maintain existing botanic gardens as seed bank

Smith Nursery?



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

MW + MASC

Collaborators:

Heritage Vic.

Friends + Landcare

NOMA

Coliban

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

→ Resilience

→ Education

↳ Connection to nature.

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Low

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Unlock - heritage wharfed space

## PUBLIC OPEN SPACE

Maintain and upgrade  
accessibility options to  
Council-owned public spaces  
for all residents

A Council led action.

→ 95% 400m to  
public space

Nurturing Nature



Topic: Connection to nature

1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:  
Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

Collaborators:

2. What impact could this action have?  
Are there any co-benefits?

→ Connectivity  
→ Approved paths  
→ Active transport

3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

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⊗ Does it do for climate?



## COMMUNITY CONNECTION TO WATERWAYS

Reactivate the River Detectives program with local schools and the Junior Landcare Facilitator.

A community identified action.

- Support wild swimming to help people connect to place. (campaspic)
- expand beyond schools to broader community.
- Nursery Lake



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

Collaborators:

Requires partnership with Melb. Water / Nth Central CMA

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

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Comments/notes:

### 5. Are other resources are needed? E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

This action needs to result in action that helps manage rivers more positively.

science } that drives  
Action.

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

Cost and resources outweigh the likely impact 😞 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 😊 Likely impact outweighs the cost and resources



## ONGOING MONITORING AND CITIZEN SCIENCE

Continue to support citizen science program and ensure resources for monitoring and evaluation of Biodiversity Strategy.

A Council led action.

Education + literacy of all groups who will need to adapt - for all of groups

Workshops in key schools  
- seed bombs  
- playing games with nature + storytelling

### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:  
Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

Collaborators:

Nature stewards  
Field Naturalists

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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- ☐ More than \$1M

Comments/notes:

### 5. Are other resources are needed? E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

Connection to activism + advocacy.

Be positive about activists. How can we support them more?

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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# CULTURAL CONNECTIONS

Develop an ecological and cultural burn program for reserves and roadsides and continue Council's cultural heritage assessments and Traditional Owner engagement program.

A Council led action.

include education program for landholder

Hanging Rock  
Seasonal festivals  
around Indigenous  
events  
Fire covered  
gathering  
Learn seasons.

Topic: Indigenous-led conservation

## 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:  
Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

### Collaborators:

TOS  
CMAS  
Landholders  
Landcare  
CFA

- less fossil fuels  
- reduce fire risk

## 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

- review for TOS.
- reduction of fern pasture grasses to bushes + sweetwood.
- encourage native grasses.
- fuel reduction
- regeneration of certain plant
- connection to country
- carbon capture?

## 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

- Yes.
- lots of focus on indig. led fire.
  - Council has expertise + will, but lacks resources.

## 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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- ☐ More than \$1M

Comments/notes:

## 5. Are other resources are needed?

E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

- partnership w/ CFA.
- TO groups underserved
- education/knowledge sharing for landholders to do it themselves.
- action.

## 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

- low cultural burning ops on private land
- focus on rural
- weather dependent.

## 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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## REGENERATE DRAINAGE SITES

Community working bees that regenerate drainage basins within new developments. Making them havens for biodiversity within urban areas.

\* A community identified action.

\* Nur bring nature wky bees



1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

ecologists  
engineers \* design & construction  
for potentially ~~large~~ biodiversity

Collaborators:

MW - larger basins  
council ~~council~~ - small drainage basins

2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

\* sherry skills eg planting well.

3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

yes + no.  
small projects  
developments  
action needs to be elevated  
+ broadened  
- water cycle / drug sites  
+ biodiversity

4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

5. Are other resources are needed? E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

potentially access to private land

6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

community day bees = a tool to drive other plans.

5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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## NEST BOXES

Program partnership with Men's Shed to build wildlife boxes for Gardens for Wildlife program and other habitat initiatives.

A community identified action.

Need to be built for species designed purpose built otherwise can kill creatures & regular monitoring

Developers - loss of vegetation

### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

Mens shed  
Macedon RA

ECOLOGY PARTNER TO  
Collaborators: ENSURE BOXES ARE  
RESPONSE/FIT FOR PURPOSE

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

Habitat where veg loss

Biolinks

Connection to Nature = MENS SHED

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Underway as part of storm recovery in Romsey and Lancefield.

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

### 5. Are other resources are needed? E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

Arborist - Tree mitigation works.

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

No more loss of large habitat trees

first -

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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# THIS FITS UNDER HEALTH + WELLBEING THEME

## NEW POTENTIAL COMMUNITY ACTION

### Action name:

Mindful bushwalks  
Monthly

### Action description:

→ this connects back to  
"Community education  
+ connection to  
place workshop"  
action.

Nurturing Nature



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

Neighborhood House(?)  
+ Council

Collaborators:

GUEST  
Specialist naturalists  
movement &  
artists, musicians  
(who guide  
individual walks)

### 2. What Nurturing Nature benefits could this action have?

Developing individual  
& group sense of  
belonging to the  
forest / nature (reciprocal  
care)

Are there any benefits outside the  
nurturing nature theme?

- Mindfulness
- Care for nature (reciprocal)
- Spirit connection
- Biodiversity • Creativeness

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Yes - April walks<sup>23</sup>  
through  
Woodend Neighbourhood  
House  
- through  
Riddells Creek  
Landcare  
- Oct 2023 Maldon

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

### 5. Are other resources are needed?

E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

Access to  
public land  
Maldon  
Regional Park  
& others.

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

Some locals are  
already running  
these in  
MRSC.

### 7. Considering the likely benefits vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

Cost and resources outweigh the likely benefits 😞 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 😊 Likely benefits outweighs the cost and resources



## INDIGENOUS-LED CLIMATE ACTION

Actively look for opportunities to support Traditional Owners to enact their key strategic plans (eg. Country Plan - Taungurung & DJAARA, Climate Change Strategy & Renewable Energy Strategy - DJAARA).

fernest garden  
A Council led action. st dy

enabling Tos to play a lead role - though resourcing, partnerships enabling.



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Lead organisation and team:  
Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

Collaborators:

Tos.

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

- add diversity of species it's a positive.
- grow Tos capacity

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

Depends on area + To group.

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

need to find a experimentation.

### 5. Are other resources are needed? E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

→ better if resourcing this they specific project. eg. urban pilot project

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

- conflicts over differing land management approaches.

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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## NEW POTENTIAL COUNCIL ACTIONS

Community

**Action name:**

Come home  
to belonging festival

**Action description:**

~~Event~~: All art forms

Event: art exhibition

- walks

- workshops

that helps connect people  
to this place.

Annual event

Community curated with  
people from across the  
community making  
contributions.

Specific to MKSC  
Municipality

Different  
theme  
each  
year.

For locals  
by  
locals.

**Nurturing Nature**



**1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?**

Lead organisation and team: ??

Collaborators:

Regen ag networks  
local galleries + art networks  
Council arts team  
Landcare  
local writers + artists

**4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?**

☐ None

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Comments/notes:

scalable.  
~~start~~ start  
small +  
grow over  
time.

Could start  
as just an  
exhibition.

**2. What Nurturing Nature benefits could this action have?**

Develop shared language of  
this place.

Spirit connection.

**Are there any benefits outside the nurturing nature theme?**

**3. Is there momentum behind this action?** I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

No.

**5. Are other resources are needed?**  
E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

Place.

Once it's big, hanging  
Rock could be  
a great venue???

**6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?**

**7. Considering the likely benefits vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.**

Cost and resources outweigh the likely benefits 😞 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 😊 Likely benefits outweighs the cost and resources



Backyard / Insects /

## HONEYBEE SWARM MANAGEMENT

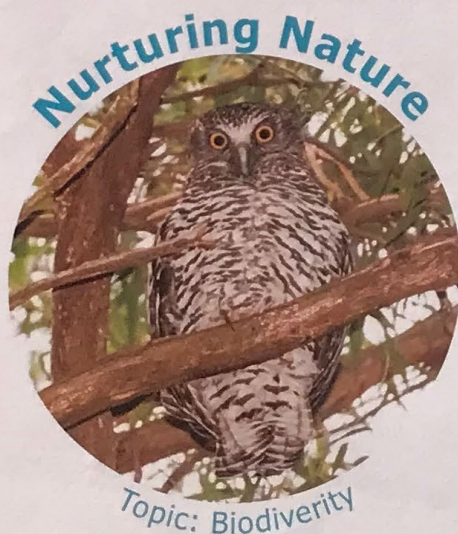
Project to trap bee swarms to reduce the impact of feral and swarming European Honeybees.

Also supporting uptake of beekeeping through courses and bulk-buy bee-suits.

A community identified action.

✱ Broaden to pollinators

Is this relevant?



### 1. Who needs to be involved and what will their role be?

Key organisation / community groups:

MRSB - Woodend Bee Friendly Society

Collaborators:

Garden clubs  
Bee keepers - amateur producers  
Pollinators!

Arb

### 2. What impact could this action have? Are there any co-benefits?

pollinators  
- Gardens for wildlife -

### 3. Is there momentum behind this action? I.e. is it already happening or is planning under way? Are there successful examples?

### 4. If additional funding needed, please roughly estimate how much?

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Comments/notes:

### 5. Are other resources are needed? E.g. land, access to community meeting spaces.

European Wasps are more of a problem in terms of bad effects on insect fauna.

### 6. Is there anything else Council should know about this action?

Is this action relevant to Climate change?

Acknowledge impact for biodiversity loss by hollow taken by feral bees  
Endangered  
Gang-gang

### 5. Considering the likely impact vs resources required, please score the project out of 10.

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