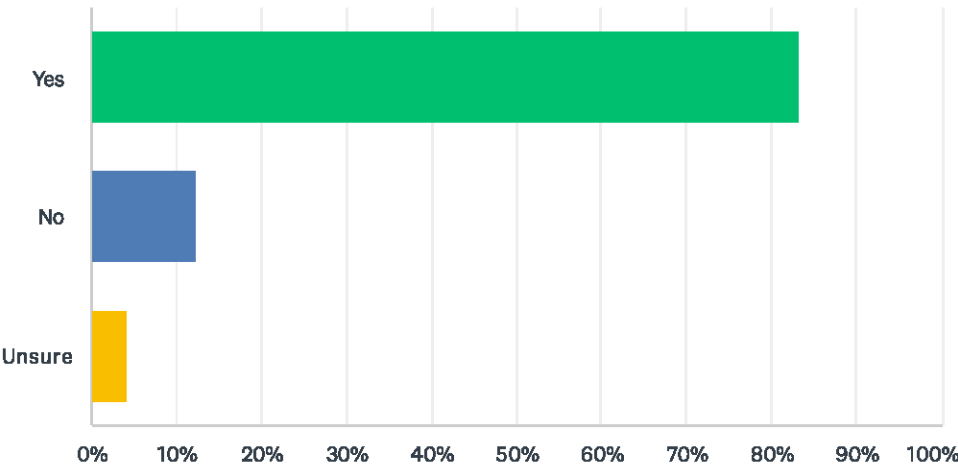


Q1 The community told us reinvigorating the town centre was important?  
Is this still the case?

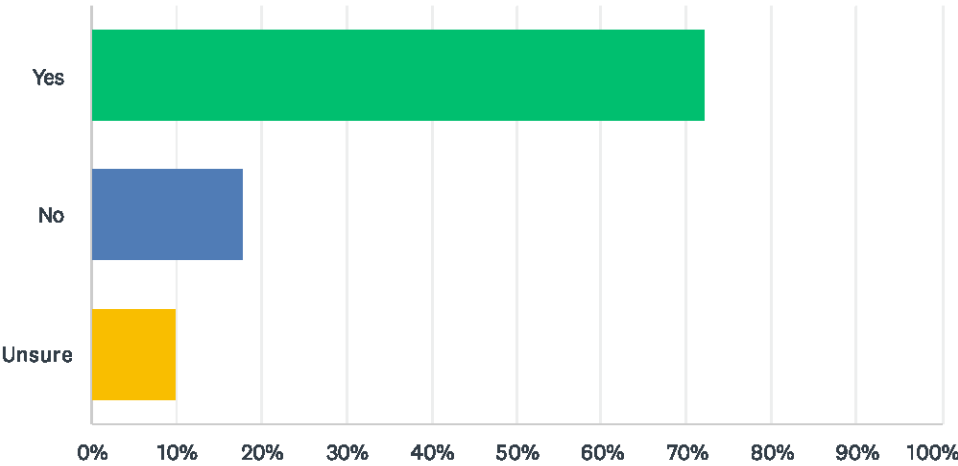
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		83.29%	334
No		12.47%	50
Unsure		4.24%	17
TOTAL			401

Q2 Is improving Five Mile Creek still important?

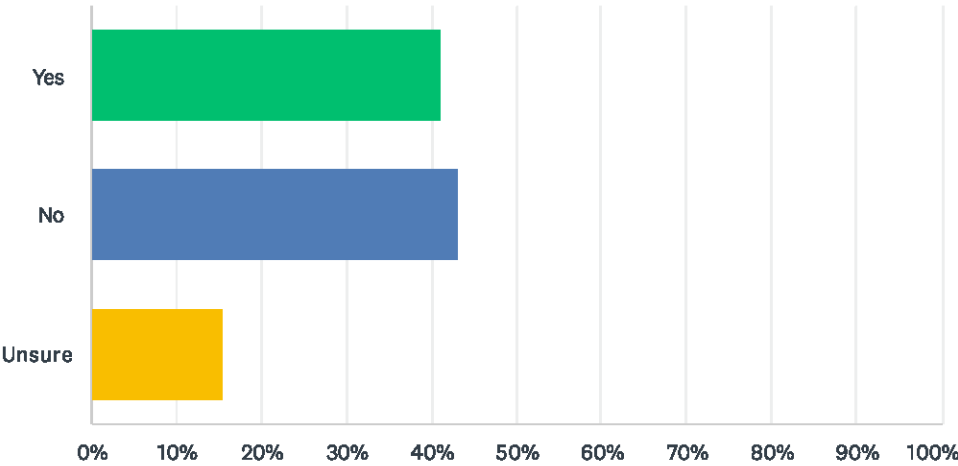
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	72.21%	291
No	17.87%	72
Unsure	9.93%	40
TOTAL		403

Q3 Is improving housing diversity still important?

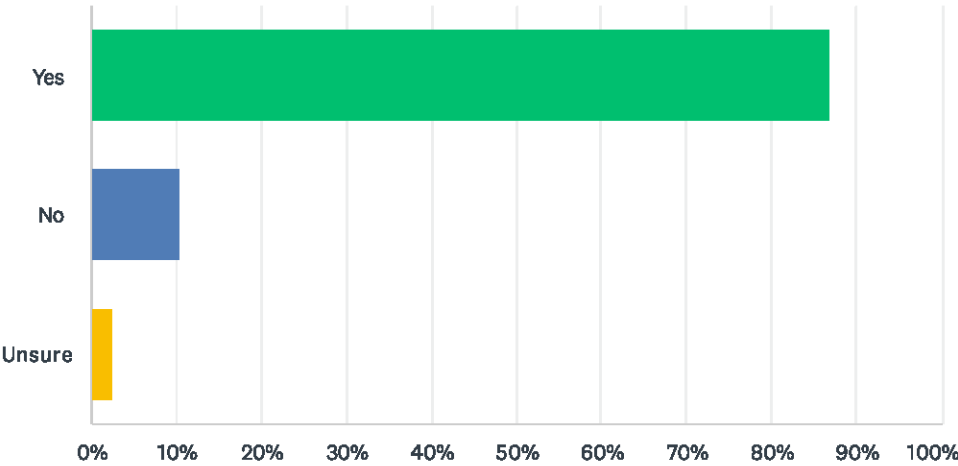
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	41.25%	165
No	43.25%	173
Unsure	15.50%	62
TOTAL		400

Q4 Is improving servicing and utilities still important?

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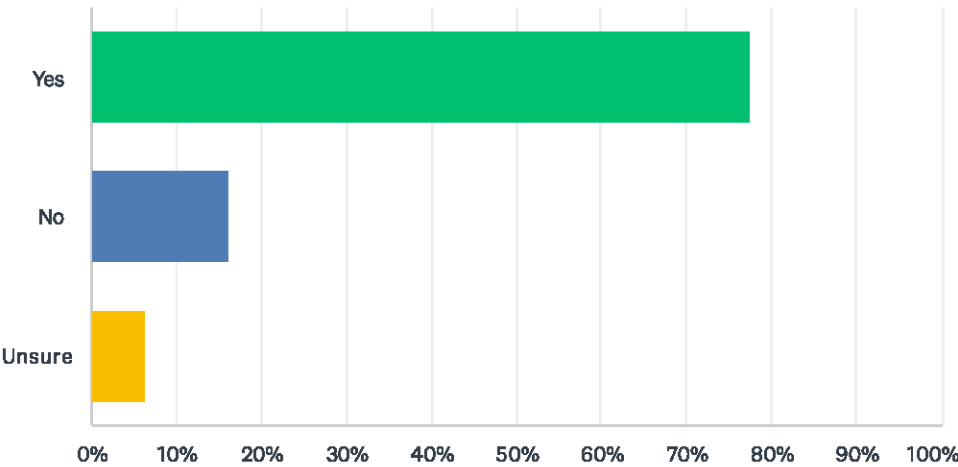


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	86.97%	347
No	10.53%	42
Unsure	2.51%	10
TOTAL		399



Q5 Is improved public transport service frequency and coverage still important?

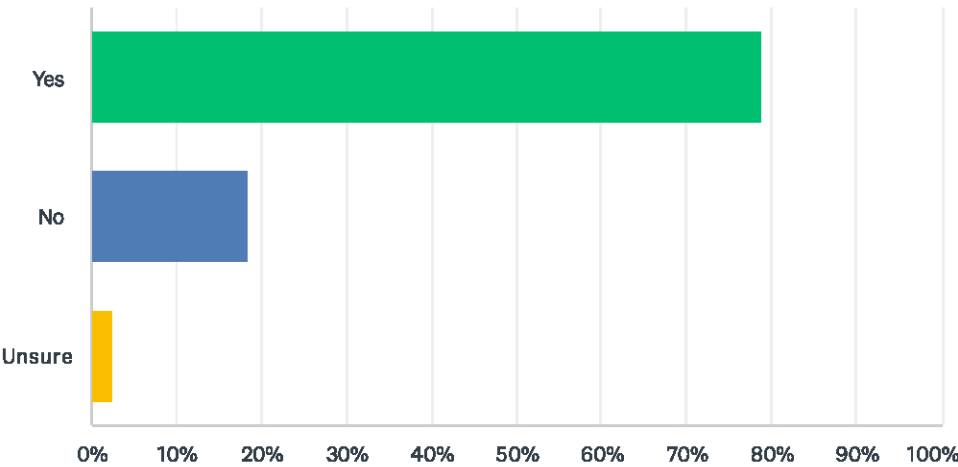
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		77.53%	307
No		16.16%	64
Unsure		6.31%	25
TOTAL			396

Q6 Is improving walking and cycling infrastructure and safety still important?

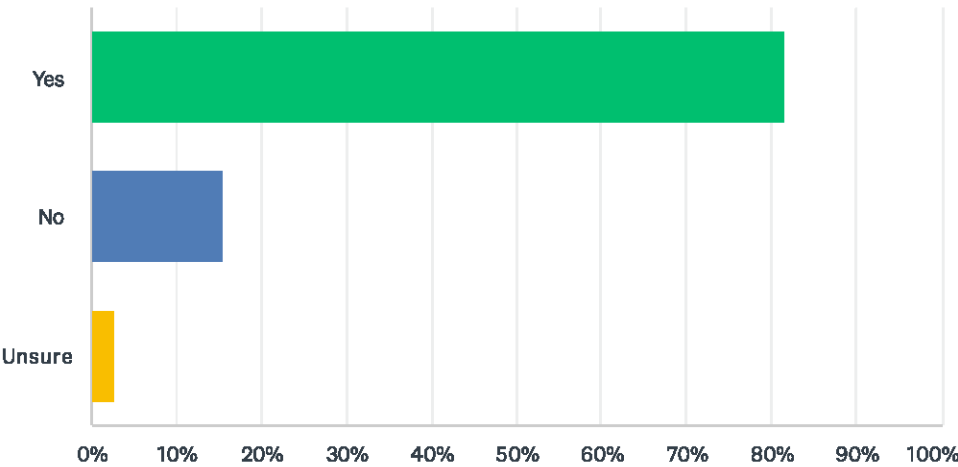
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		78.95%	315
No		18.55%	74
Unsure		2.51%	10
TOTAL			399

Q7 Is providing education and community facilities within Romsey still important?

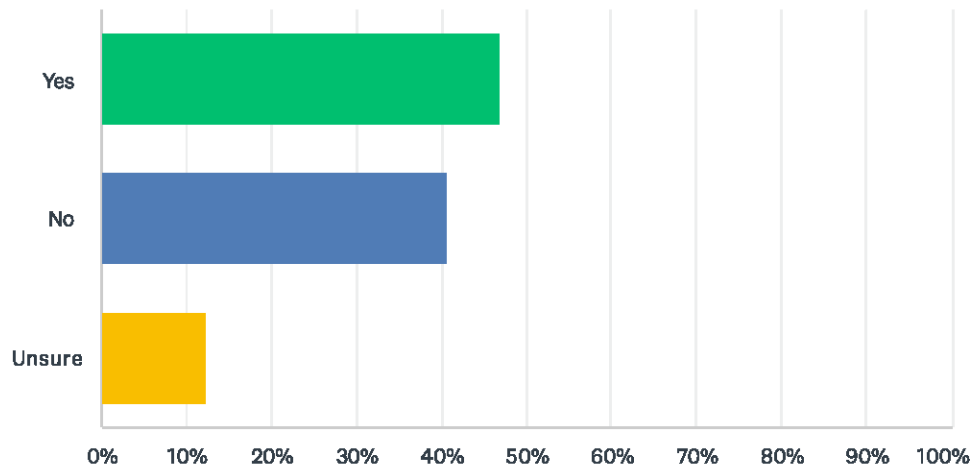
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		81.57%	323
No		15.66%	62
Unsure		2.78%	11
TOTAL			396

## Q8 Do you support the vision and objectives? These are intended to guide the structure plan.

Answered: 251 Skipped: 156



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	47.01% 118
No	40.64% 102
Unsure	12.35% 31
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>251</b>

#	TELL US WHY YOU THINK THAT:	DATE
1	I do but the Emerging Paper seems to contradict the objectives - example you can't maintain the rural feel of the town if you allow it to grow beyond its current boundary.	4/5/2022 8:22 AM
2	I think the vision and objectives sound fantastic, but it is clear through some of your answers to questions in the online Q&A and options paper that the structure plan won't be able to influence some of them. If you fail to restrict development to larger land lots Romsey's setting as a township within a rural landscape and appropriate township character will be lost. Allowing development without ensuring vital infrastructure is in place beforehand (appropriate water supply, water treatment, electricity supply, transport and community services) will not lead to a sustainable, resilience township that meets the social and cultural needs of its residents. The last objective does not acknowledge that without upgrading public transport links it is impossible for residents to not have to rely on vehicle ownership. To then expect this transport to improve as a result of approving large developments is exactly the reason why so many developments in outer Melbourne suffer significant traffic issues. It also doesn't recognise that if you live further than 10 minutes walk, some people are unable to travel into town for groceries, the doctor or pharmacy without driving - reducing car spaces or parking in town while advocating for development at the same time will only make this harder for all residents.	4/2/2022 4:16 PM
3	However I am concerned that the vision and most of the objectives are unachievable for some of the larger growth proposals considered in the Emerging Options Paper.	4/1/2022 4:16 PM
4	not all option have been explored Infrastructure (ie transport, water sewage, enviromental effects to 5 mile creek) needs to be improved with an expanding town. This paper seems to fall short.	4/1/2022 3:38 PM
5	Yes, is important to retain Romsey's small rural charm. That is why I moved here. Do not turn it into another sprawling mess like Gisborne or small blocks like Lancefield, jammed in like sardines.	4/1/2022 1:06 PM

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6	Emerging Option 3. East and South Expansion is the option I would most likely support as it has in my opinion the least impact on the surrounding beauty of the area. Emerging Option 1 would also be ok, but less preferred than Option 3. Option 2 North and West Growth would take away prime agricultural land to the north and would also require significant infrastructure upgrades. The area to the west of town is incredibly beautiful and the gateway to Mount Macedon, I would not support any further development on the western side of Melbourne - Lancefield Road as the recent subdivision at Greenfields Boulevard is a serious eye saw on the beautiful mountainous backdrop.	3/31/2022 10:26 PM
7	Council needs to ensure that this doesn't become a free for all for developers building, low quality, "disposable" housing that leaves the town in a worse state. Why not ensure that all building needs to be at the highest level of sustainability supported by local community power Infrastructure. The roads dont cope now so a plan addressing ease of movement and no congestion are vital components. Am i to assume that at 10000 residents Romsey will be getting a hospital to cater for the increased population.	3/31/2022 9:41 PM
8	You don't support the infrastructure already in place in and around Romsey, so why promise the world when you know you have no intention of following through on any other infrastructure in the area	3/31/2022 8:10 PM
9	There is intense pressure to make Romsey subject to "peri-urban development". Romsey is a rural township. Need to contain Romsey from impacting valuable environment. This is basic climate change mitigation.	3/31/2022 6:30 PM
10	These visions etc seem very idealistic, but doesn't address the major problem of the enormous, and increasing, volume of heavy vehicle traffic going through the centre of Romsey, starting about 5am. Hardly conducive to creating an idyllic rural atmosphere. I think a Romsey bypass is essential in any future planning.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
11	Option 1 should be the preferred Option for town Growth. Any Greenfield's developments need to go to the South of the town to preserve the good red soils to the East, North and West	3/31/2022 5:04 PM
12	From what I can read I agree with most of what is stated, however, the 'Glossy' description and post-it messages on maps clouds what you are trying to convey. It is not easy reading and appear contradictory. Some messages on the maps read Develop south for housing and the same for north but then states leave as primary agricultural land. The presentation allows for the interpreter to extract whatever they want from it. Some hard-core clarity required please.	3/31/2022 4:34 PM
13	The vision and objectives are not achievable in options 2 & 3. While part of option 2 does benefit residents by upgrading their utilities.	3/31/2022 4:08 PM
14	To constrained - needs to be enlarged and have a more flexible options approach. The resume of community feedback provided to the Issues and Opportunities Paper in 2018 was not representative of all the diverse responses at the two meetings held in the Hub August 2018.	3/31/2022 3:41 PM
15	I think growth is good. With growth will come better infrastructure and better activities for our town. Tourism will increase which will be great for local businesses.	3/31/2022 3:22 PM
16	However, any development should not consume productive agricultural land nor should construction to the property boundary allowed on the housing estates as this does not support the character of Romsey as a rural township.	3/31/2022 3:01 PM
17	The objectives are reasonable and even exciting if they are to be achieved, however the content of the Emerging Options Paper does not really seek to address the objectives in any meaningful way. The Paper seems to suggest that no further infrastructure development/improvement in Romsey will be invested in by Council without significant housing development into productive agricultural land. I don't believe that Romsey can retain a small town/rural feel with the housing development that is being proposed. Meanwhile, the town in its current state cannot support more housing development with its very limited public infrastructure (lack of transport, lack of walking/riding paths, the need to drive to other townships to access swimming lessons, etc.) It appears to me that Council is seeking to grow Romsey to the size of Kilmore or Wallan (which decidedly DON'T have a rural feel to them), without any commitment to spend any meaningful money on making Romsey a desirable place to live.	3/31/2022 12:24 PM
18	Romsey needs to grow otherwise it will wither and die. We need an aquatic centre and a better supermarket. We need facilities that reduce our travelling time to these facilities. We need other education options. Again to stop the travelling.	3/31/2022 12:10 PM
19	However the road and transport links particularly to Melbourne are inadequate now, so any	3/31/2022 12:01 PM

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plan to expand the township should put these as the top, number 1 objective. For example the plan should have a rail link implemented before the towns expansion takes place, and not afterwards. In addition the current growth of Sunbury should be assessed as to its impact on this transport infrastructure and a Sunbury, Airport, and Bulla by-pass be included in the plan.

20	The paper assumes significant growth is required in Romsey, whilst some growth is required There needs to be an uplift in infrastructure, roads, public transport, schools, recreational assets, commercial precinct, power & gas, water and sewerage, data / communications etc before there is significant growth set to occur in Romsey. The country town character needs to be maintained	3/31/2022 11:12 AM
21	I support improved services whilst maintaining the character of Romsey.. Unfortunate Options 2 & 3 that have been heavily pushed by the consultants by the shire push out the town boundaries in large suburban medium to high density housing. This is promoted without corresponding planning discussion on essential infrastructure for power & gas, water sewerage, public transport, roads, schools and recreational assets	3/31/2022 9:14 AM
22	More houses are going to equal more rates which can be invested in the community.	3/31/2022 6:33 AM
23	Support Romsey as a rural township with a rural landscape - not a satellite suburb of Melbourne. Also ensure it has rural landscape maintained in the north and east. Lack of key commercial infrastructure - pub and second supermarket limits vibrancy and employment	3/30/2022 10:18 PM
24	Infrastructure needs to be improved before growth can happen this includes roads, sewerage plant upgrade at a minimum.	3/30/2022 7:50 PM
25	The objective to maintain the setting of Romsey as a township within a rural landscape is difficult when housing estates are popping up everywhere. Not keeping with the "look" of the town. With that said we've only got one small supermarket to support all these new estates going up continually.	3/30/2022 2:31 PM
26	Population increase in Romsey is not sustainable as limits have now been reached on vital infrastructure eg Sewerage and electricity	3/30/2022 1:20 PM
27	It falls well short of when considering key infrastructure, of which there is very little at this point. It plans to build on some of the best agricultural land in Victoria, it ignores other options to expand toward Sunbury, SOUTH, it fails to address the current lack of facilities and infrastructure, it failed to communicate with the community with enough time and it failed to understand that the community does not want Romsey to become Sunbury, it wants to become a well-manicured village that is known for its beauty and tourism. People from Melbourne don't go at the weekend to Sunbury or Craigburn, they want to go to Dalesford, Woodend, Lancefield, and Romsey. Have a vision for quaint, farming, countryside, NOT Suburbia.	3/30/2022 10:15 AM
28	I support low scale growth but increased township resources needs to come first. The growth of Romsey over the past 10 years occurred with no additional resources and has put the township at an unstable level. The township are forced to remain commutable for everything, which is significantly in contradiction to current climate change policies. Recreation facilities and affordable supermarket are the leading areas that a significantly under resourced.	3/30/2022 9:47 AM
29	Progression and green spaces are essential	3/29/2022 9:59 PM
30	Incorrect data and no dates placed on promises	3/29/2022 8:42 PM
31	The department of agriculture and land did a survey that identified soils around Romsey as some of the richest in Victoria. On par with East Gippsland. Your vision and objectives are not to concrete and build over premium agricultural land - yet your expanded town boundary options propose this. It is also against the town character to spread out further, and think less about the services delivered to the town. The paper makes no commitment to services, only land rezoning and acquisition.	3/29/2022 3:32 PM
32	you're building on farms.	3/29/2022 3:16 PM
33	Option 1 is the only option that supports the draft objectives. Option 2 and 3 propose rezoning and building over the top of some of the best farm land in Victoria. You do not meet your own objectives with the second and third options: You do not maintain the setting of Romsey as a township within a rural landscape You do not deliver development suitable to town character. We are not a suburban sprawl town. You do not provide community infrastructure with this plan, it is just a release of land for you to develop.	3/29/2022 3:01 PM
34	I am unsure that non-reliance on vehicles is viable for everyone living in Romsey. Like most regional towns, people enjoy the larger lifestyle block, therefore, the towns need to sprawl	3/29/2022 12:12 PM

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out further. If living within the five or ten minute radius, walking is an option for those who are able to. I doubt that it would ever be viable to have a regular bus service. However, opportunities for community Uber type services to assist people who are unable to drive a car is important. Cycling is a good option for younger people (students) and there should definitely be connected pathways and access throughout any new housing estates to provide cycling and walking options. These should connect with a regular bus service to Clarkefield train station

35	Leave Romsey rural	3/28/2022 10:24 PM
36	Leave Romsey rural no units for 10 garden place no consideration for residents in the cul de sac . Very disappointed.	3/28/2022 10:13 PM
37	Maintaining the heritage and farm/landscape of the town is VERY important. I support development that's has given consideration to climate change and India history	3/28/2022 5:28 PM
38	No input or consultation from the State Government who control roads, education and can override council through VCat.	3/28/2022 5:07 PM
39	YES, in principle, I support maintaining the heritage and landscapes of the town. I support development that is considerate of climate change, economic prosperity with sound and clear strategic direction. Consideration for alternative types of development is key to the future success and viability of the town.	3/28/2022 5:07 PM
40	Your changes mean our farmeres have to sell. We are a farming town. You do not Maintain the setting of a town within rural landscape.	3/28/2022 11:04 AM
41	Vision objective 1 Option 2 & 3 do not support the first vision: To maintain the setting of Romsey in a township within a rural landscape. Option 2 goes some way to achieve this. Option 3 will expand township boundary straight into delicate ecosystems of 5 mile creek, currently maintained and nurtured by landowners. You build directly on some of Victoria's most fertile volcanic soils (Land study 2017) You jeopardize farmers that have been here for 5+ generations by building into our scenic landscape. More reasonable options would have included building directly south. - Vision objective 2 Development options 2 and 3 are not appropriate for the township character. Over 100 residents came to a community lead meeting (with only a few days notice) to cite that they were all unhappy with the options presented. None of us remain in town, or have moved here because we want to live in a large township. Development is inevitable, and everyone understands the town boundary probably needs to change to accommodate this. But Option 3 is NOT in line with the second objective to expand appropriately. - Vision objective 3 Sustainable and resilient townships are something you see when services, infrastructure AND population come together to create a meaningful economy. This paper promises only more residents (in high density development) with little to no framework around the other critical elements operate. Residents will move here because it's cheap, but they will travel to Lancefield for essentials and further afar for non essentials.	3/28/2022 9:44 AM
42	The objective obviously didn't guide the structure plan, as the suggestions of expansion to the East, North and West all contradict these objectives.	3/27/2022 9:40 PM
43	Whilst the visions and objectives are sound, the proposed options for town growth do not meet these (aside for the option to only grow within the existing town boundaries).	3/27/2022 9:20 PM
44	I support the allocation of large blocks 800-1200 sq meters but I do not support the allocation of small blocks of 400-600 square meters By creating high density housing estates this will create social problems and lower the appeal of the town for those wanting a rural country township	3/27/2022 5:24 PM
45	I support the objectives, but I don't believe either options 2 or 3 for town growth are actually in keeping with these objectives, particularly objectives 1, 2, 3 and 6.	3/27/2022 4:10 PM
46	During discussions, MRSC has eluded to increased social housing in the area. I am opposed to this.	3/26/2022 2:12 PM
47	We need to develop the town before e become a ghost town with the already existing residents we all go elsewhere to shop coffee etc as we have nothing	3/26/2022 10:50 AM
48	We want a woodend NOT a Sunbury. You are planning too much high density housing in some of romseys most beautiful areas. We want to be a country town with a pub, good shops, decent restaurants and a medium sized school. We don't want to be a suburb of Melbourne	3/26/2022 9:03 AM
49	romsey needs more infrastruture and continuing iprovements , We are stuck in a hole and need to progree and get with it We have fell so far down from other towns with there natural imprivements its not good	3/25/2022 4:17 PM



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50	I don't agree with the level of expansion. We moved here for a rural lifestyle, not to live in suburbia.	3/23/2022 6:13 PM
51	Vision is too verbose. Editing down to half the words word sharpen its impact Objective 6. If this relates to intra town movement then the statement should refer to footpaths and cycleways explicitly.	3/23/2022 12:13 PM
52	The vision and objective focuses on the positives to come from the growth of Romsey, and they are all great.	3/22/2022 9:43 PM
53	Lots of green open spaces with lathe block sizes.	3/22/2022 8:08 PM
54	Growth needs to happen, but infrastructure needs to be sorted	3/22/2022 5:39 PM
55	Romsey needs funds invested in it to improve the town and support the current growth	3/22/2022 5:25 PM
56	Before we grow Romsey to 10000 people we need infrastructure - a high school a pool and decent roads and public transport	3/22/2022 3:10 PM
57	I am a [REDACTED] very recently moved to Romsey. Whilst I am more than across the breadth of a Vision statement and the Objectives which support it, I cannot see anything which particularly distinguishes Romsey from a raft of other rural townships. Additionally, I see as problematic the drafting of a Vision before the "nuts and bolts" such as the extent of development are sorted out. This Statement supports all of the 3 various scenarios which are later addressed. This is inappropriate and unhelpful in my view. The Vision should be informed by the detail of what is proposed for Romsey in terms of, the extent of development, amongst other things.	3/21/2022 5:28 PM
58	keeping the character of the town and enhancing the look is key to reinvigorating Romsey as well as higher rates for buildings that have been abandoned (supermarket and pub in main street). These properties are having a detrimental impact on the look and feel of the town and holding back development. Needs to be more appealing to attract other businesses. Planting more trees and preserving nature is key	3/20/2022 10:09 PM
59	There is no vision only put more houses in the town and overload all the existing services. Also there is no plan for the town no actual plan as to what will go where even 20 years from now. If you don't plan now everything will be built on the outskirts of the town creating a traffic nightmare.	3/20/2022 1:49 PM
60	The "Vision" is in line with what I expect to happen in Romsey, however the "Objectives" are very vague and leave room for interpretation. Additionally, having objectives without a timeline will allow for any projects to be delayed or never completed - problem that seems to occur often when MRSC is involved. Objective: To maintain the setting of Romsey as a township within a rural landscape * AGREE Objective: To ensure development is appropriate to the township character. * DISAGREE WITH HOW VAGUE THIS IS! * COMMENTS: What does "appropriate" mean in this context? Appropriate to who? Us residents or developers? Objective: To create a more sustainable and resilient township. * DISAGREE WITH HOW VAGUE THIS IS! * COMMENTS: How do you intend to achieve a more sustainable township? What are the priorities? Whats is the timeframe to develop each topic, such as electricity, food, transport, education, water, land, jobs, sewerage...? Objective: To create additional and appropriate housing, jobs and activity in the township with a vibrant town centre and employment areas. * DISAGREE WITH HAVING ONLY 3 DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS. WHY ONLY 3? * COMMENTS: How these 3 options were decided and who came up with them? The East-South option does not take into account the proximity with the sewerage station, which could result in cheap housing options on said area, attracting unwanted population. Also, before expanding, we require essential services such as transportation. What is the point in growing if there is no essential infrastructure and services? Objective: To ensure the township provides community infrastructure to meet the social and cultural needs of its residents * DISAGREE WITH THE PLAN NOT DISPLAYING THE TRUE SOCIAL AND CULTURAL NEEDS OF ITS RESIDENTS. * COMMENTS: Between my husband and I, we have attended to all meeting about the Romsey Structure Plan and we spoke with A LOT of people. No one that we spoke with, including us, has been consulted by the Plan to Place consultants. How would they know our needs and wants if they haven't spoken with us??? Objective: To ensure residents are provided with a variety of movement options that are safe, accessible, integrated and do not rely on vehicle ownership within the township. * PARTIALLY AGREE * COMMENTS: Agree that lack of public transport is a significant issue for young people and that transportation (or the lack thereof) is a huge issue - for my family this is one of the major ones, to be honest. But I am interested to know where the breakdown of travel destinations (page 40) came from, since they didn't seem to have consulted anyone from Romsey. The statement from page 42 is accurate however it does not state how the problem will be fixed: "Public transport services in Romsey are insufficient to meet many of the needs of existing and future residents. The	3/20/2022 1:46 PM



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weekday hourly services from Lancefield to Sunbury cater for some needs, such as connection to Melbourne via Metro Train services (although these operate every 40 minutes, so they will not align with the bus services), shopping and some job opportunities". So I ask: HOW AND WHEN THIS PROBLEM WILL BE FIXED?

61	Support romsey town growth while maintaining its character as a rural country town.	3/20/2022 12:24 PM
62	I support the stated vision and objectives, with emphasis on retaining the rural character of Romsey. However I feel it is already threatened with the current higher density housing estates with little character. I don't feel that more suburban higher density housing estates would be in keeping with the vision and objectives.	3/18/2022 10:17 PM
63	I don't support the 4th objective. I do not think it is MRSC's role to meddle with employment and business. Most of all, the 2nd most important objective should be to conserve the prime agricultural land that surrounds Romsey. We have seen such land swallowed up by development to the East of Melbourne - Pakenham and Berwick etc. and to the West - Keilor. Australia is not a rich agricultural soil country. Where are we going to get our food from when China cuts us off from overseas sources if we have covered our best agricultural land in houses just because it is in proximity to Melbourne????	3/18/2022 4:13 PM
64	Don't use good agricultural land for new developments we need to keep as much agricultural land going in this state. Plus high Bushfire areas why?	3/18/2022 10:03 AM
65	This survey is far too complicated .	3/17/2022 10:02 PM
66	There needs to be a proper community led process to develop the vision and objectives that reflects a diversity of interests and is informed by opportunities and constraints. The structure plan should be framed around the community vision.	3/17/2022 2:11 PM
67	The land surrounding the existing town boundary should not be re-zoned to enable housing development. It would ruin the character of the town and lead to another Sunbury or Melton style environment.	3/17/2022 9:39 AM
68	with simple improvements a pub an alternative supermarket footpaths the town is fine	3/16/2022 6:11 PM
69	I have been living in Romsey now for nearly 12 months. The main problems I have found are lack of facilities and transport issues. I have two teenagers who are not able to ride their bikes to Woodend or around Romsey safely. Cars are often speeding along Barry Street and through the main township - probably because there is not a lot there so it just feels like a thoroughfare. There needs to be a bus service to Woodend - I have spoken to the PTV and they agree there is a need for it. The issue with the large unused supermarket holding up the towns development is also very hard to understand as well as the pub on the corner. A friend from [REDACTED] asked if there had been a shoot out at the pub, as that's what it looks like all boarded up. It's a disgrace really since that is one of the first things you see coming into Romsey. The IGA carpark is also really rundown. It's a shame as Romsey is so close to Woodend which has been really developed so the community is thriving that not more effort has been put into Romsey.	3/16/2022 12:21 PM
70	We moved into this town because it is a small, friendly rural town. We should get improved services and infrastructure but focusing on growth of population changes the "feel" of the town	3/16/2022 9:43 AM
71	It's going to depend on how well you manage the peripheral issues - how will you maintain and upkeep roads? How will you ensure that commercial property owners are not going to continue to keep their doors closed? Your track record has been less than optimal so far	3/16/2022 9:30 AM
72	The vision doesn't match what Romsey is all about. We moved here to live in a country, small town and the vision proposed will take this away. I guess the real question here is: Has the population in Romsey asked for this new vision and objectives?	3/16/2022 7:41 AM
73	I don't see why this town should take on so many extra people, when the state govt doesn't upgrade Anything to support .. I believe that council do not listen do not listen to the the people, bike tracks seriously, very few bike riders here,	3/16/2022 6:01 AM
74	This document a "cut and paste" disgrace. It has clearly been prepared by people who either don't care or have a vested interest in a specific outcome. The 28,000 population requirement for a desperately needed high school, which is based on a metro area not a regional one, is but one of many many examples. That the council is spending rate payer money (my money) on it ,should be a cause for great personal shame for everyone involved.	3/15/2022 10:19 PM
75	To build Romsey as a destination town, with links back to its 'small town' appeal. Increased community facilities and support for small businesses, with the infrastructure improvements to increase the central hub to make Romsey more visitor friendly.	3/15/2022 9:09 PM

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76	We are needing first of all to improve our current infrastructure before we expand. we need to improve our roads especially and to open up all the already there shops and business which are closed.	3/15/2022 9:07 PM
77	important to promote development within the existing town centre while maintaining the "rural" background of the town	3/15/2022 3:00 PM
78	I support reinvigorating the township, improved public spaces and better connectivity but do not support any vision that triples the towns population especially if it is at the expense of expanding the town boundary onto premium agricultural land (not only a local issue but recognised at State level as an issue of great concern) This type of urban development is out of character with Romsey's country town heritage and more suited to a large district township supported by rail transport	3/15/2022 12:58 PM
79	On the whole the vision and objectives seem reasonable however I am concerned you will not honour them or listen to the wants of the community. We should not be held to ransom by saying you have to accept a large increase in the population for the Council to deliver,	3/14/2022 10:52 PM
80	romsey needs to remain rural, small town we are close enough to other centres for facilities and recreation.	3/14/2022 6:04 AM
81	a bunch of loaded questions before this one	3/12/2022 4:47 PM
82	The rural landscape is an attractive feature of moving to Romsey and should be preserved, whilst also balancing the need for affordable housing options within commuting distance for Melbourne and providing more opportunities with the township for employment and engagement for those who can't or don't wish to commute.	3/11/2022 12:34 PM
83	Leave Romsey as a smaller regional town. This is why the current residents live here. Do not become a suburb like Sunbury where houses are being placed in every little bit of spare land.	3/11/2022 7:19 AM
84	I think there is too much emphasis on the past in terms of reference to european settlement. for example the presence of exotic trees along main st. and some of the heritage buildings are not exactly serviceable or particularly charming. I'm not in opposition of maintaining these key reference points but they do point towards a single note in the history of the town. Remembering that the town was built around farming opportunities in the late 1850's is just 1 story. The town was and still is somewhat transient and small. In part I feel that the town needs to embrace diversity and modernity and the towns character should really embrace change and look towards the future for its structure plan. It should reference the types of produce that is being grown in the area today. e.g. So many vineyards in surrounding areas but not grapes vines in the town centre. Several poultry farms, a flower farm, tree farm and no reference to what people are doing on the outskirts. For years I was hoping that grape vines may be planted in lions park - perhaps the redevelopment project can include this. An empty pergola has been barren since it was built. I think we need modern architecture in town - creative extensions to old building. The library could be expanded to include a modern annex set up as rooms for learning or hubs for working in. Use of materials such as corrugated iron and clinker brick can still be used in modern building. A tech over hall is in need with spaces that open up to the light. So many heritage building are so enclosed and dark.	3/11/2022 12:06 AM
85	I do support the vision, but the new subdivisions being built do not support the vision. They lack diversity of architecture, 90% have grey roofs with small green space for trees and garden, so are hotter. They mimic suburbia, not a rural town.	3/10/2022 11:48 PM
86	Don't want the dynamic of the town changed to mimic the city... people out here are kind courtesy towards eachother... bringing in more city folk will change this	3/10/2022 9:55 PM
87	I don't support increasing the population & taking over agricultural land to build more houses. Developers are being allowed to divide land into unrealistic small blocks where in an area such as Romsey, the land size should be 1000 SQM plus. The local community of Romsey does not want the town turned into another Sunbury for example. Increasing the population especially by introducing more houses on smaller residential block sizes has a tendency to increase crime and drug activity. People who live in Romsey & Lancefield do so for the small country town ambience & lifestyle. Climate change is also indicating more and more that mother nature has pretty much reached it's limit, globalisation needs to now reduce from a big picture perspective, so the small picture of that is to not have continual never ending population growth.	3/10/2022 4:28 PM
88	You are forcing people like me, [REDACTED] being large and small, to move on when we don't want to	3/9/2022 4:25 PM
89	Leave Eden park alone I don't live in Romsey anymore but luv it	3/9/2022 3:51 PM

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90	The town needs to grow so as to provide facilities to make it vibrant.	3/9/2022 3:37 PM
91	I don't believe the Council should choose either north/west or south/east development. I believe they should blend both. For example development should continue south to Greens Lane where the existing commercial land is, extend east of Tickawarra and extend west. Development should not occur as this is valuable farmland and provides good differentiation between Romsey and Lancefield.	3/9/2022 1:44 PM
92	It is important to keep the small town a small rural town, overpopulating it like you have done in Gisborne is definitely not what we want, we move to these nice small towns for peace and harmony when you overpopulate them like you have in Gisborne all as you are doing is extending the city further out and the very reason we leave the city gets brought to us forcing us to move out further where you have not touched it yet. Forcing farmers lifetime work to be sold off to make more room for more housing is not at all what we want, you seem to be confused when we ask for some basic services to be provided to us we mean overpopulating our lovely little town, that is not what we are asking for, we just want some basic everyday things and whilst I appreciate without the population you cannot provide those things there should be a compromise made, not wreck our town, I will be dead by the time this is completed so it won't really effect me, but I do know for sure, people move here for the serenity I don't think you should be wreaking havoc on our lifestyle that we pay for in lots of ways, more insurance, more in fuel, more in registrations, land & house value is less than suburbia, but we are willing to pay that price in return for a nice peaceful, safer, small town atmosphere	3/9/2022 11:48 AM
93	Priority to maintaining a rural landscape. Any expansion outside of 400m from town centre to have a minimum of 1500m2 lots. 2nd priority to provide cycle/walking links to Clarkefield Station	3/8/2022 10:00 PM
94	As per normal, we are expanding population then providing the services, utilities and infrastructure. Why are we growing the population in Romsey with poor to limited infrastructures and services, particularly public transport.	3/8/2022 9:58 PM
95	It is important to keep Romsey with a rural vibe, improve community facilities, highlight and enhance Romseys natural environment creating a hub for walking and writing.	3/8/2022 8:32 PM
96	I think there are definitely good opportunities for growing Romsey, and it's fantastic that Council is looking at this. With a larger town, there are greater opportunities. I feel there is lots of concern around the scale and density of any potential rezoning. Lots of folks in Romsey love it here the lifestyle and lot size that enables some of the lifestyles. My view is that if there is a growth in the town, any newly rezoned areas should continue to maintain the *average* lot size of the existing township. Developers may have some larger and smaller lots within their developments, but if they maintain the average; some of the existing strengths and appeals of Romsey are captured intrinsically. It also helps sell any new zones to existing residents, as while the number of residents will increase; the density will stay the same. It also shows the council isn't chasing increased revenues here in a 'greedy' way. In regards to some of the commercial rezoning ideas; there's defiantly an opportunity to motivate existing zoned - but vacant or unused - sites. There are heaps of unused sites. I'm sure the entire community would love to see more done with unused sites. It'd be good to develop a new specific industrial area/park to help facilitate growth. With a few local businesses moving from Main street, it highlighted how few available industrial sites are around.	3/8/2022 8:14 PM
97	I understand that planning for the future is extremely important and growth of communities will happen but I'm not sure why it's happening in Romsey when Clarkfield is nearby and properties have already been purchased for development there. It also already has a train station and primary school, it seems like a waste of money and resources to not plan around the structures that are already in place. If growth in every Macedon ranges shire town keeps going, there will be nowhere "peaceful and quiet" to live anymore and it eventually takes away from the appeal of the towns in the first place which is a major contributor as to why people choose to move out this way. I would hate to see our slow, still country lifestyles become urbanised for the sake of extra rates to pay for roads that are not being fixed.	3/8/2022 4:12 PM
98	Romsey should remain as a small town and not be allowed to become another Sunbury with inappropriate and rampant housing estates. The town boundary should not be expanded to accommodate housing. Existing zoning should remain, that is keep the existing rural living and farming zones.	3/8/2022 9:54 AM
99	Leave the boundary of the town as is, we don't want Romsey to grow beyond that, develop within the boundary and no more.	3/8/2022 7:56 AM
100	I do not believe the boundary should be moved this land is owned by farmers who have a	3/7/2022 6:59 PM



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right to run livestock as they will as it is the farmers land not the councils to profit money out of !

101	There is no discussion about why Romsey should increase population. Who is pushing for development? What are the implications of higher population on greenhouse gas emissions and climate change? Why should Romsey increase population when other towns in the shire better positioned with public transport and freeways are being developed? There are obvious problems with increased developments associated with lack of infrastructure in the town and poor quality connecting roads from the town. Recent housing developments have been poorly constructed with lack of buffer zones, lack of environmental stewardship such as rainwater tanks, solar power and community battery bank.	3/7/2022 6:34 PM
102	The growth of the town needs to happen in line with the character of the town. I believe this means EXTENDING the town boundaries.	3/7/2022 1:48 PM
103	I understand progress has to happen, but that is why a lot of people moved to Romsey because of the country vibe, the younger generation move here because its cheaper than living in the city, and they want to change the whole concept of country living	3/7/2022 8:59 AM
104	The Council seems to be driven by increasing its income by expanding Romsey beyond its current footprint. Romseys charm is that it is a small town surrounded by farming and/or countryside. The only improvements should occur in the current footprint to enhance the current communities needs.	3/6/2022 11:33 PM
105	Large population growth and smaller dwellings will change the country feel of Romsey, create busyness and bring the stress of city living here to the currently relaxed town of Romsey. So I am opposed to that part of the plan. The environmental improvements along 5 mile creek, maintaining and improving vegetation, and increasing sustainability in Romsey are a great idea. I support these.	3/6/2022 9:13 PM
106	I support efforts to encourage growth within the commercial zone land within Romsey CBD. Vacant commercially zoned land and ofcourse land left to rot away is an absolute detractor to a thriving community centre.	3/6/2022 6:32 PM
107	I think any town needs to develop and grow. Having a structured plan seems to be a logical step.	3/6/2022 5:37 PM
108	There are aspects I support, growing the town mean improved services but there needs to be input from people who own land in the are and what impact this will have on them and their land. Rezoning needs to be transparent and people need to be able to continue farming without having to submit lengthy and costly permits.	3/6/2022 5:15 PM
109	There seems no benefit making Romsey a suburb leave us as a town or is the plan to join us with Sunbury and make us metro. No way leave Romsey the way it is as a quaint small town	3/6/2022 5:06 PM
110	The order of objectives does not correlate with the questions / answers page dictated by the community. The required infrastructure needs to take precedence. The structure plan focuses on redevelopment that impacts landholders with the promise that in order to meet the community expectations around infrastructure, the population needs to grow, however there are towns across the state of Victoria with smaller populations that are still granted educational institutes and much needed infrastructure. The approach to a structure plan for Romsey is not consistent across the shire with Mt Macedon seemingly exempt from redevelopment and re zoning of land. The term 'Land take' referred to throughout the consultation documents is an insult to landholders and reinforces the councils strategy with regard to taking land over focusing on what the community wants.	3/6/2022 4:24 PM
111	Romsey is isolated enough to continue as a largish country town without becoming just another commuter suburb. Most importantly, we need to stop looking like a hick town in terminal decline: closed old supermarket, boarded-up hotel, Evans' never open, crumbling old garage, sleazy hairdressing precinct etc	3/6/2022 3:44 PM
112	I support the expansion of connecting the town to clarkfield. I believe if there is more connection with the railway station it will be used more. Both bia the proposed bike path & extra small shuttle services this is achievable and i believe will actually be used. The vision objectives seem to highlight the main issues whilst still teying to keep character of the town	3/3/2022 10:47 PM
113	I dont Know What you mean	3/3/2022 11:56 AM
114	Not interested in large scale shopping centres or wholesale zones. No requirement for another Craigieburn plaza or other generic shopping centres. Not interested in having more dense housing tiny little suburban sized blocks.	3/3/2022 11:55 AM
115	The most important part of any regional town is the MAIN st. Development of pohlman st	3/3/2022 11:17 AM

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will take people away from the main st. This we dont agree with.

116	I support the intentions of the objectives but feel concerned that the Council may go too far in the development of Romsey. To date there has only been an increase in housing and nothing done to address accessibility in and around the town, the business opportunities or empty shops or any social functions. At present it looks like the Council is happy to get more money from the increasing number of residents but provide nothing more for them.	3/3/2022 10:57 AM
117	Romsey needs better public transport. This is important as hundreds commute for work and you either have to drive to Melbourne or to the train at Clarkefield. The bus to Clarkefield is ok but we can do better.	3/2/2022 10:20 PM
118	Yes all looks good. But my major issue is the pub being closed. The pub would bring more younger people to the town and would stop passing by travellers more then anything you've suggested.	3/2/2022 7:30 PM
119	Smile creek is dodgy and I wouldn't walk down there. People don't use the small parks dotted around town- shire took out their play equipment. Each should have some reason to go there.	3/1/2022 11:00 PM
120	I'm hopeful that no more land is sold off for development. I moved to Romsey to get away from all the overcrowded communities and now it seems more and more homes are planned O be built. Seriously considering moving further out if this happens.	3/1/2022 6:56 PM
121	We would like to see Romsey be able to cater for younger families as they grow up, so that people can stay in the community for education instead of needing to go to surrounding areas.	3/1/2022 5:38 PM
122	Town needs people, unique businesses	3/1/2022 2:06 PM
123	Romsey needs to grow. It's currently a dead end town. We need infrastructure and amenities desperately. Why should we go to neighbouring towns?	2/28/2022 8:35 PM
124	Community infrastructure must include education facilities. For over 20yrs there have been communications about increase secondary school iption with no follow through and now with zoning we are completely restricted to what public education our children can access	2/28/2022 7:57 PM
125	I do think the leve of growth is sustainable. The instrastructure des not exist for this level of growth.	2/28/2022 5:09 PM
126	I moved to Romsey 30 years ago for the quiet life. Romsey Brough council approved development might as well be another suburb of Melbourne. I do not oppose development including increasing the population however, you have approved another stage of the Lamanadra Estate, approved a residential retirement family Cnr of Lancefield Road & Hutchisons Lane and now another residential estate Cnr of Lancefield Rd & Barnes Lane. Romsey DO NOT have the infrastructure for this explosion in population. Already parking at the shopping centre is terrible, roads particularly Melbourne-Lancefield Rd is an utmost disgrace with the pot holes and road erosion. The road must be dual lanes for both directions in its entirety to cope with traffic levels even now. I do however fully support a large supermarket chain being built but again the infrastructure must be in place. Council must also support a recreation pool for Romsey.	2/28/2022 3:53 PM
127	I think romsey should stay relatively small , obviously progression is inevitable but we don't want to lose that country feel , I grew up in Sunbury was a beautiful place to grow up but the town I loved became the turn I disliked	2/28/2022 3:06 PM
128	I WISH NEWNHAMS CIVIL ENGINEERING COULD MOVER TO INDUSTRIAL AREA AND REDEVELOP THE EXISTING SIGHT TO RESIDENTIAL TO REDUCE POLLUTION AND NOISE	2/28/2022 1:44 PM
129	We live outside the current boundary and receive NO benefits from Council or from our exorbitant rates! The planning was particularly poor with a lack of safe egress to cyclists from outlying areas <5 to 10km from CBD. Children competed with trucks, tractors, buses, and ordinary motor vehicles driven by bogans! Consequently it was unsafe for them to ride and we deemed the environment unfriendly for families. What are the benefits for us now? We'll probably be dead by 2036 and we wish we'd never left Barwon Heads 22 years ago!	2/28/2022 1:10 PM
130	Romsey is growing and housing is becoming very expensive. I want to see diverse housing that existing Romsey residents can still afford so that the demographic of the town is not altered drastically.	2/28/2022 10:34 AM
131	I believe the council needs to focus on the current community before turning its attentions to increasing the population. We need to improve ammenities for the current community	2/25/2022 7:04 PM

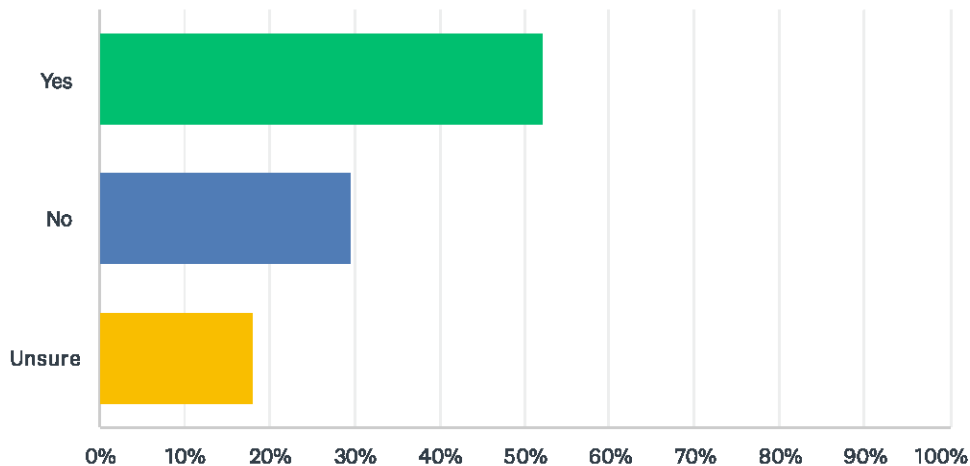
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now. Romsey is a small town and should remain as on this is why people moved here not for it to become the next Gisborne!

132	Romsey seems to have a lot of new houses and units but very little amenities to serve the growing population. It would be best to make the town centre more open and with more options. Also it's not always fun to walk on grass/road when there's enough space for a footpath in certain streets, e.g. tickawarra road and Hutchinsons Lane	2/25/2022 5:28 PM
133	When even new housing developments are allowed in Romsey all people in Romsey need to be informed rather than find out on social media. Letter drops would be important. Why is it we find out about the new development of housing north of Romsey on social media rather than council. I thought we had a green zone around Romsey obviously not; money is more important than country life.	2/24/2022 6:17 PM
134	I think there has been too many unit developments in the town and I don't think we need anymore especially when they are as disgusting as [REDACTED] and next to a buildings with heritage overlay.	2/24/2022 3:17 PM
135	As a long time Romsey resident I do not want to see our tow turn into another Gisborne. We live here because of the rural lifestyle and do not want Romsey turned into a mini suburb. Destroying more agricultural land for housing is irresponsible.	2/24/2022 12:52 AM
136	Seems to be a good understanding of the town and it's needs	2/23/2022 11:22 PM
137	Still more to discuss	2/23/2022 9:35 AM
138	Yes I support the vision we need swimming pool soccer grounds. More things for young people and families to do	2/23/2022 8:32 AM
139	Because romsey is a town who needs a major uplift	2/22/2022 3:29 PM
140	Specifically support better public transport links so cars are not essential. Electric car charging stations in town. Wildlife corridors are important to maintain local biodiversity, particularly small birds and animals, and maintain the towns rural feel. New developments are paving over valuable agricultural land. Urban agriculture options should feature in the vision.	2/22/2022 1:43 PM
141	Romsey needs to expand. The population growing will result in expansion. Or expansion will result in population	2/22/2022 1:41 PM
142	The planned new subdivision is not inline with the Romsey feel the blocks are small and should be in surburbia not in a country town like Romsey there is no infrastructure of roads for this new planned estate and they want to take land off residents who already reside here absolutely disgusting it's bad enough now with trying to turn on to main road and finding parking imagine another 1200 cars to contend with it's a joke	2/22/2022 12:15 PM
143	It's designed to foster an expansion of development or high densities. Neither acceptable,	2/18/2022 5:34 PM

## Q9 Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.1 Landscape and Natural Environment?

Answered: 247 Skipped: 160



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	52.23% 129
No	29.55% 73
Unsure	18.22% 45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>247</b>

#	TELL US WHY YOU THINK THAT:	DATE
1	Some of the responses are good like planting native trees etc. but other statements are not in keeping with the community sentiment.	4/5/2022 8:22 AM
2	I am strongly against compulsory acquisition of land or rezoning of land which makes it difficult for existing owners to retain their properties (e.g. through windfall gains tax). Any creation of public meeting spaces should be supported by adequate maintenance, there are regular instances where public spaces in the town are left trashed with broken glass and rubbish making it unsafe for those with families or dogs to actually enjoy them. You do not explain how to actually plan to ensure growth does not impact on the visual and environmental setting of the township. Revegetation of five mile creek should ensure that once weed species are removed and money spent to revegetate with new native plants that this is actually maintained and does not return to a weedy mess again. Any development along Five Mile Creek should involve direct consultation with the properties along its boundaries.	4/2/2022 4:16 PM
3	Acquiring creek frontage that is currently privately owned is not a good use of Council funds. Priority should be given to other Potential Responses as well as improved spending on things like footpaths, maintenance and cleaning of the existing parks, and upgrading the skatepark.	4/1/2022 4:16 PM
4	Further investigation into Envo effects on 5 mile creek - sewage over flow if town grows	4/1/2022 3:38 PM
5	I strongly agree with the potential response to 'Ensure the growth does not impact on the visual and environmental setting of the township'. This is specifically important not to develop prime agricultural land to the North/West/East.	4/1/2022 1:06 PM
6	I am ok with Theme 3.1. I would like to make comment about recent plans for the Five Mile Creek area though. It is clear that Melbourne consultants have done a lot of the work and referenced the urban heat island etc, and have proposed a lot of tree planting in open areas. Unfortunately Romsey's weather is a lot colder than Melbourne, and we are often covered in	3/31/2022 10:26 PM

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fog/cloud/mist. I would suggest that the urban heat island is something Romsey residents don't have to worry about, and more trees and more shade would actually make residents more vitamin D deficient. Due to the weather it is hard to get enough sunshine, so please don't over plant public open spaces, just minimal plantings to create a nice atmosphere, but please make sure enough sunshine can come through.

7	If you allow the developers to build out all the surrounding farmland you've effectively screwed the natural environment of the town and surrounds... plonking a couple of little parks in "strategic" locations won't help.	3/31/2022 9:41 PM
8	Not just Five Mile Creek but all waterways in Romsey township.	3/31/2022 6:30 PM
9	This sounds similar to some of the developements in Wodonga West, with extensive paved walking/cycling tracks and open areas intermingled with the housing. Having lived in the area I can vouch for the success of that planning.	3/31/2022 5:25 PM
10	Don't know what "re-zone incorrectly zoned" land to public park actually is referring to. It does sound as though nature is allowed to mingle within the town and that I agree with. I am all for Park areas with children friendly facilities (Perhaps a children's park like Woodend has), BBQ's etc, Aqua-centre, all in a Botanical & or Natural settings will be of benefit to towns folk and draw day-trippers to our town and it's businesses. Maybe even a Spa/Baths using local waters. (Albeit bore water).	3/31/2022 4:34 PM
11	While the current portion of Five Mile Creek in the township of Romsey is enjoyed by the residents of Romsey. Opening more of the Creek up to the East will only be removing the native animal corridor and habitat that landowners have spent the last 30 years building up by fencing off and planting out with native tree species. There has been a significant increase of native bird life over this time.	3/31/2022 4:08 PM
12	Too limiting an examination and interpretation. Obvious that it is based upon superficial aerial image information compiled without ground truthing the results to establish an error or accuracy rate. This gathering base information processes were raised at the Tuesday night Aug 14th 2018 Hub meeting with Planning Officers and whilst improved is still deficient in content and lack of audited results.	3/31/2022 3:41 PM
13	We need to make sure that any changes to 5 Mile Creek do not destroy the natural environment and should encourage the reinstatement of native vegetation.	3/31/2022 3:01 PM
14	I agree with most of the Potential Responses. Romsey would definitely benefit from focused street plantings and general greening. I also wholeheartedly agree that Five Mile Creek should be a focus for regeneration of native habitat. I think acquiring creek frontage that is currently in private ownership is fraught (there will doubtless be opposition by residents who have bought their homes purposefully for the fact that the creek flows through them. I suspect the legal bills will be costly for both the owners and Council) and not a good use of Council funds, given we have seen a lack of spending on things like footpaths, maintenance and cleaning of the existing parks, and the skatepark is little more than an eyesore. I'd much rather see money invested in improving the existing parks and in replacing the skatepark with something similar to that at Lancefield. I'd love to see the vacant block on the main street between Verdure and the Florist developed into an inviting community garden with edible herbs and vegetables, composting facilities, etc.	3/31/2022 12:24 PM
15	I agree with the plan to have Multiple Sports Open Spaces for a growing town. I am amazed that you have in the past considered putting more playing fields in ROMSEY Park and taking away parts of the golf course, rather than building new playing fields elsewhere. Rather than cramming in new residential properties a large part of that agricultural land should be made into playing fields.	3/31/2022 12:01 PM
16	yes but care needs to be given to no large trees on roads so that there is not added risk of trees falling on roads in bushfires. If large trees are allowed where they could fall on roads in bushfires this will endanger lives of Shire residents	3/31/2022 11:12 AM
17	This section of the report indicates increased tree canopy on public road verges. We live in the farming zone east of Romsey, (our family property covers most of the hills to the east of Romsey referred to in this section). Currently there are very few trees on road verges and this situation should be maintained as the road to Romsey from Wallan is a vital access road in case of bush fire. Increased large trees on road are a life threatening risk to my family in the event of bush fires.	3/31/2022 9:14 AM
18	implementation of Five Mile Creek MP a key consideration including extension to the eastern side of main st. Recognise more opportunities for access to Deep Creek with facilities that allow community to appreciate the extent and value of this asset.	3/30/2022 10:18 PM
19	3.1 Point 3 ensure growth does not impact on the visual and environmental settings of the	3/30/2022 7:50 PM



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township the inclusions of bike/ walking tracks along the Five Mile creek to accommodate new residents contradicts this statement. There will be serve environmental impacts in not only the construction of these but the long term effects of the implementation of such tracks.

20	The development of Five mile creek needs to be consistent with need of the environment - not a formed bike/ walking track and recreational equipment for humans	3/30/2022 1:20 PM
21	The Last sentence, MORE GREENING OF THE TOWN. Yes and Yes, but you can not have green with intensive housing. Please make ROMSEY a beautiful town that visitors flock to.	3/30/2022 10:15 AM
22	Incorrect data and no dates placed on promises	3/29/2022 8:42 PM
23	I don't believe the responses clearly match your objectives. Sure, develop town, beautify it with trees, signage, landscape the heck out of it. But your own principals are to consider town expansion onto agricultural land, and you're doing that with the expanded options.	3/29/2022 3:32 PM
24	plant as many trees as you like, but but not houses. we don't need more people, and more demand on the town that is already suffering because of a lack of council interest.	3/29/2022 3:16 PM
25	Your settlement principals clearly state that you don't want to impact on the visual and environmental setting of the township - yet Option 3 builds directly into some of the most beautiful landscape Romsey has (towards 5 mile creek and the mountain ranges beyond) This will be scarred with colourbond if you build. Not to mention the multitude of issues with water and waste management (yes, you think that's GWW's problem, but it'll be your TOWN's problem if they request to dump 'treated' water into our waterways) Most of Romsey are on Bores, you think that water won't be affected by contaminated waste water? Your potential responses all talk about tree planting - and that's fine. Good. Plant trees. But you're also looking to build out 5 mile creek and create parkland and access to this critical resource for our wildlife. I live against the creek and have frequent visitors of Wombats, birdlife, platypus and other waterlife. Building a park and bike path along it with 650 houses and families wanting to access the river is not an environmentally savvy move.	3/29/2022 3:01 PM
26	It is unfortunate the way Romsey has developed over the last ten years. The original recommendation was that the town should expand to the east (land directly adjacent to the recreation reserve, golf course). Further development should still be within this vicinity However it is important to note that businesses such as hardware and produce store, want to set up where there is main road frontage. The undeveloped commercial land to the South would be appropriate for these types of businesses.	3/29/2022 12:12 PM
27	I like Romsey as it is now	3/28/2022 10:24 PM
28	I like it as it is now leave it rural	3/28/2022 10:13 PM
29	To keep deep Creek clean of rubbish is a must. To plant native grasses and trees that will help with erosion is a must. The landscape throughout Romsey is beautiful, farm land adds to the semi rural feel	3/28/2022 5:28 PM
30	Refer previous answer	3/28/2022 5:07 PM
31	Again, in principle. Carefully consideration needs to be given to things like upgrading of the creek and discharge of storm water. How do manage existing issues of water sensitive urban design, the current plan is inadequate and addressing this. I want further information on how these ideas are to be presented.	3/28/2022 5:07 PM
32	DO NOT REZONE OR AQUIRE LAND from our farmers.	3/28/2022 11:04 AM
33	No I (personally) don't support the acquisition and rezoning of land that has been in possession in some cases for generations. No, I don't want to see prime agricultural land dissected further to accommodate housing when it was purchase and has been nurtured by farmers, for farming. No, I don't want to see delicate ecosystems such as the 5 mile creek wildlife highway interrupted by picnic spots and 'recreation.' I'd like to see it re-wilded and left to do it's job. Sure - do the tree bit, those are some lovely dot points, but.. No, I don't want to see 5 mile creek developed with housing all around to "interface" with the creek. I want to see native wildlife able to move around the creek freely and undisturbed.	3/28/2022 9:44 AM
34	Whilst many of these suggestions aren't bad, options 2 and 3 in the structure plan actively work against many of the objectives outlined here.	3/27/2022 9:20 PM
35	I support most of these potential responses, but once again I also believe options 2 and 3 of the structure plan both contradict the settlement principles outlined here.	3/27/2022 4:10 PM
36	not too fussed e have heaps of vegetation just dont go over the top just get us what we need and not look out for he minority	3/26/2022 10:50 AM

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37	Broadly in support. Query planting of canopy tree in centre of roundabout. Could be a "line of sight " safety issue for road users	3/23/2022 12:13 PM
38	Love it	3/22/2022 5:25 PM
39	Block sizes need to be maintained and leave Deep Creek alone	3/22/2022 3:10 PM
40	There is no commitment to doing the things mentioned. It's all possibly or potentially or could not will do. Also the developers will undervalue their land and pay 5% so they can maximise their return in must be land and 10%	3/20/2022 1:49 PM
41	Although I am unsure of the Landscape and Natural Environment propositions, I would like to make it very clear that I DO NOT support any initiatives that will punish and/or push out farmers/acreage owners - either directly or indirectly (taxes). Turning Romsey into another suburb is the last we need. Maintaining green areas is important however we also need better roads, footpaths, upgrade to the sewage plant, improved power so we don't have continual blackouts, improved public transport, a secondary school, a retirement home, increased medical facilities... the list goes on.	3/20/2022 1:46 PM
42	More green meeting spaces needed	3/20/2022 10:43 AM
43	I support the responses, particularly increased planting of large canopy trees and extending the track along 5 Mile Creek. An increased network of paths for walking and cycling (and horse riding) would be great.	3/18/2022 10:17 PM
44	Yes! Yes! Please do NOT replace oaks and elms with callistemons!!!	3/18/2022 4:13 PM
45	Not sure how the planting of Australian natives fits the historically "English" landscape values of the town and surrounding farmland. Also, Barry St is not wide enough to create a "landscape corridor" unless you are talking about outside the existing town boundary. Overhead power lines are an issue for Avenue of Honour and canopy tree plantings.	3/18/2022 11:58 AM
46	We moved to Romsey 10 years ago due to the beautiful ranges we could view while walking and driving into Romsey from east, west and south. Five mile creek is a feature that we also enjoy walking along leave it alone the last time they cut down the Willows and bushes they obstructed the path for months and now we have water only slightly running through u til we get good rain	3/18/2022 10:03 AM
47	Romsey would greatly benefit from more street trees along the main road driving into Romsey and more walking tracks. The suggestion of using bluestone kerbs in the town center is a good one as it ties in with other towns in the Macedon Ranges	3/16/2022 12:21 PM
48	Refer to the response above. It's all good and well to have these grand plans, but if you cant't maintain it then there's no benefit to the community	3/16/2022 9:30 AM
49	In terms, I do believe you can do a much better job in providing us with better responses to what we actually need. The responses provided show a very good looking view but my question would be: How is the council protecting our landscape and natural environment? Is it really smart to move up north and build houses above one of best soil in Melbourne? Is doesn't seem to be a very good decision.	3/16/2022 7:41 AM
50	Greens views are killing our farming community with their city ideas!	3/16/2022 6:01 AM
51	I do not want Deep Creek to become a pseudo sewer. Class C water is essentially a contamination.	3/15/2022 10:19 PM
52	Romsey lacks critical infrastructure for walking and biking around the town. Its nice to see that the expansion of the 5 mile creek paths may be considered. Additional paths and bike tracks around the town would also be beneficial. An increase in public green spaces that can be used would also be beneficial.	3/15/2022 9:09 PM
53	maintain the environment elements that give the town its character - avoid high density developments that are not supported by the infrastructure	3/15/2022 3:00 PM
54	3.1 Does nothing to respond to the high class soils to the East of the township currently being farmed by, in one instance a 7th generation primary producer. I do however support reclamation of council ownership of the sections of Five Mile creek in private ownership to enable continuity of community access and increasing the number of and connectivity to the towns open spaces.	3/15/2022 12:58 PM
55	We need to plant native species, provide wind breaks and using the natural landscape and low fire fuel planting provide a fire break around the current settlement boundary.	3/14/2022 10:52 PM
56	there must be an agricultural zone between Romsey and lancefield we have some of the best land in the state,	3/14/2022 6:04 AM

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57	I am quite happy with the current design of the landscape and accessibility on the northern side of the town where I live, however there is likely need for improvements on the southern side near the new developments. Any new developments should have these considerations made at the time of development and not as an afterthought.	3/11/2022 12:34 PM
58	Yes, I understand the towns character and the canopy trees as you enter town being significant. I live on the corner of [REDACTED] and there is a strong nature corridor of Eucalyps and candle bark that are equally impressive and more so because they support the magnificent array of native birds and wildlife, I would love to see more canopy, mid story and shrub native corridors, but not exotics. our indigenous trees, grasslands are far more important to the environment than an impressive oak as you enter town.	3/11/2022 12:06 AM
59	I think there is room for both exotic and native trees and vegetation. The Fig 4 map is difficult to understand and the legend seems to have no relevance. Developers should not be given the option of paying money at the expense of providing more open space.(This also applies to the previous question)	3/10/2022 11:48 PM
60	Too much development	3/10/2022 9:55 PM
61	It is very important to maintain vast areas of public space in the form of parks and gardens for recreation and off lead areas for dogs and for them to be well maintained (not sports fields) and to plant as many trees as possible.	3/10/2022 4:28 PM
62	A big tree in the round about is not a good or safe idea.	3/10/2022 10:21 AM
63	these are some basic things the town should have had years back, not a bribe, we will give them to you if we can overpopulate your town, it is so wrong	3/9/2022 11:48 AM
64	I do not support the town boundary moving past Knox Road on the South. I do support increasing landscaping, including a canopy tree at the round about and more tree lined streets.	3/8/2022 10:00 PM
65	Would love to see the 5 mile creek walkways expanded.	3/8/2022 8:32 PM
66	While Romsey does have some existing nice and lovely landscapes and natural environment; when you compare and contrast Romsey with some other townships within Macedon Ranges, there's certainly much opportunity to improve. I think all the potential responses in 3.1 have lots of merit	3/8/2022 8:14 PM
67	Especially the part that states Romsey growth does not impact on the visual and environmental setting if the township which it has with the 2 new estates with houses squashed in together with small roads if cars are parked in the street you cannot get down them and the proposed new estate the blocks are even smaller which does impact on the above statement at all which is just totally wrong	3/7/2022 6:59 PM
68	Yes but the responses are underwhelming. Where are the green buffers around the town's new housing developments? What is being suggested to counter the increased traffic using local rural roads for shortcuts into town or to avoid the town. New residents are walking, jogging, riding bikes on local rural service roads but the default speed limit is 100km per hour making the roads dangerous to use for these purposes.	3/7/2022 6:34 PM
69	Connected and continuously flowing walkways are great objective. Natural cypress pines and local fauna are appreciated by many locals.	3/6/2022 6:32 PM
70	I agree that 'High quality agricultural land to the north of the township is utilised for farming purposes' should remain the same and not be considered for redevelopment.	3/6/2022 4:24 PM
71	Enhances the natural beauty of the town	3/6/2022 3:44 PM
72	Five mile creek is not that important to me now, however i think as the town grows it will become a regular path for recreational walkers and riders	3/3/2022 10:47 PM
73	Same as the last one	3/3/2022 11:56 AM
74	Carefully consider. We've seen careful consideration on the hideous housing estate on Knox Rd. Stupid amount of street lighting, tiny blocks for a rural road. Disgusting.	3/3/2022 11:55 AM
75	I think there is definitely a need to look at the entrance to Romsey along the Melbourne-Lancefield Road to make it more appealing with more native vegetation and trees maintained properly.	3/3/2022 10:57 AM
76	You dont need a tree in the middle of the roundabout, watch someone hit it. Just some really good planting out. You need the trees on each corner and down the roads	3/1/2022 11:00 PM
77	Yes, but must be able to be maintained and well kept.	3/1/2022 5:38 PM

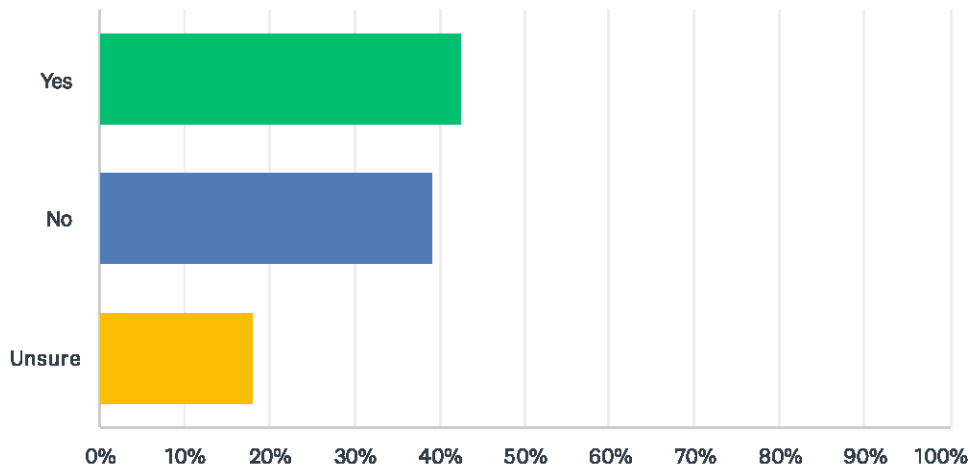
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78	Identify opportunities to use native species to re-vegetate creeks and encourage restoration in appropriate locations. Encourage home owners to plant native to the area by providing outlet to acquire tube stock. Allow owners to plant suitable natives on footpaths rather than council shoved in not ideal gum trees. Keep the charm of the town and attempt to build new structures that compliment the old existing ones.	3/1/2022 2:06 PM
79	Keep the place pretty whilst updating the stuff we need.	2/28/2022 8:35 PM
80	Romsey must maintain its country aesthetics, hence the reason I moved here. The town streetscape is beautiful with the old trees lining Main St and along Melbourne- Lancefield Road. Deep Creek still needs a big clean up to stop the debris coming down the creek (and my property has it running through it). I'm sick of pulling out rubbish including old tyres during flooding. Toilet amenities need urgent upgrading and bbq rotundas also need major works to make the inviting. Adequate signage is lacking for this aforementioned facilities.	2/28/2022 3:53 PM
81	It hardly involves or benefits us. We also note the [REDACTED] seems to use the creek as his own personal play thing...so whatever!	2/28/2022 1:10 PM
82	Trees are so important to keep the town cool whilst more land is used for housing	2/28/2022 10:34 AM
83	I would also like to see something on supporting pollinators in the area	2/25/2022 8:21 PM
84	The five mile creek is a nice piece of nature in the middle of Romsey and a great place to walk but there are certain areas of the creek that could do with a bit of a clean up	2/25/2022 5:28 PM
85	Look at the Five mile creek now it's a disaster with weeds and poor management over many years!!	2/24/2022 6:17 PM
86	The canopy of trees down Main Street is fantastic and where possible it should be down in all streets. We heard there would be planting down Stawell Street and yet we are still waiting to see any done, yet there has been planting in nearby streets.	2/24/2022 3:17 PM
87	Just leave Romsey alone.	2/24/2022 12:52 AM
88	Focus on sustainability and improving tree cover	2/23/2022 11:22 PM
89	More to discuss	2/23/2022 9:35 AM
90	Because our town could do with new landscaping	2/22/2022 3:29 PM
91	I would be concerned with replacing five mile creek pathway with any gravel / concrete pathway (especially if you are only doing this to enable a "shared pathway") - it is just fine as it is. What needs to be improved is the end of the trail when you reach Couzens Lane - would be nice to have an actual gravel road to walk on instead of mud. If you are going to continue revegetation works along five mile creek with Melbourne water - getting rid of weeds once is not enough. Where vegetation was ripped out in 2021 and replanted - weeds have quickly filled the gaps making it difficult for the plants you used to actually survive. It needs continued maintenance until the native plants are established.	2/22/2022 3:17 PM
92	What are they again?	2/18/2022 5:34 PM



## Q10 Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.2 Urban Structure and Built Form?

Answered: 209 Skipped: 198



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	42.58%	89
No	39.23%	82
Unsure	18.18%	38
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>209</b>

#	TELL US WHY YOU THINK THAT:	DATE
1	I agree there needs to be improvement of the centre of town with any new buildings being in keeping with the current feel of the town but you are guaranteeing nothing and have no control to make any changes to the empty unused buildings.	4/5/2022 8:26 AM
2	The design guidelines for Main Street should ensure that abandoned buildings are required to be maintained to a safe and visually acceptable standard and not boarded up with corrugated sheeting or left with rubbish lying around. What strategies does the council actually have to address vacant buildings in the main street? Surely utilising the existing footprint is preferable to developing new areas (which may then also remain vacant). Any trees or plantings at Barry Street roundabout should ensure that drivers are still able to use the roundabout safely and able to see cars coming from any direction, this will be particularly important for those who need to drive because of the lack of public transport and if development expands to a level where this roundabout is used by a lot more residents. Consideration should be given to whether a roundabout is actually suitable in this location if the population level (and theoretically traffic) is expected to double. The potential responses advocate for respecting the valued elements of the town's neighborhood character (country/semi-country lifestyle) at the same time as reviewing the residential guidelines. If residents value the existing town neighborhood character and local developers indicate that there is a strong demand for larger lots (which is arguably part of the towns character) then why would you advocate for lots in the range of 400-600m2? These types of lot sizes should be restricted immediately next to the town center where they would be most suitable and development into rural or farming zones should only occur where these are at a "walkable" distance from town. Removing the "relatively aggressive" angled parking and replacing it with parallel parking would reduce parking spaces and make it difficult for residents who are unable to walk to the town center and do their shopping, visit the doctor or retail/cafe stores. Most parking spaces are already filled during the weekdays and weekend, where will people park if you remove these spaces?	4/2/2022 5:38 PM
3	With the exception of a number of the Potential Responses for the Main Street, which	4/1/2022 4:44 PM

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appear to be actions that could have already been completed (eg. remove/replace redundant signage, plant a tree in the roundabout that was installed in the last couple of years) and I would already expect a council to be addressing ongoing (not as part of a future plan). Also I am not quite sure what heritage value there is in asphalt footpaths in Romsey? The EOP does not appear to include any details on how climate change is being incorporated into the Potential Responses relating to Fire and Flood - further clarification required to ensure development is able to accommodate changes to climate.

4	all option not explore No need for housing like Sunbury or Melb.	4/1/2022 3:46 PM
5	It's not clear to me	3/31/2022 9:54 PM
6	With the exception of the part of Main St from Mitre 10 back towards the Post Office and recently vacated by Romsey Mowers & Bloomings. This should be single storey residential, greater density, affordable, similar in design, construction and colour to the existing well maintained old-timer there. Residents can 'age in place' and access their town by walking / mobility scooter, and services can come to the house if need be. Retain the big setbacks, cars use laneway at the back, use the street side of the service lane for street trees.	3/31/2022 7:03 PM
7	Most of what is stated is correct, but I have lived in Romsey through Bushfire seasons and was here for Ash Wednesday 1983 fires and still felt safe in the town. Outside the town towards Woodend, Hesketh, Kerry etc was a significantly different matter. At worst case scenario a grass fire hazard surrounded the town but local farmers have been very good on the whole.	3/31/2022 5:26 PM
8	The residents of Romsey enjoy walking around town because of the small town charm. They walk for enjoyment not necessarily to go to the shops. If you were going to shop you need your car to load your shopping into.	3/31/2022 4:24 PM
9	Before carrying on with grand plans fix what is already there - shuttered pub and abandoned supermarket are a disgrace and the owners of the land should be penalized	3/31/2022 3:45 PM
10	Need to ensure that we don't consume productive farmland for building blocks. And building block sizes are what is expected in a rural town - the suggested size may be too small and change the character of the town to a suburb, not a town. Also, we need to find a way that Romsey does not feel like a town to drive through but becomes more of a destination for travellers from Melbourne.	3/31/2022 3:10 PM
11	I have no problem increasing the density of housing within the town's existing boundaries. I do feel that the potential to subdivide some lots to provide smaller scale housing and gardens would better suit some older residents, single parent families, or single resident households who would be better served by low maintenance, lower cost housing. I DO NOT agree with extending the town boundaries to then develop this agricultural land with higher density, small lots, which would absolutely destroy the rural feel of the town and would invoke a suburban feel/appearance. I particularly do not agree with increasing housing density without first ensuring a significant spend on improving infrastructure within the town (waste water management, power supply, improved accessibility, walking/riding paths, better local amenities to engage youth in the town, a high school, a swimming pool). Council cannot continue to build the town population without providing the infrastructure that would make the town a desirable place to live.	3/31/2022 1:26 PM
12	Most important is to get the existing buildings in the Main St functioning as they should be. There a plan for achieving this eg the hotel and the old supermarket.	3/31/2022 12:12 PM
13	town character should be maintained, Romsey should not be turned into a suburban satellite suburb of Melbourne	3/31/2022 11:27 AM
14	The paper is premised on the basis that Romsey is only about people who live in the township and in close proximity to the centre of town. Romsey includes the whole Romsey community including residents of the Shire that live outside of the township but for whom Romsey is their local town. All planning should include sufficient car access for community members not living within a short walk from the town centre. A considered strategy to reinvigorate the commercial centre of the town should be encouraged. It is a soft copout for the Shire or their consultants to say it is out of our hands. The commercial centre has suffered a number of delinquent properties for many years. further the area to the east of town through which the Romsey south drain passes and which is central to Option 3, and within the 1,000m sewerage works buffer is also subject to flooding in above average rainfall years, This does not appear to have been addressed in this paper	3/31/2022 9:46 AM
15	Flooding - ensure land subject to flooding is designated for open space - with global warming predicted to increase severity of events will minimise adversity Main st revival- impose rates penalties on long term (ie greater than 2 years) unoccupied premises - increase	3/30/2022 10:41 PM

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annually while not occupied. Density of development - minimum 1000m2 lot sizes Footpaths  
- support use of permeable surfaces

16	No to small lot sizes. Stop trying to develop on prime agricultural land. Find another way.	3/30/2022 10:03 PM
17	Generally agree with the principles. Should not rely on people within the township wanting to sub-divide blocks to allow for higher density housing. The commercial precinct within the town centre, relies on landowners selling land so that development can take place. In regards to the comment about industrial development to the south (entrance to the town). The commercial part of this land suited to hardware produce / stock feed etc. these businesses want main road frontage. Businesses need to be consulted in regards to commercial and industrial land and where it should be situated.	3/30/2022 8:31 PM
18	The response to Flood was very poor. We still have a open drain along the back of the property [REDACTED] our grandkids could be drowned in that drain after a rain. This open drain needs to be piped and filled in. Last time it flooded it knocked over our boundary fences which lead to having the neighbours dogs running up and down all the properties	3/30/2022 10:35 AM
19	Incorrect data and no dates placed on promises, keep housing blocks large minimum acre blocks we are a country town not inner city	3/29/2022 8:43 PM
20	fix up town, improve your signage and make the town somewhere we can be proud of. but your proposal wants to build on our land in bushfire risk zones. follow the melbourne lancefield road and build down there.	3/29/2022 3:19 PM
21	Under fire you've pointed out that you want to develop in low fire risk areas, yet Option 3 is in direct breach of that.	3/29/2022 3:04 PM
22	No more estates	3/28/2022 10:26 PM
23	If it keeps on format of the rural feel	3/28/2022 10:15 PM
24	Much of the provided information is outdated, so giving a yes/no answer is unreasonable. I think we need to be looking at opportunities outside of the traditional development styles, eco, sustainability models, along with social housing. I believe the Main Street can accommodate two precincts, tourism and residential. I don't believe a BIG supermarket is the answer and do not support.	3/28/2022 5:37 PM
25	I'd like to see social housing and eco friendly houses spring up. The old supermarket made into variety of shops.	3/28/2022 5:37 PM
26	No input or consultation with the state government and can be overridden by VCat	3/28/2022 5:10 PM
27	Your response: Facilitate range of housing types in the EXISTING township	3/28/2022 11:07 AM
28	I do not want high density housing areas in Romsey	3/27/2022 5:24 PM
29	For the most part. Potential lot sizes for single houses of 800 square metres seems very small, why not stand out from the outer Melbourne suburbs with larger lot sizes?	3/27/2022 4:12 PM
30	I am worried about the social housing increase	3/26/2022 2:12 PM
31	common sence applies here so all ok	3/26/2022 10:56 AM
32	We want quaint picturesque historic buildings optimised and new buildings designed in the same way. Trentham Daylesford Beechworth woodend NOT Sunbury gisborne cragburn pakenham .	3/26/2022 9:13 AM
33	Broadly supportive. Footpaths entry points must be accessible to wheelchairs.	3/23/2022 12:20 PM
34	Yes more infrastructure, invest money into romsey like the mrsc does to gisborne/ kyneton/ woodend	3/22/2022 5:25 PM
35	It makes more sense for higher density living closer to the centre of town but we still need infrastructure which you are again ignoring	3/22/2022 3:18 PM
36	I would place greater emphasis on the valued heritage fabric. I would also like to see recognition of the urban structure and built form being sited amongst vegetation. One tree in the roundabout is, with respect, a token gesture. take a look at the roundabouts which govern the entry to Gisborne from the Calder (and compare and contrast with the appalling roundabout at the entry to Mount Macedon). It should be a landscaped setting within which is located urban structure and built form rather than the other way around. There is way too much hard landscaping and redundant infrastructure.	3/21/2022 5:29 PM
37	if you allow too much more subdivision it will affect the country feel of the town. recent	3/20/2022 10:11 PM

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subdivisions are odd shaped and do not like battle axe

38	This section covers too much information about the town and should be broken up to allow better discussion on the various points. Flood, Fire, Streetscapes ect ect to Mitch to cover in a yes no answer	3/20/2022 1:58 PM
39	No housing lot size should be smaller than 1000 m2 to maintain the town uniqueness, Continuous footpaths throughout the whole town needs to be a priority.	3/20/2022 10:51 AM
40	I support most points, particularly high quality buildings in the main commercial areas keeping the rural feel of Romsey. Improved walking/cycling paths and planting large canopy trees is welcome. I would like to see more care taken in new housing estates to keep the rural feel of Romsey, by limiting the number of small blocks < 800 m2, and use of larger setbacks and additional planting of street trees.	3/18/2022 10:42 PM
41	"Many lots in Romsey are deep and capable of being subdivided into smaller lots. These should be encouraged closer to the town centre and open spaces with good urban design and architectural character." As long as this does not mean the elimination of large shade trees!!! "Bushfire risk is summarised on the map. Lowest risk areas are to the east of town; industrial uses should be located away from the interface, including NE and SW interface areas of the town" . Isn't the North East prime agricultural land? Is it appropriate to use it for industrial uses?	3/18/2022 4:33 PM
42	The residences illustrated in Fig. 17 may exhibit old world "charm", but I dispute that they are "examples of quality residential development showing good urban design". There seems to be design thinking that equates "rural character" with second-rate and largely unmaintained infrastructure. It is unacceptable that parents should be expected to push their prams, toddlers peddle their scooters, disabled ride their wheelchairs or mobility devices and elderly walk their walking frames along gravel footpaths. How are open stormwater drains, broken and patched road edges, poorly constructed or non-existent pedestrian access anything other than 19th century "she'll do" thinking? Regarding flood planning controls, your illustrations show that flood prone areas are almost completely built out already. Words on a piece of paper in the Council office will have little impact. What is required are actual physical flood mitigation works that will prevent or at least minimise any inundation should an "unprecedented" event occur. Recent flooding in NSW and Queensland make that abundantly clear.	3/18/2022 1:10 PM
43	We enjoy the Country Character of our town. Roundabouts remind us of city living.	3/18/2022 10:11 AM
44	the beauty in country living emanates from housing a reasonable distance apart .There are any number of suburbs in Melbourne if you want to hear the neighbours arguments	3/16/2022 6:24 PM
45	I think this is very important ...Desire to see the existing industrial area relocated and to protect entrances to the township.	3/16/2022 12:43 PM
46	Definitely need proper footpaths into town and with adequate lighting. Area for development in Polman street is good because this solidifies the centre of town without too much spread. However, what retail shops are going to go there? Is it just going to become a Wallan style with lots of cheap retail stores and take away food? This is not what we want. We want to keep the small rural town feel with some development, but not for the sake of it.	3/16/2022 10:06 AM
47	Additional retail would be welcome, but again, what are you doing about the existing empty retail. There's no indication you can manage anything well. Higher density living/subdivisions is not welcome in areas of low density living such as Meltcalfe, Regan, Reynolds St.	3/16/2022 9:48 AM
48	The paper provided isn't really transparent and once again is making it sound very attractive in the paper but there isn't a real solution proposed.	3/16/2022 7:51 AM
49	No! You are killing our country town, and it's not fair ... take your city ideas back to the city and leave us in peace	3/16/2022 6:03 AM
50	No community consultation	3/15/2022 10:23 PM
51	More diverse housing to accommodate a wide range of users. This includes units and stand alone high density housing to create affordable housing for people that need it. To maintain the feel of the town, larger, leafier blocks should also be considered. An aged care facility or assisted living facility for those that have lived in Romsey their whole lives and don't want to move from the area should also be explored.	3/15/2022 9:17 PM
52	The 'ped shed' technique is great but the Emerging Options Paper Fire Risk Assessment fails to recognise the location of NewEarth Construction, located at [REDACTED] within the heart of Romsey township, as being a major fire hazard and an inappropriate siting and industrial uses pertaining to transport and storage of heavy industrial machinery in	3/15/2022 2:58 PM



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CZ1 land. NewEarth Construction must be relocated to the Industrial Zone and their exiting diesel fuel tanks decommissioned.

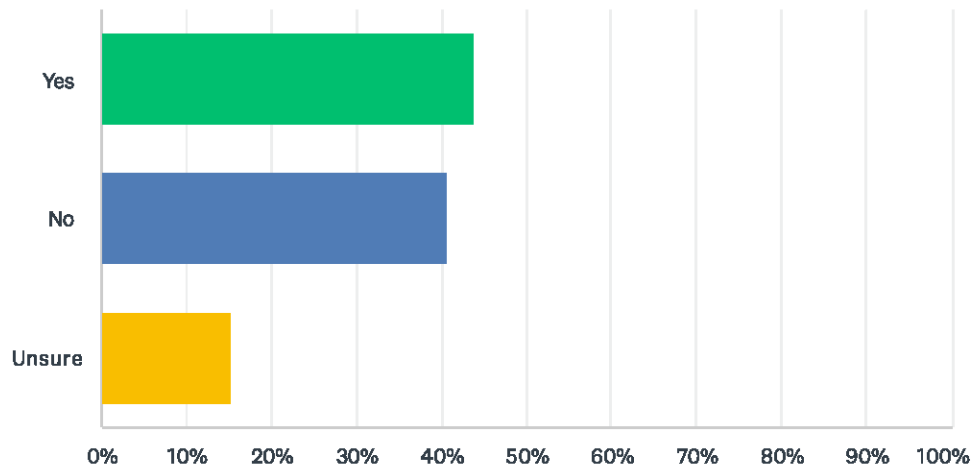
53	We need to maintain the rural feel to the town by limiting the minimum block/lot sizes. All areas of the town need to be connected by footpaths or roads. The town must maintain the heritage feel. There needs to be action taken on the vacant/run down buildings as this is a major problem having the empty as it looks like the town is run down.	3/14/2022 11:07 PM
54	Particular consideration needs to given to the impacts of climate change and how fire and flooding will impact the suitability of land for development.	3/11/2022 12:55 PM
55	We do not need new development in Romsey	3/11/2022 7:26 AM
56	Yes - diversity in housing is important. I would love to see a regulation that include a water tank and solar panels on all dwellings that are built. would be great to regulate this particularly in within larger developments. building to the south seems like a good idea but people will need connection to town. My suggestion for electric powered light rail could form part of this plan for urban/rural connections. you could develop housing in the south of the town and provide a sustainable solution for getting people out of cars and connecting towns, eg Moneghetti, Bolinda, Clarkfield, Sunbury and Lancefield.	3/11/2022 12:29 AM
57	Houses should remain detached and land sizes should be minimum 1000SQM.	3/10/2022 4:38 PM
58	The main shopping area is in desperate need of a facelift, and to be made workable, at the moment it is split in two parts, empty buildings, not conducive to a wander around the shops.,	3/9/2022 3:45 PM
59	as per my previous comments, we don't want an over populated town	3/9/2022 11:50 AM
60	Any expansion has to be within walking distance to the town centre. Empty retail/hospitality buildings are a slight on the town and should be made to open, lease out or sell. Main Street heritage should be maintained. No big supermarkets on Main Street (should be set back from main street through Romsey). Lot sizes outside the 1km zone from main street should have a minimum lot size of 1500m2.	3/8/2022 10:08 PM
61	Need a variety of block sizes available. Higher density within town. a buffer of rural residency space between residential and farmland.	3/8/2022 8:56 PM
62	I agree with most of the items in 3.2... except around "Optimum residential lot sizes for new development outside of the current Romsey Outline Development Plan to be in the range of 800 - 1,200 m2". My view is to keep any new rezoned developments to maintain the average lot size of Romsey.	3/8/2022 8:21 PM
63	With all the traffic which is now in Romsey it's hard enough to get out on to Main Street and you want to Allow another 1200 cars here	3/7/2022 7:15 PM
64	Setback for residential use are too narrow, should be a minimum of 100m from grasslands. Any new industrial estate should be located close to the existing recycling and industrial area. Don't put an industrial estate on the main road south of the town which is a high fire risk area, gives a poor impression as the gateway to the town, and is too far out of the town for foot or bike access for town residents.	3/7/2022 6:34 PM
65	Especially under-utilised sites I.e pohlman st and main st. This, above all else should be priority work for our council team.	3/6/2022 6:37 PM
66	While I agree there needs to be some diversity in accommodation, there are lots of units in the main areas of town that allow people to age in place. New subdivisions need to have larger blocks to maintain the country feel.	3/6/2022 5:29 PM
67	Romsey doesn't need to be built up	3/6/2022 5:07 PM
68	I don't agree with redevelopment of agricultural land zoned farming and rural living. I believe the town should remain within the heritage footprint and continue to refer to the history and charm from a visual aspect.	3/6/2022 4:37 PM
69	Read my comments about looking like a boarded-up backwater	3/6/2022 3:48 PM
70	Im glad its at least been identified that there are so many prime business sites sadly going un used	3/4/2022 5:09 AM
71	More work needs to be done to conserve, protect and ensure any new buildings are in keeping with the historic nature of the town. There also needs to be more work to maintain the green areas and ensure they are presentable at all times. There are more attractive towns in the region and work needs to go into Romsey to ensure it too is appealing.	3/3/2022 11:20 AM

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72	Low Density Residential lots of sizes greater than 1500m2 are required in Romsey	3/2/2022 3:21 PM
73	Need a variety of housing types. I would like to down size to something smaller on a d mm Allee block that would be affordable but there isn't much.	3/1/2022 11:07 PM
74	user friendly street scape to protect from weather, Maldon is a good example	3/1/2022 2:20 PM
75	See aforementioned reasons. Infrastructure lacking.	2/28/2022 3:54 PM
76	It barely registers on our interest level. We also oppose apartments/units/flats which are renown havens for cheap immigrants, people of ill-repute and drug bags. Aren't there enough of those miscreants already present?	2/28/2022 1:19 PM
77	I do think keeping the blocks larger is important to the feel of the town.	2/25/2022 8:28 PM
78	I think the current character of Main Street should be kept. Removing or replacing outdated signs would be a good first step that should be done without having to go through all this.	2/24/2022 3:32 PM
79	What is going to happen to what is left of our wildlife with this proposed development. The roads already look like a war zone with dead animals.	2/24/2022 12:56 AM
80	The attractiveness of design has been considered	2/23/2022 11:24 PM
81	Pohlman St development plan looks great. Shops with verandahs and rear parking very good ideas. Barry St could definitely do with wider paths and a nicer streetscape with additional plantings. There is not a great demand for blocks smaller than 600m2, as people do not move to Romsey to live in a shoebox.	2/23/2022 1:56 PM
82	Diversity of housing options important for low income households as regional house prices increase.	2/22/2022 1:59 PM
83	cccccc	2/18/2022 5:34 PM

## Q11 Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3 Activities and Land Use?

Answered: 209 Skipped: 198



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	44.02%	92
No	40.67%	85
Unsure	15.31%	32
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>209</b>

#	TELL US WHY YOU THINK THAT:	DATE
1	You need to leave the farming land alone. The boundary should not move to the detriment of the farming land.	4/5/2022 8:26 AM
2	I note that a full line supermarket (in the form of large IGA) is already in operation in Romsey - therefore don't consider the need to facilitate a new supermarket a high priority.	4/1/2022 4:44 PM
3	what industry - no jobs will be created long turn no to housing dog boxes,	4/1/2022 3:46 PM
4	Need a consistent set of design guidelines for Main St.	3/31/2022 7:03 PM
5	Yes you have identified most of the town's commercial and residential areas but it struck me that parking spaces servicing these facilities would be insufficient. We are a car centric society, tourists/day-trippers from Melbourne would see the Mainstreet facilities and stop, so the backstreet supermarkets & Shops for locals is ok but the parking spaces are scant. We can expect even with electric cars that Romsey is and will be dominated by the automobile. Buses are infrequent and only go to Melbourne or Lancefield, using buses to Wallan, or Woodend is non-existent. Railways went in the 1960's. Transport is in a Catch-22 People won't use it unless it is Frequent, Reliable, Comfortable, and services more than just Melbourne; and these criteria won't be met until it is profitable, and that won't happen until people use it. On the transport front I suggest MRSC (& Neighbors) consider a Transport LOOP linking townships. Romsey, Riddles Creek, Gisborne, Woodend, Kyneton, Lancefield, with connections to the Railway stations. Romsey definitely needs a connection to Clarkfield or Riddles Rail. When Estates are being planned please imbed park and playground facilities (Mini green / botanical zones), and considered MIXED block sizes. If an estate has ALL small blocks then it becomes cheap housing area which becomes The ROUGH 'Crime ridden' neighbourhood. while all large blocks become the POSH area. Australia is supposedly an egalitarian society and we should maintain that mindset if possible.	3/31/2022 5:26 PM
6	I do not support any development to the north and west of Romsey. It is excellent in this	3/31/2022 4:44 PM

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area and should be retained as farming land.

7	The response to Social and Affordable Housing does not directly state if Romsey is even going to receive social housing. Tourism could be and should be something that is planned for. If Romsey is turned into a sea of roofs it will kill any chance at making Romsey a special place close to Melbourne for people to come and visit.	3/31/2022 4:24 PM
8	I wonder if the existing industrial zoned land on Greens Lane is being utilised as agricultural land because the owners have no interest in selling or developing the land? I would like to know whether consultation with the owners of the land has taken place prior to rezoning, in order to understand if the land actually will be available for industrial use? I do agree that it makes sense for industrial zoned land to fringe the RRWP buffer zone. The RRWP buffer zone should be retained at 1000m and no additional housing should be allowed to be built within this zone. I also strongly agree that entrances to town should be attractive. Any commercial development on the entrance to Romsey should be carefully planned to ensure it retains an attractive, rural feel and does not feel like driving through a concrete "ghetto". New housing should be concentrated within the existing town limits, or at most, expanded to the south of the town where the agricultural land is of less value. If we continue to expand housing into productive agricultural land, where will our food come from?	3/31/2022 1:26 PM
9	Important to retain large block sizes and not cram houses etc in on small blocks. Don't bring cheap housing to ROMSEY.	3/31/2022 12:12 PM
10	Romsey is a country Town in a farming community. The land use should keep this in mind and if the town boundary expands and consumes rural living zones consideration is required to maintain a buffer between the farming zone and residential mzones	3/31/2022 11:27 AM
11	This section is based upon significant population growth in Romsey in coming years. Why is this a basic premise of this paper, most of us did not choose to live in a satellite Melbourne suburb, we choose to live in a country town. Basic service provision for roads, public transport, power & gas, water and sewerage recreational assets needs to be addressed before significant expansion is planned. the paper does not address the cascade if rezoning if the town boundaries are moved outward, currently rural living zones are a buffer between the town and the farming Zone. If rural living zones are converted to residential zones what is the shire planning to do the create appropriate buffers between the residential zones and the farming zones. this is vital to the much recited issue of maintenance of farming activities.	3/31/2022 9:46 AM
12	Population - suspect report underestimates current numbers RRWP - buffer for ant development to be min 1000m - preferably ensure more - surround with agricultural / horticultural land that can make best use of increased plant output. this will limit development to east and south east. Ensure that the appropriate quality water is produced.	3/30/2022 10:41 PM
13	I do not agree with land use next to the sewage treatment plant except for farming land	3/30/2022 10:03 PM
14	Generally agree. Western Water need to upgrade to Class A recycled water. The expansion of Romsey could provide water to surrounding agricultural areas. It's all very well to talk about the high value agriculture soils between Romsey and Lancefield, but if looking towards the future (e.g. reference to MRS study by Deakin University and the future of agriculture) that MRS will suitable for horticulture in the future (brassicas and stone fruits). These crops require water, and could be a long term economic strategy. The buffer could also be used for a solar farm, a sustainable (social enterprise type) of community garden - providing jobs and tourism opportunities with farm gate sales and short courses.	3/30/2022 8:31 PM
15	Incorrect data and no dates placed on promises	3/29/2022 8:43 PM
16	why don't you build on that commercially zoned land in town, and find somewhere reasonable to build a commercial district that isn't on farm land	3/29/2022 3:19 PM
17	Option 1 is the only option that supports any of these principals. If you have to - rezone somewhere in the South and build out the township for higher density affordable housing. But do not build against the water treatment plant, this is excellent agricultural opportunity for someone to use the irrigation on offer	3/29/2022 3:04 PM
18	Leave Romsey as it is you do not support a hotel but want to build more housing estates which create more rubbish and traffic	3/28/2022 10:26 PM
19	No more estates leave rural	3/28/2022 10:15 PM
20	I support new housing BUT with consideration to development that is in keeping with our region. Sunbury, Bacchus Marsh and Wallan style growth is not why I moved to this area. I value community, buying food locally and we should be supporting agriculture better. As for new industrial lets attract investment, recycling plants, water treatment programs. While I	3/28/2022 5:37 PM

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feel Portingales lane is the most sensible place for industry we must do this with a clear vision for road and infrastructure upgrades.

21	I support housing but not like how wallan and baccus marsh. To shop and work locally with more spaces for small business to explore opportunities. I'd like to see portingales lane used as an industrial site.	3/28/2022 5:37 PM
22	See previous statement No input or consultation with the state government and can be overridden by VCat	3/28/2022 5:10 PM
23	Employment - this data is taken from the 2016 Census which doesn't reflect the current post/mid-pandemic environment. The town is likely shifted from a commuter town to a hybrid working from home model that much of Vic have moved to. Buffer area around recycled water plant is not accurately described in the plan, and option 3 is again, a poor example of planning to incorporate that surrounding area. The waste management infrastructure is at capacity, and costing residents significant spend already, more residents and no transparent plan = No vote on option 3.	3/28/2022 10:33 AM
24	Not much thought has been given to the traffic implications of the location of industrial land. This needs to be given careful consideration as encouraging more trucks through the middle of town is not a positive step for Romsey.	3/27/2022 9:27 PM
25	I strongly support increasing rates for underused/vacant commercial properties with a main street frontage. [REDACTED] This property owner has been approached by potential buyers on multiple occasions but refuses to sell despite reasonable offers – it's time for the rates charges to start biting. I support the existing RRWP buffer limiting development to the east but do not support the suggestion that this buffer could be reduced given the fact that the RRWP is already at/over capacity. I do not support further industrial development at Portingales lane as this will direct a substantial amount of heavy vehicle traffic along the eastern end of Barry street through a residential area, along a road not suited for this kind of traffic. If improvements to the road connecting this area with the Melbourne Lancefield road to the south of town (Green's lane) could be made, and all heavy vehicle traffic directed to this road, then further industrial development in this area alongside the RRWP buffer would be acceptable. The area east of town to the north of Barry street has a beautiful natural aspect and lovely views of mount William. This area would be suitable for a tourism development (a conference facility similar to Lancemore Hill, perhaps).	3/27/2022 4:12 PM
26	50/50 no real opinion	3/26/2022 10:56 AM
27	We think the population targets drive to much housing in one town. Spread the investment across Clarkefield Lancefield woodend Kyneton etc instead of one town.	3/26/2022 9:13 AM
28	Industrial estates should be well away from township and provide road access for trucks so that they don't need to use the main roundabout which is difficult to cross safely with children on scooters & bikes.	3/23/2022 6:20 PM
29	Underwhelmed because there is to reference to the Council's Economic Plan ( 2021)	3/23/2022 12:20 PM
30	We need more than cafes and hairdressers in town - how about some affordable commercial zones - and do something about the pub [REDACTED] You have let these two landowners ruin our steetscape	3/22/2022 3:18 PM
31	Totally disagree with more Restricted Retail Premises. NO Big Box Retail which is completely at odds with a rural township. How does that sit with the "Vision" I ask rhetorically. Sunbury is half an hour's drive away and Gisborne is closer not to mention Woodend. Understand it is difficult for persons without access to motor vehicles but this means that PT needs to be improved rather than turning Romsey into another Gisborne. Otherwise, do not have a problem with further land being set aside for industrial purposes (subject to no unreasonable amenity impacts) but would need to see the zoning and overlay controls. Agree there is an obvious problem with vacant and under-utilised commercial land which should be addressed in any way possible SAVE FOR the introduction of "pokies". Agree with the idea of introducing more interactive shop fronts including but not limited to art".	3/21/2022 5:29 PM
32	move newnham earthmoving out of town. Big trucks shouldn't be in the centre of town. the land should be residential	3/20/2022 10:11 PM
33	Again to many options to provide a yes or no answer. Residential ,commercial, social housing, employment, tourism and sewerage all in a yes no answer is laughable given the option I say no again	3/20/2022 1:58 PM
34	Focus on using existing commercial town center to full potential. Filling in vacant land/	3/20/2022 12:40 PM



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shops to keep town center contained and busy. New housing types should be focused close to town (via subdivision where suitable) to reduce traffic (people can walk or ride to shops) and keep romsey a overall rural feel for majority of space.

35	Greater facilities for families, children and teenagers. Increased playgrounds and access to skateparks. A large supermarket is needed, however must be away from Main Street so as not to impact the landscape.	3/20/2022 10:51 AM
36	I support the responses in principle, but do not support additional housing estates that are predominantly small blocks. The addition of these new suburban estates is causing Romsey to lose it's character and rural feel.	3/18/2022 10:42 PM
37	"Consultation to date identified that the town centre has been identified as requiring support to re-invigorate its attraction as a vibrant town centre. There was a need for town centre to reinvent itself to assist with supporting the existing community's needs." The people who say this sort of thing should be careful of what they wish for. It will be very difficult not to destroy the very thing that makes Romsey so attractive by trying to "revamp" it.	3/18/2022 4:33 PM
38	But... Art in empty shop fronts? This is just acceptance of the fact that commercially, the town has gone backwards. There used to be two supermarkets and two butchers, a newsagent, a hotel, three petrol stations. There are so many unused commercial spaces you're going to need an awful lot of artists!	3/18/2022 1:10 PM
39	Housing block sizing is a very important factor here, not city living small sized blocks, people come here so their families can enjoy a backyard not a strip of grass for their kids to play on and to entertain outside.	3/18/2022 10:11 AM
40	Yes but what is your strategy for ensuring that it continues to operate well into the future?	3/16/2022 9:48 AM
41	In this section, I am just wondering if the person who wrote the report has lost the job yet... Because this is shocking! We are asking the council to help us to build the business back and the response is that we need more people? Seriously, you can do much better.	3/16/2022 7:51 AM
42	As above	3/16/2022 6:03 AM
43	There are at least three factually incorrect statements in this section	3/15/2022 10:23 PM
44	A note to the loss of agricultural land - with the 4-5 acre lots situated towards the North West of Romsey, many of these blocks have already been 'lost' as far as farming land is concerned. On the town side of Knox rd for example, the smaller lots are all hobby farms - those with lovely lush gardens and properties running a few horses or sheep. None of these lots are farms in the traditional sense of the word; that is none are used for primary industry. To prevent the loss of actual farmed agricultural land the the South and East of town, if these lots are re-zoned to housing this creates the opportunity for more dense housing which the town needs, without losing out on the prime volcanic soil that makes the farming in the area so great.	3/15/2022 9:17 PM
45	Only allowing population growth scenario No1 is an acceptable and sustainable outcome for the keeping the township of Romsey rural rather than encouraging urban sprawl contra to VPP vision	3/15/2022 2:58 PM
46	The current settlement boundary should be maintained. Any areas for industrial land use should be limited and not near the Melbourne-Lancefield Road as this would detract from the entry to the town. The commercial area should not expand along Melbourne-Lancefield Road/Main Street.	3/14/2022 11:07 PM
47	Part of the revitalisation of the town centre requires something to be done about the vacant buildings and lots around the centre. There is a lot of potential for the town but it will be overlooked by many, particularly tourists, while these places are vacant. I am happy for sustainable development to occur within the town to support the development of infrastructure suited to the town's needs.	3/11/2022 12:55 PM
48	The town does not need more visitors. What the town needs is a potential coles or Woolies were the old supermarket currently is	3/11/2022 7:26 AM
49	I would not support any fast food chains for Romsey or Lancefield. I don't really see the need for more commercial shops in the area. We like to support the various Farmers Markets and overall like to keep consumption (buying more stuff) to an absolute minimum.	3/10/2022 4:38 PM
50	again, basic things we should have had not a bribe we will give it to you if we can overpopulate your town	3/9/2022 11:50 AM
51	I do not support option 2. The green wedge between Romsey and Lancefield is beautiful and significant land to the area and should be retained. Development in this area would destroy	3/9/2022 8:25 AM

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the country feel of this part of Romsey. If development is to continue in Romsey it should be to the south of the town where new housing estates are already being development, and the land is more suitable and will have less of an impact on the country feel of the town.

52	Any full line supermarket should be off main street.	3/8/2022 10:08 PM
53	Need a variety of block sizes available. Higher density within town. a buffer of rural residency space between residential and farmland. Prefer residential development to occur towards the North east or south west of the town. leaving the south east open for industrial.	3/8/2022 8:56 PM
54	I strongly agree with "Consider increased municipal rates for vacant and underutilized commercial land in the town centre". I would go as far as significantly increasing rates for long-term vacant sites. I agree it'd be good to have a larger industrial park - likely out near the transfer station, to help businesses within Romsey grow .	3/8/2022 8:21 PM
55	You are making the housing lots smaller no different from sunbury so Romsey will be losing it's country charm you are not thinking about Romsey country charm at all	3/7/2022 7:15 PM
56	Scenario 1 is the most appropriate for a commuter based workforce and to help avoid significant increasing greenhouse gas emissions which are correlated to population growth in Australia and world wide. Responsible greenhouse gas emissions to counter climate change caps population growth at 1.5% New housing should be focused to the east and south east of the town - but should be limited to scenario 1 population growth. The industrial area should be located to the area surrounding the recycling centre with access via Wallan road., Greens lane should NOT be upgraded as a shortcut into the industrial estate.	3/7/2022 6:34 PM
57	Leave as is!	3/6/2022 11:33 PM
58	Consider increased municipal rates for vacant and underutilised commercial land in the town centre, I absolutely wholeheartedly believe this to be of utmost importance to change the face of Romsey.	3/6/2022 6:37 PM
59	There needs to be significant improvement in resources for the town to grow. Trying to grow the town too quickly without these resources already in place will be a disaster.	3/6/2022 5:29 PM
60	The plan to create land available for housing to support a population growth increases revue for the council and does not support the community	3/6/2022 4:37 PM
61	Hang on, I need to go back and read hat again.	3/6/2022 3:48 PM
62	I understand the need to supply additional housing but this should be done only within the current footprint of Romsey. People move to the town because it is small and do not want to see it grow to the size of Gisborne. I am strongly opposed to having the land at the corner of Greens Lane used for commercial or industrial use. This would detract from the town as people enter from the south. This type of land use should be confined to Portingales Lane area.	3/3/2022 11:20 AM
63	A potential supermarket in pohlman street? Or one in Main Street where the mowers were? Then you have the Habib's empty one. There is a lot of land banked in the civic area of Romsey, will the owners ever let it go so that these things can happen?	3/1/2022 11:07 PM
64	promote unique shops and frontage, new supermarket best suited off the main street as it's not in style with the town's existing look. some local bold art installations that maybe change would attract the 'art tourists' like momington peninsula, the art silo trail town - the art that is being installed at Mt Monument looks awesome. Truffle growing in the region is also increasing this could be a great short tourist attraction and growers should be encouraged / supported for boutique industry to grow	3/1/2022 2:20 PM
65	A good idea and proposal.	2/28/2022 3:54 PM
66	Let's be honest, Romsey is a backwater. There's nothing to do here, it's boring and if you think it's a commutable distance from the CBD you're dreaming or fond of traffic congestion and a boring drive.	2/28/2022 1:19 PM
67	I support the current land use and do not think it should change	2/25/2022 7:06 PM
68	With more residents we need a full line supermarket to reduce the commuting of residents to nearby towns or Sunbury to do grocery shopping. Only certain commercial development should be undertaken in the town centre. Whilst we need some more shops we don't want to have too many that it ruins the town feel.	2/24/2022 3:32 PM
69	Romsey already has a football ground, tennis courts, netball courts, golf course etc.	2/24/2022 12:56 AM
70	Need better utilisation of town centre. Council needs to work with property owners who are leaving commercial facilities empty and facilitate new businesses to take up opportunities.	2/22/2022 1:59 PM

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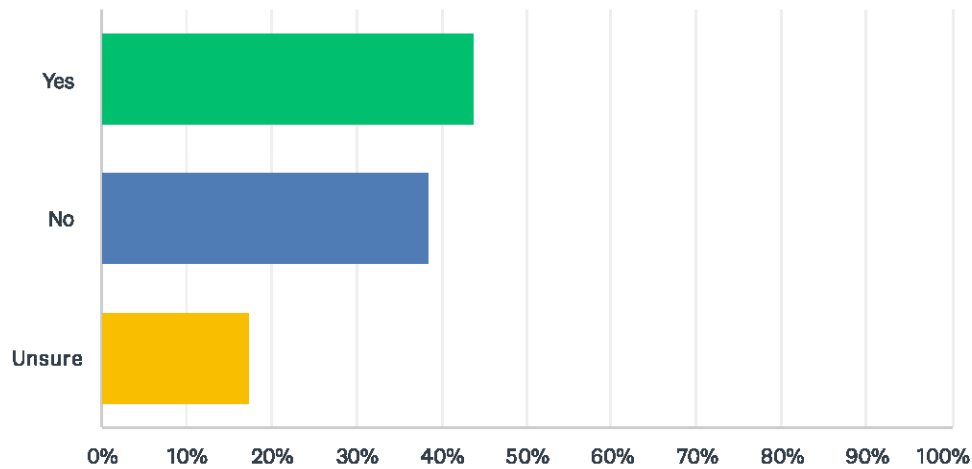
The earthmoving company behind the shops is too noisy for a residential area and a poor use of land so close to the commercial zone. Need to maintain open green spaces, including urban agriculture options as the town expands and housing density increases. In this area, people should be able to access affordable locally grown food.

71	xxxx	2/18/2022 5:34 PM
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## Q12 Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4 Community Infrastructure and Culture?

Answered: 207 Skipped: 200



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	43.96%	91
No	38.65%	80
Unsure	17.39%	36
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>207</b>

#	TELL US WHY YOU THINK THAT:	DATE
1	You are holding the community to ransom by saying we must increase the population in order to get the infrastructure we have been calling for for years. Blackmail is no way to get people onside with the Council. You haven't provided funding for Romsey for years and its about time you gave the community what they have been asking for.	4/5/2022 8:26 AM
2	The first guiding principle is not acceptable. Appropriate services and facilities should be provided when there is a need for them. There is a clear need from the community to access an indoor swimming pool, a local high school, pre-schools and even just adequate vital services like public transport, water treatment, electricity and phone/internet. This should not be held as a carrot to convince residents to support development at an unsustainable rate. What promises can the council make to residents when the development happens but these services are not delivered? The first potential response is ridiculous - the DET already monitor school population, the council should commit to monitoring this and advocating for the needs of Romsey residents in providing a local school. At what population will the DET build a local school? The review of the aquatic facility will come too late, if Romsey is already flagged to grow into a "large district town" why isn't this something that is being prioritized? Local residents are already having to travel to equally underserved aquatic facilities in Gisborne and Kyneton.	4/2/2022 5:38 PM
3	I disagree with the notion that a "Review of the Council's NEED for an aquatic facility in Romsey in 2027" The need should be linked the current and future needs of the local residents of Romsey and surrounds. Suggest that this Potential Response is updated to ensure that the needs of residents are considered (along with the cost to council - noting that this appears to be only Potential Response which has any mention of cost as a limitation in this entire EOP). The engagement with the youth (high school aged) seems limited in the EOP and I am concerned that they are not being provided for currently or within this EOP in a meaningful way. Suggest further work is done to ensure that this demographic is seen to be an important part of the future of the town.	4/1/2022 4:44 PM
4	there poor public transport, there is going to be a need for age care housing. school leaver	4/1/2022 3:46 PM

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will stay if there is good public transport.

5	Doesn't seem to go far enough. The Mens Shed, Bowling Club, Historical Society, are just some of the activities and clubs that did not get a mention. Romsey no longer has a Bar/Hotel, No Spa (Which could be a commercial adjunct to Aquatic facilities along with Health & Beauty enterprises which included in an aquatic centre would assist in such a centre's viability). Facilities accommodating small/lesser venture use like Pet training (like riddles dog training is popular), Pony riding, Horticultural Clubs, Greening Movements, Local Area Wine Tasting (to match your distillery), Cycling/Walking/Trekking (Trough those new echo paths your going to build) Clubs, These need hosting facilities.	3/31/2022 5:26 PM
6	The towns of Romsey and Lancefield combined with the surround area's is already large enough to support a High School and Aquatic center. The town also requires some aged care facilities built within the existing town boundary.	3/31/2022 5:12 PM
7	Romsey has received very little in the way of facilities since the Shire of Romsey was merged to form Macedon Ranges Shire. In that time the population has more than doubled but we are all sharing most of the original facilities from when it was the Shire of Romsey. Romsey residents deserve new and upgraded facilities without the push for more population to receive them.	3/31/2022 4:24 PM
8	We need to stop suggesting that we plan to identify solutions for additional facilities and start providing more community facilities. Secondly, people of all ages should be involved in designing recreation as people of all ages need more facilities. There is no allowance in the proposed actions for facilities for disabled or elderly members of our community.	3/31/2022 3:10 PM
9	I disagree with the potential response suggesting Council revisit the idea of an aquatic centre in 2027. Learning to swim is an ESSENTIAL part of Australian life, particularly in rural areas where children are exposed to dams, rivers, creeks and other waterways. A friend of mine recently enquired about enrolling her young child in swimming lessons at Gisborne. She was told that there was a 6 to 12 month wait for children that are not already enrolled. It is unacceptable that if the existing Council run facilities/services are at capacity, that additional aquatic facilities are not already being planned, let alone the idea being shelved for five years before being revisited! Aside from this, only families who are able to drive to Gisborne or Kyneton are able to access swimming lessons at all. There are no doubt children missing out on learning this essential skill due to lack of transport/fuel costs. Too many Australians drown each year and I passionately believe that Council should be doing all they can to ensure that our young people have the facilities and services they need to learn swimming and survival skills. I believe that Council should be advocating more NOW with the Education Department for provision of a secondary school within Romsey. My understanding is that Romsey is an intake area for Gisborne SC, which is already at capacity. With more and more families moving to the area, planning now to provide secondary school within the town, rather than having to send the current generation of Primary School students further afield when they can no longer get a place at Gisborne, would make much more sense than waiting until we are at crisis point. My own children will start Primary School next year and I am already considering whether we will need to move from the area for them to attend Secondary School without having to spend upwards of 90 minutes each day commuting. Families like ours shop locally, contribute to the community and pay rates. We are worth retaining in the community and honestly we don't want to go, but the provision of education is an area of huge concern for us. I do agree with the points about providing places for young people to engage in the community. A youth centre or the like would be ideal. Currently the only infrastructure I see in town for teenagers are a crumbling eyesore of a skate park and a footy club. I believe many of the antisocial behaviours that are reported in town with underage drinking and vandalism stem from the young people having nowhere to go and nothing to do. I would love to see the vacant block on main street adjacent to Verdure transformed to a community garden.	3/31/2022 1:26 PM
10	With the growth envisaged a Senior School is required in ROMSEY, and should be established prior to the major growth envisaged. If an Aquatic Centre is required then a Senior School should be prioritised above this. Also any Aquatic Centre should be located away from ROMSEY park rather than impinge on existing parkland.	3/31/2022 12:12 PM
11	There needs to be positive actions to improve infrastructure before the town significantly expands. the potential responses are largely more consultants considering issues, not actions. Any further consultants engaged on this matter should be representative of Romsey community residents ( this includes residents that live in the Romsey community but not in the town - ie in Romsey area farming zone and rural living zone - not just those living within the town boundry	3/31/2022 11:27 AM
12	The planned responses call largely for for consultant work. the responses need to be more definitive and positive actions. There should be active engagement with the state education department to secure a secondary schools, there should be an action to build an aquatic	3/31/2022 9:46 AM

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facility, there needs to be a positive action to create infrastructure for teenager / young people activities Not just the very young children as indicated in this section

13	You seem to think that telling us that "build more houses, get more rates" and then you build what is been asked for is nonsense. The town has grown significantly in the last 10 years and the council keeps taking the rates and applying them to other towns. ENOUGH.... Put some back to Romsey, how about a pool, more landscape and town beautification.	3/30/2022 10:03 PM
14	We need a high school We need an indoor pool (heated!)	3/30/2022 10:35 AM
15	Romsey must have an aquatic facility. It is unacceptable that all Romsey families must drive 30minutes to access lifesaving learn to swim education. Given that Romsey is largely a family oriented town, marking families drive contradicts climate change policies and is not equitable due to the significant financial cost on families travelling these distances.	3/30/2022 9:58 AM
16	Maybe a TAFE College would be more beneficial to the town. Create Employment People would be attracted to the town and stay for longer	3/29/2022 10:00 PM
17	Maybe a TAFE College would be more beneficial to the community. Keeping residents here for longer and job opportunities.	3/29/2022 9:29 PM
18	Incorrect data and no dates placed on promises	3/29/2022 8:43 PM
19	We have our own culture	3/28/2022 10:26 PM
20	Train service us needed before cultural changes	3/28/2022 10:15 PM
21	Acquatic centre, NO. Secondary school, NO. More feasibility studies, NO. Romsey has 11 secondary school options within access to our town, perhaps investment into transport to these destinations would be monies well spent. Additional to that there are 3 covered aquatic centres all within 20 minutes drive. If you moved to Romsey you moved knowing there is no pool.... It's affordable for a reason, for those wanting to slow and raise a family within the confines of a small community.	3/28/2022 5:37 PM
22	I don't think a secondary school is needed. There are so many choices throughout our region. More buses to ferry kids to and from school is a must as the cost of paying for kids on private buses is very costly. Aquatic center, with Lancefield up the road , no	3/28/2022 5:37 PM
23	No input or consultation with the state government and can be overridden by VCat	3/28/2022 5:10 PM
24	We need more public artwork to beautiful town and make it interesting enough to stop for tourists	3/28/2022 11:07 AM
25	This section of the report seems to be an attempt for the council to brush off the need for improvements to current services and instead put forward the notion that more growth is needed for these services to exist. This section of the report should at least acknowledge the challenges for residents in accessing these services in other towns in the shire, particularly Gisborne, given that community facilities are also stretched in that town.	3/27/2022 9:27 PM
26	I support the suggestions but they don't go far enough to address the town's needs. There's a genuine need for an aquatic centre for this part of the shire and I note that this paper does not convey that a feasibility study into this is a major council priority for 2022, so hopefully this will happen sooner rather than later. Our playgrounds (aside from the still-unfinished eco-therapy park) have pretty disappointing play equipment and we have nothing of the quality of the Gisborne adventure playground, the Kyneton botanical gardens park, the woodend children's park or even the lancefield park. An upgrade of olay equipment at the park opposite the school and next to the kinder and also at the lions park next to the creek is sorely needed. Finally, the data on schools in this paper is deeply flawed, and the draft structure plan would do well to include a snapshot of the current pressures on schools (especially secondary) in the Macedon ranges. Despite the out-of-date feasibility studies by the Education department that have been cited, there are more than enough East Ward secondary students to support a 7-12 High School somewhere in the region.	3/27/2022 4:12 PM
27	common sence we need basic facilities to become equal to other towns	3/26/2022 10:56 AM
28	But do it with a more reasonable population growth	3/26/2022 9:13 AM
29	Romsey needs to see some council commitment and goodwill. There is a perception that all infrastructure investment is directed to gisborne and our town misses out every time.	3/25/2022 6:35 PM
30	My children like to gather around the fountain, so making that into a gathering area would be good.	3/23/2022 6:20 PM
31	For Romsey to grow and progress it is important we have a High school, aquatic facility. I have been paying rates here for 15 years now, and would like to see my contribution being	3/23/2022 4:44 PM

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utilised in the town. Transport access and telecommunications are a must to be improved on. With many of us now working from home and everyday activities the internet connectivity needs to be improved. It is appalling as it stands. And lack of transport in/out of Romsey puts extra pressure on parents to be taxi drivers to their under 18yo's

32	Responses for education, public transport and telecommunications must be stronger in tone and indicate Councils commitment to work with the Community to engage State and Federal government agencies	3/23/2022 12:20 PM
33	No matter how many times we ask about a pool and a high school you still have not listened -once again you promise but there is no provision for either AGAIN !35 years here and Romsey is still the poor relation!	3/22/2022 3:18 PM
34	The "Potential Responses" appear to me to largely overlook the cultural aspect of this Theme and therefore not balanced, in my view. The Responses appear to be heavily slanted (although not exclusively it is accepted) towards children, young people & their parents' needs from an infrastructure POV. There is no contemplation of how to put Romsey "on the map" from a cultural POV. It is all very introspective rather than including a Vision as to how Romsey is to play its part from a cultural POV in the Macedon Ranges. Does Council have a vision for how Romsey is to play a part or is it to continue its role as the forgotten backwater off the Calder and to the east?	3/21/2022 5:29 PM
35	Review of the need for aquatic facility before 2027. Facility is required now. Lobby Department of Education for high school - not just work with the Department regarding population growth.	3/21/2022 5:24 PM
36	Monitoring for population growth does not solve the problems that we have now. Current facilities situated both in Romsey and in the Macedon Ranges are oversubscribed now, so waiting on future growth does not solve the issues residents face on a day to day basis.	3/21/2022 10:54 AM
37	There is no new infrastructure it's all possible maybe identify and no commitment this is until 2040 that's a joke	3/20/2022 1:58 PM
38	Community bus - YES Aquatic facility - NO ( not required in romsey, space and resources could be used better for something else)	3/20/2022 12:40 PM
39	An outdoor swimming pool, or greater leisure centre facilities are required.	3/20/2022 10:51 AM
40	Romsey desperately needs an indoor pool, as the closest is 30 minutes drive away. Also, more unicorns.	3/18/2022 10:42 PM
41	Listen to what the kids want	3/18/2022 10:11 AM
42	Yes if it's continued to be maintained	3/16/2022 9:48 AM
43	Again, it is time for our council to do what they have been promising for years. We definitely need the plans to go ahead but to say that we need to have more people before these plans come into place is just disrespectful. Romsey needs a secondary school NOW and we have people in the community that can prove that the approach taken to develop these plans for Romsey is not accurate and should be disposed in the rubbish.	3/16/2022 7:51 AM
44	As above. You are killing the country	3/16/2022 6:03 AM
45	Where's the bloody high school? Where's the pool? Where's the train link to Clarkfield? Where's the aged care facility. WHERE'S THE STRATEGIC PLANNING	3/15/2022 10:23 PM
46	Improved infrastructure will only bring positives to the town.	3/15/2022 9:17 PM
47	we were supposed to get a p-12 school 20 years ago... any chance of it happening soon??? too late for my kids.	3/15/2022 3:02 PM
48	DET has 3 reasonably distanced secondary colleges in the vicinity of Romsey already Wallan, Kyneton and Gisborne they will not fund another. Ditto for aquatic centres. A youth recreational facility (or juvenile justice centre ) would be more useful in stopping gangs of very young persons from roaming the streets and vandalising the town. Petitioning the AFP for a 24hr manned police station would be a better more viable option.	3/15/2022 2:58 PM
49	Clearly there has been no consideration for risk of bushfire to properties as homes abut grasslands which are known to have fires spread quickly, putting properties under constant threat - so why has this never been considered and appropriate action taken to date? So my point is don't just focus on new housing, focus on the current houses under threat. I agree that more can be done to improve Main Street to make it more attractive. Definitely need to ensure suitable walkways and footpaths are continuous and put it promptly, not years after new estates are put in. Seems like the Council don't care about residents safety.	3/14/2022 11:07 PM



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50	This will be a key consideration of my family remaining in Romsey long term. At present it suits our young family nicely but when my son needs to start secondary school in 2033 what options will there be with the growth in Gisborne and Kyneton meaning those schools could be at capacity. That's why I think development in Romsey needs to occur so a secondary school and other community facilities can be provided to support the young people in town.	3/11/2022 12:55 PM
51	No issue with things like swimming pools to that works for the current Romsey residents	3/11/2022 7:26 AM
52	Aquatic centre please. A BMX track across a large area of land with suitable native planting parking and adventure. eg. the open space on the corner of know rd and main st	3/11/2022 12:29 AM
53	But I love that there's no secondary schools in the area as it helps to keep the country town vibe.	3/10/2022 4:38 PM
54	Definitive need to engage the young , provide them activities within the town.	3/9/2022 3:45 PM
55	again, basic things we should have had not a bribe we will give it to you if we can overpopulate your town	3/9/2022 11:50 AM
56	Although we don't need any more medical centres.	3/8/2022 10:08 PM
57	There is a a push for further ovals and football related infrastructure but the need for alternative options such a a swimming pool is not a high propriety. More options please, not just more football. More options for teenagers such as an improved skate park, possible BMX track etc. Would like to see more places to park bikes around Romsey such as out the front of the IGA and at bus stops etc. Safer places to cross Barry road.	3/8/2022 8:56 PM
58	P-9 would be excellent for the town.	3/8/2022 8:21 PM
59	Romsey provides a good variety for children sporting wise people travel outside for sport but whinge their is nothing here but are not willing to support what is here and school they travel to a high school on a bus so do a lot of people living in metro	3/7/2022 7:15 PM
60	Romsey does not have to be a replica of other towns in the shire and in adjacent shires. Things like a secondary school, aquatic centre, extra medical service are not necessary given if potential new residents want these facilities then they could buy into new developments in Sunbury, Kilmore, Kyneton, Gisborne with secondary schools and more sporting complexes. We should be differentiating towns around services, landscape, infrastructure so potential new comers have choice.	3/7/2022 6:34 PM
61	Yes agree, education facilities for all school ages and increased population ageing will also require more medical resources and can attract talented employees to the area.	3/6/2022 6:37 PM
62	A high school should be a priority. There are currently around 500 students at Romsey Primary and around 170 students at Lancefield Primary. There is also Bolinda, Newham and Heskett Primary Schools in the area. That is likely close to 800-900 students in the Romsey area. I have excluded St Mary's as most of those children end up going to Assumption or Sacred Heart College. Extending Romsey Primary to year 9 is a terrible idea. Then kids have to change schools half way through high school and lose their friendship groups and have to start over at a school where people have had 3 years to establish friendships. The town has the capacity now to have a 7-12 school. Any growth in the town would justify this even more. Children in the area spend 2 hours a day on buses getting to and from school. That is 10 hours a week. There needs to be more invested into activities for kids to do in Romsey such as a pool. This would decrease the delinquent behaviour we have seen in recent years as they would have something to do.	3/6/2022 5:29 PM
63	The information outlined in 3.4 suggests that "population growth has been slower Romsey has been slower compared to the broader Macedon ranges" then why is there a need to focus on creating more housing as a rate that the current infrastructure won't support.	3/6/2022 4:37 PM
64	Especially the comments from the younger generation	3/6/2022 3:48 PM
65	I do think there is a need to provide additional facilities in Romsey for the current population, including the aquatic centre. In terms of a secondary school I cannot see how this is realistic as surrounding towns with secondary schools rely heavily on students from Romsey. There is definitely a need to improve pathways or provide them where currently none exist to ensure you can walk safely around the area. It has taken nearly 5 /6 years before a pathway has been built to connect the Lomandra estate to the existing pathway near the Caltex garage. Why did it take so long??? There has also been no effort to address the lack of transport in and around the town like a local bus service.	3/3/2022 11:20 AM
66	We are thirsty for infrastructure and a sense of community. As well as commuting for work, we commute to participate in sport, arts and music. The neighbourhood house can only do	3/2/2022 10:22 PM

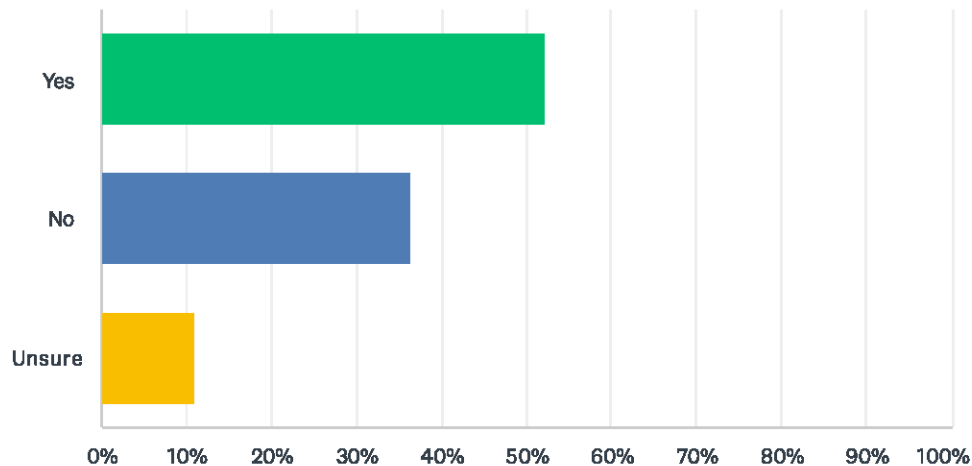
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so much.

67	What is Romsey's culture? Nothing happens in the town. No live events etc.	3/1/2022 11:07 PM
68	council super pool/gym facility is only 20 mins away at Sunbury so question that. More green meeting spaces that are safe for all demographics is required, consideration also for people and their various pets dogs in particular as there are no real safe places for meeting and socialising. On saying that off leash dog parks are not the answer due to humans inability to monitor their K9s. A safe area where dogs and humans could use equipment or for K9 providers of training / dog sports or the like would benefit the community.	3/1/2022 2:20 PM
69	Need more time to think about it.	2/28/2022 3:54 PM
70	I didn't think the responses were sensible or serious. (Unicorns? Why not the tooth fairy?). I've seen more culture under my little finger nail than I've seen in 22 years inn Romsey, and I'm a hygiene freak!!	2/28/2022 1:19 PM
71	An aquatic centre would drastically reduce travel for so many families needing to access swimming lessons for their children	2/28/2022 10:40 AM
72	More creative playground spaces in Romsey would be good. The parks lack imagination and don't hold the attention of children for long. There is also not a lot in the way of outdoor eating facilities and meeting places in parks of Romsey, where people can hold gatherings for friends and family outside.	2/25/2022 8:28 PM
73	New estates currently do not have linking pathways to the old existing areas. Focus on getting that right now.	2/25/2022 7:06 PM
74	With more residents we need a secondary school to reduce the need for students to travel to other towns for their schooling. We need better medical services. Recent experiences of the medical services provided have shown them to be lacking. In actual fact I would have to say experiences with doctor's at 2 of the medical clinics in Romsey has been bloody awful and a waste of time. We shouldn't have to wait until 2027 for the council to review the need for an aquatic centre in Romsey, they should be building one. It is all part of the community facilities that are required if they want to keep on increasing the population. It will reduce the number of people driving to Gisborne or Kyneton which can only be good for the environment.	2/24/2022 3:32 PM
75	Development will do nothing for community infrastructure etc.	2/24/2022 12:56 AM
76	We need a 50m indoor pool. Not just for Romsey but for the Macedon Ranges! Currently have to drive 40mins to Craigieburn to have a decent swim. Real swimmers will come for a 50m pool.	2/23/2022 11:24 PM
77	There's not much focus on cultural facilities. It seems focused only on sport.	2/22/2022 1:59 PM
78	vvvvv	2/18/2022 5:34 PM

## Q13 Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5 Movement, Transport and Access?

Answered: 197 Skipped: 210



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	52.28%	103
No	36.55%	72
Unsure	11.17%	22
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>197</b>

#	TELL US WHY YOU THINK THAT:	DATE
1	The paper relies on talking with Department of Transport to hopefully increase bus services and the use of volunteers. That is not acceptable there needs to be more than this and paid services that are reliable. Re-instate the train line really connect the town with more reliable and suitable transport options.	4/5/2022 8:28 AM
2	I strongly agree with the following: Provide an intertown path from Romsey to Monegeeta and Clarkefield similar to the Lancefield connection. Work with DoT to improve public transport to provide more frequent services and integrated timetables - Particularly to Lancefield and other towns within the Macedon Ranges (Woodend, Kyneton, Gisborne, Riddells Creek) Work with DoT to improve the shuttle bus service to Clarkefield Station to provide services which align with the V/Line train timetable. I do not agree with a mixture of public bus and volunteer car drivers to provide services to Clarkefield Station - this should be serviced (particularly aligning with peak services) by public transport. Again, any development of the shared user path along Five Mile Creek should be done in consultation with property owners that live along that boundary.	4/2/2022 5:42 PM
3	Further work required north of Five Mile Creek along Main street including safer crossing points for access to Ecotherapy Park and bus stops and the missing connection between the footpath network at Robb Drive to the shared path to Lancefield (north of the ambulance station).	4/1/2022 4:54 PM
4	Transport is poor	4/1/2022 3:52 PM
5	Do not use White Avenue as a potential entry point to the town (figure 7). Do not extend White Avenue - keep it as a cul-de-sac. Do not extend White Avenue to any potential development in the East, due to safety issues for children. It is a speedway (due to the length of the road) and the road is a single lane past Park St that is unable to support extra traffic. Due to the increased traffic in town it is difficult to do a right turn from White Ave onto the main street. As such, most residents cut through Park Lane to Barry Street to get to use the roundabout and access the main road.	4/1/2022 1:23 PM

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6	Intertown path between Romsey, Monegeeta and Clarkefield would encourage riding bike to Clarkefield train station. Because most people drive private vehicles, most issues are actually based around getting into city, and traffic issues around Bulla etc. And also the issue with parking at Clarkefield Station which may be impacted once the development at Clarkefield goes ahead. I dont recall seeing anything about having charging facilities for electric vehicles as part of this plan, could that be incorporated? Do not support improved tree canopy across town as per previous response about Romseys cold climate, and wanting more sunshine.	3/31/2022 10:49 PM
7	I think the ideas promoting bike tracks and walking opportunities are good but the real issue is around public transport and access along with the increased traffic that population growth will bring. This is not addressed adequately in the plan. Unless VicRoads improve the road to Melbourne this will continue to be a major issue. Relying on people to volunteer to drive people to the railway station seems like a ridiculous notion to include in a plan.	3/31/2022 10:10 PM
8	I touched on Transport previously. Romsey is Car-Centric and this will continue, so please provide parking. Consider a transport LOOP to Rail and surrounding townships. Walking Paths should accommodate Cycling paths, ie don't put in a walking path that prohibits cyclists wherever possible (and Vice-Versa).	3/31/2022 6:05 PM
9	An inter-town footpath between Romsey and Clarkefield would be a very low priority.	3/31/2022 5:55 PM
10	The town needs a coordinated and upgraded electric bus timetable that connects with the train system both at peak times and throughout the day.	3/31/2022 5:18 PM
11	By opening up Five Mile Creek to the east for a human walking track will displace all the native animals that currently use this regenerated corridor.	3/31/2022 4:41 PM
12	In addition to the potential responses in the Paper, I believe a pedestrian crossing on Melbourne Lancefield Rd at the intersection with Palmer Street/Robb Drive is essential. It is scary to cross there and is a disincentive to walk to the Ecotherapy Park from the north-western side of town. Traffic is either speeding up to exit town, or coming in fast and starting to slow to enter the town. There is the main road, plus two service roads to cross and limited pedestrian/pram/cycling refuge on the grass verges as they have large drainage pits. It also makes sense to include a crossing here, given that there are Vline bus stops on either side of the road that are difficult to access from a pedestrian position - I can't imagine how anyone with impaired mobility/disability would cope with accessing the bus stops.	3/31/2022 3:31 PM
13	We should not rely on volunteers to satisfy a desperate need for more public transport - we need to have a transport system that connects with trains better or goes directly to Melbourne. If a pathway is constructed along 5 Mile Creek, will that adversely impact the environment? We do not need further traffic lights on Main Street, nor decrease the speed limit. What we need is enforcement of the speed limit.	3/31/2022 3:17 PM
14	Talk about walking paths and pedestrian crossings etc mask the major ROMSEY problem which needs fixing before any growth is considered. This Theme identifies that over 30% of workers travel along the road towards Melbourne. This road is already inadequate, not surfaced properly ever and now subject to reduced speed limits. Council should wait until the Sunbury developments are completed before they consider any future growth plan for ROMSEY.	3/31/2022 12:22 PM
15	transport consideration needs to allow for Romsey community residents living in farming zone and rural living - not just a short walk to town - this sufficient car access is required.	3/31/2022 11:31 AM
16	I generally agree with this though I have a concern at the comment regarding tree canopy. It is vital that large / tall trees are not established on road ways so that in the event of bushfires vital roads are not blocked by falling trees, to do so will threaten the lives of shire residents in the event of a bushfire	3/31/2022 10:07 AM
17	Intertown paths to include Riddells Creek, Woodend, Hanging Rock - this will be a significant tourism opportunity allowing public transport access to the regions resources.	3/30/2022 10:42 PM
18	Same problem. YOU WANT TO ALLOW BUILDING OF MORE INTENSIVE HOUSING.....STOP Start to put back into Romsey what you have been taking for years. Where are our rates going?	3/30/2022 10:13 PM
19	Many of these responses have not been thought through and are contradictory to other premises in the paper eg point 5 " using volunteer car drivers" surely contradictory to making Romsey less car dependent. Point 10 - Contradictory to the environmental issues of rehabilitation and encouraging resurgence of native flora and fauna.	3/30/2022 1:27 PM
20	Incorrect data and no dates placed on promises	3/29/2022 8:44 PM
21	BUT DO NOT DEVELOP ALONG 5 MILE CREEK.	3/29/2022 3:12 PM



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22	We need a train not a bus service increase	3/28/2022 10:28 PM
23	If a train service is on the cards people need more than a bus service improvement	3/28/2022 10:17 PM
24	I agree we are a commuter village, its part of the attraction. Yes I agree with a pedestrian network and I like the idea of investing in cycle path infrastructure. I think this has the potential to create tourism opportunities. I do feel greater investment into the creek, lighting path maintenance and off lead dog spaces is needed.	3/28/2022 5:46 PM
25	Definitely a commercial town. Still close to Melbourne. Footpaths are springing up and needed . I'd love to see a network of bike trails throughout the region as it would boost tourism. Lighting around the deep creek for safety.	3/28/2022 5:46 PM
26	State government appear to have no input or consultation on roads and public transport, their responsibility	3/28/2022 5:13 PM
27	I'm in opposition to housing / transport / recreational development near 5 mile creek.	3/28/2022 10:51 AM
28	The reality is that Romsey is a driving town, but there has been little mention of road maintenance and the poor condition of the road to Melbourne. A lot of people commute, and if the town is to grow the pressure on this road will only increase.	3/27/2022 9:32 PM
29	Romsey is currently pretty poorly serviced in terms of footpaths. In particular, one along the east of Barry street is necessary as currently there is not a good way for a child to ride a bike or a parent to push a pram without using the road. Additionally, whilst this paper identifies that travel is fairly car-centric within Romsey it fails to note that being a commuter town this is largely a result of people stopping at the shops on their way home, as part of existing journeys. The paper should also explore the miserable condition of the roads in the area – how are we going to be a viable commuter town for up to 10,000 people when the Melbourne Lancefield Road is in a constant state of disrepair and currently has a long section where speed is limited to 60kph due to poor road condition.	3/27/2022 4:13 PM
30	This is very grey. If we had increased public transport options, my family would use them, however MRSC has previously advised that this is a state government responsibility and they have no say.	3/26/2022 2:14 PM
31	we have a pathetic transport system in romsey Anything is an improvement	3/26/2022 10:58 AM
32	Reduce Knox road to 50km	3/26/2022 9:20 AM
33	Public transport options are currently appalling. Services such as the gisbus should be provided. Fairs fair.	3/25/2022 6:37 PM
34	this is a big must have ticket item for those living in the town. It is appalling that we are trapped here unless someone can drive us 20-30mins in any direction to get to a major township for work, shopping, entertainment, medical needs. Why can we have the old train track reinstated before some out of town developer decides it's a good idea to build over the track and have that option gone forever.	3/23/2022 4:56 PM
35	Support In part No mention of constructing dual use path along Romsey Road from roundabout to Tickawarra Rd. Safety issue, vehicle movement towards Wallan. Need to encourage foot traffic to Recreation Centre etc	3/23/2022 12:32 PM
36	You can't expect the public to resolve the transportation issues. More bus options are required "volunteer car drivers to provide services which align with the V/Line train timetable"	3/22/2022 8:35 PM
37	Why bother walking to the middle of Romsey when it lacks basic facilities - you can't even but a hankie in town - FIX THE ROAD!	3/22/2022 3:25 PM
38	Totally agree with improving tree canopy across whole town and town entrances. Agree that slowing traffic generally would be a good outcome noting the experience that engine brakes on large vehicles routinely are heard and disrupt sleep. Very little if any opportunity to walk around the broader area of Romsey (ie outside township) with dogs off leash in a safe manner. I consider this issue comes within this Theme.	3/21/2022 5:30 PM
39	No inter town path between Monegeeta and Clarkefield. Use the funds to build an aquatic centre in Romsey.	3/21/2022 5:24 PM
40	We should not rely on volunteers to drive local busses and assist the elderly or disabled in navigating Romsey or Macedon Ranges. In fact, is there any consideration for providing further infrastructure and support for the elderly or disabled apart from improving footpaths? Only a compliance check with DDA is included in the plan - we need not to plan to do in this	3/21/2022 11:28 AM

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area. Slowing traffic in Main Street further does not make sense - traffic is slowed when the pedestrian lights are in use.

41	This time the plan is to say one thing and do something else. Had to laugh oversupply of parking WHERE try parking after school or just about any time. Also no plans to keep high use infrastructure in the middle of town so now when new infrastructure is built we will need to drive to it	3/20/2022 2:05 PM
42	Romsey to clarkfield path - NO More busses and footpaths connection romsey township - YES	3/20/2022 12:59 PM
43	Bus routes need to cover more of Romsey rather than focusing primarily on main st.	3/20/2022 10:57 AM
44	Better paths for walking and cycling off road are really important for decreasing car dependence and improving health and welfare. I have a child in primary school, and going for a walk with them as a toddler was very difficult due to the lack of a footpath on a busy high speed road. Cycling was virtually impossible.	3/18/2022 11:09 PM
45	Slowing traffic in Main St will almost certainly cause congestion. Is diverting traffic along the service road really a good idea? The focus on pedestrian and cycle access seems to be in areas where it already exists, albeit in need of widening and/or improvement. What about prioritising the construction of paths where the network is unconnected and incomplete. There is not a single path in any court or cul-de-sac in Romsey. Don't these residents walk anywhere? Improve the tree canopy by all means, but there is already a problem with tree canopies and powerlines in any streets.	3/18/2022 1:42 PM
46	Not enough footpaths for walking instead we walk on roads. It's taken years for Lomandra to get a footpath, let alone Barry Rd, Tickawarra Rd, Hutchinson Rd all these roads were here before any new estates.	3/18/2022 10:20 AM
47	The reason people drive to work is because of the lack of public transport. Why develop a town that has no railway station?	3/16/2022 10:16 AM
48	Please also consider what you will implement to have large buses and trucks removed from small local roads	3/16/2022 9:54 AM
49	Hell no! Look at the conditions of our transports now, how can we trust that when the new development comes together that we will have transport? There is nothing there showing us what is your plan... Just a bunch of words to say that we need more people before we have buses. When are you going to talk about the train rail? When are you putting more buses in? When are you fixing our roads?	3/16/2022 7:58 AM
50	Leave this as a country town and you won't need it	3/16/2022 6:04 AM
51	Too many inaccuracies to detail. 28,000 residents for a high school is the most glaring piece of crap in the whole shoddy report.	3/15/2022 10:36 PM
52	The walking paths and bike paths are a great idea. Public transport really needs improvement, and a rail to Romsey would help the development of the town as a fringe Melbourne suburb.	3/15/2022 9:23 PM
53	Get rid of the roundabout at Barry Street and put in traffic lights. Petition the govt to reinstate even a light rail transport solution from Sunbury to Lancefield.	3/15/2022 3:11 PM
54	misses the point really - good outline of problems but not much in the way of innovative solutions or commitments	3/15/2022 3:06 PM
55	I completely disagree with Table 1: Dwelling Density Required for Essential Service. I believe this data does not apply for regional/rural areas and is more suited to be applied in city areas or suburbs. For example, Gisborne does not have 28,000 residents yet it has a secondary school.... I think the Council is just trying to force the community in believing we need a larger population for them to justify providing essential services. Agree there needs to be better public transport however as we are not on a train line, I do not believe Romsey is suitable for a large population increase.	3/14/2022 11:18 PM
56	Lack of public transport is NOT a significant issue for young people. Buses can be caught to Sunbury. Any views around trains or v lines from Romsey will ruin the dynamic of the town.	3/11/2022 7:33 AM
57	Romsey is a big town and every one drives - even to the supermarket if you live on Ida Cres. access within the town is hard for young people. Bikes are a key option for youth and fit people but paths are not readily accessible. (although I'm happy to see the walking paths popping up over the years) I really want to see light rail come to town and connect a large	3/11/2022 12:46 AM

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percentage of commuters to v/line if travelling to twon or sunbury. I hope to send you more info via email on this.

58	It's very important to us to have safe walking paths to get around as we use foot power as much as possible locally. We drive to Clarkfield to catch the train to work.	3/10/2022 4:48 PM
59	There is a need for more footpaths, ie Ewing drive, particularly with the increase in electric vehicles , you can't hear them . More population, more cars, need ppl not walking on the roads as we do now, certainly not safe as we get older. We love walking but it needs to be safer.	3/9/2022 3:50 PM
60	again, basic things we should have had not a bribe we will give it to you if we can overpopulate your town	3/9/2022 11:50 AM
61	Romsey needs better footpaths to encourage walking. We also desperately need better public transport and access to the train line, and other towns in the Macedon Ranges.	3/9/2022 8:29 AM
62	more options around cycling about town. A cycle path to Woodend would be beautiful and iconic encouraging visitors to the area. Bike paths around 5 mile creek would be very welcome	3/8/2022 9:09 PM
63	It'd be great to see more intertown paths. The existing one between Romsey and Lancefield is excellent, and lots of folks use it all the time. More pedestrian pathways around the town would be great - I run a lot; and while it's fine running on the road, there's certainly a lack of pathways in some areas of the town.	3/8/2022 8:35 PM
64	Public transport still needs a lot of improvement has not improved in years	3/7/2022 7:41 PM
65	This theme has failed to consider all the new residents using local rural service roads outside the town boundary for recreation, exercise, bike riding, horse riding, nature observation. Particularly applies to rural roads to the south and west of town.If it is unsafe to walk and ride with the town boundary on sealed roads where speed limit is 50 and 60km per hour, imagine how unsafe it is to ride and walk on gravel roads with 100km per hour speed limit, Need to have a far more holistic policy on safety for walkers and cyclists	3/7/2022 6:35 PM
66	No real comments here, linking montegetta with romsey by shared path not required in my view. Lancefield and the option to grow Romsey in a northerly direction seems a better focus.	3/6/2022 6:49 PM
67	There needs to be more bus access into the expanded areas of town. Even Woodend and Gisborne have link buses ( mini bus type) that would support elderly and students. There needs to more correlation between bus and train times in Riddles and Clarkefield	3/6/2022 5:37 PM
68	The data outlined would not be accurate following the 2 year pandemic with employed residents now working from home	3/6/2022 4:41 PM
69	Absolutely, public transport is an uncoordinated disgrace with ad-hoc buses, to Sunbury, no connections to Clarksville or Riddells Creek along with the stupid restrictions on the road to Sunbury.	3/6/2022 3:59 PM
70	Connecting romsey to clarkefield is very important "the town with no pub or train station". This offers an extra option to work/city events and sunbury that the towns workers and youth need	3/4/2022 5:11 AM
71	To improve safety and the ability for people to use transport	3/2/2022 9:17 AM
72	There needs to be a major decision somewhere to upgrade clarkefield station so that more trains stop there and buses go there from Romsey. (Even though by the time trains get to Gisborne and clarkefield, it's standing room only). Every street needs proper footpaths ( wide enough for old people scooters) and walk throughs from cul-de-sacs. I've seen old people on those on busy roads , even walking their dogs beside them!! Bike racks are needed Build another north south road across 5 mile creek at couzens lane	3/1/2022 11:18 PM
73	bike / walk tracks needed that link or circle town to encourage a healthy lifestyle. Can never have too many trees and local indigenous plants , opportunity to signpost some how so people can learn about the various endemic plants of the region, uses, what eats them, etc	3/1/2022 2:27 PM
74	We desperately need more options for transport	2/28/2022 8:36 PM
75	Need more consultation.	2/28/2022 3:54 PM
76	I'd love to move, I just can't be bothered packing. As stated previously, the cycling network has always been a hazardous hoax!	2/28/2022 1:27 PM
77	More community transport is need to get around the town not the odd bud that comes	2/25/2022 7:06 PM

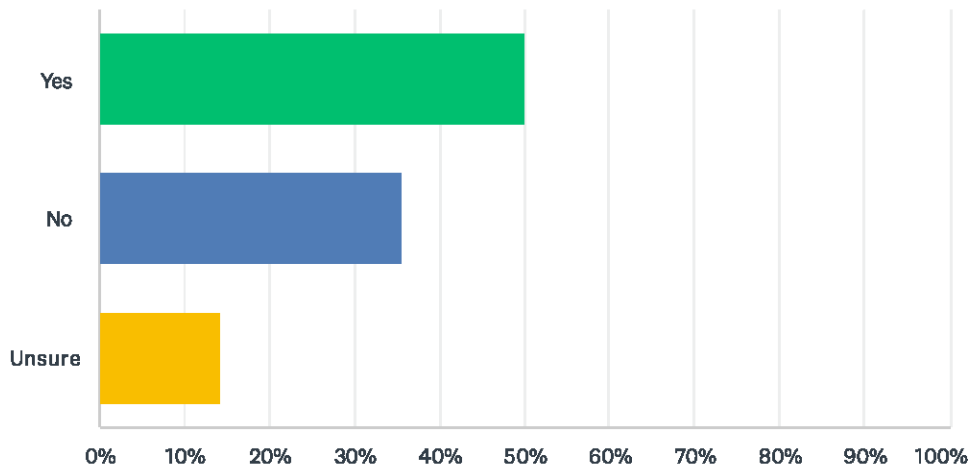
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78	What transport ? Most people have to use their cars	2/24/2022 6:19 PM
79	I agree that more transport options are required. I don't agree that we need more traffic lights as I think they ruin the landscape of the town. We certainly need a better public transport connection to Clarkfield Station, especially early morning so that you can get there to catch the 5.34am train and then get home of a night so you don't need to drive. Improving the tree canopy across the whole town is a fantastic response.	2/24/2022 3:47 PM
80	Improve the bus time table.	2/24/2022 1:01 AM
81	Connectivity of paths and walkability makes a real difference to the ease of moving through the town especially with young children. This section needs to consider how we keep those paths safe (especially free of broken glass).	2/23/2022 11:28 PM
82	Because it would be good for us teenagers to be able to go to lance field on sundays for footy games bc we can't currently bc there's no buses on Sunday	2/22/2022 3:30 PM
83	Improved public transport links and walking/cycling facilities. Walk and cycle routes need to be attractive and feel safe if people are going to use them	2/22/2022 2:10 PM
84	cccccc	2/18/2022 5:34 PM

## Q14 Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.6 Sustainability and Resilience?

Answered: 196 Skipped: 211



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	50.00%	98
No	35.71%	70
Unsure	14.29%	28
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>196</b>

#	TELL US WHY YOU THINK THAT:	DATE
1	Promoting urban consolidation and a town structure that minimises reliance on vehicles is useless unless there are services that provide a valid alternative to the 75% of residents actually who rely on those vehicles to get to work and around the town/district. Without adequate public transport, redesigning the town to reduce reliance on vehicles will just make it harder for existing residents to get where they need to go on time. The structure plan should include stronger design elements which ensure that future high/medium density developments include a certain level of amenity to enable the potential responses listed, e.g. be required to plant a certain number of trees/ landscape a proportion of land, install assets which will reduce reliance on electricity, gas and water. As a resident who has moved from a medium density development in Melbourne's north, the effect of urban heating was significant and exacerbated by developers who did not live up to the promises or pictures in their sales office of landscaped parks and spaces. Small land lots (400-600 m2) also meant that each house was built to the boundary, there was limited space for trees and vegetation to support urban cooling and some developers design guidelines made it hard to install solar panels, water tanks and have space for an adequate front/backyard garden or shade providing street tree.	4/2/2022 5:42 PM
2	no problem is paper is projecting population growth but the water / sewage / power / telecomms are at a poor standard already. growth will continue to stretch these facilities.	4/1/2022 3:52 PM
3	Romsey does not need urban cooling and additional urban forest. As per previous comment, this has come from Melbourne consultants that are unaware of Romseys local climate. Romsey is usually a few degrees cooler than Melbourne, blanketed in fog/mist/cloud and incredibly windy. So high wind chill, which often makes it tough to get outside and exercise, and get vitamin D. I would suggest less tree canopy, to encourage more people to get outside and exercise in the limited sunshine/warmth we get.	3/31/2022 10:49 PM
4	Why not make this a renewable energy hub for the region. Community power options such as those in the Northeast of the state (Indigo Power) should be a prime consideration.	3/31/2022 10:10 PM



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5	I have been told secondhand that the Romsey Hub has Solar panels installed and paid for by the MRSC. AND it has NO INVERTER. Ie the panels are on the roof and NO electricity is being generated for use. If this is true then I admire your intended creation of a mini-grid but lack the confidence for the MRSC to deliver. I do not fish myself but I have heard that creeks do contain trout and eels, well managed and perhaps improved this too could be potentially beneficial to Romsey's surrounds.	3/31/2022 6:05 PM
6	However the Water, Sewerage, Gas and Electricity supplies need to be upgraded prior to any further population increase within the area.	3/31/2022 5:18 PM
7	The RRWP is at capacity now. Potable water supply will be an issue and is an issue in times of drought. Electricity supply is at it's limit. Climate Change is real and adding a sea of roofs will only raise the temperature more.	3/31/2022 4:41 PM
8	For the most part I agree with the options proposed. We recently visited the town of Euroa on a camping trip, for what was supposed to be a 10 minute stop on the way to our destination. What we found was ample parking space for a car with trailer, inviting green spaces with tables, water for drinking and for pets, a huge charging station for electric vehicles, right opposite the park, a visitor facilities area with barbecues, toilets, information, etc. We ended up staying nearly two hours and spending a couple of hundred dollars doing extra shopping that we hadn't planned, because the town was inviting and convenient for wayside travellers. It wasn't and wouldn't have been a destination for us to stay, but as a stop along the way, we were so well catered to that we spent time and money in the town. Romsey sees a HUGE amount of through traffic during holiday periods/long weekends and I feel that we should be focusing on making the town an inviting and accommodating place for travellers to stop (and spend their money) in the town. There is more to the tourist dollar than just the charm of the "showpiece" towns of Woodend and Kyneton where most of Council's spending on facilities seems to go. On the topic of reliance on fossil fuels, Romsey is COLD in winter, Seriously cold. Any new development will need to ensure adherence to really good insulation and solar passive design. Without the use of natural gas to heat homes, we absolutely must improve the provision of electricity to the town. When we have winter temperatures dropping below 0 regularly at night and power outages potentially lasting several days after big storms, homes without wood fired heating quickly become unliveable. I'm also concerned that the Paper makes the briefest mention that Five Mile Creek is a significant Aboriginal cultural site and then makes no further mention about how this might be honoured or maintained. What positive action is Council taking to engage with traditional owners about how these sites are to be looked after?	3/31/2022 3:31 PM
9	planned responses include the discharge of waste water in future years to waterways. This should not be allowed and is subject to environmental and legal problems. this needs to be revisited. Infrastructure improvements, - roads, power, telecommunications, water, sewerage schoiols etc are required before the town grows	3/31/2022 11:31 AM
10	there are very significant shortfalls here. The water infrastructure plan includes discharge of waste water into 5 Mile creek and Deep Creek by 2036, this has been previously met with threatened legal action by shire residents against Western Water and for which Western Water backed down after taking legal advice. if the sewerage pan is to discharge wastewater into our water ways this legal issue will re-emerge. We live 4 km out of the township but regularly during peak we have insufficient NBN / data coverage to allow television service / uninterrupted internet service. We have regular mobile phone coverage outages so receib=ving & making voice calls is not possible - how can the current data environment be appropriate for future significant growth in these circumstances. The shire needs to plans roadway vegetation with a view to bush fire management rather than the recent exercise of issuing demands on residents to clear internal boundaries of vegetation in bushfire season	3/31/2022 10:07 AM
11	Land use - avoid sprawl, limit growth / development to defined boundaries Electricity / Sewerage / Telecomms - Infrastructure must be resolved before further development Sustainability - Recognise that there are limits to growth. Encourage landholders especially rural to adopt sustainability solutions. Deep Creek - Recognise more opportunities for access to Deep Creek with facilities that allow the community to appreciate the extent and value of this asset. Establish bio links around Romsey linking waterways especially Deep Creek. Keep development well away from the riparian areas. Water quality / supply - Assess feasibility of supply from MW sources - including desal, ensure agricultural / horticultural land types are available to utilise increased outflows including to the north, if any discharges to Deep Creek ensure quality is appropriate - note that pharmaceuticals need to be removed. Vegetation - provide more information on how to ensure pressure on threatened species is minimised and increased biodiversity can occur Open Spaces - ensure any development has adequate resources	3/30/2022 10:42 PM
12	At this point of time you are not looking after 5 Mile creek because you are endorsing	3/30/2022 10:13 PM

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treated water to enter the creek. Approving developments that that see small blocks contradicts "minimise the size of the town and make the most efficient use of land"

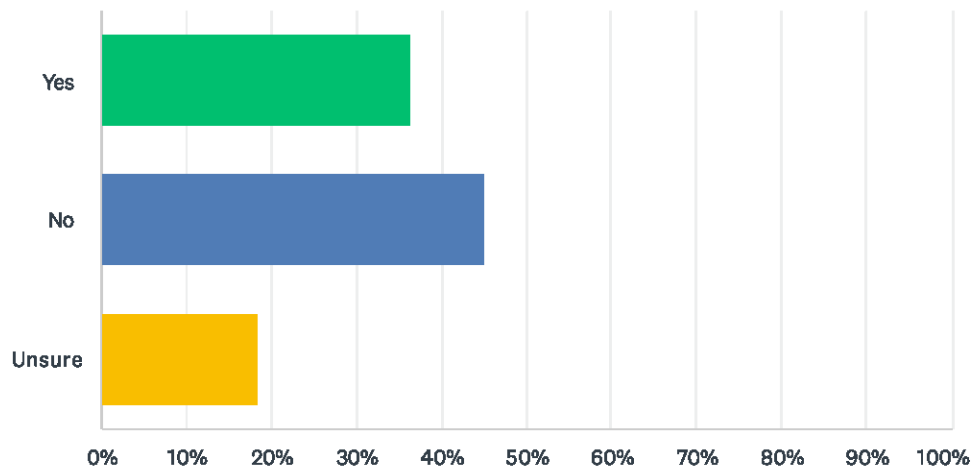
13	As long as the infrastructure for growth is in place before growth happens	3/30/2022 1:27 PM
14	Incorrect data and no dates placed on promises	3/29/2022 8:44 PM
15	keep town small and use what you have	3/29/2022 3:21 PM
16	Your options 2 and 3 fly directly in the face of the settlement principals: Promote urban consolidation - NOT EXPANSION MINIMISE the size of town and make the most efficient use of land NO development along side 5 mile creek	3/29/2022 3:12 PM
17	Not interested in some things we are all happy with Romsey as it is except For NBN trouble early in the piece	3/28/2022 10:28 PM
18	If in keeping with the rural outlook	3/28/2022 10:17 PM
19	This is the most stressful part of this document, it lacks imagination, consideration and a plan on how we hope to achieve alternatives. Consideration to climate change is non existent and this disappoints me at length. Deep creek is important but through out the document we talk about discharging storm water, this is not a plan, this feels like document fill.	3/28/2022 5:46 PM
20	Greater consideration on how you hope to achieve this is needed	3/28/2022 5:46 PM
21	More trees	3/28/2022 11:08 AM
22	I'm in opposition to housing / transport / recreational development near 5 mile creek.	3/28/2022 10:51 AM
23	The aims of this section are noble but are doomed to fail if the council doesn't also address the need for local services and continues to push for expansion well outside of walking distance from Main Street/Melbourne Lancefield road.	3/27/2022 9:32 PM
24	I support the principles, but one way to drastically improve the reliance of vehicles would be to have an aquatic centre built in town. Another would be a local secondary school. The concept of sustainability cannot be considered as a separate issue to the provision of local services.	3/27/2022 4:13 PM
25	I do not feel we can trust MRSC	3/26/2022 2:14 PM
26	It is imperative to the town that our utilities, gas, water, electricity 7 telecommunications are all upgraded, before there is any further housing development. The town can't cope with what it has already. People will move out as quick as they move in if not supported with basic day-to-day utilities. The roads also need a huge upgrade and revamp. I can not get across the main street at peak times of the day anymore since Romsey has increased it's population.	3/23/2022 4:56 PM
27	Once again you are off track- you want to bring in more rate payers to boost the MRSC coffers and we lack decent infrastructure - Look after the people that are here first!	3/22/2022 3:25 PM
28	Mobile coverage - council engagement with carriers is not enough. It must be fixed. Twice during storms / bad weather last year having to drive to Riddells Creek from Romsey to make a phone call is not good enough.	3/21/2022 5:24 PM
29	Your kidding the sewerage plant is at capacity. The power the water and the gas all need upgrades for delivery into the town and if you ask nbn the telecommunications are ok but ask the people that live here it's hopeless	3/20/2022 2:05 PM
30	Encourage planting of deciduous trees which the region is famous for and builds on events such as the autumn festival	3/20/2022 10:57 AM
31	I really like the idea of a micro grid/solar array.	3/18/2022 11:09 PM
32	"Enhance environmental assets of the town and create a healthy urban forest for shade and urban cooling" Yes! Yes! Yes!!!!	3/18/2022 4:37 PM
33	No not when "Clean" Sewerage is running into our creeks surely in this day and age we can have a more diverse form of distributing sewerage. Think of the habitat and the various animal species that live in and along those creeks please!	3/18/2022 10:20 AM
34	Our current utilities and services are substandard so should be improved for the benefit of the community	3/16/2022 9:54 AM
35	What sustainability plan??? The emerging plan has no plan for sustainability.	3/16/2022 7:58 AM
36	Too many city ideas killing country town	3/16/2022 6:04 AM

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37	A bunch of Woke motherhood statements, until we get to water, where again, it is just plain wrong	3/15/2022 10:36 PM
38	More needs to be done with the town to reduce the reliance on cars and fossil fuels for energy. By installing walking tracks and bike lanes through the town may reduce the utilization of cars within the township, and a rail system and improved public transport will link Romsey with Sunbury and Melbourne for commuters.	3/15/2022 9:23 PM
39	I support theme 3.6 only if the existing settlement boundaries are retained	3/15/2022 3:11 PM
40	its not that hard.	3/15/2022 3:06 PM
41	Electricity to the current town residents needs to be more supported to reduce the amount of blackouts / loss of power	3/11/2022 7:33 AM
42	It is important to us that sustainable options for clean water and power are used as much as possible to support the environment.	3/10/2022 4:48 PM
43	Sewage needs improvement for a lot of houses on the fringe of Romsey	3/7/2022 7:41 PM
44	Some good initiatives but lack connection with the farming zone and rural living zones surrounding the town. For instance there is no recognition of existing Land for Wildlife farms adjacent to and the town, despite the fact they are responsible for bring wildlife and nature virtually into the town. Need to support great activity amongst landowners in a 5km radius of the town to participate in conservation programs to enhance the landscape and biodiversity. New housing developments should be based on solar electricity with neighbourhood batteries and a minimum 30,000 litre household rainwater tanks. Conservation buffer zone at least 100m wide	3/7/2022 6:35 PM
45	Minimise the size of the town and make the most efficient use of land, this is an amazing focus. The residential boundary of Romsey is enough, I agree small re-zone north towards Lancefield is needed but what a great focus for this town plan. Limit rural land being re zoned, period.	3/6/2022 6:49 PM
46	I agree with the need for upgraded services. Especially internet (NBN), mobile phone service and consistent and reliable power. The environmental impact needs to be consulted with farmers in the area so conservation zones are not applied unnecessarily to farm land that is being used to support produce.	3/6/2022 5:37 PM
47	We need to be big enough to survive as a country town yet not be swamped as a dormitory suburb.	3/6/2022 3:59 PM
48	future proofing the town to assist in mitigation of fire, floods, loss of services eg. power planting to assist buffer the storms / winds that the changes in the environment will impact on the town	3/1/2022 2:27 PM
49	The water pressure is laughable. It's barely a trickle. It cost us thousands to provide an adequate service to boost town water pressures. Gas supply is non-existent and electrical services are notoriously unreliable. "Resilience" looks like a buzz word that's out of place...mind you, we've either shown resilience staying here for 22 years or demonstrated our loathsome hatred of packing and relocating. I think it's the latter.	2/28/2022 1:27 PM
50	What sustainability? Even the MRSC grass cutters spread weeds from town to town with their equipment. Check out Main Street Romsey it's a disgrace (road works have left huge piles of earth sitting in Main Street!!	2/24/2022 6:19 PM
51	We need to improve our electricity supply as too many time when there is a storm we loose power. lets look at renewables to power the town and any other options to reduce the towns impact on the environment.	2/24/2022 3:47 PM
52	Leave Romsey alone. Fix the roads before thinking about anything else.	2/24/2022 1:01 AM
53	Power outages are a concern in extreme weather, which will only increase. We need a local renewable power supply and local energy storage such as community batteries. We should definitely not connect new properties to gas, but that means we will be totally reliant on one source of energy. Reliable energy supply is essential particularly in our cold winters.	2/22/2022 2:10 PM
54	bbbbbbbbbb	2/18/2022 5:34 PM

## Q15 Do you support the Settlement Principles outlined in Section 4?

Answered: 195 Skipped: 212



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	36.41%	71
No	45.13%	88
Unsure	18.46%	36
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>195</b>

#	TELL US WHY YOU THINK THAT:	DATE
1	You settlement principals centre around you getting in more housing so you can get more rates.	4/5/2022 8:28 AM
2	I strongly disagree with the idea that the town's population must be increased before appropriate services and facilities can be provided. Appropriate services and facilities should be provided when there is a need for them. There is a clear need from the community to access an indoor swimming pool, a local high school, pre-schools and even just adequate vital services like public transport, water treatment, electricity and phone/internet. This should not be held as a carrot to convince residents to support development at an unsustainable rate. What promises can the council make to residents when the development happens but these services are not delivered?	4/2/2022 5:42 PM
3	The Settlement Principles listed are reasonable. I just don't believe that the proposed development to the east of town (which the Paper is clearly skewed towards) is in keeping with the principles listed. i.e. the proposed development to the east of Romsey would not: - ensure growth does not impact on the visual and environmental setting of the township. - carefully consider any township expansion into agricultural land **in fact it would directly expand into productive agricultural land and would also impact the boundaries of neighbouring farms. I strongly disagree with the premise of: -increase the town's population to enable appropriate services and facilities to be provided. Council providing services in an area where they collect rates monies from an already growing population should be a given. The implied ultimatum here is that Council will not provide services in Romsey unless the residents agree to expansion - which may not be in keeping with the town character.	4/1/2022 4:54 PM
4	Too simplistic to ask do you support the principles yes / no / or unsure. I believe the protection of agricultural land is vital as we need to provide food for a growing population and reduce food miles. As an agricultural area what is this plan doing to address value adding opportunities which provide employment to the increased numbers of people moving to the area. At the moment a large proportion of the population travel to other areas for employment and the town reaps very little benefit of the increased population.	3/31/2022 10:10 PM
5	In principle I agree to what you have stated, however a change in land use will bring	3/31/2022 6:05 PM

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disruption to the current users. I will take serious exception to ANY BULLYING in ANY FORM by the shire towards current owners. Please deal with them in a respectful and dignified manner, "City Hall Demands" is not what I would expect of a country community. We country living folk are here because of lifestyle and those displaced will no doubt resettle locally, so civility must prevail. The potential for compromise and mutual beneficial considerations with current owners must be factored into any implementation of plans. Having "Green Belts" surrounding Romsey retaining it's Country Town character, preventing it melding into the 'Burbs of Melbourne' is IMPORTANT. Agree Fully. I would go further and state this should be for all the towns in the shire. Europe has long had Green-belt policies; someone has to draw a line in the sand (or in this case a line between the towns). Stop Melbourne at Sunbury!

6	I think the future expansion of Romsey should be concentrated in the East and South-East of the town, where the soils are less productive and the topography less visually appealing than to the North, where the town boundary should remain where it is.	3/31/2022 5:55 PM
7	I don't feel that pushing more population into Romsey then promising us that we will get appropriate services and facilities is good enough. That is what was said in 2009 and we still didn't get the services and facilities that we required.	3/31/2022 4:41 PM
8	The Settlement Principles listed are reasonable. I just don't believe that the proposed development to the east of town (which the Paper is clearly skewed towards) is in keeping with the principles listed. i.e. the proposed development to the east of Romsey would not: - ensure growth does not impact on the visual and environmental setting of the township. - carefully consider any township expansion into agricultural land **in fact it would directly expand into productive agricultural land and would also impact the boundaries of neighbouring farms, where weed and pest animal management would become harder (shooting foxes or use of 1080 next to a town boundary would likely become illegal?), noise and smell complaints can affect farm operations, stray domestic pets can harass livestock, farm biosecurity is harder to maintain and protect. From my own childhood on a farm in Gippsland, I am more than aware that during peak hay/silage season, machinery is in operation well into the early hours of the morning and this is absolutely essential to the viability of the farm. Would council be giving assurances to the farmers surrounding the proposed development that no noise complaints from new residents would be entertained? (I doubt it). I strongly, STRONGLY disagree with the premise of: -increase the town's population to enable appropriate services and facilities to be provided. Council providing services in an area where they collect rates monies from an already growing population should be a given. The implied ultimatum here is that Council will not provide services in Romsey unless the residents agree to expansion into agricultural land. This feels at best, poorly worded; at worst, illegal. Council are paid to provide a service and are able to collect rates in order to do so. If Council wants to strong arm residents to agree to small allotment housing development on productive land in exchange for a promise to maybe spend money to make the town a liveable and desirable place to be, then I think we need a new Council.	3/31/2022 3:31 PM
9	Agricultural land - do not expand town into the prime agricultural land to the north - also maintains visual break between Lancefield and Romsey. Ensure adequate agricultural land available around RRWP to support outflows.. Main st - refer previous comments on vacant commercial premises	3/30/2022 10:42 PM
10	Because the current plans do not respect agricultural land. You dont need to increase the towns population, just use some of the current rates.	3/30/2022 10:13 PM
11	Not all the principles are currently possible. It is ESSENTIAL that services be in place BEFORE population can be increased	3/30/2022 1:27 PM
12	I don't agree with growth scenario 3 and 4. Scenario 1 & 2 will require more township resources such as an aquatic centre.	3/30/2022 10:00 AM
13	Mostly	3/29/2022 10:00 PM
14	Mostly	3/29/2022 9:36 PM
15	Incorrect data and no dates placed on promises	3/29/2022 8:44 PM
16	You talk about buffers to water ways but rainfall will do what it wants. parks next to water ways = rubbish, foot traffic and interrupting wildlife. literally it says here to consider township expansion onto agricultural land. Option 2 and 3 suggest that you will expand. dont build on our farms	3/29/2022 3:21 PM
17	OPTIONS 2 and 3 DO NOT CONSIDER EXPANSION INTO AGRICULTURAL LAND This land is rich and valuable as income for primary producers. You can't farm concrete.	3/29/2022 3:12 PM
18	No leave Romsey alone	3/28/2022 10:28 PM



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19	I only want Romsey to remain as it is today it's bad enough with all the extra traffic no more changes	3/28/2022 10:17 PM
20	Again climate, upgrade to amenities, roads, economy all lacks consideration here. Real direction and a road map including strategic planning is lacking greatly.	3/28/2022 5:46 PM
21	Upgrade amenities, roads, filling the empty buildings with business. Direction !!!	3/28/2022 5:46 PM
22	Option 3 has a significant expansion impact on rich agricultural opportunities. Land around the water treatment plant can be used for specifically irrigated farming, and this will be lost if it is built on. Development all the way down to 5 mile creek will impact native wildlife, and farmers on hundreds of acres of land that share a boundary. Large scale agricultural operations don't mesh with high-density neighbours. Effective land management practices mean farmers will be on machines, working livestock, utilising weed management - all with suburban backyards backing on to properties? Not feasible. -- Option 3 is directly within bushfire risk zoning. -- Development away from flood plain, yet none of the supporting materials or papers account for any variation on rain patterns. -- Increase town population to enable appropriate services - YES GO SOUTH. -- You say it yourself: MINIMISE THE SIZE OF THE TOWN AND MAKE IT THE MOST EFFICIENT USE OF LAND. So why are your options NOT delivering this?	3/28/2022 10:51 AM
23	The principles would be fine if the options for expansion actually met them. As they do not, the principles are not doing the job of guiding the growth of the town.	3/27/2022 9:42 PM
24	The principles don't actually align with the proposed options for growth outside of the current town boundaries. Whilst they are sound, the options for growth already seem set to defeat them.	3/27/2022 9:32 PM
25	The Romsey township will lose its appeal if high density housing is increased	3/27/2022 5:26 PM
26	The principals sound great, but once again the proposed options 2 and 3 contradict these principals, particularly the need to ensure that growth does not impact on the visual and environmental setting of the township, and the need to carefully consider expansion into agricultural land. In particular, any possibility of rezoning land in the RLZ should not be at the expense of current primary producers.	3/27/2022 4:13 PM
27	Farm land needs protecting as does the country feel of Romsey	3/27/2022 1:32 PM
28	I do not feel we can trust MRSC	3/26/2022 2:14 PM
29	Except having to increase town population too much to invest in facilities. Donut with less population growth	3/26/2022 9:20 AM
30	If the Principles are adhered to then Romsey's population density will increase thereby achieving the Vision and Objectives	3/23/2022 12:32 PM
31	Sounds great but it won't happen - we haven't the facilities for the current population - lousy road no public transport to speak about ,poor NBN ,power that goes down at the drop of a hat (or tree) - Need I go on!	3/22/2022 3:25 PM
32	Do not agree with the third dot point - there should be NO township expansion into agricultural land (compare carefully consider). New development should be within the existing town boundaries. Also disagree with the 10th dot point to the extent that it contemplates an increase in population beyond the existing town boundaries. I totally agree with the last dot point and consider the existing town boundaries achieve this.	3/21/2022 5:30 PM
33	We should not be rezoning farmland to residential - we need to be able to provide food security for Australia whilst satisfying residential needs. Proposed block sizes are too small for a regional town - the eventual houses that are built are crowded as we have seen in Lomandra, built roofline to roofline without green space and do not comply with the overall Romsey character. Increasing the population of Romsey now and improving infrastructure / services later, does not solve the issues with transport, community facilities and services that we face daily now.	3/21/2022 11:28 AM
34	This is just a land grab that will force people off their land with the windfall tax legislation	3/20/2022 2:05 PM
35	Increase walkability by focusing growth close to town center. Growth to the south / east would be more beneficial as new infrastructure would allow for more development and better use of space, also east and south developments would flow better with the direction most people travel for work (Hume/Melbourne/ michell).	3/20/2022 12:59 PM
36	Minimum lot size should be 1000 m2 to maintain the country feel and character of Romsey. Avoid double story homes where possible.	3/20/2022 10:57 AM
37	I support most of the principles - I would like to see them actually adhered to, particularly	3/18/2022 11:09 PM

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not encroaching on agricultural land and minimising the size of the town. Large scale growth of the town would not be in keeping with these principles, if Romsey is to keep it's rural feeling and character.

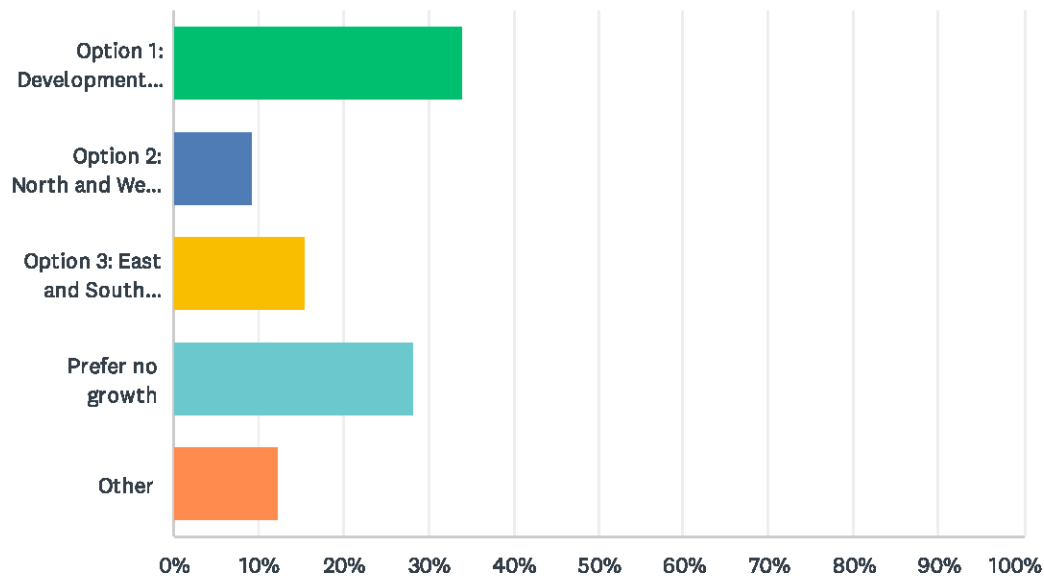
38	Why isn't the "conservation of prime agricultural land" listed in the Settlement Principles. This is a glaring omission from an otherwise admirable document!	3/18/2022 4:37 PM
39	However, with growth to the north, west, south and east constrained for various reasons, it seems the only direction left is up!	3/18/2022 1:42 PM
40	Some forward thinking here	3/18/2022 10:20 AM
41	Any expansion to the town should be done in a sustainable manner with large blocks of land and tree lined streets. Not tiny blocks of land where houses abut one another.	3/17/2022 9:41 AM
42	ABSOLUTELY NOT! I agree that Romsey needs to grow but the council has to show us that you can take care of the population you currently have... It clearly shows that Romsey has been forgotten and allowing us to grow more without structure will only make things worse.	3/16/2022 7:58 AM
43	As above	3/16/2022 6:04 AM
44	Who said we want a bigger town?	3/15/2022 10:36 PM
45	Romsey needs to grow to support upgraded infrastructure and to become a destination town in the Macedon Ranges.	3/15/2022 9:23 PM
46	VPP ensures class 1 & 2 agricultural land must be protected not carved up for residential lifestyle. No Farming Zones should be converted into General Residential Zone for the sake of one town getting a bit bigger supermarket.	3/15/2022 3:11 PM
47	it recognises that there is a limit to growth beyond which you begin to destroy what you have -	3/15/2022 3:06 PM
48	Again the principles are appropriate however I do not feel the Council will honour them or the locals wishes. MRSC seems to be driven by how much revenue they can make and not really providing services to the residents. I want to see how much of my rates actually get spent in Romsey because of all the years I've lived here, its been very intermittent with improvements to the town. I would also like to know how much money is spent compiling all these reports because I am sure that money could be used to fix the issues continually raised.	3/14/2022 11:18 PM
49	It all sounds great on paper but achieving it in reality is going to be a challenge. If development is to happen, then reliance on cars, increased congestion etc is going to go hand in hand with that unless public transport is made frequent and accessible. I think some decentralisation will be necessary (in terms of services) so that people can walk there (like to a shop, or get a coffee) or else the town centre could become overly congested.	3/11/2022 1:08 PM
50	No population does not need to increase.	3/11/2022 7:33 AM
51	I think you could have multiple towns hubs within Romsey that will realistically allow residents easier access without the need to take a hour walk to the shops. use of segways/scooters if the foot paths are sound and there is only one central point in town that people may choose to visit.	3/11/2022 12:46 AM
52	As long as existing agricultural land is not developed for housing	3/10/2022 4:48 PM
53	Be very careful of what agricultural land is taken over, we don't want the town to lose its agricultural heart and become another suburb.	3/9/2022 3:50 PM
54	Option 2 would be my preference. Have higher density in local residential areas. keep open options for industrial development in the South east. Could also see development of the North east areas.	3/8/2022 9:09 PM
55	Most of the points raised are great. Where I get uneasy is around items like "Increase the town's population to enable appropriate services and facilities to be provided." Growth is ok, but growth for the sake of growth isn't. I feel any growth that is planned for Romsey needs to be considered and deliberate in restraint. If the town is to grow (which I'm not opposed to), it *has* to be done in a measured way, so that any growth has the appropriate growths in other areas (schools, facilities, commercial, etc). Slower and steady here, is the way to go.	3/8/2022 8:35 PM
56	Should keep the boundaries as is farmers have the right to farm their land there is no sewage infrastructure at all in the proposed new area residents already residing in Romsey should get sewage first no roads with access to all the cars to reside there if a fire broke out people would not be able to get out	3/7/2022 7:41 PM

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57	Some positive ideas like promoting walking. Should not be advocating a population scenario less than 1.5% Should not expand township boundary into farming and rural living zones to the north, west and south of the town. Expansion if necessary should only be to the east with the buffer area around the treatment plant reduced. As stated before every town in the shire does not need to have all facilities as in larger towns. People should have choice around having smaller well serviced towns like Romsey versus larger higher serviced towns like Kyneton, Gisborne, Sunbury and Kilmore.	3/7/2022 6:35 PM
58	I enjoyed reading option one, working with the current zoned land. Reading option two I started to get worried that rural land will be rezoned, and I feel this would be a great failure if option one wasn't pursued relentlessly. I see merit in option 3, and generally think this would impact less on Romsey character and possibly expansion north towards Lancefield is a great idea. My main gripe which makes me 'unsure' is how rural lifestyles in Romsey will change. When rural land is rezoned, and we see a variety of subdivisions outside the current town boundary (660sqm!) my belief is we will have lost focus and surely let go of option 1 (developing land within town boundaries). 'Re zone' and working professionals will 're-home'.	3/6/2022 6:49 PM
59	I only support the township not expanding into agricultural land on the north boundary	3/6/2022 4:41 PM
60	Compact yet open.	3/6/2022 3:59 PM
61	The population of the town has already increased and yet no new community facilities have been provided, why should we wait for the population to grow before we deserved to have new facilities? Romsey is a small town and that is the draw of living here. If I wanted a large town I would have moved to Gisborne, I did not. I chose Romsey because it is small however it does need improvements. If there is to be any increase in housing then it must be within the current town boundary and not by extend it.	3/3/2022 11:26 AM
62	Do not increase town population until there is adequate growth in the town Centre and services. Town Centre is too busy in its current state.	3/2/2022 3:23 PM
63	future proofing the town to assist in mitigation of fire, floods, loss of services eg. power planting to assist buffer the storms / winds that the changes in the environment will impact on the town	3/1/2022 2:27 PM
64	It was hilarious, I have tears in my eyes.	2/28/2022 1:27 PM
65	I struggle to understand why the need for small house blocks in a regional setting. Most people would move regional to escape smaller blocks and living on top of your neighbor next door.	2/28/2022 8:30 AM
66	I feel the town is big enough now and at this point in time we don't have the appropriate facilities and infrastructure for our current population and I can't see it changing anytime soon. Therefore increasing the town boundary and allowing more development, hence more residents is only going to make the situation worse. In the end the town will loose it's character and just be shit hole of a place to live. We already are getting more undesirables moving in.	2/24/2022 3:47 PM
67	I don't want to see the land between White Ave and the water recycling station developed. White Ave is already busy and people don't observe the speed limits. It can be quite unsafe when walking kids around as cars and trucks rush around the corner into Park Lane. The views of the paddocks and cows is so special. I'd hate to see that replaced with a housing estate. Lomandra feels so cookie cutter.	2/23/2022 11:28 PM
68	aaaaaaaaaaaaa	2/18/2022 5:34 PM

**Q16 The Emerging Options Paper presents three options to consider for the future development direction of residential land in Romsey. Each of these options have positives and negatives. Which is your preferred development option for Romsey?**

Answered: 211 Skipped: 196



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Option 1: Development withing existing town boundary	34.12%	72
Option 2: North and West growth	9.48%	20
Option 3: East and South expansion	15.64%	33
Prefer no growth	28.44%	60
Other	12.32%	26
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>211</b>

#	WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THAT OPTION? (TEXT BOX)	DATE
1	I do not want to see the town encroach on to the farming and rural landscapes that are one of the key features of Romsey. You are not listening to the community if you think expanding the town is what we want - we don't, just invest in the town and community and give them the infrastructure they have been asking for for decades.	4/5/2022 8:29 AM
2	Surely this is the best option to explore in the short to medium term to support increased town population while supporting residents to close to town until services (public transport, water, water treatment, electricity, school etc) can be improved to support the needs of the town's existing residents. When services do improve then the next step would be to develop larger land lots outside of this footprint.	4/2/2022 5:49 PM
3	Option 1 keeps the rural charm and does not impact prime rural land. In addition, council have all the land to the South of the town that you have expanded into to support growth.	4/1/2022 1:23 PM
4	Emerging Option 3. East and South Expansion is the option I would most likely support as it has in my opinion the least impact on the surrounding beauty of the area. Emerging Option 1 would also be ok, but less preferred than Option 3. Option 2 North and West Growth would take away prime agricultural land to the north and would also require significant infrastructure upgrades. The area to the west of town is incredibly beautiful and the gateway	3/31/2022 10:51 PM

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to Mount Macedon, I would not support any further development on the western side of Melbourne - Lancefield Road as the recent subdivision at Greenfields Boulevard is a serious eye saw on the beautiful mountainous backdrop as you drive into town.

5	It provides a more structured and planned approach whilst maintaining the character of the area. As mentioned earlier we have an opportunity to focus as much on developing renewable industries in the town to support the population growth and infrastructure needs. I am not anti development and growth but believe it needs to cover all issues as mentioned in my response. Why not make this the "gold standard" in how to "grow" a country town rather than just another exercise in opening up the gates to large developers who have no interest in the development or improvement of our town. Make them pay for the infrastructure upgrades required and earn the right to be a part of the development of our town.	3/31/2022 10:15 PM
6	Option 1 is the only one that attempts to preserve the surrounding agricultural land and the rural character of the town. The paper also disregards a large portion of land that is about to be released as part of the Silverdale estate within the town boundary in the south eastern edge. With this land taken into account, there is greater capacity for growth within the existing town boundary than the emerging options paper implies.	3/31/2022 9:54 PM
7	I'd prefer you had the infrastructure in place before	3/31/2022 8:12 PM
8	South boundary expansion, nothing that captures the soil quality located in option 2 and 3	3/31/2022 7:42 PM
9	Contains the township to its existing boundary. Protects the rural land around the township plus the rural landscape setting. There is so much infrastructure (development) that the township needs right now.	3/31/2022 7:19 PM
10	It's logical, South pushes towards Melbourne as they are moving even faster towards us. North makes us part of Lancefield and encroaches on good spud country. West pushes the town closer to Forrest and Bushfire hazards, native animal & ecological encroachment. (In the last two years my family have hit one kangaroo and one wombat on the Romsey-Woodend road and the alternative was to have a Head-on with oncoming traffic. Wombats JUST DON'T LOOK when crossing roads, and Roos make last second BAD DECISIONS. Remain Unchanged is not an option as: OZ approaches 26 million, and sea levels rise, and climate change pushes populations away from bushfire prone areas, and Floods become more intense, and people leave the big smoke for MENTAL HEALTH reason's (Going through the roof). So East-South is most logical.	3/31/2022 6:21 PM
11	See last response.	3/31/2022 5:57 PM
12	To maintain the Rural outskirts of the town, Also to maintain great agricultural soils. Any further development should continue to the South.	3/31/2022 5:21 PM
13	Because the soil in these areas is poorer and therefore not as valuable as farming land. Also it is surely better to join up eventually with development to the south [outer Melbourne]. To the west could be developed as a larger industrial area as the current area has outgrown the space available and is surrounded on 3 sides by housing.	3/31/2022 4:47 PM
14	The township of Romsey would benefit with upgraded utilities within the town boundaries for all the residents not just the new residents.	3/31/2022 4:43 PM
15	This option provides for a variety of different housing options within the existing town boundary, which would better cater for older people, single parent families, or small households (1-2 people) who require lower cost, low maintenance housing. This option appears to provide the best social and transport outcomes for the town. Whilst I do not support development to the east of the town into productive agricultural land with rich soil (with negative flow on effects for neighbouring farms), I am not opposed to some development to the south (ensuring this does not impact on waste water management). If this is to occur, it will need to be done carefully, with assured provision of walking options and good road development to prevent traffic bottlenecks. I would like to see provision of native habitat areas within any new development and also an interface with the main road that retains some rural appearance (from the road, Lomandra Estate is a sea of rooftops as you enter the town and certainly is not in keeping with the rural aspect of the surrounds - please don't make this mistake again or we really will be living in something that looks like suburbia, but without the drawbacks of suburbia, like reliable infrastructure and services, before we know it.)	3/31/2022 4:13 PM
16	Transport and infrastructure inadequate for those already here	3/31/2022 4:06 PM
17	The east side of Romsey holds the most magnificent views and I believe that houses will fetch premium prices, but more importantly it will make higher rates which will pump more money into our town	3/31/2022 3:25 PM
18	Only option 1 does not impact on agricultural land. We cannot use farmland for housing. It	3/31/2022 3:19 PM



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satisfies the bushfire risk also. And maintains the rural feel of Romsey.

19	See previous answers.	3/31/2022 12:24 PM
20	Fills in the triangle Melbourne rd and Know Road. Just another brain fade of the Shire. Apart from the sewerage farm makes sense.	3/31/2022 12:13 PM
21	Option 3 is ridiculous - what sort of people and what sort of development will arise in close proximity to the sewerage works. We do not want to plan and build a Romsey slum area. There is no over-riding case for significant growth in Romsey. The country town character should be maintained - this is why we live here. We do not want to live in a suburban satellite suburb of Melbourne.	3/31/2022 11:34 AM
22	Option three is unsuitable due to required sewerage works boundaries, and the quality of any residential development in close proximity to the sewerage works needs to be seriously considered. We do not want to develop a suburban slum Romsey. There has been no compelling case presented for significant population growth in Romsey and the country town character of the town should be maintained.	3/31/2022 10:10 AM
23	North - prime agricultural land DO NOT develop East and North east - utilise to promote efficient offtakes from RRWP and an adequate buffer from same - DO NOT develop Vision - promotes Romsey as a rural township - make sure it stays that way!!	3/30/2022 10:43 PM
24	Because most people don't want to live in Sunbury or another suburb of Melbourne. Most people want to protect our countryside and support our farmers. Most people want a beautification program to bring more tourists. Most people want to stop the march of colourbond fences. Try again please.	3/30/2022 10:16 PM
25	The land directly behind the recreation reserve on the town boundary currently zoned farming is ideally situated for residential development, and was initially the recommended option for residential growth in the previous ODP. It is within walking distance of the primary school, and the town centre and could even provide the land for a future secondary school and aquatic centre. With interconnected walking and cycling paths and open spaces throughout this eastern section and then incorporating some of the land in the southern part down to Greens Lane, would be the best option. I don't think that the land on the other side of Romsey Road should be part of the residential development. I also support industrial development within the Buffer area.	3/30/2022 8:47 PM
26	I say this because until we have a supermarket like Coles or Woolworths to support all these people, along with transport how can you support all these people in the estates.	3/30/2022 2:35 PM
27	Because growth in the town is currently not sustainable	3/30/2022 1:28 PM
28	1. Expansion should be on poor agricultural land. 2. This option puts development closer to existing school. 3. Hutchinsons Lane is the natural boundary to the north of the town.	3/30/2022 11:52 AM
29	Flat ground, less trees	3/30/2022 10:38 AM
30	I only support option 3 if the resources are implemented before any further development! If there is limited, uncommitted or no significant enhancements of resources then I don't support growth in Romsey. I am significantly opposed to option 2 as I don't believe it will be possible to effectively manage sustainable development that benefits the town. Developing many small acre blocks is not profitable due to the high infrastructure costs to small lots. It also puts the potential recreational centre expansion on the Far East of the town. Option 3 enables the recreation centre to become the centre of town.	3/30/2022 10:06 AM
31	<p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>SHIRE COUNCIL RE: EMERGING OPTIONS FOR ROMSEY OPTION 2 NORTH WEST</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>INTEGRITY OF THE COUNTRY TOWNSHIP OF ROMSEY, I EXPRESS MY INTEREST FOR RE-ZONING THIS AREA AND SUPPORT OPTION 2 OR A MODIFIED VERSION OF IT. I PUT FORWARD A PROPOSAL FOR RE-ZONING AND CONSEQUENTIAL SUB-DIVISION OF 6 LIFESTYLE LOTS OF APPROXIMATELY 1.5 ACRES OR SIMILAR (INCLUDING [REDACTED] WITH CONSIDERATION TO EACH LOT HAVING SEPTIC TANK SYSTEMS. LARGER LIFESTYLE LOTS ARE ALWAYS IN DEMAND NOW AND IN THE FUTURE. OR - AS PER THE OPTION NUMBER 2 OR MODIFIED VERSION. [REDACTED] OR IS NOT USED FOR FARMING. THE AREA OF [REDACTED] HAS SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT ALREADY, TO THE POINT OF FINALITY. AS THIS COMES TO COMPLETION, OPTION 2, FOR DEVELOPMENT</p>	3/29/2022 10:00 PM

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WOULD ENHANCE THE CURRENT PLAN TO EXTEND THE TOWNSHIP OF ROMSEY. BEING WITHIN A 2 KILOMETRE RADIUS OF THE TOWN CENTRE WOULD BE AN IDEAL LOCATION TO EXTEND THE EXISTING BOUNDARY, AS WALKING AND CYCLING ARE ACHIEVABLE, NOT CREATING A SEDENTARY LIFESTYLE. \* BAL RATING FOR THIS AREA IS LOW \* WE ARE ON TOWN WATER SUPPLY \* NOT SEDENTARY LIFESTYLE, LARGER LOTS NEED REGULAR MAINTENANCE \* NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARACTER WOULD BE ENHANCED \* THE GROWTH OF ROMSEY TOWNSHIP AND INFRASTRUCTURE WILL BE MORE VIABLE I would appreciate consideration of a meeting or correspondence to further discuss the options. Kind regards,

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32	Under utilised land, with minimal disruption to main centre.	3/29/2022 9:38 PM
33	Not enough current infrastructure and always broken promises high school, pool, adequate parks ect all broken promises	3/29/2022 8:46 PM
34	Develop, improve, expand... all within the town boundary you already have. Build UP.	3/29/2022 3:12 PM
35	It is not fair to take the rural feel out of Romsey It's bad enough there are barriers we did not want It's more dangerous than before the barriers.	3/28/2022 10:30 PM
36	It's effecting us already quiet place now over run with estates and Increased traffic	3/28/2022 10:18 PM
37	I think a combination approach is needed, before agreeing to any options I want to know, how we prepare to fund and address some key issues which I don't feel are addressed in this document; climate change, road upgrade, encouraging investment, development of economy, social housing, indigenous heritage, youth and aged facilities and services, existing business support, agricultural incentives, care, nature and rehabilitation of our many natural resources, primarily water. I feel this paper falls very short and I want to see road maps which considers all of the above issues.	3/28/2022 5:50 PM
38	Why not combine all options? How do you fund these options? We have seen study after study with little action. Council says it strongly supports agriculture and indigenous culture but very little is seen	3/28/2022 5:48 PM
39	The State government need to be consulted, provide input and a commitment to a planning strategy. They are responsible for major roads, public transport and education that will have a major affect on the success of any town planning. Council planning strategies can also be challenged by developers and overridden by V Cat.	3/28/2022 5:23 PM
40	We moved here for the Rural small town feel of Romsey and to have a small acreage. We have watched it grow and do not want to see it turned into another suburb. Sunbury is an example of what will happen to Romsey if we extend the town boundary. We also knew what infrastructure was here prior to buying here. A lot of the people that move here from Melbourne, buy without looking at what facilities are available. They then complain there is nothing here compared to Sunbury etc. and end up selling up. This is the country we came here knowing there was no paths, no Secondary School, no Maccas etc. We bought here because we loved Romsey's atmosphere.	3/28/2022 4:55 PM
41	Use what you have, don't ruin our land with suburban houses on our farms	3/28/2022 11:09 AM
42	Develop within the town boundary (use what you have) and go directly south in a sensitive manner that continues the existing development.	3/28/2022 10:53 AM
43	Develop in town boundary and continue growth along Melbourne Lancefield road to the south. Development is already entrenched here and the land has less agricultural value.	3/27/2022 9:43 PM
44	There should be no growth on existing agricultural land to the north, east and west. Some continued growth to the south as a continuation of Lomandra and Autumn Views estate would be an acceptable addition to option 1.	3/27/2022 9:33 PM
45	The appeal of living in Romsey for many is enhanced by the quiet, rural feel of the town Large growth with high density housing estates will destroy the town	3/27/2022 5:28 PM
46	My choice is for option 1, or option 1 plus some further housing development to the south of town to Knox Road and towards Green's land (there has already been a land release promoted in this area, development is going to happen here anyway, so why not acknowledge this?). Options 2 and 3 are manifestly unsuitable for Romsey and actively contradict many of the principles outlined in this paper. There should be no expansion of the town boundary to the East or the North. Some small-scale residential development to the West of Couzen's land could be considered given the proliferation of smaller (2/5HA) blocks already in this area. There should be no consideration of residential expansion in areas where primary producers are currently active, even in the case of land zoned RLZ rather than FZ	3/27/2022 4:14 PM

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47	deffinatly north west Anyone not wanting growth needs to move to a town where they deliver milk in carts its tme to move all beit years behind everyine now get onto it forget the minorities that stopped the pub and pokies we are beoming the ghost town of the ranges	3/26/2022 11:00 AM
48	A version of option 3 but with medium to low density housing with no expansion past Romsey road. DO NOT DEVELOP PAST KNOX ROAD. Potentially develop further south of greens road. I do not support option 2 AT ALL.	3/26/2022 9:26 AM
49	No further development growth to the town housing until we can get the required upgrades to town utilities, telecommunications, fix the roads, provide better access to public transport, get our pub opened up and a descent supermarket i.e. Coles or Woolworths, and show a commitment to a high being developed in a timely fashion.	3/23/2022 5:00 PM
50	The best way to be guided by the Settlement Principles and achieve the Plan Objectives	3/23/2022 12:34 PM
51	I support growth but not until the infrastructure is in place to handle the added population. Lancefield Rd is unfit for purpose with current traffic levels. Dramatically increasing the size of the town without major road and public transport upgrades would be unacceptable.	3/22/2022 8:45 PM
52	We don't need another Gisborne. I don't want to live in a busy over run town. I like the peace and quiet and slow lifestyle Romsey offers.	3/22/2022 8:10 PM
53	North Only, so no I don't support	3/22/2022 7:54 PM
54	Only development to the south of romsey rd	3/22/2022 7:16 PM
55	Option 3 is terrible, heads towards the water treatment plant, who wants to live there?	3/22/2022 5:40 PM
56	Until we get the infrastructure we require we should not have any more growth- spend some money on Romsey before the MRSC grabs more rates!	3/22/2022 3:26 PM
57	I disagree with the underlying premise (see Settlement Principles at section 4) that asserts that the "new Romsey SP needs to establish a new settlement boundary for the town." This is misleading for a number of reasons including that Option 1 contemplates retention of the existing existing town boundary. I also question the content of the tables that accompany each option in section 6 of the Options Paper. thesis are not the necessary consequences of a choice between the options. There are other choices which the Options Paper does not include or address. Whilst I understand that MRSC has to start somewhere when consulting on the future of Romsey, it is not helpful to pigeon hole the consequences of each Option in the manner which has been adopted. Basically, I find the manner in which consultation has taken place prejudicial and lacking in transparency.	3/21/2022 5:41 PM
58	Wait until 2021 Census figures are available to get a true picture of Romsey's growth in the last five years and then look at the options available.	3/21/2022 5:24 PM
59	A mix of all three with a focus on controlled growth with high density in the current centre of town and 1/4acre blocks to the south of town and industrial to the south east of town No building within 1000 meters of the sewerage plant as it needs to enlarge to cope with the current situation and grow even more to cope with large scale developments in romsey and lancefield. Also the overhead irrigation area should also have a 1000 meter exclusion zone	3/20/2022 2:10 PM
60	Option 1. - Increase population without increasing romseys footprint. Then Option 3 - East and south is best way to expand romsey.	3/20/2022 1:06 PM
61	Option 3 is the most practical of the available options presented, however, growth needs to be managed appropriately with enough trees planing on roadsides.	3/20/2022 10:58 AM
62	I selected Option 1, however I do not support the idea of a large number of blocks being carved up into tiny high density blocks. I do not support a large population growth for Romsey as this would destroy the character and rural feel of the town (and perhaps already is). I do not think that the infrastructure of Romsey would function well as a large regional town. Option 2 would see loss of agricultural land and a lot of small acreage properties (including mine). Option 3 appears to be the better area for growth, if it has to happen. However, I do not support more suburban housing estates crammed with big houses on tiny blocks - this is not in keeping with the character of Romsey and is already destroying the rural feel of the town. If the town has to grow, why isn't the land already planned for development included? For example, the triangle of land bordered by Lomandra, Knox Rd, and Main Rd isn't included in Options 1 and 2? This is already earmarked for growth and would be the least painful growth option for the town.	3/18/2022 11:23 PM
63	Who says Romsey HAS to develop to 10,000? Why does it HAVE to? Why can't it stay the lovely country village that it is? Why do we HAVE to cover our prime farming land in houses and pack them in so they are a sea of roofs without vegetation and with nowhere left to grow	3/18/2022 4:41 PM

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our food except the barren Wimmera that we have already destroyed? Yes a lot of people would like to live there. But we can't all have EVERYTHING we want!

64	Surely these are not the only options, and surely they are not mutually exclusive. Development to the west would upset the established gentleman and hobby farmers in that area and would change the nature of that area on the town outskirts, but there is scope for expansion to the north. If expanding along the creek to the east, it would seem to make sense to develop both sides of the creek, at least in the vicinity of Main St. If I had to choose from the options provided, I would select Option 3 with the proviso that development within the existing boundary would continue regardless.	3/18/2022 2:05 PM
65	Develop the central existing town and stop encroachment on agricultural farms!	3/18/2022 10:22 AM
66	The options need to be framed by the community led vision mentioned earlier as this will guide what is realistic and achievable. Options 2 & 3 as they stand are not viable due to major physical and community infrastructure constraints and risks associated with climate change (bushfires etc). Option 1 is preferable but needs to be informed by the vision agreed to by the community.	3/17/2022 2:15 PM
67	I do not want Romsey to turn into a high density suburban area where blocks of land are tiny, houses are inappropriately sized for the land, and developers are calling the shots with what they do. There is inappropriate infrastructure outside Romsey (ie, roads and transport) to support a larger population. The least worst option would be to confine development to the existing boundary.	3/17/2022 9:45 AM
68	I do not want another disaster like the Council have fostered in Gisborne	3/16/2022 6:28 PM
69	North is not an option because of agricultural land. East not an option because of sewerage plant. Some development within existing boundary would be good. On the whole, expansion is not necessarily good. If we can have accommodation built, Romsey would develop more in its own right as a destination town and businesses would want to come here.	3/16/2022 10:20 AM
70	Preference is for growth which is not high density. Growth can occur without people living on top of each other, maintain a large open square street environment because streets that resemble rabbit burrows are not helpful or conducive to a livable environment. Avoid looking like Sunbury!	3/16/2022 9:57 AM
71	Because we never asked for expansion in land, we want improvement in the services we don't have. Romsey is beautiful small town, where people want to live like that. We like the small community and the fact that we know each other. We like our parks, the dark of the night, the sound of the birds and crickets. By pushing us further you are taking all of that away from us. Yes we can grow but not now, you have a lot of work to do before looking into making the town bigger.	3/16/2022 8:02 AM
72	If you had half a brain you would see south IS THE ONLY OPTION.	3/15/2022 10:36 PM
73	Many of the smaller properties in the North West option are already lost to farming, and are running a few sheep, a few horses and are mainly hobby farms. By re-zoning this land as residential, you preserve the farmland to the South East with the volcanic soils to continue to be primary production land. This also keeps a buffer between any new development and the sewerage treatment plant.	3/15/2022 9:25 PM
74	So we can still maintain the rural feel of the town. We need to expand ie have a Coles or Woolies but to service the current population and importantly to have a secondary school.	3/15/2022 9:09 PM
75	For all of the reasons previously expressed in this survey. I totally agree with council and the Romsey ratepayers spending money to revitalise the township and taking ownership of Five Mile Creek frontage, bike and peed connectivity and purchase of the vacant land, reestablishment of the old pub and vacant supermarket. MRSC should spend the same amount on making Romsey a pretty welcoming country town as they spend on Gisb and Kyneton Thanks for the opportunity to have my say!	3/15/2022 3:15 PM
76	east and south have already been urbanised and as such offer the best alternative without further spoiling the open spaces to the north and west	3/15/2022 3:08 PM
77	This is a small country town and should stay that way. Leave the agricultural land alone, do not re-zone it, this is part of the charm of the town to be surrounded by this.	3/14/2022 11:19 PM
78	Town will become too big too quickly with Options 2 and 3	3/14/2022 5:43 PM
79	It's time we accepted that growth must stop.	3/12/2022 5:37 AM
80	I think a combination of Option 2 and 3 - a lot of the opposition in the community to development is NIMBYism, they don't want it to happen on their side of town and be	3/11/2022 1:13 PM



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impacted. I don't particularly want the whole of the north/west side developed only but if some of the south is also set aside for development then I'm happy with that 'meeting in the middle' for the sake of improving town infrastructure. If everyone is impacted to an extent in the spirit of improving the town's infrastructure and the development is spread out a bit more then that is a fairer solution I think.

81	No population growth, or expansion that will affect the current look or feel in Romsey. No issue with making the current town look better, foot paths, pedestrian crossings etc...a coles / woolies where the old supermarket is and you will get more people interested in the pub re-opening than increasing population. Bring the current community together that moved to Romsey for a particular reason.	3/11/2022 7:37 AM
82	Because south is where we are all going most of the time and if you include a light rail down Lancefield road it will delivery you to your destination using zero emissions and will collect residents from Bolinda and Moneghetta along the way.	3/11/2022 12:49 AM
83	Overall I prefer no growth but that isn't entirely realistic, so developing within the existing town boundary is the best compromise as long as it is done with what is best the environment/nature and therefore humanity (rather than growth for profit) as the first priority.	3/10/2022 4:51 PM
84	North and West expansion will give easier access to Calder freeway when traffic can no longer move down Sunbury Lancefield Road as this road will by then be 60kmh all the way to Sunbury.	3/10/2022 1:21 PM
85	Development should be a blend of both Option 2 and 3 as this is the most logical solution. Roads in Lomandra Estate and Autumn Views have already being constructed for future growth and it is logical these areas should be included. Development should also extend east of Tickawarra and to the west.	3/9/2022 1:46 PM
86	again, basic things we should have had many years back, we pay a lot of money in rates for services never provided to us, not a bribe we will give it to you if we can overpopulate your town, take a look at Gisborne what you have done there, they all want to move out now because it is no longer a beautiful little rural town and now you want to destroy Romsey too, I believe you want to extend Melbourne city and incorporate Romsey in that boundary, what you want to do has nothing to do with keeping our beautiful little town a little town at all, it about bringing in more refugees and giving them a place to live, yes they deserve a place, but not at the cost of other peoples places	3/9/2022 11:54 AM
87	I would have supported option 3 if it wasnt going to increase to population as significantly. If there is growth in Romsey, and new housing estates, I believe they should continue in the south of the town. I do not support Option 2, and dont believe it would maintain settlement boundaries and the visual break between Romsey and Lancefield. It would destroy this lovely aspect of the land between Romsey and Lancefield.	3/9/2022 8:33 AM
88	Only option 1 meets all the objectives. Current town boundary should stay in place. I do not want to see agricultural land subdivided into small residential lots. Romsey would loose it's rural feel. Option 1 will allow our older generation to age in place, younger people to socialise within walking distance to facilities and is better for the environment and health because it will reduce the reliance on cars and increase walking.	3/8/2022 10:12 PM
89	Romsey is not currently suitable for growth, fix the infrastructure first!	3/8/2022 9:59 PM
90	I feel the West is a non-starter; but North has potential. East has some limited merit, and South has strong merit. I also feel Option 1 and No Growth have merit too. In my previous response I mention restraint. If any of the growth options here are to be considered, extreme amounts of restraint need to be place on any rezoning - and almost arduous conditions placed on the developer - to ensure Romsey continues to be an outstanding place to live. Let's not let potential developers chase the returns, nor council to be seen chasing increased rates revenue. If we're to grow, let's ensure the best parts of Romsey are maintained, and grow with the township	3/8/2022 8:40 PM
91	I'm not completely opposed to growth but where does it stop? When do we say these towns are country and that's why they appeal to the masses and let's leave them intact. Not everything has to be urbanised, we are loosing the heritage of the towns across the shire all for the sake of a quick dollar.	3/8/2022 4:15 PM
92	No growth is my preferred option, however unlikely. Development within the existing town boundary is the least worst option. There will be too much pressure from developers to have rural living zones and farms zones re-zones for housing lots. Then further pressure is applied to have the lot sizes reduced and inappropriate estates develop. This will result in the town character changing to that of Sunbury, Melton, Craigieburn or other rapid growth, poorly planned housing estate.	3/8/2022 10:01 AM



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93	If I wanted to live in a large town I would not have moved to Romsey. Leave the size of the town as is, develop within the current boundary leaving the surrounding farming land untouched. There should not be any commercial or industry land as you enter the town either.	3/8/2022 7:58 AM
94	Should be bigger blocks minimum 1000 -1500 meters to keep with the rural feel the other new estates are way too small with small narrow streets	3/7/2022 7:43 PM
95	Each town has its residential, schooling , employment, environmental characteristics, all towns should not be massaged into being the same. If development is contained within the existing boundary the town keeps its rural characteristic, history and benefits associated with being smaller. This will be attractive for some future residents and not other potential residents but they can look elsewhere. Should remember climate change is the world's number one environmental issue to solve so each local government should be developing policies around development with this in mind.	3/7/2022 6:36 PM
96	Either option 2 or 3 or both. I think attempting to develop within the current town boundaries will destroy the character of the town and further existing inequalities - small backyards, no parking areas, no services (childcare, kindergarten, school, doctors, shops etc)	3/7/2022 1:50 PM
97	This is a country town, leave it at that	3/7/2022 9:00 AM
98	As stated earlier the thing that attracted me here was its a small country town. Continuing to expand will result in losing this	3/6/2022 11:34 PM
99	To match the current new housing development. - So that Romsey isn't surrounded by new housing developments on both sides of North & South.	3/6/2022 9:15 PM
100	Large population growth and smaller dwellings will change the country feel of Romsey, create busyness and bring the stress of city living here to the currently relaxed town of Romsey. So I am opposed to that part of the plan.	3/6/2022 9:14 PM
101	Growth is necessary, and option 1 provides a juicy challenge for council and community to pursue with industry. Developing without re-zoning should be our mantra. re purposing unused land and providing incentives to existing land owners to make the most of residential (and some appalling commercial) is a noble goal. Option 3 provides logical rezone, but not ideal to rezone in my opinion. Ideally when option 1 and 3 are absolutely and relentlessly pursued. I believe growth North towards Lancefield would provide some interesting lifestyle options and link with existing expenditure such as the Romsey/ Lancefield walking trail (re Bright- Harrietteville trails) 'Re-zone' and working professionals will 're-home', we want to improve our image and the cookie cutter approach shouldn't be our first choice simply because it's the past of least resistance.	3/6/2022 6:57 PM
102	Option 2 but no/minimal growth is preferable Option 3 isn't a desirable option, I believe the negatives outweigh for this area of expansion	3/6/2022 6:18 PM
103	Any development of the town should be undertaken with minimal disruption to farm land that is being actively farmed. If there is a proposed retail centre on the sunbury side of town then more development should take place on that side. I think development could occur in pockets around town rather than all in one direction. There is room to expand near Ochiltrees, Hutchinsons Lane and before Lomandra.	3/6/2022 5:42 PM
104	I moved to Romsey last year (2021) as it is a small town with a great feel to it Residential development of Romsey will ruin to feel to the town	3/6/2022 5:08 PM
105	I would prefer no growth however that option will be unattainable. That being said I believe that the urban growth boundary should be extended on the south side of the town nearest to greens lane with the plan for a suitable shopping, education and community precinct to support the existing and future community. This will also be valuable redevelopment land linking residents close to the CBD. Agricultural and rural land to the north boundary should remain as such at this point in time to maintain the rural aspect of the town.	3/6/2022 4:45 PM
106	We need to sure of ongoing Government support before we commit to large expansion.. A high school or P-9 school, public transport, community electricity, water and internet connectivity are government decisions. Not the sort of things a local council can unilaterally declare.	3/6/2022 4:11 PM
107	There is enough new development and expansion at this point in time. The town needs other improvements, more infrastructure and services, well before even more development.	3/6/2022 7:53 AM
108	Inner precincts have become very quiet at times. New development's will likely be at the minimum 850sq, and if long distances from Main St precinct, will only serve to create isolated housing groups. Develop better within the boundary first.	3/5/2022 10:06 PM

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109	We need to greatly improve what we have before we start expanding the town.	3/5/2022 11:00 AM
110	Growth is only ok if the storm water infrastructure on the blocks surrounding the town. Also increasing the water pressure.	3/3/2022 11:38 AM
111	I do not think we should continue to expand the size of the town, ripping up open spaces, destroying the environment. Romsey is a small town and should be contained in its current footprint. This was the draw for many people when moving to the area.	3/3/2022 11:28 AM
112	Growth without infrastructure is just asking for trouble. Help people to live in the town they invested in.	3/2/2022 10:24 PM
113	Opposite of the direction of the transfer station	3/2/2022 3:24 PM
114	Get the town a variety of housing and commercial buildings. Fill in the blanks.before developing further out any further developments should finish off sections to natural boundaries like Knox road	3/1/2022 11:19 PM
115	Getting beyond a joke with all these bloody estates being built seems council are more concerned with profit not people. Prime example the crap patched up roads.	3/1/2022 6:58 PM
116	appears to be the most suitable mode to expand the residential, lessen enviro impact	3/1/2022 2:28 PM
117	Keep housing development within the existing boundaries. Maintain the green wedge.	2/28/2022 3:57 PM
118	Keep the country town small and keep the character ,	2/28/2022 3:08 PM
119	I favour reduction of the global population, by around 75%. This would see an increase in sustainability and viable synergy between natural assets and diversity of bio culture. Encouraging mindless, selfish people to procreate and clamber over the planet like witless ants is irresponsible and unsustainable so I discourage any growth! In fact that last statement is an insult to ants.	2/28/2022 1:31 PM
120	I think we need to preserve high quality agricultural land for food production. I also think we need to reduce traffic congestion and improve healthier lifestyles with reduced reliance on cars.	2/28/2022 10:45 AM
121	One of the draw cards for the property we purchased was the view of open fields and being at one with nature. A lovely quiet part of Romsey. Future developments in other options will take away from that beauty and peace. Development off course is inevitable but why not along Melbourne Lancefield road where already settled properties are not impacted and estates have already been set up with smaller house blocks. I for one do not want a number of small house blocks on my property frontage. This would be a similar situation as has happened in Mt Ridley Rd, Mt Ridley/Mickleham.	2/28/2022 8:30 AM
122	Out of the three options, option 3 seems the most cost effective way to raise population. However, if population is to increase by that scale, better facilities, swimming pool, shops and parks will be needed, as well as reasonable traffic control due to the extra traffic on melbourne-lansfield rd. People have to turn both north and south onto the rd, and with a higher population, reliant on cars fro transportation, it will make it increasingly difficult to turn across traffic on lancefield rd. If ammenities are not adjusted accordingly for the population growth, then I would say option one is the preference.	2/25/2022 8:40 PM
123	I believe the current footprint of the town needs to be retained. Most people live here because it is a small town and do not want it expanded further. Option 1 allows smaller blocks to become available to those with a smaller budget. Development though must include increased facilities to assist with the growing population which is a major failing at present. Two major estates Lomandra and Autumn Views and no real increase in facilities. Secondary schools promised and reality with Kyneton struggling to keep numbers up Romsey will never get a secondary school. Coles and Woolworths have been promised for years, nothing to date. The community is fed up with lies it's time for the truth and action now!	2/25/2022 7:10 PM
124	Why develop Romsey any further when MRSC cannot even get those businesses that have closed over the past 20 years to reopen. Why have development in Romsey ( housing) when infrastructure and lack of new businesses can open due to business owners refusing to allow their premises to open in town!!	2/24/2022 6:23 PM
125	Our town can't cope with the current population. The infrastructure is lacking and there are no signs of it improving. The character of the town will be ruined.	2/24/2022 3:51 PM
126	I feel we need to fill in existing available land within the current town boundary. Larger lots in the main part of town should be allowed to subdivide. As a lot of blocks could be halved, this would allow more housing options without destroying the rural character beyond the	2/23/2022 11:36 PM

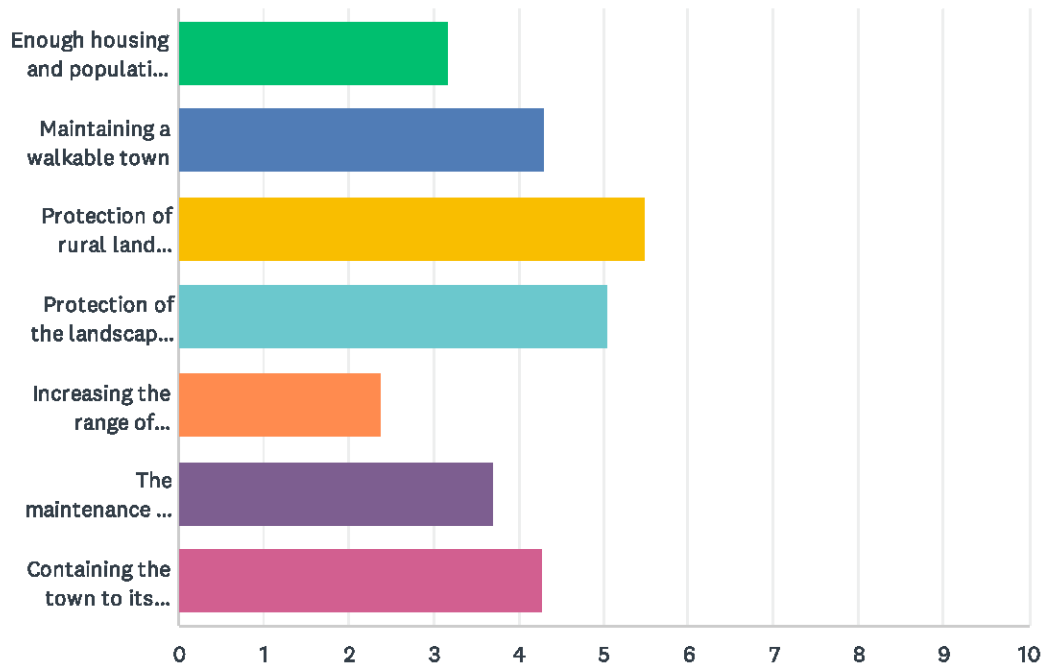
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town boundary. We need to keep the Romsey boundary as it is to preserve the precious rural and farming land. One of the biggest drawcards to Romsey is the beautiful landscape surrounding our town. Finish Lomandra and Autumn Views as that area might as well be full, instead of expanding further out.

127	I'd rather see the focus on the centre of Romsey having a higher density and a bit more development to the South of Romsey. The other directions have such beauty and it would be sad to see a bunch of big houses on small blocks with their uniform colour schemes and building materials which look cheap and dilapidated quickly and lack the lasting character of a well built weatherboard or quality brick home. The mixed materials in same colour themes with unimaginative landscaping that spring up in estates look so awful even after ten years. They never settle into the landscape and just look cheap.	2/23/2022 11:34 PM
128	More logical solution which would fit well with existing school location, and potential bike and walking trails to Clarkefield (assumes electric bikes!) Also preserves buffer to Lancefield.	2/23/2022 6:24 PM
129	Flatter land that is easier to develop. development already beginning in this area so more practical. Good design needed to avoid traffic congestion and retain urban feel to the town.	2/23/2022 1:59 PM
130	Romsey is not a suburb and it's starting to feel like with massive development we will lose the beautiful country feeling of this township	2/23/2022 9:37 AM
131	Bc I'm in the south	2/22/2022 3:31 PM
132	Maintain separation with Lancefield. Reduced impact to creeks. Some population increase will help invigorate the town if managed well.	2/22/2022 2:18 PM
133	Allows some improvements or change for future.	2/18/2022 5:35 PM

## Q17 When thinking about the growth options for Romsey what is most important to you. Please indicate the order of importance (1 = most important).

Answered: 205 Skipped: 202



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	SCORE
Enough housing and population to support a high school and other services	17.01% 33	4.64% 9	7.22% 14	5.15% 10	11.86% 23	24.74% 48	29.38% 57	194	3.18
Maintaining a walkable town	5.82% 11	17.46% 33	18.52% 35	28.04% 53	21.69% 41	6.35% 12	2.12% 4	189	4.30
Protection of rural land around the town	36.98% 71	25.00% 48	15.10% 29	7.81% 15	6.77% 13	6.25% 12	2.08% 4	192	5.51
Protection of the landscape setting around the town	10.47% 20	29.84% 57	28.27% 54	20.94% 40	7.33% 14	2.09% 4	1.05% 2	191	5.05
Increasing the range of housing types	1.55% 3	3.09% 6	5.67% 11	8.76% 17	14.43% 28	35.05% 68	31.44% 61	194	2.38
The maintenance of large housing blocks with gardens	8.33% 16	8.33% 16	13.02% 25	21.35% 41	25.52% 49	13.02% 25	10.42% 20	192	3.72
Containing the town to its current size and boundary	25.89% 51	14.72% 29	13.20% 26	5.58% 11	11.17% 22	8.63% 17	20.81% 41	197	4.29

## Q18 If there are other growth options or comments you would like share, please include below:

Answered: 62    Skipped: 345

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Residents of the town have already voiced concerns about the lack of services. The idea of almost doubling housing and population to enable access to vital services is ridiculous. The council should be working to service existing residents with appropriate levels of service before committing to expand development to unsustainable levels or we risk becoming another town in Victoria with thousands of people no infrastructure to support the level of growth.	4/2/2022 5:54 PM
2	Do not extend White Ave.	4/1/2022 1:24 PM
3	Working with the state and federal governments to develop job opportunities in regional victoria. Smart jobs based on new and emerging industries de centralised so the wealth generated stays within the region. We need to give the traders in Romsey a chance to prosper, not just open it up to Coles etc	3/31/2022 10:18 PM
4	Why not further development only to the south. This is the site of existing developments (including an upcoming land release) so adjacent developments will be in keeping with the character of the area, and this land is not as valuable in terms of agriculture compared with the land to the east, north or west.	3/31/2022 9:57 PM
5	Mix the housing, do not create crime-estates. create a botanical flavor to the it's easier on the eye and reduces reflected heat in the dry summers. Consider mixing in units suitable for Aged, & single person households, grow the industrial towards Melbourne and keep the town for the townsfolk..	3/31/2022 6:35 PM
6	I believe it should be a consideration to have a bypass at least for trucks as the number of trucks travelling through Romsey on the main road has increased hugely since I have lived here [3 years]	3/31/2022 4:50 PM
7	If growth must occur I would like to see this happen within the current boundaries. The sea of roofs as you enter the town from the south has ruined this town entry. I would hate to see this happen again. We need development that will keep the town feeling like a town not a urban sprawl development.	3/31/2022 4:48 PM
8	I don't like the premise that we need to increase the population to get the services. I do highly support the provision of a high school and more services in the town, but your statement above suggests we need to build the population to uncomfortable levels for the existing infrastructure before further investment in our town's amenities will be considered. Build the services first and make the place liveable and desirable now. We don't need a services ghetto with surplus housing and no secondary education facilities or amenities to engage residents in their community. This will significantly decrease quality of living and will contribute to increasing disengagement of the youth in the area and the negative socio-economic flow on effects that will follow.	3/31/2022 4:38 PM
9	Romsey needs more services and facilities, We should not have to have further housing estates imposed on us to get more services from the Council. We cannot use framland to have more suburbs added to Romsey.	3/31/2022 3:22 PM
10	A high school could be an option with the existing population and young families that have moved to ROMSEY already. There are lots of babies around now.	3/31/2022 12:28 PM
11	this question presumes there is insufficient population in the Romsey Catchment to support a high school. I do not believe this presumption is correct,	3/31/2022 11:36 AM
12	Please don't kill our town. Its the country, save it	3/30/2022 10:18 PM
13	Romsey needs to expand to provide affordable and diverse housing. Services need to improve in line with the development, and Council and Western Water need to think strategically about the future of farming, and water security.	3/30/2022 8:52 PM
14	Because the towns services have reached capacity it is essential to limit towns growth	3/30/2022 1:29 PM
15	Woolworths or Coles Kmart hub subway mcdonalds	3/30/2022 10:40 AM



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16	I strongly oppose option 2!!	3/30/2022 10:08 AM
17		3/29/2022 10:02 PM
18	Indoor pool, high school, large blocks addidquate parks and playground facilities	3/29/2022 8:49 PM
19	No more estates	3/28/2022 10:31 PM
20	So many studies, please consider the towns beauty, business growth, heritage including indigenous people	3/28/2022 5:55 PM
21	Let's just get this plan right with consideration for future generations and those who live here.	3/28/2022 5:54 PM
22	Build on what you already have. Protect Romsey's greatest asset: The rich agricultural land and landscape If you have to expand, do it on lower quality soils and go South.	3/28/2022 10:54 AM
23	The large housing blocks in Romsey are the most appealing part of the town This aspect must be increased so the town keeps its rural feel	3/27/2022 5:33 PM
24	There is already enough housing and population to support a high school and other services. There does not need to be further growth for this. As it is, Romsey residents are forced to access services in Gisborne that are already stretched.	3/27/2022 4:15 PM
25	get on with it forget the minority	3/26/2022 11:01 AM
26	Maintain a country feel to the town Have a country pub like holgates in woodend. NOT AN RSL TYPE POKIES VENUE DO NOT HAVE ANY CORPORATE FAST FOOD JOINTS BOOKSHOPS AND HIGH END BOUTIQUE RETAIL	3/26/2022 9:30 AM
27	Develop the infrastructure and business	3/25/2022 6:38 PM
28	Before anything changes, utilities must be upgraded, or increasing population with put too much pressure on the current infrastructure and we will all have no utilities.	3/23/2022 5:03 PM
29	Connecting road infrastructure is more important than any of the options listed.	3/22/2022 8:47 PM
30	Don't agree with expanding town boundaries.	3/22/2022 7:56 PM
31	Develop both commercial residential to the south of Romsey not the north, west and east of Romsey	3/22/2022 7:18 PM
32	We have enough children here to support a high school - once day there will be an accident with all the buses	3/22/2022 3:29 PM
33	Provide a safety net for property owners so they don't get forced of their land	3/20/2022 2:12 PM
34	No	3/18/2022 10:23 AM

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35	The ranking of some as more important than others is problematic. The priority should be to provide basic services and infrastructure to enable sustainable development	3/17/2022 2:18 PM
36	Trains and public transport should come before encouraging population growth	3/16/2022 10:22 AM
37	DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE EMPTY RETAIL!	3/16/2022 9:58 AM
38	Get a new consultant to look at this document, as an Operations Manager with more than 13 years of experience in the maintenance field.. I can tell you that this report is shocking!	3/16/2022 8:10 AM
39	Leave us alone and take the city ideas back to the city	3/16/2022 6:06 AM
40	A classic example of biased survey development. You should be ashamed. Everything is a 1 except "increased range of housing types". By structuring the survey this way you force people to put important things lower down. Why can we only have one thing?	3/15/2022 10:36 PM
41	Direct growth towards those townships on the Calder Highway in order to retain smaller townships and their individual post settlement character. Romsey and Lancefield are both unique protect them. Protect our agricultural land.	3/15/2022 3:18 PM
42	Why are council alwAys talking about productive farmland, there is none. Land is to expensive for farming. No farmer would buy land in Romsey for farming now. Council is a joke if they refer to the area as a farming area.	3/10/2022 1:24 PM
43	a pub and to stay as a TOWN....NOT a SUBURB...!!!!	3/9/2022 4:28 PM
44	Everyone is moving because it's a country living and out of Melbourne	3/9/2022 3:53 PM
45	Fix the infrastructure first before any growth.	3/8/2022 10:01 PM
46	need more local job opportunities	3/8/2022 9:11 PM
47	The farmers land should not be rezoned to conservation that is just so wrong and council need to look closely a the new proposed estate and this should not go ahead with such small blocks does not keep in with the Romsey proposed country feel and definitely people should not have to sell up some of their land to make this happen council need to take a hard long look at themselves and think about the people not the council pocket	3/7/2022 7:48 PM
48	Really enjoyed thinking about how we can use the current town boundary to meet the requirements of proposed growth in Romsey. Re-zoning should be our last life raft.	3/6/2022 7:00 PM
49	The structure plan should focus on a commitment to infrastructure without needing to grown the population at the rate suggested. I think there should be a conservative effort through council to increase boundaries where the land has been acquired by developers and plan and promise infrastructure.	3/6/2022 4:48 PM
50	Not just Willy-nilly growth for growth's sake, but directed growth. Eg. Do we want to grow into a tourist town, gourmet centre, arts colony education precinct, tradie-town. I don't know but your myriad consultants should at least ask the question.	3/6/2022 4:20 PM
51	Arts and music as part of cultural growth	3/2/2022 10:26 PM
52	Open the pub and they will come.	3/2/2022 7:34 PM
53	Determine the roads growth will stop at. Knox road . Couzens lane, Hutchinson, and tickawarra. Then figure a stopping point for the south east as there isn't a road there - greens lane????too far??? Then fill in with those boundaries	3/1/2022 11:24 PM
54	Better roads, more police to deter the little shots destroying property, less new estates and using the current free blocks within town to build on.	3/1/2022 7:01 PM
55	We would like to see only one major supermarket.	3/1/2022 5:41 PM
56	Do not exceed existing boundaries I.e. no further North than Hutchisons lane	2/28/2022 3:58 PM
57	In a few billion years, maybe sooner, it just won't matter.	2/28/2022 1:33 PM
58	Stop thinking about ways to increase the Council revenue, focus on delivering to the current community. Maintain the current footprint and improve facilities and maintaining the small town feel.	2/25/2022 7:13 PM
59	We don't have the infrastructure nor businesses to support any more growth	2/24/2022 6:25 PM
60	Don't stuff up the character of our town. It already doesn't have the infrastructure to support the current population so why add more.	2/24/2022 3:53 PM
61	It's pleasing to see council looking at Romsey for improvement. Please keep our town	2/23/2022 11:36 PM

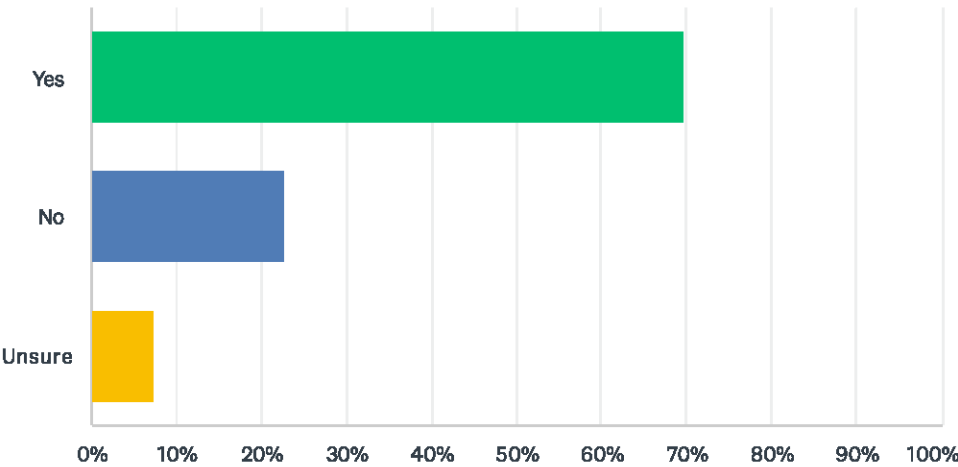
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lovely and make sure that every move continues to protect our lovely rural feel.

62	Insurance that the roads and services will be upgraded for the increase in population	2/22/2022 5:27 PM
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Q19 Do you agree with the idea to keep any additional retail activities in the existing town centre (within the existing Commercial 1 Zone)?

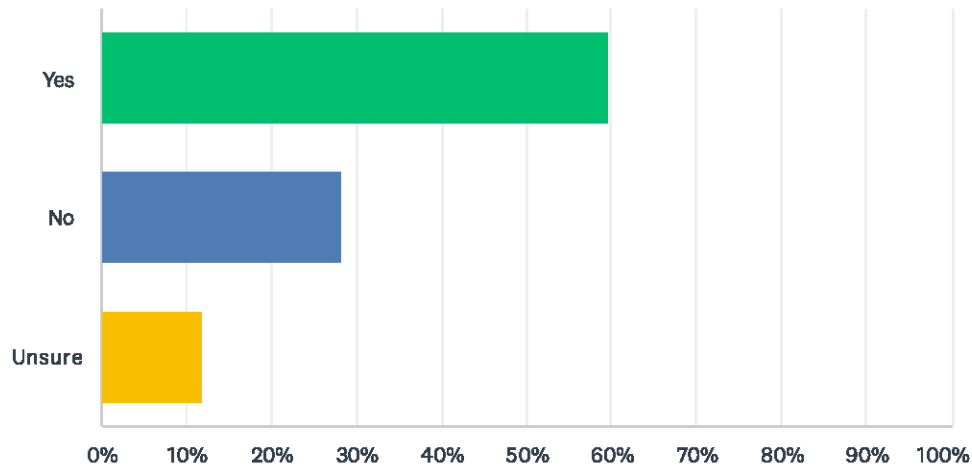
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		69.80%	141
No		22.77%	46
Unsure		7.43%	15
TOTAL			202

## Q20 Do you support moving industrial land away from Melbourne-Lancefield Road towards Portingales Lane within the buffer area of the waste treatment plant?

Answered: 201 Skipped: 206



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	59.70%	120
No	28.36%	57
Unsure	11.94%	24
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>201</b>

#	COMMENTS:	DATE
1	I think that additional retail activities should be in locations best suited for them. Another large supermarket next to the existing one makes no sense. A fast food outlet in the middle of town would ruin the town's character. These types of retail activities should be allowed to develop further down Main street (near existing larger retail and petrol outlets). I would be concerned about moving industrial and larger retail premises away from Main street if it will result in those businesses struggling to do business.	4/2/2022 5:58 PM
2	I don't necessarily agree that this is a good idea. This would need to be considered in the context of how big we want the town to be and how all employment sectors are accommodated.	4/1/2022 4:59 PM
3	I agree but do not extend White Ave to be a thoroughfare to Portingales Lane. It will be a speedway and will place children's lives at risk. In addition, White Ave cannot support any additional traffic.	4/1/2022 1:28 PM
4	In principal yes, but how do we work to encourage industry and smart industry to set up here and provide employment in the town?	3/31/2022 10:19 PM
5	This plan was rejected in 2012 due to concerns around traffic. I don't see how that would have changed since that time.	3/31/2022 9:58 PM
6	Are you "Moving" current Industrial or Expanding future industrial. Is there going to be a distinction between Very Light industry (eg car servicing) and Light, medium, heavy industrial?	3/31/2022 6:41 PM
7	No -brainer	3/31/2022 6:01 PM
8	I feel you could have industrial land along Greens lane so large trucks do not have to travel through town. Greens lane could act as a town bypass road for the industrial areas of	3/31/2022 4:50 PM

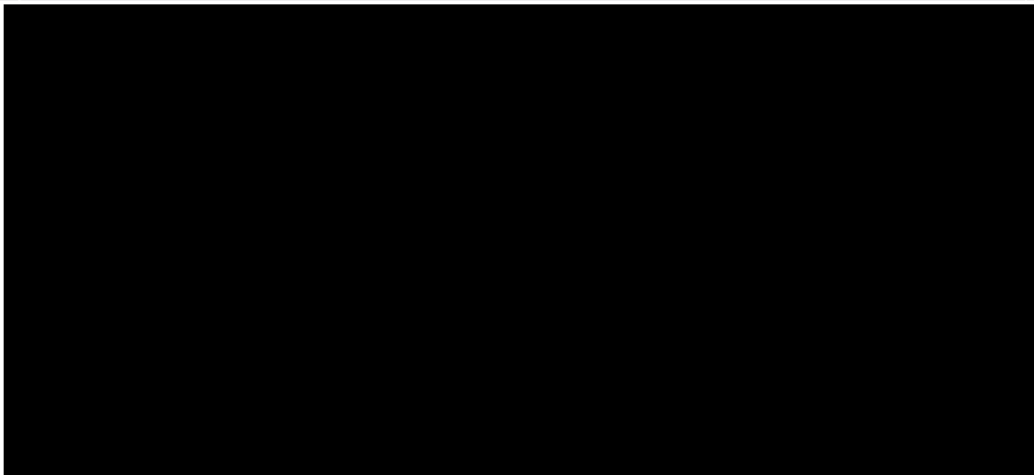


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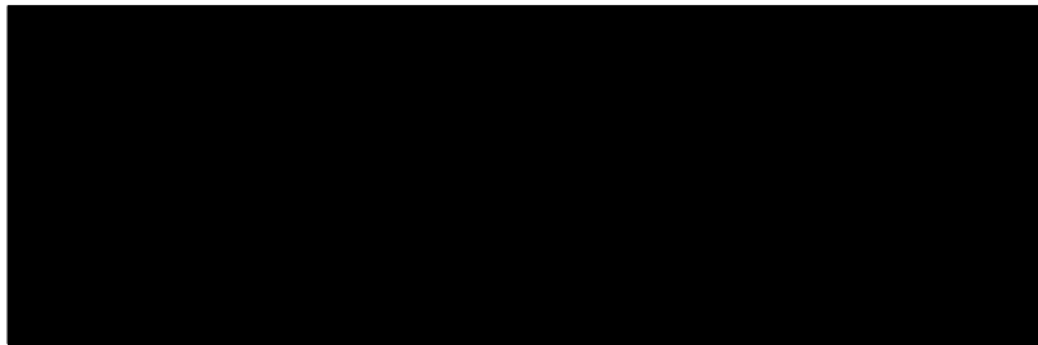
	Portingales lane.	
9	None	3/31/2022 12:29 PM
10	Agree to moving the industrial but not the commercial zoned land on Melbourne Lancefield Road. The produce store and hardware businesses need main road frontage.	3/30/2022 8:53 PM
11	The current industrial area is close to the Main street, people utilise retail in their lunch break, going further out will see this decline, as time is minimal for a lunch break.	3/29/2022 10:07 PM
12	Retails activity can work off Main Street, if there is enough land allocated to develop. Current owners neither develop or sell.	3/29/2022 9:45 PM
13	Not sure it should be in a safe ace	3/28/2022 10:32 PM
14	I think this could have negative consequences for the area. Why not at Green's lane where zoning is already industrial?	3/27/2022 9:45 PM
15	This will cause traffic through the town and through residential areas to the east of Barry street to markedly increase.	3/27/2022 9:35 PM
16	Not really. As I said before in answer to the question on Theme 3.3, I do not support further industrial development at Portingales lane as this will direct a substantial amount of heavy vehicle traffic along the eastern end of Barry street through a residential area, along a road not suited for this kind of traffic. If improvements to the road connecting this area with the Melbourne Lancefield road to the south of town (Green's lane) could be made, and all heavy vehicle traffic directed to this road, then further industrial development in this area alongside the RRWP buffer would be acceptable. The area east of town to the north of Barry street has a beautiful natural aspect and lovely views of mount William, and this would be considerably impacted by an increase in traffic to the area, which could potentially limit the possibility of future tourism in this area.	3/27/2022 4:16 PM
17	Use for housing	3/26/2022 9:31 AM
18	We need more industrial land - affordable to promote local employment	3/22/2022 3:30 PM
19	See my comments on Big Box Retail. The survey reads like BBR (ask RRP) is a done deal.	3/21/2022 5:47 PM
20	It only if the traffic for the industrial area is forced out of the centre of town otherwise NO	3/20/2022 2:13 PM
21	Assume no development of any sort should happen in the buffer area	3/17/2022 2:19 PM
22	No industrial land/buildings should be seen as you drive along Melbourne-Lancefield Road, leave the agricultural land alone!	3/14/2022 11:21 PM
23	Development should not occur in the buffer zone.	3/9/2022 1:47 PM
24	Key word here is "Industrial", not commercial	3/8/2022 8:42 PM
25	This should not be the first thing people see when coming into the town, keep it hidden out of site!	3/8/2022 7:59 AM
26	Very important that industrial zone is close to recycling centre	3/7/2022 6:38 PM
27	The first thing people see coming into the town should not be large industrial sites!	3/6/2022 11:36 PM
28	Depends on whether industry wants to develop within nose-range of the sewage plant	3/6/2022 4:24 PM
29	Just out of town but not too far. Portingales is the perfect place for louder, noisier businesses & also entices those from wallam to commute to us	3/4/2022 5:15 AM
30	People should not see industrial areas when the first enter the town, it will ruin the appeal of the town.	3/3/2022 11:29 AM
31	Leave the small industrial estate near the footy oval for small use things like garden centres, storage etc	3/1/2022 11:25 PM
32	Romsey requires a more vibrant city centre - a heart. Eg a much larger bakery; the hotel to reopen; encouragement of more cafes, to encourage residents to "meet and greet".	3/1/2022 12:57 PM
33	Great idea and fully supported	2/28/2022 3:58 PM
34	I don't really give a rat's toss bag.	2/28/2022 1:34 PM
35	I'd support retail (love an Aldi) or an aquatic centre with a 50m indoor pool in the Autumn Views estate or in that southerly direction for Romsey.	2/23/2022 11:38 PM
36	Hope it works and doesn't take too much agricultural land.	2/18/2022 5:38 PM

## Q21 Are there any other issues that should be considered?

Answered: 92 Skipped: 315

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The draft papers attached to this plan were long and difficult to read as a pdf in the landscape form presented. It was hard to navigate in the pdf without a table of contents or hyperlinks within the document. Future consultation should not require the survey respondent to go back through the paper to read the potential responses - they should be presented at the start of each survey question.	4/2/2022 6:02 PM
2	That a decision on the EOP and changes to the Settlement Boundary should not be steered by proposed developments.	4/1/2022 5:00 PM
3	Do not expand White Avenue to any potential developments to the East. Keep it as a cul-de-sac.	4/1/2022 1:28 PM
4	Consider putting all the infrastructure in place before adding more homes	3/31/2022 8:15 PM
5	The fact that the roads Leading into Romsey have not been cared for in the past, is proof that this town will not have the infrastructure required to maintain the growth you have in mind!! Promises don't cut it with me	3/31/2022 8:05 PM
6	Power generation. Wind, Solar etc. as we move towards a non-carbon economy. Energy needs to be sourced most efficiently locally. Fast Forward 20 years and All 10k of Romsey residents will not be using Gas (Fossil fuel), Cars will be charged at home requiring more electrical power than current usage by a serious factor. Powerline capacity will have to grow but less so if generated locally. We have an abundance of hills and areas that should be considered for wind according to noise restrictions that are best worked out now, before development.	3/31/2022 6:48 PM
7	The bypass	3/31/2022 6:02 PM
8	Listen to the Community concerns and address the issues honestly.	3/31/2022 5:23 PM
9	We need an aquatic centre to service Romsey and Riddells Creek. The current facilities are oversubscribed.	3/31/2022 3:24 PM
10	Put this plan on hold for about 5 years and sort out the roads, the pub, and in-fill existing land within the township.	3/31/2022 12:30 PM
11	communication and town engagement needs to be improved on this critical issue. Putting consultants between residents and our shire representatives is in appropriate. zoom engagement is bad as we have seen moderators repeatably muting residents and ignoring questions and issues posted in the meeting chat	3/31/2022 11:39 AM
12	with Climate change already occuring recognise that revegetation should include species that are more suited to drier environments	3/30/2022 10:44 PM
13	Preserve and protect the Town.	3/30/2022 10:19 PM
14	Hurry up and get on with it	3/30/2022 10:40 AM
15		3/29/2022 10:07 PM

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16	Council acting in current populations concerns and issues	3/29/2022 8:51 PM
17	Your consultation was weak... most of my neighbours don't even know it's on. How are you getting a reasonable set of responses?	3/29/2022 3:14 PM
18	Think of the people already in Romsey and how this effects them Some already are unhappy as their lives are not the same since the land was opened up to development	3/28/2022 10:34 PM
19	Climate change, indigenous recognition, saving farm land, water conservation,	3/28/2022 5:59 PM
20	Again climate impacts, indigenous history, how we achieve infrastructure (roads, transport and services) upgrades, our children and the future economic health of the town.	3/28/2022 5:57 PM
21	Data used to inform this Emerging options paper is out of date You've closed consultation April 1 and not extended, despite the community creating their own meeting, and an open letter requesting more time. Census data is coming out in just a few more weeks, and you won't consider this. Data around schools has been debunked. Consultation has been weak and lackluster (letters inviting people to the info sessions came out AFTER the first session) Info sessions and consultation in person sessions are not at appropriate times for workers to attend No consideration for how residents like to be communicated with (See community satisfaction survey) have been considered. Older residents that aren't online / don't have skype let alone computers have been left OUT of the conversation.	3/28/2022 10:57 AM
22	Direction 4.5 of Plan Melbourne outlines that future development of peri-urban areas should be done so sensitively. Policy 4.5.2 states that in these areas any development should protect significant views and conserve the character of scenic rural landscapes, and also protect agricultural land, maintain farm size and promote the continuation of farming. I fail to see how options 2 and 3 do any of these things.	3/27/2022 9:51 PM
23	Options 2 and 3 are completely unsuitable for the growth of Romsey. They are not in keeping with the current character of the town and will ruin its rural aspect whilst also encroaching on high-quality agricultural land.	3/27/2022 9:36 PM
24	An aquatic centre for all ages has been mentioned and should be high on the list of priorities	3/27/2022 5:34 PM
25	Options B and C both compromise existing farmland and the natural beauty of the area, which also stands to negatively impact future tourism options. I'd also like a much clearer picture of the current population based on the most recent census figures. Any further decisions around the growth of the town need to be based on an accurate count of the number of inhabitants we currently have, not 2016 figures or estimates. It's a shame that the council sees fit to limit the consultation period given that this data will be available in the coming months and could allow residents to have a clearer picture of the current size of the town.	3/27/2022 4:17 PM
26	Keep big business out.	3/27/2022 1:34 PM
27	I do not feel we can trust MRSC with any of this.	3/26/2022 2:16 PM
28	just moce on with it we are so far behind	3/26/2022 11:02 AM
29	Make a real effort to invest in the town to attract new population. Fix the main st, force development of the pub and old supermarket by punishing owners who hold the town to ransom. Stop focusing on gisborne and give the rest of the shire a go	3/25/2022 6:40 PM
30	Get local consultancy to consult what the town needs to grow. Local knowledge is always better and more valuable. Currently we are all leaving the town to seek entertainment, or a pub meal, major shopping time. NBN really needs to be rectified and roads must be repaired. Where are my Rates and taxes going?	3/23/2022 5:07 PM
31	More bins and dog poop bags.	3/22/2022 8:13 PM
32	Don't agree with rezone.	3/22/2022 7:56 PM

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33	INFRASTRUCTURE, the amount of times we lose electricity here is horrible.	3/22/2022 5:42 PM
34	Invest money into romsey and help this beautiful town grow	3/22/2022 5:27 PM
35	How about consulting the Romsey people and the Mayor and councillors taking notice of us	3/22/2022 3:31 PM
36	Yes. Open space options including safe areas to exercise and socialise dogs off lead.	3/21/2022 5:49 PM
37	raising rates for businesses that are not operating, specifically the pub and abandoned supermarket. these are holding the town back. Makes the town look run down and sad	3/20/2022 10:15 PM
38	The Emerging options paper presents a lot of overwhelming issues in any development of Romsey. None of these issues are addressed in any way the whole plan needs to be shelved until clear plans to address the issues around the utilities (water electricity gas and sewerage) are fixed. Better consultation with the town residents is needed as well.	3/20/2022 2:17 PM
39	Keeping the town dog friendly for people with pets. Most people that choose to live in a rural township love being in nature and they love animals too.	3/20/2022 1:19 PM
40	Entrances to Romsey should be protected and beautified. The entrance from Wallan with a dog wash and boarded up pub is not a welcome site into our beautiful town. These entrance points need to take priority and their development carefully managed.	3/20/2022 11:02 AM
41	It is important to prevent the over-development of housing allotments by constraining the percentage of the land area that can be roofed, including garages, carports, sheds and other outbuildings. And consider mandating a restriction on the number of residences with roof colours in varying shades of grey. The occasional red or cream or green or even blue would be nice.	3/18/2022 2:20 PM
42	No	3/18/2022 10:23 AM
43	Please make this survey less complicated . So that the average resident of Romsey can understand it . !	3/17/2022 10:03 PM
44	There needs to be an extensive community-led engagement process to develop a vision for Romsey that encompasses what the community on balance would like the town to be in the future and identify strategies to achieve the vision. The structure plan should flow from this.	3/17/2022 2:21 PM
45	By allowing inappropriate development and expansion, the council runs the risk of turning the Macedon Ranges into another area like Craigieburn, Sunbury or Berwick.	3/17/2022 9:48 AM
46	you say you have considered water try tasting local bore water.Reference to climate change is sparce.	3/16/2022 6:38 PM
47	Transport solutions to Woodend	3/16/2022 12:46 PM
48	There are not enough high schools in the Macedon Ranges area to cope with the number of primary school children now. We do not need more growth to warrant a high school in Romsey. Locals walking into town is not a key issue - many people do this. However, the lack of public transport means high usage of private vehicles for shopping, transporting kids to school and sporting activities, and travelling for work	3/16/2022 10:25 AM
49	How is the council approaching the old folks in town? Most of us only saw this document about a month ago. Why isn't the council sending mails to the residents to invite all of us for discussions? You need to have better ways to collect real feedback for the people who live in Romsey.	3/16/2022 8:12 AM
50	The councillors have well and truly let the people of this town down with their green/labour ideas ... it's a travesty, this town should not be a city, we don't want to be another Melton	3/16/2022 6:08 AM
51	The latest census data comes out in 3 months. That the "consultants" didn't wait for it is probably the greatest indictment on their incompetence.	3/15/2022 10:37 PM
52	The growth of the town is important to many residents. Having more activities, such as restaurants and shops will keep people within the town, spending money in the town creating local jobs. This will also help to increase and upgrade critical infrastructure, which the town desperately needs. Keeping the rural town feel with big leafy streets within main street is important to nod to the history of the town, however growth is inevitable and important to get the facilities wanted by the residents.	3/15/2022 9:29 PM
53	I would like to point out that introducing these new infrastructures what happens to the wildlife? Where is their voice. Adding to Romsey's charm is the wildlife and birds especially. Why should they be muscled out when they were here first. I'm agreeing to town growing slightly but not to lose its rural feel or become a satellite suburb	3/15/2022 9:14 PM
54	Solutions to negative visual impact of boarded up pub and vacant supermarket should be	3/15/2022 3:24 PM



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addressed thru by-partisan actions of council and local community ASAP.

55	fix the roads - they remain the most dangerous part of living in Romsey	3/15/2022 3:10 PM
56	the quality and experience of the MRSC CEO	3/12/2022 4:49 PM
57	Do not change Romsey.	3/11/2022 7:39 AM
58	Need more small properties where people can have a horse or plenty of room for kids not stuck within 6 foot fences and say we live in rural. Rural is rural, open spaces for them to grow, 600sqm blocks aren't. Anyway all this talk is a waste of time because council will just do what they want to do.	3/10/2022 1:27 PM
59	Keep Romsey as a TOWN - TOWNSHIP....we are not a suburb. and do not push away our farmers	3/9/2022 4:30 PM
60	Nah	3/9/2022 3:54 PM
61	There is too much Commercial 1 Zone land within Romsey as it is. Development for retail should be contained around the existing shopping precinct. A long retail strip is not good from a retail point of view as it prevents pedestrians being able to walk to multiple shops.	3/9/2022 1:48 PM
62	Improved public transport, with better connections to train stations and to other towns in the Macedon Ranges.	3/9/2022 8:35 AM
63	transport connections to Clarkefield Station	3/8/2022 10:14 PM
64	Romsey has almost zero public transport and poor educational facilities. Don't even consider growth before they are fixed.	3/8/2022 10:02 PM
65	Continue to listen, closely to the community. While there's a timeline proposed for this project... take more time, and engage deeper with the community to get this right.	3/8/2022 8:43 PM
66	Leave the town size as is, just develop within the boundary	3/8/2022 7:59 AM
67	More bins in the area,	3/7/2022 2:32 PM
68	Better facilities for dog owners including expansion of off-leash areas. More facilities for locals to hang out together such as coffee shops, markets, bookshops etc. More community events.	3/6/2022 9:22 PM
69	Don't re-zone. Fight for the locals town centre and provide incentives for business to thrive within the township boundaries.	3/6/2022 7:01 PM
70	Need a high school, a pub and a large supermarket to offer alternative and competitive prices and keep opportunities in Romsey.	3/6/2022 7:00 PM
71	Romsey currently has two unused commercial sites being the Romsey Hotel and the old supermarket/Sam's cafe. I think it is disgraceful that these two sites are being left unattended and boarded up by the owners. MRSC should be taking active steps to force the owners to do something useful with those buildings. Anything else that MRSC spends money on will be offset by these two eyesores. Romsey is being held to ransom by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Its time for MRSC to put it's money where its mouth is and back the residents of Romsey.	3/6/2022 5:46 PM
72	Education, community facilities and obligations imposed on commercial landholders to operate their business or sell it! Boarded and disused buildings in the town centre that would create retail opportunities need to be operating as such	3/6/2022 4:49 PM
73	Have we got the money to encourage growth towards our vision or is it yet just another pipe-dream? In the era of rate capping can we even afford a tin of paint?	3/6/2022 4:30 PM
74	Water bubblers in parks, indoor pool for this side of the ranges, do something about the businesses that have been closed for years in centre of town and detract from the town and prevent other services/small business using them, more services and options for kids and young families	3/6/2022 7:59 AM
75	Get that bloody pub up & running. The eyesores in town are horrific	3/4/2022 5:17 AM
76	Upgraded Stormwater runoff for all properties as well as sewerage	3/3/2022 11:41 AM
77	Pub	3/2/2022 7:34 PM
78	Romsey needs to be more cohesive. You can see the style of each era of development and how hotch potch this has made the town. The dumbest idea was not having an appropriate expansion site for the post office. Where it is now is a car trip and the parking is awkward	3/1/2022 11:28 PM

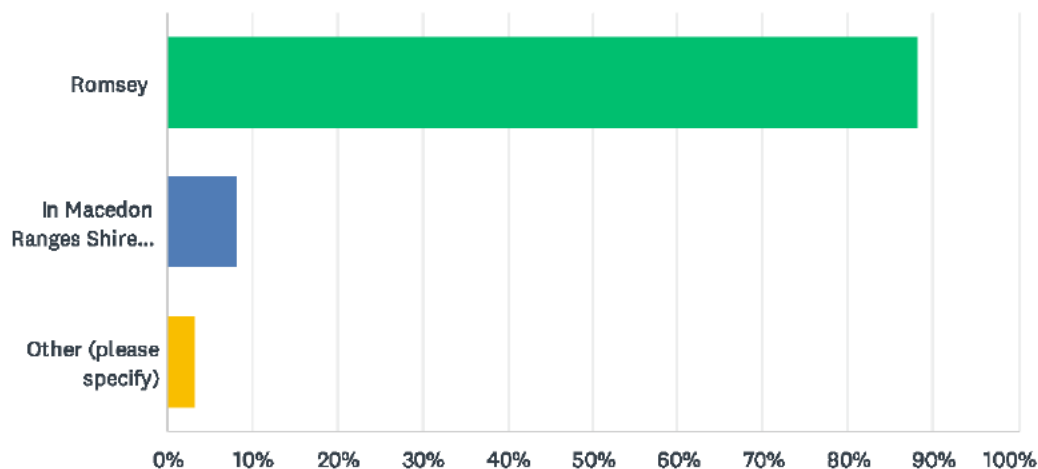


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79	Supporting the re-opening of our pub & moving quickly along to have another supermarket in town.	3/1/2022 8:42 PM
80	-Supermarket to support local jobs and allow residents to shop within the suburb. -A local pub for community engagement, and to support local business.	3/1/2022 5:42 PM
81	Romsey definitely requires a much larger, second supermarket. The proposed plan to encourage a Coles or Woolworths supermarket in Main Street (where the mower/rural retail suppliers once were, is an excellent one, worth following up.	3/1/2022 1:00 PM
82	As already mentioned, roads/existing infrastructure poor and keeping up with current development. Romsey needs a pool, public toilets/bbq facilities need urgent upgrading to make the inviting. Also more signage advertising them as visitors would driver straight though without seeing them. Clean Five Mile Creek and even consider frequent cleaning of debris/implement a waste trapping system so it is an almost year round attraction. Maintain or improve our beautiful tree lined street scape. And one last matter, remove those cars where people permanently reside across from the Mens Shed in the Golf/football/club as this deters visitors.	2/28/2022 4:02 PM
83	Heavy industrial sight moved out of residential areas and repositioned to industrial areas	2/28/2022 1:48 PM
84	I'm hopeful Ukraine will kick the shit out of Putin and I'm also hopeful Victorians will kick the shit out of Downie Andrews...it's fun to dream.	2/28/2022 1:35 PM
85	Don't ruin Romsey people live here for a reason.	2/25/2022 7:13 PM
86	Inform all those living in Romsey when there are plans for new developments	2/24/2022 6:26 PM
87	There is a large number of horses in Romsey but, except for the actual studs, there is no where for children to safely ride their horses. There are walking tracks, bike tracks etc but nothing for horses.	2/24/2022 1:08 AM
88	Just keep the current town boundary and fill in the current vacant lots within town.	2/23/2022 11:40 PM
89	Please use everything in your power to get something done with the old pub site and the vacant supermarket. They can't just sit on those properties forever.	2/23/2022 11:39 PM
90	Much more needs to be done in relation to the vacant and underused properties on Main Street. Newnhams could move to industrial site outside of town, freeing up space for a central recreation facility or small hospital/ medical facility. The church on the corner of main and Barry is underutilised. Buses are essential.	2/22/2022 5:59 PM
91	We need a new skate park and a pools would be good	2/22/2022 3:31 PM
92	Whether other townships within the MRSC are planning to have 100% population growth in 20 years. Why is Romsey the whipping boy of the MSRC?	2/22/2022 11:58 AM

## Q22 Where do you live?

Answered: 204 Skipped: 203

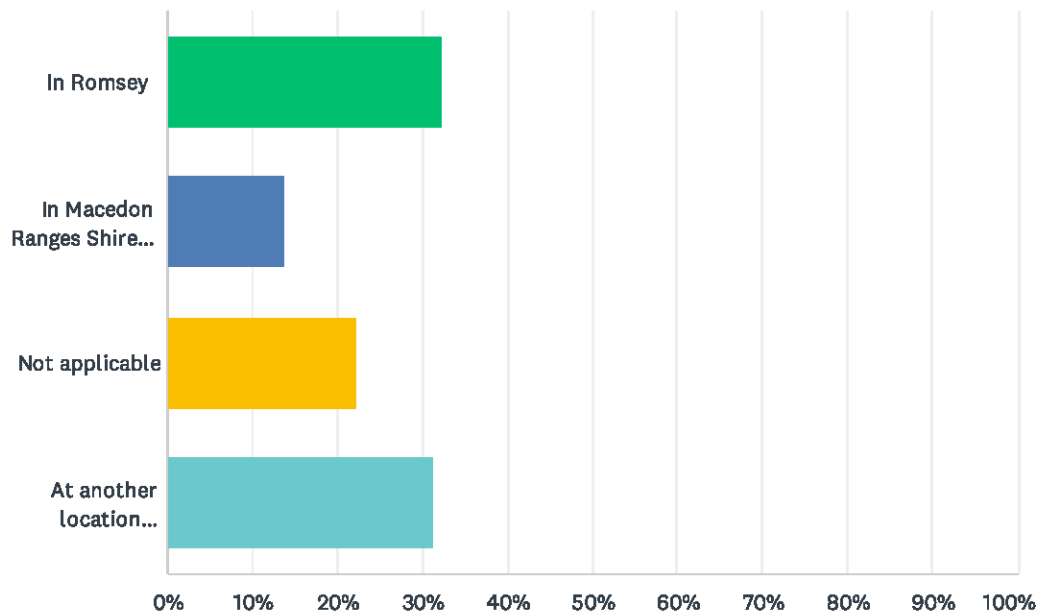


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Romsey	88.24%	180
In Macedon Ranges Shire but not in Romsey	8.33%	17
Other (please specify)	3.43%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>204</b>

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Outskirts of Romsey	3/31/2022 10:20 PM
2		3/31/2022 11:40 AM
3		3/16/2022 6:40 PM
4	Mooroopna	3/9/2022 3:55 PM
5	Farming zone adjacent to the town	3/7/2022 6:39 PM
6	We're on the outskirts. The less people we see the better!!	2/28/2022 1:39 PM
7	Moorabool Shire	2/18/2022 5:38 PM

## Q23 Do you work or study?

Answered: 201 Skipped: 206



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
In Romsey	32.34%	65
In Macedon Ranges Shire but not in Romsey	13.93%	28
Not applicable	22.39%	45
At another location (please specify)	31.34%	63
TOTAL		201

#	AT ANOTHER LOCATION (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	statewide	4/1/2022 3:55 PM
2	Melbourne CBD	4/1/2022 1:29 PM
3	Melbourne and at home during pandemic	3/31/2022 10:20 PM
4	Preston	3/31/2022 8:10 PM
5	Sunbury	3/31/2022 8:00 PM
6	City	3/31/2022 7:45 PM
7	West Melbourne	3/31/2022 7:22 PM
8	Broadmeadows	3/31/2022 7:16 PM
9	All around the State	3/31/2022 5:24 PM
10	on our farm 3 km from Romsey	3/31/2022 11:40 AM
11	50km away - but recently working from home	3/30/2022 10:41 AM
12	Melbourne	3/29/2022 11:33 AM
13	Hume council	3/27/2022 5:35 PM
14	Mitchell Shire	3/27/2022 4:17 PM

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15	Tullamarine	3/27/2022 1:35 PM
16	Melbourne CBD	3/26/2022 2:17 PM
17	tullamarine	3/26/2022 11:02 AM
18	Occasional commute to city	3/26/2022 9:33 AM
19	working from home at the moment but office [REDACTED]	3/23/2022 5:08 PM
20	Melbourne Airport	3/22/2022 8:49 PM
21	Melbourne	3/22/2022 8:38 PM
22	city	3/22/2022 5:42 PM
23	Tradie all over victoria	3/20/2022 2:17 PM
24	Melbourne	3/20/2022 11:02 AM
25	Melbourne	3/18/2022 11:26 PM
26	No	3/18/2022 10:24 AM
27	Work both at home and in workplace outside Romsey	3/17/2022 2:22 PM
28	Melbourne Airport	3/17/2022 9:48 AM
29	City, but currently WFH	3/16/2022 9:59 AM
30	Melbourne CBD	3/16/2022 8:13 AM
31	Tullamarine	3/15/2022 9:30 PM
32	Melbourne	3/15/2022 3:11 PM
33	Greenvale lakes	3/14/2022 6:10 AM
34	work in Melbourne	3/11/2022 1:21 PM
35	Melbourne Airport	3/11/2022 7:40 AM
36	Broadmeadows, Sunbury	3/11/2022 12:54 AM
37	Work From Home	3/9/2022 1:49 PM
38	Melbourne	3/8/2022 10:14 PM
39	work remotely from home	3/8/2022 9:13 PM
40	Drive to Craigieburn	3/7/2022 7:49 PM
41	On farm	3/7/2022 6:39 PM
42	Castlemaine	3/7/2022 2:32 PM
43	MELBOURNE Airport	3/7/2022 1:52 PM
44	Mitchell Shire	3/6/2022 9:17 PM
45	Tullamarine	3/6/2022 7:02 PM
46	Ravenhall/Loddon	3/6/2022 5:10 PM
47	Western suburbs, However I also work from home	3/6/2022 4:50 PM
48	South Melbourne	3/6/2022 4:34 PM
49	Melbourne Airport	3/5/2022 10:11 PM
50	Fawkner	3/4/2022 5:17 AM
51	Melbourne but also work from home	3/2/2022 10:27 PM
52	City	3/2/2022 7:35 PM
53	Tullamarine	3/1/2022 7:02 PM
54	Moreland	3/1/2022 5:42 PM
55	combination Melb CBD and home	3/1/2022 2:33 PM

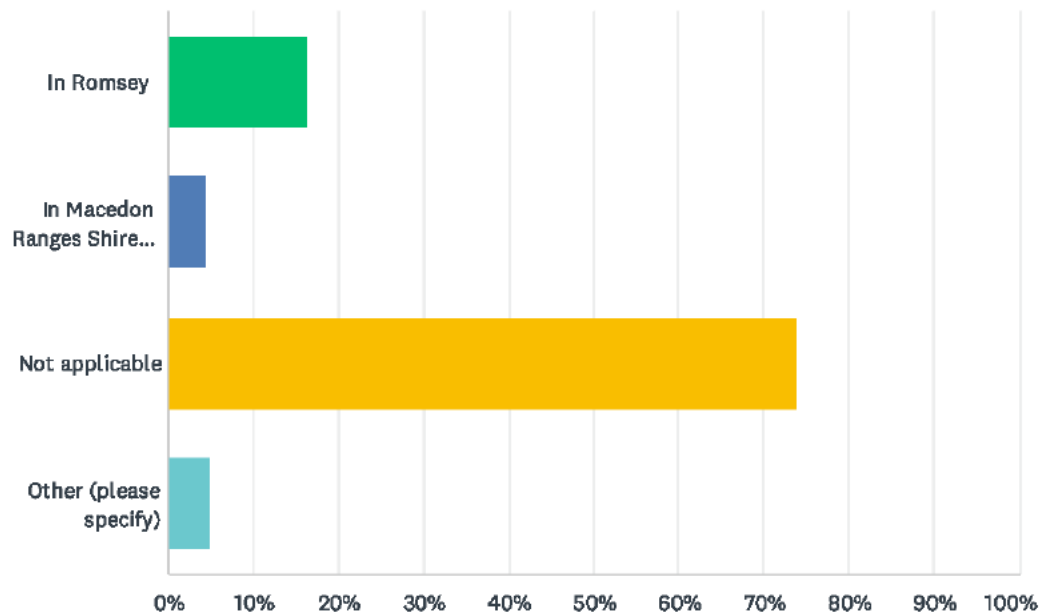
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56	Melbourne	2/28/2022 4:03 PM
57	I did, now I don't, I didn't provide services to Romsey in any event.	2/28/2022 1:39 PM
58	Deer park	2/25/2022 8:42 PM
59	Fitzroy	2/24/2022 3:55 PM
60	Melbourne	2/23/2022 6:27 PM
61	Campbellfield	2/22/2022 5:29 PM
62	Hybrid from home in Romsey and in the Melb CBD	2/22/2022 2:21 PM
63	Bendigo and WFH	2/22/2022 11:27 AM



## Q24 Do you own/ run a business?

Answered: 200 Skipped: 207

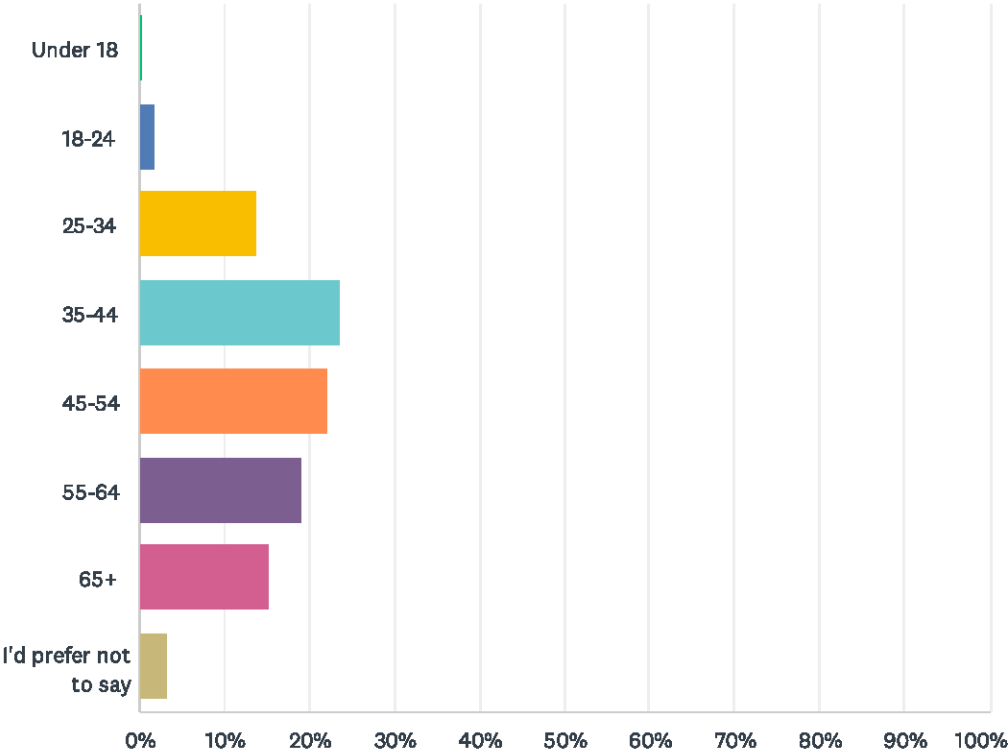


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
In Romsey	16.50%	33
In Macedon Ranges Shire but not in Romsey	4.50%	9
Not applicable	74.00%	148
Other (please specify)	5.00%	10
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>200</b>

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1		3/31/2022 11:40 AM
2		3/30/2022 10:46 PM
3	No I work for a business in the city	3/26/2022 9:33 AM
4	No	3/18/2022 10:24 AM
5	Melbourne	3/15/2022 3:11 PM
6	Farm	3/7/2022 6:39 PM
7		3/1/2022 2:33 PM
8	I did, now I don't, I didn't provide services to Romsey in any event.	2/28/2022 1:39 PM
9	Melbourne	2/23/2022 6:27 PM
10	Would have our factory in Romsey if there was enough industrial land available	2/22/2022 5:29 PM

Q25 Age

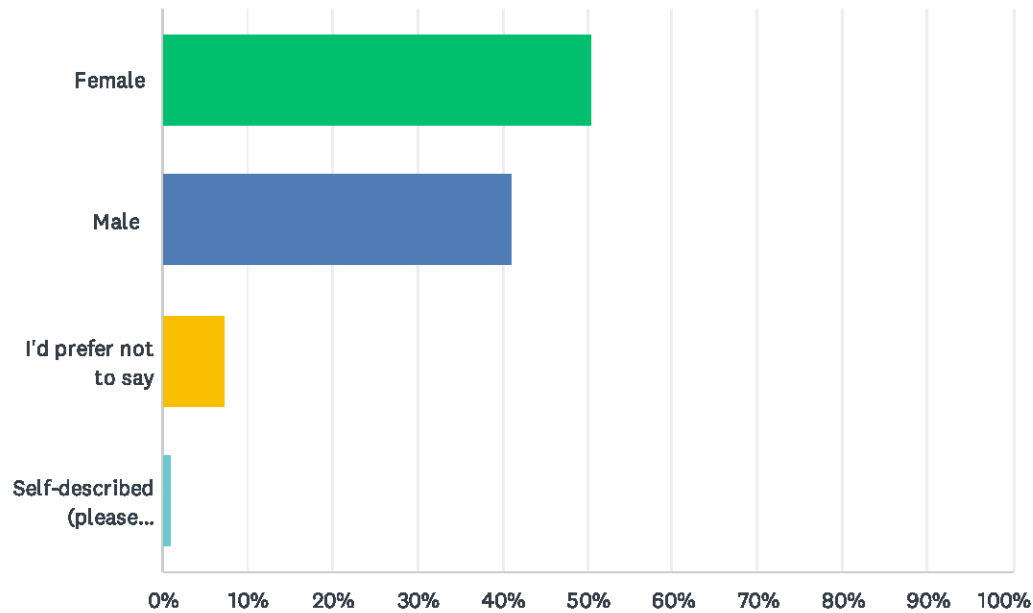
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 18	0.49%	1
18-24	1.97%	4
25-34	13.79%	28
35-44	23.65%	48
45-54	22.17%	45
55-64	19.21%	39
65+	15.27%	31
I'd prefer not to say	3.45%	7
TOTAL		203

## Q26 Gender

Answered: 202 Skipped: 205



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Female	50.50%	102
Male	41.09%	83
I'd prefer not to say	7.43%	15
Self-described (please specify)	0.99%	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>202</b>

#	SELF-DESCRIBED (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Retired	3/18/2022 10:24 AM
2	An Aussie bloke, born and bred and not in support of woke bullshit!!	2/28/2022 1:39 PM

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Item received at 10/15 OfficeOn 16/3/22 Signed [Signature]

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☐ No

☐ Unsure

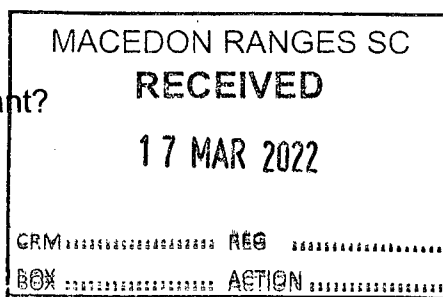
— What does "reinvigorating" mean?

2. Is improving Five Mile Creek still important?

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure



3. Is improving housing diversity still important?

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐ Unsure

What does this mean?  
More Housing Developments??

4. Is improving servicing and utilities still important?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

5. Is improved public transport service frequency and coverage still important?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

6. Is improving walking and cycling infrastructure and safety still important?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

7. Is providing education and community facilities within Romsey still important?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

8. Are there any other issues that should be considered? (100 words max)

Very Concerned about  
Massive housing estate  
Developments around Romsey -  
with NO tree cover  
NO Schools,  
Hospital,



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9. Do you support the vision and objectives? These are intended to guide the structure plan.

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

A load of "marketing -  
speak"  
Developers are the  
"friends" of the Council and  
the State Government.  
(x) Addicted to Rates and Land TAX.

10. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.1  
Landscape and Natural Environment?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Load of "marketing speak"  
Smoke and mirrors.

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11. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.2  
Urban Structure and Built Form?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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12. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3  
Activities and Land Use?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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13. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4  
Community Infrastructure and Culture?

- Yes
- No

- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Romsey will be  
ruined, Like Sunbury.  
Don't take your residents  
as a bunch of - FOOLS.

14. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5  
Movement, Transport and Access?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Smoke and mirrors

15. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.6  
Sustainability and Resilience?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Stop the Housing  
Developments.

16. Do you support the Settlement Principles outlined in Section 4?

- Yes
- No

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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- ~~Option 3: East and South expansion~~
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Maintain our  
high quality farming  
Land

Why did you choose that option/s? — Ruin the TOWN

Stop the development  
of the Retirement Home  
on the Lancefield Road.

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Other (please specify)

TOP priority → Maintaining Land for Farming and Food Production

19. Do you agree with the idea to keep any additional retail activities in the existing town centre (within the existing Commercial 1 Zone)?

Yes

No

Unsure

We need a Pub

20. Do you support moving industrial land away from Melbourne-Lancefield Road towards Portingales Lane within the buffer area of the waste treatment plant? (text box 100 words max)

Yes

No

Unsure

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Lancefield.

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- ☐ Unsure

3. Is improving housing diversity still important?

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- ☒ No
- ☐ Unsure

4. Is improving servicing and utilities still important?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

5. Is improved public transport service frequency and coverage still important?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

6. Is improving walking and cycling infrastructure and safety still important?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

7. Is providing education and community facilities within Romsey still important?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

8. Are there any other issues that should be considered? (100 words max)

PRESERVING THE RURAL COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT AND GOOD FARMING LAND IS VERY IMPORTANT. THE RURAL ATMOSPHERE OF ROMSEY WAS THE MAIN REASON I CAME TO ROMSEY 20 YEARS AGO.



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- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

THERE IS TOO MUCH HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN THE TOWN ALREADY WITHOUT PRIOR THOUGHT OR DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE INCREASES. ROADS ARE ALREADY NOT MAINTAINED SUFFICIENTLY WITHOUT ADDING EVEN MORE HOUSES AND THEREFORE TRAFFIC ON ALL ROADS.

10. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.1 Landscape and Natural Environment?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

THE COUNTRY AND RURAL THEME ARE WHAT MAKES ROMSEY AN ATTRACTIVE TOWN. THE VOLCANIC SOIL TO THE EAST AND NORTH OF THE TOWN PROVIDE EXCELLENT GROWING + NUTRITION FOR FARMING + RURAL PURSUITS.



11. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.2  
Urban Structure and Built Form?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

I SUPPORT DEVELOPING THE SOUTHERN  
END OF ROMSEY AS IS ALREADY BEING  
DONE. MAKES SENSE AS MOST NEW RESIDENTS  
WILL BE TRAVELLING TO WORK + 'PLAY' (SPORTS)  
CLOSER TO MELBOURNE ANYWAY.

12. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3  
Activities and Land Use?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

SMALLER LOT SIZES WITHIN TOWNSHIP  
BOUNDARIES COULD BE ACCEPTABLE BUT  
NOT OUTSIDE THE TOWNSHIP GRID. THIS  
WOULD CHANGE THE 'RURAL' ASPECT OF  
ROMSEY TO BECOMING ANOTHER SUNBURY.

13. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4  
Community Infrastructure and Culture?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

BUT NOT ON FARMING LAND



Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

SUPPORT MORE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE  
AS PROPOSED BUT NOT ON FARMING LAND  
EAST AND NORTH

14. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5  
Movement, Transport and Access?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

CURRENT TRANSPORT OPPORTUNITIES  
ARE MAINLY BY CAR. WE NEED BETTER  
COMMUTING FACILITIES/OPPORTUNITIES.

15. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.6  
Sustainability and Resilience?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

16. Do you support the Settlement Principles outlined in Section 4?

- Yes
- No

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF TOWNSHIP  
AND PRESERVATION OF RURAL LANDS

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- Prefer no growth
- Other (please specify)

Why did you choose that option/s?

TO PRESERVE FARMING / RURAL LAND TO  
MAINTAIN THE FRIENDLY FEEL OF  
ROMSEY COMMUNITY

18. When thinking about the growth options for Romsey what is most important to you. Please indicate the order of importance (use selection tool – 1,2,3,4)

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*Semi retired but work in Romsey and Macedon Ranges.*

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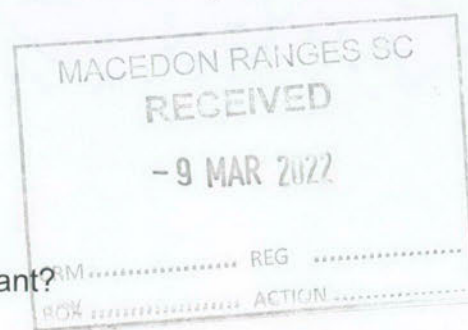
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- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
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*But no one uses it.*

*Luck to be 5 people on Bus.*

6. Is improving walking and cycling infrastructure and safety still important?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

*Smile Creek, fix up walking track as you walk one leg higher than the other* 

7. Is providing education and community facilities within Romsey still important?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

8. Are there any other issues that should be considered? (100 words max)

*The Five Mile Creek need a big Clean up and made bigger for the Rain fall as it floods! Sometimes overflowing onto the bad Walking Track that gets washed away every year.*

*Bring Back the MBO Swimming Pool.*

*HB*

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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Just do it and stop talking about it, make people a good offer for their land like the old Romsey Supermarket, just buy it.

10. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.1 Landscape and Natural Environment?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Looks good.



11. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.2  
Urban Structure and Built Form?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Bring it on:  
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12. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3  
Activities and Land Use?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

good idea  
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13. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4  
Community Infrastructure and Culture?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

we need more infrastructure to bring  
people back into Portray to spend  
money, at the moment we don't  
even have a post or a Coles  
supermarket or Macdonalds.

14. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5  
Movement, Transport and Access?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

We need a Train By 2030

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Sustainability and Resilience?

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- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)



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- ☒ Yes
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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

*looks ok to me if you can do it.*

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Why did you choose that option/s?

*its a Great Town you need to have the Town Rocking with shops and food stores like Macdonalds or Hungry Jacks.*

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Other (please specify)

*Bring Back the Pub and a  
Train Station, the main Road South*

*Is Dangerous, PS how many people have  
died on that Road up to date.*

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*I should run for Councillor or Mayor  
because of my experience.*

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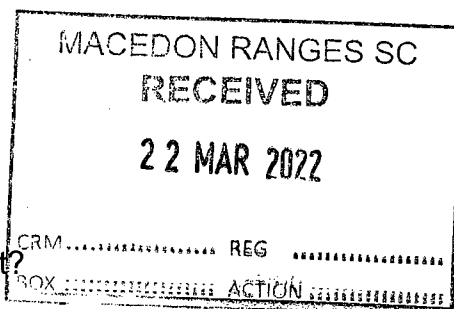
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4. Is improving servicing and utilities still important?

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8. Are there any other issues that should be considered? (100 words max)

Roads. If increasing the population of Romsey local shopping should be considered. The 16A car park currently is at capacity. Empty buildings should have action taken to reopen them - The pub & the "other" supermarket. There are people who want to open businesses but can't find building whilst 3-4 sit empty & looking decrepit.

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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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10. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.1 Landscape and Natural Environment?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

I would suggest some more tables & bench seats along Main Street near takeaway shops to allow people to sit & eat a meal. I often see travellers sitting on the park benches eating a pie or fish & chips.



11. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.2  
Urban Structure and Built Form?

- Yes
- ☒ No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Smaller subdivision lots at 400-600 are not usually why people move to Ramsey. They come for the bigger lots & to have space for a shed or caravan. It would be a shame to change the 800-1500 sq block into such tiny lots.

12. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3  
Activities and Land Use?

- Yes
- ☒ No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

We need to ensure that the town's roads can cope with the additional people that additional subdivision will provide. We need to maintain the country feel.

13. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4  
Community Infrastructure and Culture?

- ☒ Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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14. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5  
Movement, Transport and Access?

- Yes
- **No**
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Most of the population of Ramsey  
is already outside of walking  
distance to town centre, school  
or sporting facilities. More foot  
paths on older residential streets  
would be good. Public transport has  
always been lacking.

15. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.6  
Sustainability and Resilience?

- **Yes**
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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Why did you choose that option/s?

Most of this area is already being subdivided & other lots are large open acreage. Closer proximity to school & sporting hub. Option 2 will not allow for most of the area to be subdivided as already into 5-10 acre lots mostly. All properties on Hutchinsons Lane have back fences facing street.

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subdividing this area will need to be maintained as acreage lots, to keep the character of the N/W side of town.

- Protection of the landscape setting around the town
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Other (please specify)

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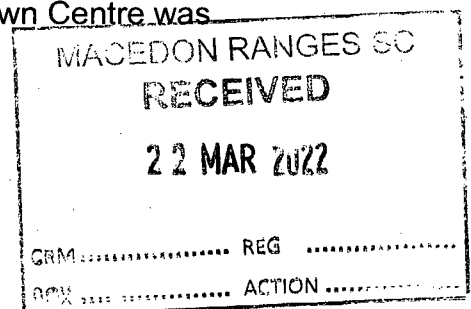
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- Yes
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- Unsure

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- Yes
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- Unsure

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- Yes
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most people dont move to romsey  
to buy a 400msq block. Empty  
buildings should be dealt with.

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Smaller lots & more subdivision  
will spoil Romsey.

12. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3  
Activities and Land Use?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Local roads to & from Melbourne  
already can't cope. We need more  
shops for people moving here to  
start businesses locally.

13. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4  
Community Infrastructure and Culture?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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14. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5  
Movement, Transport and Access?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

more needs to be done to repair  
roads in a timely manner.  
Most of Romsay is already outside  
the walking distance to town.

15. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.6  
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- Yes
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Why did you choose that option/s?

Subdivision is already happening there.  
Close proximity to school & sports hub.  
N&W option should be limited to 5-10  
acre subdivision as most properties are  
already that size.

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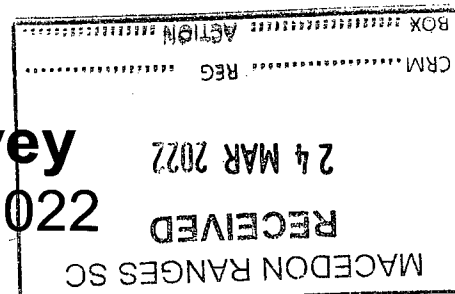
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*as in what way?*

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- Unsure

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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- Unsure

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Especially for young  
teens -  
specialised meeting areas  
for outdoor sports, etc

8. Are there any other issues that should be considered? (100 words max)

- \* Public toilets need to be upgraded, especially opposite Evans - Very dark & unhygienic, always rubbish surrounding toilet & perched on table
- \* 5 mile Creek - More regular upkeep / Deep Creek
- \* With so many now visiting stopping on their way through, more parking for cars, caravans, etc 1 hour (starts ie behind Evans / opposite Evans behind oppo. K. Romsey Rd)
- \* Romsey based police support
- \* 30 magne near Hakeb supermarket - so many stop there & find it closed, not aware we have 1 GA just up the street
- \* Definitely more work to be done on feral cats (night time)
- \* Endeavour to clean up front yards (unsightly) with old cars parked outside (East Street Barry Rd)



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I agree with above (9) but strongly feel there should be more community communication as I'm sure there will be more ideas & input forthcoming.

10. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.1 Landscape and Natural Environment?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

I also agree with above (10) but as a 'relative' newcomer to Romsey, and after attending the local Public Meeting last week, more Shire & community communication should happen as good thoughts and ideas came out of that meeting (which had an amazing attendance with a cross section of locals).

11. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.2  
Urban Structure and Built Form?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

I agree I support wholeheartedly above ☒  
a continue to suggest New Shire / community  
interaction  
I realise the Barry St + Morningside roundabouts  
are looked after by contractors, but I feel  
they are an embarrassment as their upkeep  
is virtually non-existent + unwelcome  
- indeed

12. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3  
Activities and Land Use?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

I agree with most of the potential responses  
in above a continue to continue Shire/  
community interaction as there's a large  
cross section of land borders in/around Barry

I don't agree with increasing development density  
apart from more work opportunities to keep the  
young in Barry

13. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4  
Community Infrastructure and Culture?

- Yes There should be more consultation  
with the community especially in regard  
to individual land acquisition of  
properties.
- No
- ☒ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

There was a lot of discussion at the  
public meeting re the treatment plant  
and buffer areas

14. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5  
Movement, Transport and Access?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

I fully support more open collaboration with  
the community re the vacant land behind  
Bendigo Park - as the population growing so  
quickly & car parking, parking at IGA is at a  
minimum; w/ the large delivery trucks for IGA on  
Pahlman Street, often cars pulling out of IGA  
carpark has limited visibility from oncoming  
vehicles into IGA car park

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- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

The <sup>devastating</sup> power outage of last year left a lot of  
community members in terrible conditions  
especially the elderly, unfin + those living  
by themselves, as well as people relying on  
power for medical needs

THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST  
IMPORTANT ISSUES

16. Do you support the Settlement Principles outlined in Section 4?

- Yes
- No

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consultation is needed between  
the Sturges & Romsey (a outlying area)  
community.

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Why did you choose that option/s?

I fully agree with the 1st paragraph.  
Families lifestyles & needs are all  
different so I guess there should be a  
choice of block sizes.

I think it's possible the some stones are  
subdividing their properties

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- Enough housing and population to support a high school and other services ✓ ⑤
- Maintaining a walkable town ✓ ④
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- Protection of the landscape setting around the town ✓ (2)
- Increasing the range of housing types
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Other (please specify)

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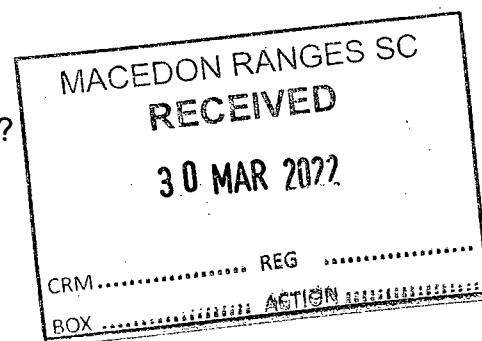
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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

CURRENT INFRASTRUCTURE - POWER, SEWERAGE, POTABLE WATER, TRANSPORT & ROADS ARE INADEQUATE FOR CURRENT POPULATION. HOW CAN THESE ISSUES BE ADDRESSED BEFORE LARGE SCALE DEVELOPMENT. ROMSEY SHOULD REMAIN A SMALL COUNTRY TOWN, NOT JUST A HOUSING ESTATE.

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

DEVELOPERS SHOULD BE FORCED TO PROVIDE OPEN SPACE, NOT PAY A MINIMAL AMOUNT TOWARDS THE PROVISION - WHERE IF THEY DEVELOP ALL THEIR LAND?

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☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

EXCEPT PLANTING A LARGE TREE IN  
MIDDLE OF ROUNDABOUT. REPLACE TREE  
WITH A REPLICA OF ORIGINAL FOUNTAIN  
IS MORE APPEALING.

12. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3  
Activities and Land Use?

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

WHY PUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN ROMSEY  
WHEN WE DO NOT HAVE ADEQUATE INFRASTRUCTURE,  
POWER, WATER, SEWERAGE OR A SECONDARY  
SCHOOL. ROMSEY IS NOT WELL SERVICED.  
WHERE IS PROVISION FOR AGED CARE OR AQUATIC  
CENTRE.

13. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4  
Community Infrastructure and Culture?

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐ Unsure



Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

USE OF OLD DATA & STUDIES FROM YEARS  
AGO DOES NOT REFLECT TO CURRENT POPULATION  
& NEEDS OF ROMSEY

14. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5  
Movement, Transport and Access?

• Yes

• No

• Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

WHY ISN'T LAND SET ASIDE IN THE  
STRUCTURE PLAN AS LAND WAS AVAILABLE  
FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL.

15. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.6  
Sustainability and Resilience?

• Yes

• No

• Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

16. Do you support the Settlement Principles outlined in Section 4?

- Yes
- No

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- Prefer no growth
- Other (please specify)

Why did you choose that option/s?

ROMSEY SHOULD REMAIN A SMALL  
COUNTRY TOWN AS COUNCIL SPEND OUR  
MONEY IN GISBORNE, WOODEND & KINETON  
LET THEM HAVE SUBURBAN LIVING.

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Other (please specify)

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☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

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☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

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Do you work or study

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RETIRED

Do you own/ run a business?

- In Romsey
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- Other *NO*

Age

- Under 18
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- 77+

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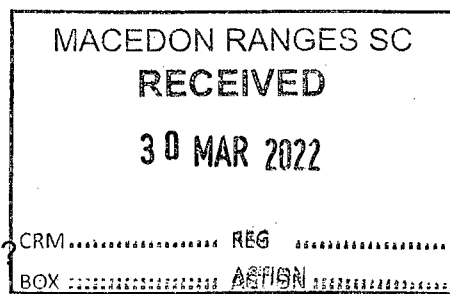
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- Yes
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5. Is improved public transport service frequency and coverage still important?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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- Yes
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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

8. Are there any other issues that should be considered? (100 words max)

Asphalt pathway  
Asphalt pathway between Wrixon St + Shaw Driveway is a slipping hazard, needs to be swept of wet debris, dog faeces etc.

Also replace lane way (end of Sullivan Gr + Muir Gr) with asphalt or fine sand, as the council grass cutter has smashed our double glazed window b4.

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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Against large sub  
divisions, unless sewerage  
upgrade, power upgrade  
and water supplies improved  
and roads without large  
dangerous potholes

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- ☒ Yes
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- ☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

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Why did you choose that option/s?

RETAIN SMALL TOWN COUNTRY CHARM

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Unsure

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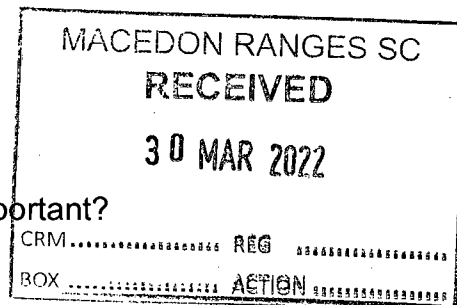
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Yes I agree with (p11) Draft Objectives  
to support the vision.

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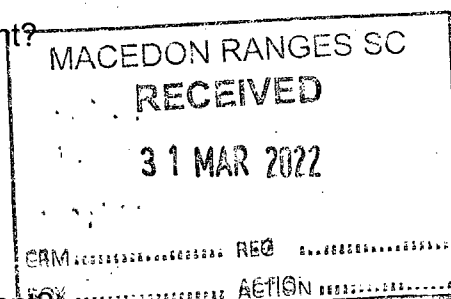
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- No
- Unsure



4. Is improving servicing and utilities still important?

- ☒ Yes everything is up to capacity, (sewage, water, electricity) so should have been started a long time ago.
- No
  - Unsure

5. Is improved public transport service frequency and coverage still important?

- ☒ Yes
- No
  - Unsure

6. Is improving walking and cycling infrastructure and safety still important?

- ☒ Yes Walking more than bikes.
- No My previous neighbour fall on the ~~street~~ road
  - Unsure taking her bin out, Macedon Ranges said they had no money to fix it. (80 year old woman.)

7. Is providing education and community facilities within Romsey still important?

- ☒ Yes stop promising for elections and never intend to do it.
- No
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8. Are there any other issues that should be considered? (100 words max)

Lions parks - Better play equipment and water fountain. Both kinder and primary school kids use this park after kinder/school finishes.

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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

I do feel Council have made their decision already and are doing this to pretend we have in pt. If electricity/gas/sewage/~~is~~ NBN is up to capacity you need to fix before granting more development.

10. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.1 Landscape and Natural Environment?

☒ Yes

- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Trees are beautiful and but need to be thought about before placing them by powerlines. (Romsey is great at losing power). But yes Romsey does have pretty country look which we don't want to lose. No industrial look ~~at~~ on Main Roads.



11. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.2  
Urban Structure and Built Form?

☒ Yes

- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

No semi detached homes.  
- ~~street~~ footpaths, Beautify Barry St  
- Walking track around 5 mile creek

12. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.3  
Activities and Land Use?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Affordable housing does not mean semi-detached housing. But we need infrastructure to keep up with demand now before anymore developments are approved.

13. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.4  
Community Infrastructure and Culture?

☒ Yes

- No
- Unsure

Tell us why you think that (100 words max) (due out in June)  
High School is needed. Statistics will tell you we are larger  
Lion's park needs more development as this is than you  
a popular park for kindy and primary believe  
kids. Better equipment and water fountain.

14. Do you support the potential responses outlined in Theme 3.5  
Movement, Transport and Access?

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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

I like the idea of path for bikes  
down to Clarkefield. Footpaths will  
be great to make township walkable.  
Barry St need lights to help kids  
walk to school.

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Sustainability and Resilience?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No
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Tell us why you think that (100 words max)

Seems like our water, sewage, electricity  
have been ignored and needs  
updating for awhile. You cannot live in  
Romsey without a generator.

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☒ Yes

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Why did you choose that option/s?

~~But include upto Hutchinson Lane~~  
But not north of Romsey Road.  
There is a lot of development going  
near 5 mile creek and you guys  
want to keep buffers away from  
waterways.

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If you won't help us get a high school, you need to make sure the bus service has enough seats for all children enrolled at school.

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Unsure

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