



**Macedon
Ranges**
Shire Council

Riddells Creek Movement and Network Study

Community Consultation Report



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Report on community consultation

Riddells Creek Movement and Network- Phase 1

Introduction

The Riddells Creek Movement Network Study (RCMNWS) is initiated by Council as part of a transport and infrastructure planning strategy that will address rising concerns in relation to infrastructure development and population growth in Riddells Creek.

The RCMNWS will be staged over the 2021/ 22 and 2022/ 23 financial years, as summarised below:

- **Stage One** of this project focuses on identifying current transport infrastructure gaps which will help Council to prioritise the delivery of transport infrastructure improvements required for the existing Riddells Creek community.
- **Stage Two** will focus on growth and more specifically, addressing impacts on traffic and transport infrastructure associated with proposed population growth in Riddells Creek.

In line with Council policy, it is critical to seek community feedback as part of this study. Hence it was planned that two rounds of community consultation will be undertaken for Stage 1 and Stage 2 of the Riddells Creek Movement Network Study.

Through this consultation process, the Riddells Creek community will be given ample opportunity for them to share their local knowledge and perspectives as well as 'have their say' on this important project that will help shape the transport future of Riddells Creek.

Objective of this Report

This report provides an overall summary of the consultation process undertaken for Stage One of this study, highlighting the key issues raised by the Riddells Creek community.

Promotion of Community Consultation

The community consultation was promoted through the following avenues to reach out to as many members of the community as possible:

- Media release to local newspapers and on MRSC webpage
- MRSC notices in local media
- Facebook and Instagram posts
- Social Media post on Elderly group page.
- Posters at targeted locations in the community
- Direct invitations to key selected members of community.

Ways to participate

The following options were provided to enable easy access for community members to contribute their views and ideas:

- Have Your Say on MRSC webpage
- Attending one of the workshop held in venue at Riddells Creek township
- Sending comments by email
- Telephone discussion with Council officer

Phone numbers and email addresses were advertised for the community members requesting further information.

Target audience of Community Consultation

The **Face to Face** workshop was designed to engage directly with the local community members such as residents and business owners.

The **Online community survey** was designed to seek further feedback from the broader community of Riddells Creek and Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

Timing of Community Consultation and Participation

In Stage One of this study, Council organised two (2) avenues for community consultations, as described below.

- **Face to Face** workshop was held on 5 April 2022 between the hours of 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Riddells Community Centre. There were 52 participants for the face to face workshop
- **Online community survey** commenced on 1 April 2022 and closed on 1 May 2022. The survey was completed by 45 participants and there were 290 responses submitted by the participants.

Information provided during Consultation Process

The following information was provided to the community:

- **Face to Face** workshop

A presentation was presented to the community which provided a brief introduction of this project and key issues in Riddells Creek related to traffic and transport. As a part of the face to face workshop, all participants were asked to provide their feedback on 5 questions (refer Appendix A) which were included in the presentation.

A copy of the presentation was sent to all the participants who attended the workshop via email and was also made publicly available on the council webpage for other community members to review.

- **Online survey**

The online survey was hosted on the council's "Have Your Say" webpage mrsc.vic.gov.au/have-your-say and the survey was presented in a questionnaire format (refer to appendix B and C).

Key findings - What people said

The summary of the key issues raised by the community during the face to face workshop and through the online survey has been refined and attached with this report under Appendix. Please refer to the following appendix:

- **Appendix A:** Summary of responses for the face to face workshop.
- **Appendix B:** Summary of responses for the online community survey
- **Appendix C:** Details of responses received for the online community survey

There are common themes that emerged from both the face to face workshop and online community survey, which has been summarised below:

- **Sealed and unsealed roads:** maintenance and capital improvement.
- **Main Road Strategic Corridor:** Car parking, pedestrian connectivity, intersection analysis, active transport and service roads.
- **Intersection planning:** A key element of traffic management. Critical intersections have been identified for future capital works program:-

1. Main Road / Station Street



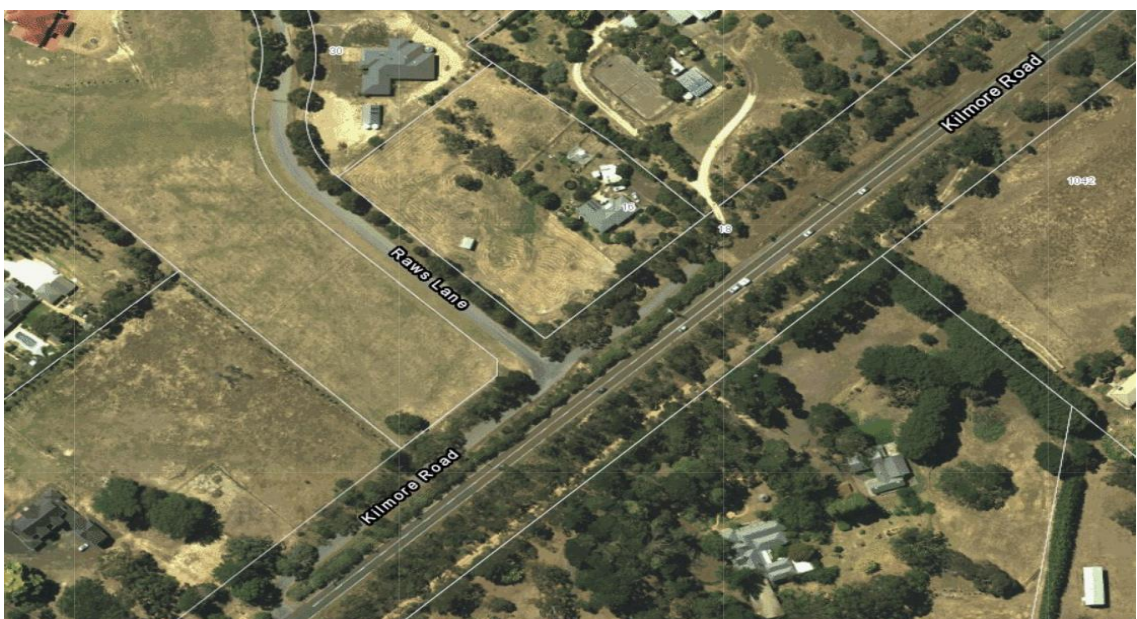
2. Hamilton Road / Gisborne-Kilmore Road



3. Sunbury-Riddell Road and Gisborne -Kilmore Road



4. Raws Lane / Gisborne Kilmore Road



- **Pedestrian Connectivity:** Formal crossing improvements have also been identified

1. Station Street and Sutherlands Road



2. Continuation of the Shire-wide Footpath Plan and strategically link Racecourse Road



3. Richardson Street and Sutherlands Road with formal path networks



4. Railway Station and Shopping Precinct Traffic Management



Next Steps

Feedback from this consultation will help inform the scope of works for Stage Two. Council officers will prepare a project brief for the consultant to undertake a detailed investigation on the key issues received during the consultation and prepare a report in conjunction with the future growth and existing gaps in traffic and transport in Riddells Creek.

In Stage Two, there will be further community consultation based on future recommendations to be provided through the consultant's analysis.

Following that process, an action plan will be prepared and delivered through Council's future capital works program, subject to prioritisation and budget allocation.

With regards to issues related to arterial roads, Council officers will be liaising with the Department of Transport to advocate on behalf of Riddells Creek community.

In conclusion, Council is aiming to engage a consultant in the early month of the new financial year FY22/23, circa end of July 2022.

Appendix A

Community Workshop Questions Response Summary

1.) What does a successful strategic Integrated Traffic and Transport Strategy look like for Riddells Creek?

- 40km/h speed zone on Main Road and improved safety concerns on Main Road
- Providing safe connectivity and accessibility between the township and also to some of Key locations such as school, shops and stations.
- Providing safe pedestrian access and more pedestrian crossings.
- Improving the intersection of Station Road/ Main Road and Gap/Main Road
- Amess Road development.
- Improving unsafe pedestrian paths and constructing more footpaths for pedestrian and children.

2.) What are the best things about living in Riddells Creek?

- Open Space and Village lifestyle
- The Geese
- The environment
- The local school
- The local community
- Flora and fauna
- Railway station
- Creek and lake

3.) What are your key concerns regarding existing traffic, transport and mobility infrastructure and service in Riddells Creek?

- Congestion
- Lack of pedestrian crossings
- Parking issues at station Road around food works
- Lack of parking in the township and around school
- Lack of disabled parking spaces
- Turning lanes on Main Road
- Safety concerns at Sutherland Road, Amess Road and Nursery Road
- Speeding issues
- Safety around school

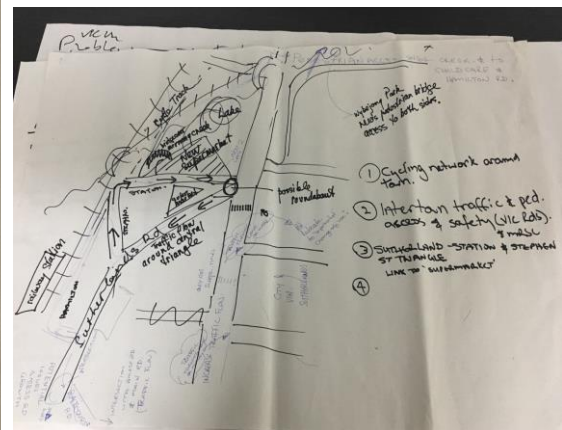
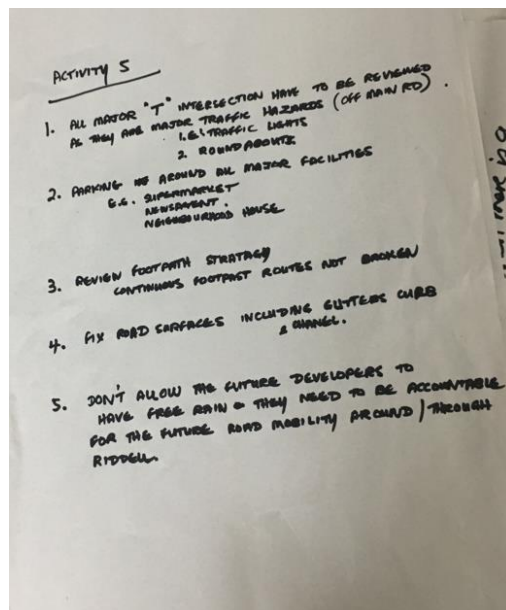
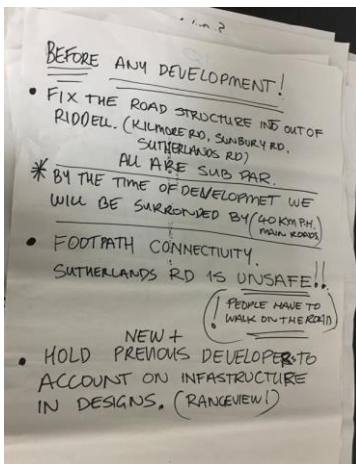
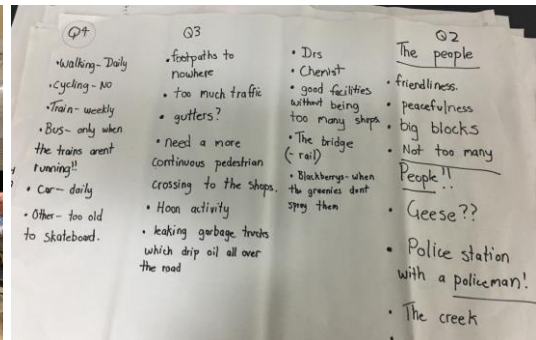
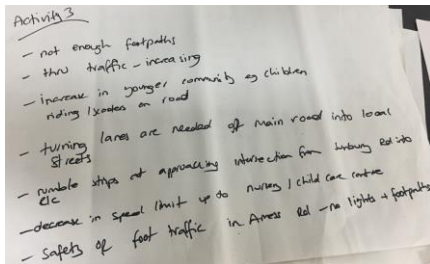
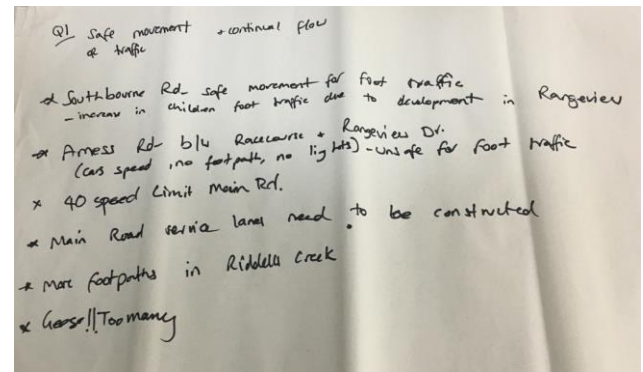
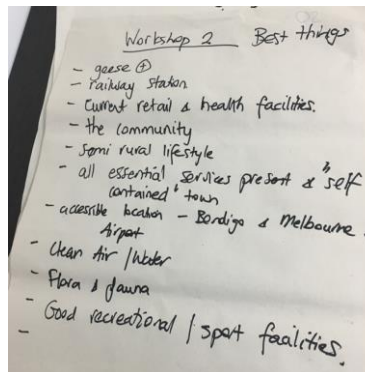
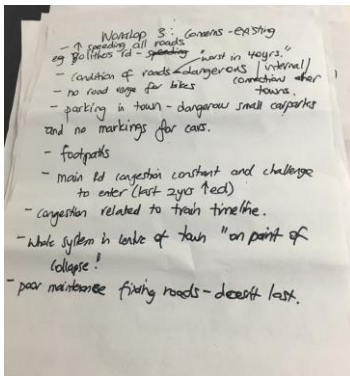
4.) How often and when do you use the following forms of transport in Riddells Creek?

- Walking- **High**
- Cycling-**Low**
- Train- **Medium**
- Bus- **Low**
- Car- **High**

5.) What are the top 5 priorities for Riddells Creek that you would like to be considered in an Integrated Traffic and Transport Strategy

- Review all major - intersections
- Provide more parking
- Improve footpath strategy
- More pedestrian crossing
- Reduce speed and more turning lanes on Main Road
- Improved safety around schools and more parking
- Better connectivity between Main Road and Sutherland Road

Sample Pictures: Comments summarised above

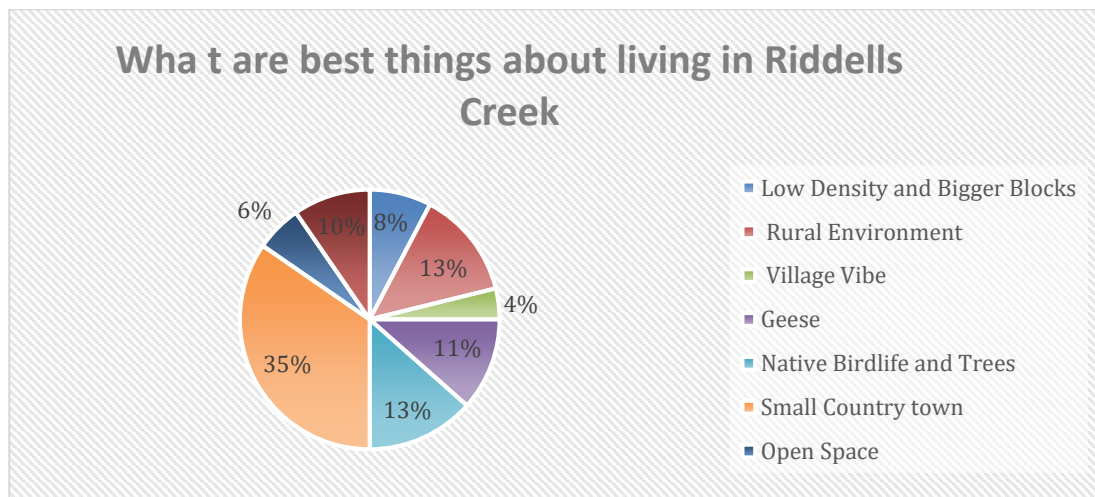


Appendix -B

Online Community Survey Response

Q1.) What are the best things about living in Riddells Creek?

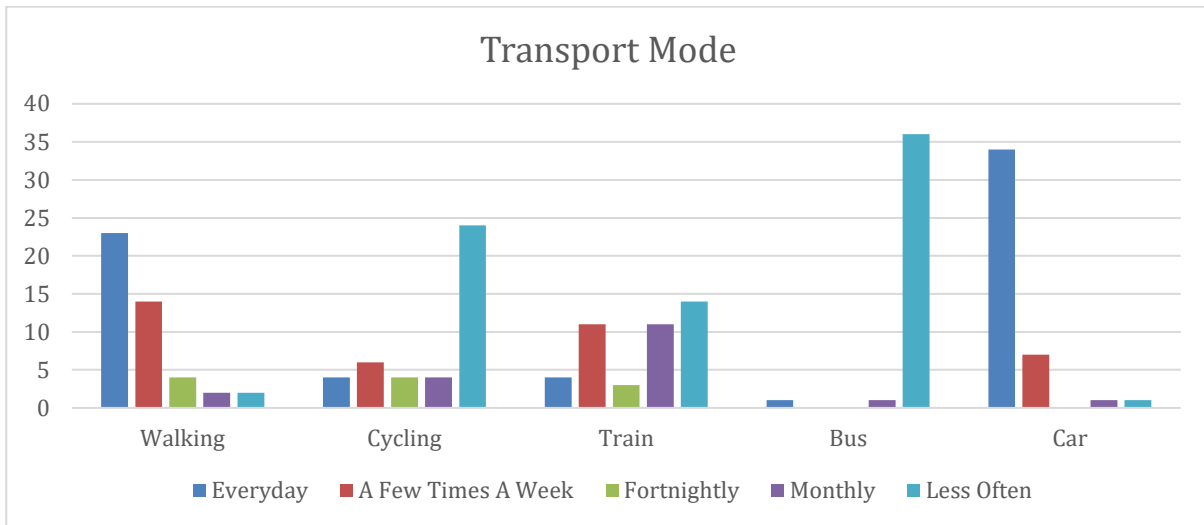
- Low density and bigger blocks
- Rural environment
- Village vibe
- Geese
- Native birdlife and trees
- Small country town
- Open space
- Good public transport
- Friendly community



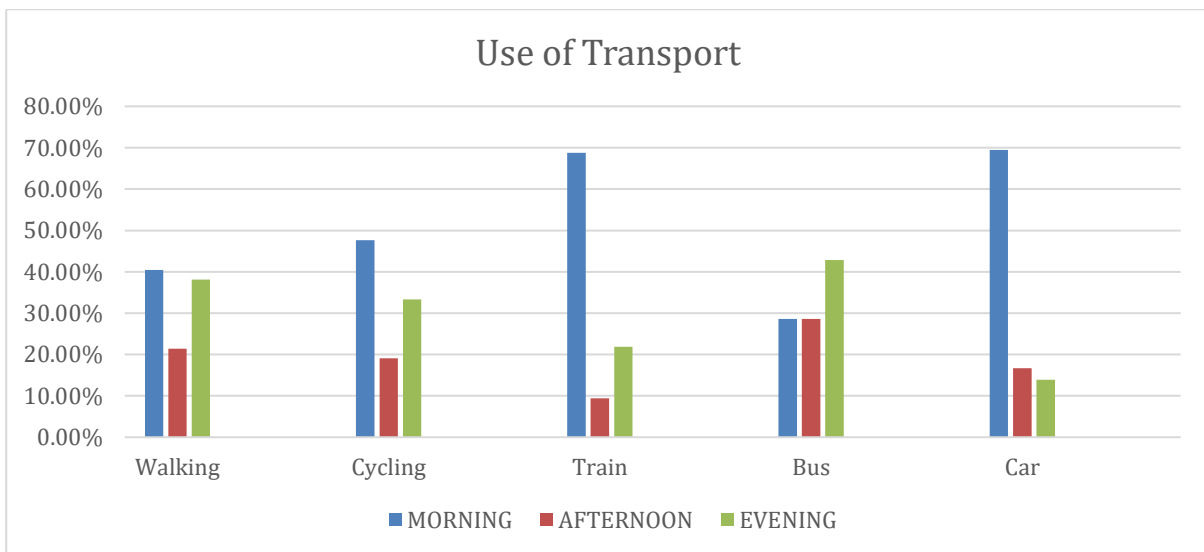
Q2.) What does a successful strategic integrated traffic and transport strategy look like for Riddells Creek?

- Improved movement and safety for pedestrians
- Traffic lights at key intersections
- Increased parking near shopping centres and train station
- Improved roads
- Restricted turning movements
- Provide more pedestrian crossings
- Increase Vline frequency
- Limit urban development
- Lower speed limit in the township
- Dedicated bike lanes and improved bicycle paths

Q3.) How often do you use the following forms of transport in Riddells Creek?



Q4.) When do you use the following forms of transport in Riddell Creek?



Q5.) What are your key concerns regarding existing traffic, transport and mobility infrastructure and services in Riddells Creek.

- Congestion within the township
- Poor qualities of the roads
- Lack of parking
- Geese holding the traffic on Main Road
- Missing links and lack of footpaths
- Poor traffic management on Main Road
- Increase in heavy vehicles

Q6.) What are the top five priorities for Riddells Creek that you would like to be considered in the strategy?

- Provide more parking spaces
- Provide more pedestrian crossings
- Provide better/more footpaths and bike paths
- Improve road conditions
- Maintain country town feel

Q7.) Please share any other comments/feedbacks. (Quotes taken from survey responses)

- Fully paved walkways throughout our parks and town which would improve personal safety; enhance the aesthetics of our town and surroundings and encourage more people to outdoor physical activity. It does not give me the opportunity to fully demonstrate the multiple poor and unsafe conditions that currently exist and has for many years, with regard to our pathways and walking tracks. I attach 1 photo which shows the faeces deposits by the geese in one of our main street pathways which is shared by our children, us and visitors to the town.
- Stop granting permits for excessive unit development complexes on every vacant block! Don't let greedy developers destroy the town.
- Lack of footpath are a problem. Can you put a school crossing corner of Amess Road and Main Street
- We have not long moved into Riddells Creek and we don't want a boom in housing or massive increase in population
- Please ensure adequate infrastructure is in place eg: ambulance, community health centre, age care infrastructure, sports and recreation facilities.
- Stop increasing population with increasing the car parking at the train station and supermarket
- I don't want estates, with tiny blocks and cramming in units into existing house blocks.
- Two years for this study is too long. But, if that's how long it's going to take. I'd suggest that council need put significant funding aside to prompt the works which will need to be completed. Now is the time to put it in the 3 year cap ex plan.
- Future proofing our area regarding EV Transportation and charging facilities, along with the fact trying to balance those who are physically active on horseback, walking dogs, push bike riding to name just a few as we understand that fossil fuels hurt our environment, hence making the conscious choice to offset carbon emissions should be at the fore front of the Riddell's Creek movement network plan along with the obvious traffic congestion and flows of us getting our grandkids to and from school (when you think of an average of x4 cars per household) for all to appreciate land

space, Greening of our area and finding the balance for all to live a great life especially when we purposely left suburbia to enjoy a more rural and country feel that Riddell's Creek gives us all.

Appendix –C

Details of responses received for the online Community survey

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Q1 What are the best things about living in Riddells Creek?

Answered: 44 Skipped: 3

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Low density; large allotments (1 acre +); substantial gardens and wildlife corridors for our community. Rural environment NOT urban environment.	4/22/2022 9:12 AM
2	Open spaces, village vibe, the geese	4/21/2022 2:34 PM
3	The quiet, peaceful lifestyle. Abundant native birdlife.	4/21/2022 11:12 AM
4	Quiet (except school times), bigger blocks (low density caps), everything you need but on a small scale.	4/15/2022 3:36 PM
5	Country living Small community spirit No traffic congestion Close to travel to city	4/11/2022 9:00 PM
6	Country town vibe. Large allotments, decent spacious housing development	4/9/2022 10:13 PM
7	The rural quiet country town aspect. With open space and bush surrounds.	4/9/2022 12:23 AM
8	Open outlook. Views over ranges. County feel. Quiet small town.	4/8/2022 11:10 PM
9	It's a beautiful small country area. I love the fact that geese have right of way across the road. I love the trees our forefathers planted for future generations (our benefit).	4/8/2022 5:39 PM
10	Country small town community	4/8/2022 10:31 AM
11	Country lifestyle and community	4/8/2022 8:44 AM
12	Open space, beautiful trees, active & friendly community.	4/7/2022 4:57 PM
13	Friendly people and clean air.	4/7/2022 3:06 PM
14	The rural feel of town..trees, wide verges,green, natural entry to town..creek,parks,geese. No big ,monolithic buildings.. Good train service with wonderful train station precinct..easy access.	4/7/2022 8:47 AM
15	Rural feel. Close to public transport. The Creek and associated Wybejong Park. Lake Park and Lions Park. Proximity to Melbourne. Friendliness of community members.	4/7/2022 8:38 AM
16	Not too many tourists, small town close to nature	4/7/2022 7:08 AM
17	Quiet rural community. Space.	4/7/2022 6:48 AM
18	The country feel. Quietness. Peacefulness	4/7/2022 6:01 AM
19	That it's a country community, it's away from more populated towns.	4/7/2022 6:01 AM
20	It is a small community. There are a lot of open spaces and parks.	4/7/2022 3:17 AM
21	Quietness and lack of traffic when off Main St and away from the shops.	4/6/2022 11:26 PM
22	Big blocks Country field	4/6/2022 10:12 PM
23	Friendly small community	4/6/2022 9:58 PM
24	Quiet, Community oriented and rural lifestyle	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
25	Small town with a small population.	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
26	That it's still a small country town	4/6/2022 9:40 PM
27	Small country feel	4/6/2022 9:39 PM
28	Small country town, country feel, large blocks, wide roads, big house setbacks. Safe, clean and friendly.	4/6/2022 9:11 PM
29	Country town Shopping facilities all together Creeks and bushland. Friendly. Excellent facilities.	4/6/2022 8:43 PM
30	Quiet small town	4/6/2022 8:23 PM
31	Having the country feel, and knowing the Locals	4/6/2022 8:09 PM

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32	Rural, open space, nature, community, peaceful	4/6/2022 7:50 PM
33	Country town feel, nice big blocks, geese, not overcrowded	4/6/2022 7:40 PM
34	Low density housing, small population size, housing designs with different features i.e. not cookie cut, trees and space	4/6/2022 7:30 PM
35	Quiet	4/6/2022 7:01 PM
36	Country feel, community while still being close to city	4/6/2022 6:51 PM
37	Country environment and small country town feel. Not having large urban development or housing estates. Kangaroos, wild life, birds, acreage blocks.	4/6/2022 6:45 PM
38	Space, quiet, nature	4/5/2022 8:15 PM
39	The character of the town...it doesn't have cookie cutter cheap looking developments along the main streets. That it is small yet close to bigger centers. The geese.	4/5/2022 7:35 PM
40	Alignment with surrounding landscape - Macedon Ranges, farmland, waterways. Lack of urban noise.	4/5/2022 5:11 PM
41	Country village feel, Trees, Horse riding club and the ability to ride our horses, Geese and our lake, train station, eating and country supermarket.	4/5/2022 11:55 AM
42	g	4/4/2022 5:11 PM
43	Quiet bustling town with some decent population spacing.	4/4/2022 3:49 PM
44	xx	4/4/2022 3:22 PM

Q2 What does a successful strategic integrated traffic and transport strategy look like for Riddells Creek?

Answered: 40 Skipped: 7

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Moratorium on further urban development and expansion until a strategic plan for the current shortfall and issues on traffic and transport infrastructure is developed, communicated and agreed to, by the community	4/22/2022 9:12 AM
2	A plan that fixes existing roads, footpaths, creek crossings and bike paths to improve movement and safety	4/21/2022 2:34 PM
3	Flow of traffic isn't impinged, yet safe for all users.	4/21/2022 11:12 AM
4	Maybe lights to assist with the busy school / park times. Possibly a roundabout at the corner Gisborne-Kilmore Rd and Riddell Rd, it's very hard to turn right into Riddells if you're coming from Sunbury!	4/15/2022 3:36 PM
5	Improved infrastructure Well maintained roads Sufficient infrastructure to manage increase in traffic flow Adequate car parking	4/11/2022 9:00 PM
6	More parking, roads maintained.	4/9/2022 10:13 PM
7	Limiting the amount of through and local traffic therefore limiting development in the area.	4/9/2022 12:23 AM
8	Maintaining the major roads to a better standard than what has been done in recent time. Ensuring infrastructure actually goes somewhere. Ensure infrastructure matches the character of the town. We don't need concrete everywhere.	4/8/2022 11:10 PM
9	More parking for the railway station. Station St. should be made into a one way street. Turning left onto Hamilton St, right into Stephen St past the station and down Station St to the T-intersection at Main Road where traffic lights could be necessary.	4/8/2022 5:39 PM
10	Room to move Room to park	4/8/2022 10:31 AM
11	Well managed roads in and out of town and better car and pedestrian management around school and shops.	4/8/2022 8:44 AM
12	A strategy that considers pedestrians and cyclists and equestrians (currently Riddells is very car/road based) Connections between northern and southern banks of Riddells Creek. Improved cycle connections to New Gisborne (especially new facilities like pool etc). Improved safety along Gap Rd (ie shared path or on road bike lane) and Kilmore Road (relocate 100km/h sign further west to beyond Nursery/Childcare	4/7/2022 4:57 PM
13	Safe pedestrian crossings and well kept roads	4/7/2022 3:06 PM
14	Keeping cars moving..avoiding large trucks accessing tight intersections(Sutherland Rd from Station St)where shoppers and children cross..	4/7/2022 8:47 AM
15	Safe access into and around Riddells Creek for pedestrians and cyclists of all abilities. Safe parking. Extra parking - especially at the railway station. Lack of congested traffic.	4/7/2022 8:38 AM
16	Depending on what time you take Vline, it doesn't always stop in Riddells. Particularly if you work normal hours to 5. Mornings are good to go towards southern cross. But you can't get home unless you wait for 2 hours. Which makes me have to drive to Sunbury instead to catch metro. A bit ridiculous.	4/7/2022 7:08 AM
17	Roads need repair. Service road along Main Road should be extended. Space to get around cars turning right in Main Road. Parking in Station Street.	4/7/2022 6:48 AM
18	Growth is expected. But not in a large number. Look at the size of the blocks that are built. It shouldn't be about maximising land. Don't ruin this beautiful town with over population	4/7/2022 6:01 AM
19	Avoiding traffic congestion and having adequate parking at the shops and railway station. More pedestrian footpaths.	4/7/2022 3:17 AM
20	Sufficient parking in town for those coming in from the surrounds to shop, eat out, etc and for those visiting RC. A bike path on public ground along the train line or elsewhere vailable to be able to ride over to Gisborne and v.v. without riding on the connecting roads and	4/6/2022 11:26 PM

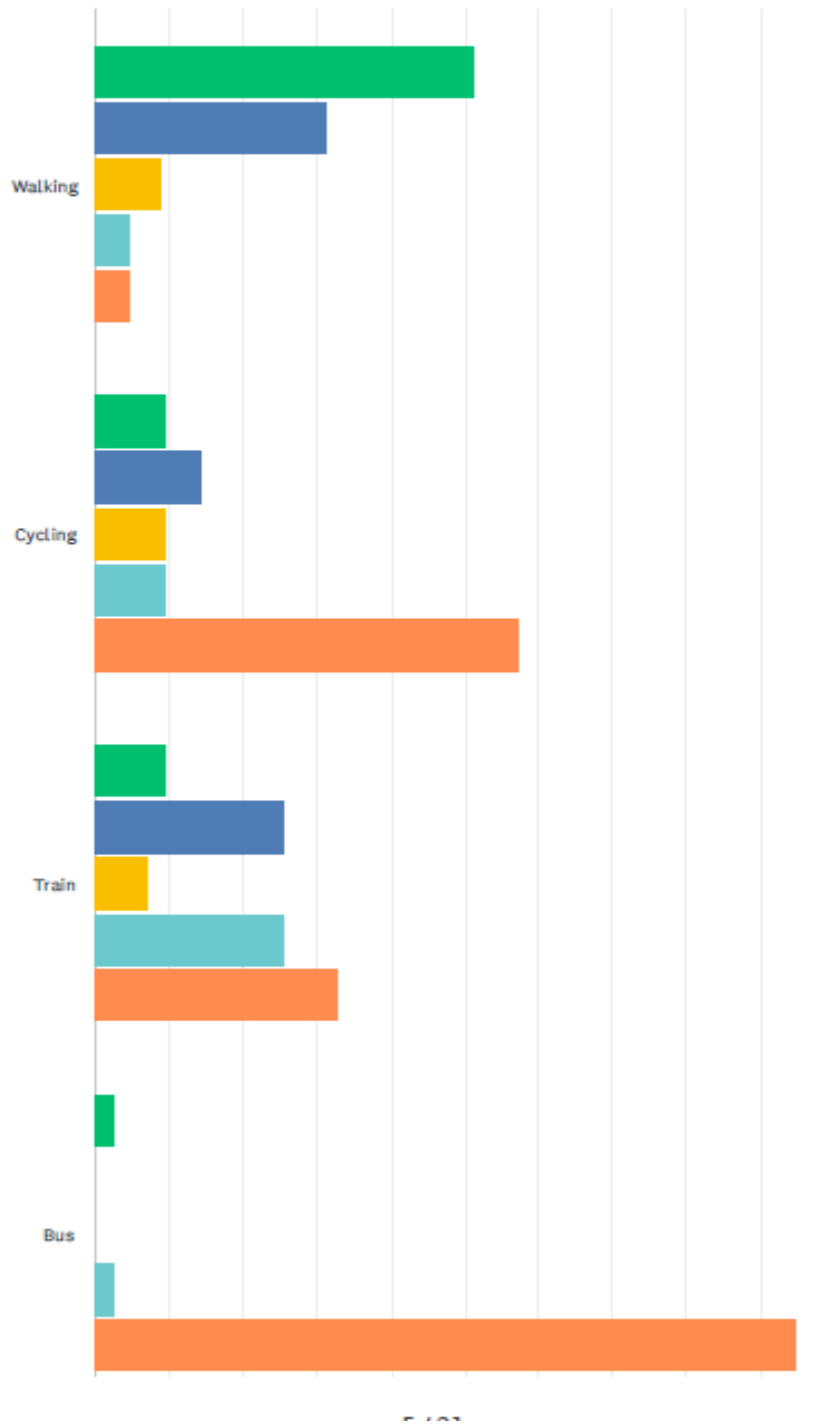
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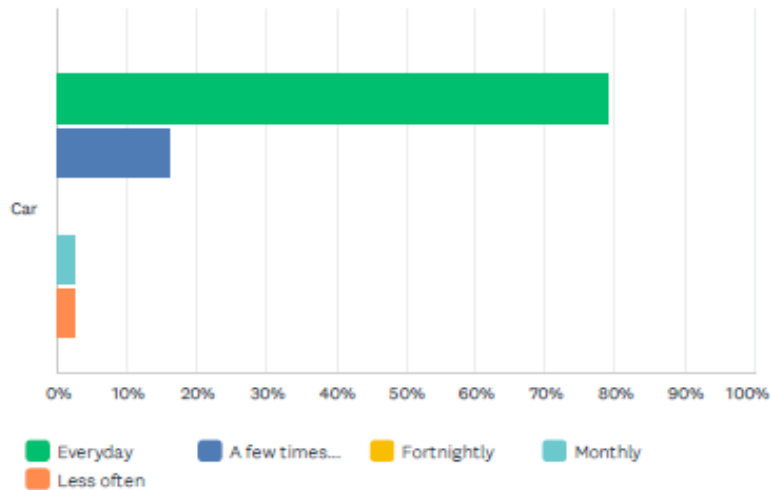
sharing with cars. Ensuring all unit developments have enough car parks, at least 2 per unit, a garage plus space in front, if small development, so residents are not forced to park on the streets. That is a 'look' we do not want. Couples and families generally have 2 cars. That is just how it is until we change society. Reducing car spaces will not change car ownership, it will force cars on to the streets.

21	Roundabout at the end of Riddle Road also I don't know why you waste the time putting in a double lane near the supermarket turning onto Kilmore Road but needed a roundabout or traffic lights money just wasted	4/6/2022 10:12 PM
22	Successful traffic and pedestrian movements in a safe way. Increasing traffic down the Main Street is extremely dangerous for kids catching buses. I have witnessed multiple near misses of kids running across main street near Amess Road	4/6/2022 9:58 PM
23	Good traffic management, public transport and walkways	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
24	Increase public transport (trains) to the city. Dedicated and safe bike paths to neighbouring towns to give another option to commute that isn't car based.	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
25	Traffic congestion down the Main street is extremely dangerous for school kids crossing the road. Multiple kids running across the Main Road around Richardson street and Main Road intersection and Amess Road and Main Road intersection. Numerous school buses stopping on both sides on the Main Road with no safe way to cross the Main Street. Addition pedestrian crossing is required between Amess and Richardson Street before a school kid is run over.	4/6/2022 9:39 PM
26	Bike and footpaths for all "house size" blocks of land. Adequate parking in the town centre, specifically the Supermarket and train station. Ability to divert Romsey through traffic away from Riddell.	4/6/2022 9:11 PM
27	It looks like one that actually listens to what locals say then acts on what locals say not on what a consultant decides.	4/6/2022 8:43 PM
28	Minimizing through traffic on Main road so residents don't have extended wait times	4/6/2022 8:23 PM
29	Better roads, getting rid of the geese crossing the road as it's a ROAD HAZARD	4/6/2022 8:09 PM
30	Practical, allows for multiple modes of transport that allows for connections e.g. cycle to station, bus to station	4/6/2022 7:50 PM
31	Bike lanes, designs considerate of the environment,	4/6/2022 7:30 PM
32	More car parking	4/6/2022 7:01 PM
33	Improved public transport Speed limits	4/6/2022 6:45 PM
34	One that can manage the inevitable growth of the area, whilst balancing the relatively small major roads.	4/5/2022 8:15 PM
35	Keeps the small town character. Allows for the geese to remain. Takes into account suitable speed limits where there are high use areas (i.e. please reconsider the speed limit from the end of Williams lane to where it reduces to 70. It's currently 100 there but with the plants nursery and Goodstart childcare there are lots of cars turning in/off the road. Would make more sense if this area was not 100).	4/5/2022 7:35 PM
36	Residents will have access to an integrated public transport network. i.e. 5 minutes max walk to the station/bus for all on suburban size blocks (<1,000m ²), and timetable alignment between buses and Melbourne trains. Key roads to have minimal obstructions to traffic flow, with smart traffic controls at the Kilmore-Riddell and Kilmore-Station St intersections.	4/5/2022 5:11 PM
37	Integrated traffic should allow access on Amess rd for horse riders to get to Riddell's Creek pony club which has been here for over 50 years, push bike paths, next to prams and walkers. Have EV chargers on car parking spaces. Increase Traffic lights at T intersections such as Amess Rd & Kathryn crt, Southerlands road and Amess court. Racecourse rd and Amess rd, Rangeview drive and Amess rd, Kilmore rd and Amess rd.	4/5/2022 11:55 AM
38	f	4/4/2022 5:11 PM
39	Connecting a bus from Sunbury station to Gisborne station to connect onto a V/Line train network Also connecting Riddell's Creek to Romsey, Lancefield	4/4/2022 3:49 PM
40	xx	4/4/2022 3:22 PM

Q3 How often do you use the following forms of transport in Riddells Creek?

Answered: 45 Skipped: 2



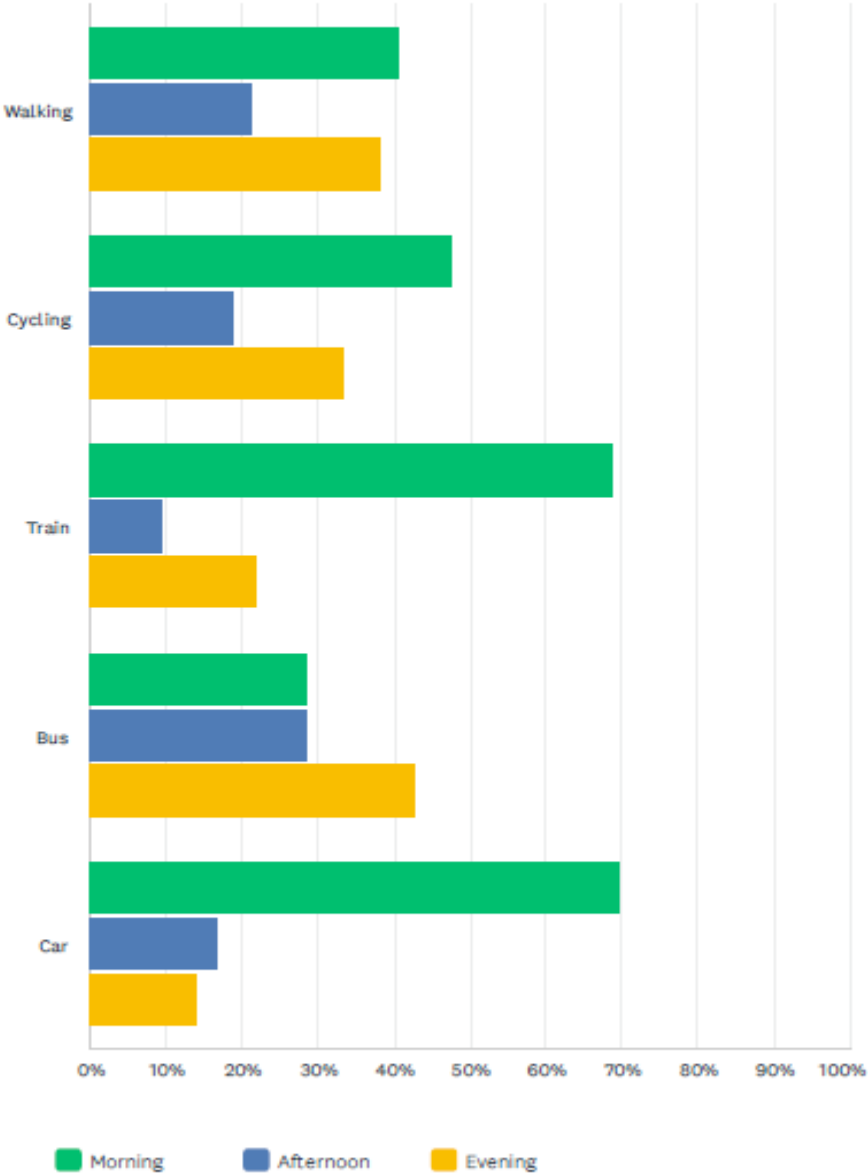


	EVERYDAY	A FEW TIMES A WEEK	FORTNIGHTLY	MONTHLY	LESS OFTEN	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Walking	51.11% 23	31.11% 14	8.89% 4	4.44% 2	4.44% 2	45	1.80
Cycling	9.52% 4	14.29% 6	9.52% 4	9.52% 4	57.14% 24	42	3.90
Train	9.30% 4	25.58% 11	6.98% 3	25.58% 11	32.56% 14	43	3.47
Bus	2.63% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	2.63% 1	94.74% 36	38	4.87
Car	79.07% 34	16.28% 7	0.00% 0	2.33% 1	2.33% 1	43	1.33

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Horse riding paths on Amess rd to allow riders to ride from their homes along Amess rd to cross Southerland's rd to have access to the Riddell's Creek Pony club which has been in town for around 50 years. Push bike riding or horse riding to the shops from Kathryn court onto Amess rd, along southerland's rd to the shops and back.	4/5/2022 11:57 AM
2	xx	4/4/2022 3:23 PM

Q4 When do you use the following forms of transport in Riddells Creek?

Answered: 43 Skipped: 4



	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Walking	40.48% 17	21.43% 9	38.10% 16	42	1.98
Cycling	47.62% 10	19.05% 4	33.33% 7	21	1.86
Train	68.75% 22	9.38% 3	21.88% 7	32	1.53
Bus	28.57% 2	28.57% 2	42.86% 3	7	2.14
Car	69.44% 25	16.67% 6	13.89% 5	36	1.44

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	The above should be morning and evening (AH)	4/21/2022 2:35 PM
2	Train - morning, afternoon and evening by my children to get to places like TAFE in Bendigo and work in sunbury, plus socialisation. Car - morning and evening with work.	4/21/2022 11:15 AM
3	A car at different times of the day.	4/8/2022 5:40 PM
4	This survey question should be designed to allow for multiple responses - ie if I catch the train I will drive/cycle to the train station and catch a train in both the morning AND in the evening. Similarly if I drive my kid to childcare I'll be doing that in the morning AND the afternoon	4/7/2022 4:59 PM
5	Car..any time	4/7/2022 8:49 AM
6	I walk to the shops and everything else I can. Therefore I walk in he morning, afternoon and evening. This survey only allowed me to choose one. Again, with the train I use it both morning and afternoon, depending on the need. This also applies to when I use my car.	4/7/2022 8:40 AM
7	Car mostly getting to and from Sunbury t get train to and from work. Sometimes train when I'm catching up w friends. Walking when walking dogs. You don't have an option to fill out mornings and evenings 🤔 maybe that's why the viine is only good to catch in the mornings 🤔 can't get back to Riddells after work	4/7/2022 7:12 AM
8	Walking and car at various times of the day and evening. Train morning and evening.	4/7/2022 6:50 AM
9	Car, both morning and evening, commuting to work. The survey won't allow both buttons to be ticked.	4/6/2022 11:27 PM
10	Car - morning, afternoon and evening	4/6/2022 9:41 PM
11	I walk every day all times of the day. I catch the train occasionally but my children catch trains every day. I cycle occasionally.	4/6/2022 8:45 PM
12	Should be able to choose more than one option in the above. We use walking and cycling morning afternoon and evening	4/6/2022 8:25 PM
13	Car for all times of day	4/5/2022 8:16 PM
14	It wouldn't let me select multiple options. Car would be at all times of day. Train, morning and evening.	4/5/2022 7:39 PM
15	Horse riding paths on Amess rd, to allow riders to ride from their homes along Amess rd to cross Southerland's rd to have access to the Riddell's Creek Pony club which has been in town for around 50 years. Push bike riding or horse riding to the shops from Kathryn court onto Amess rd, along southerland's rd to the shops and back.	4/5/2022 11:57 AM
16	xx	4/4/2022 3:23 PM

Q5 What are your key concerns regarding existing traffic, transport and mobility infrastructure and services in Riddells Creek?

Answered: 36 Skipped: 11

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Happy with the train service. Dissatisfied with congestion around the centre of town. Access to the main road due to congestion compounded by the presence of the ever increasing population of geese that hinder traffic flow and soil roads and pavements.	4/22/2022 10:33 AM
2	State of Main Street (pot holes, pedestrian and geese safety)	4/21/2022 2:40 PM
3	The quality of the main roads aren't great. The dry asphalt fix doesn't do enough, I don't think.	4/21/2022 11:23 AM
4	Please see earlier comments	4/15/2022 3:47 PM
5	Lack of adequate parking at shops Increase in traffic down main road Deteriorating road conditions	4/11/2022 9:18 PM
6	My concerns are that I chose to live in a country town not an over developed suburb of Melbourne and I would like to see Riddells Creek stay that way!	4/9/2022 12:37 AM
7	Some of the project completed to date are pretty thoughtless. Eg - racecourse road footpath. Rather than shifting the exiting bus shelter the path does weird junctions around it. The termination of the path at the Northern end is dangerous.	4/8/2022 11:14 PM
8	There could be one or two more disability parking spots in front of shops, eg supermarket and doctor.	4/8/2022 5:53 PM
9	Train parking Shopping precinct parking	4/8/2022 10:33 AM
10	Parking and traffic movement around train station during drop off times and shops have lots of car movement with families around, with poor delineation between people and cars. Speed of vehicles coming into built up areas is excessive and not turning lanes on some main access roads like Amess rd.	4/8/2022 8:52 AM
11	Parking	4/7/2022 3:08 PM
12	Safety Trucks having access to Industrial Estate without doing 'dogleg' thru centre of town. Residents and nature priority..	4/7/2022 9:00 AM
13	Congested and unsafe intersections entering and exiting the main road. Unconnected footpaths and lack of footpaths. Motorists ignoring traffic speed signs - especially in Sutherlands Road. Pedestrians walking on roads (lack of footpaths) and not understanding the right way to walk on the road (i.e. facing traffic). Geese holding up traffic. Parked cars pulling out across the road into oncoming traffic lane, rather than staying in their lane and doing a u-turn at some point or driving the short distance to a road that will take them in the right direction. Congestion on Station Street. Unsafe walking from Lions Park across to supermarket/neighbourhood house precinct. Difficult for pedestrians to cross safely, especially with concrete trucks and associated with that industry heavy haulage trucks thundering down Sutherlands Road and ignoring speed limits. Delivery trucks blocking the road in the morning at the back of the supermarket at Sutherlands Road.	4/7/2022 8:51 AM
14	The whole Macedon ranges is full of potholes! Get cheaply fixed sometimes and with the next rain they are back! Plus fix the vline timetable so I can catch the train to AND from work..	4/7/2022 7:15 AM
15	Traffic travelling through the town makes it hard to access Main Road. Parking in Station St can be hard to find and dangerous to get out of when reversing. More parking required, particularly if the population expands much more. Road repair is sadly lacking.	4/7/2022 7:02 AM
16	No concerns with traffic as it flows well. I have never been delayed due to traffic. I have noticed a big increase in trucks	4/7/2022 6:06 AM
17	Inadequate parking at the shops and railway station. High volume for traffic on the main road at peak times. This has been worse since population growth in romsey. Lack of footpaths and having to walk on the side of the road with a pram.	4/7/2022 3:21 AM

18	The main road needs turning lanes put in at the major intersection such as sandy creek road and gap road. Also the state of the main road/Filmer place turning lane is a disgrace	4/6/2022 11:28 PM
19	See earlier lengthy answer.	4/6/2022 11:28 PM
20	Fix a few inspections we have before we get like Gisborne	4/6/2022 10:15 PM
21	No bike infrastructure for the option to ride my bike to work. The roads are 100kph, narrow and no shoulder. More roads is not an answer, the bigger the road network the more it costs to maintain and service. It's a poor solution to a complex issue.	4/6/2022 10:15 PM
22	Lack of footpaths and connection of housing estates in Rangeview is problematic. School kids walking down Amess Road from the multiple bus stops on the road due to lack of footpath.	4/6/2022 10:05 PM
23	Increased traffic, difficult to enter Main Rd from side streets, Geese, lack of walkways/bike tracks and public transport	4/6/2022 9:58 PM
24	Riddells needs urgent carparking infrastructure in town. Unable to park near Foodworks as inadequate car parking. Shops near post office has inadequate parking. Unable to walk due mobility issues and we have no footpaths to walk to supermarket down Sutherlands Road. The traffic down the Main street makes it unsafe for school kids to cross the road to catch school buses.. Supermarket staff park in the car park at the Lions Park so I can't even take the kids to the park. This is caused by increasing the population with multiple unit developments without increasing the infrastructure.	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
25	More footpaths to join to existing footpaths	4/6/2022 9:42 PM
26	Parking outside supermarket and train station is dangerous . Crossing the main road during peak times is time consuming and frustrating. Crossing main road bridge on foot or bike is dangerous. Footpaths go nowhere, no plan... the new footbridge is ugly and doesn't have a footpath leading up to it.	4/6/2022 9:25 PM
27	That local knowledge and ideas are ignored.	4/6/2022 8:47 PM
28	In busy times it can be hard to pull into main road from side roads and pull out of station st onto main road. My concern is that with development at Ames's Rd main rd will get busier. We need a road the goes around Riddell to reduce the through traffic.	4/6/2022 8:28 PM
29	Geese stopping the traffic when they are crossing, conditions of roads.	4/6/2022 8:13 PM
30	Not enough parking at station and more trains	4/6/2022 6:52 PM
31	Train frequency	4/6/2022 6:49 PM
32	Lack of suitable footpaths on the "older" areas.	4/5/2022 8:17 PM
33	The speed limit heading into town from Williams lane to where it reduces to 70. With the nursery and childcare center this is too fast.0	4/5/2022 7:43 PM
34	Poorly designed traffic control measures impeding traffic flow. A lack of safe walking tracks - separation from vehicles etc.	4/5/2022 5:15 PM
35	Increase of people/traffic to find a balance for locals who have animals dogs & horses, push bikes, prams, to go safely from Kathryn court to either go to horse events at the pony club or to go to the shops for groceries.	4/5/2022 12:09 PM
36	xx	4/4/2022 3:23 PM

Q6 What are the top five priorities for Riddells Creek that you would like to be considered in the strategy?

Answered: 38 Skipped: 9

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	100.00%	38
2	97.37%	37
3	84.21%	32
4	60.53%	23
5	57.89%	22

#	1	DATE
1	Moratorium on further urban expansion.	4/22/2022 10:33 AM
2	Safe pedestrian crossing over Riddells Creek on Gisborne-Kilmore Road (before someone gets killed)	4/21/2022 2:40 PM
3	Safe pedestrian/cycling access from the shops to Riddell Rd.	4/21/2022 11:23 AM
4	Safer traffic signals (roundabout/s and lights at busy intersections i.e. Merrifield and Gisborne-Kilmore Rd intersection	4/15/2022 3:47 PM
5	Improved road maintenance	4/11/2022 9:18 PM
6	Keeping development to a minimum.	4/9/2022 12:37 AM
7	Rural character	4/8/2022 11:14 PM
8	WIDE streets in all new developments.	4/8/2022 5:53 PM
9	Train parking	4/8/2022 10:33 AM
10	Main rd and Station st intersection including shop traffic.	4/8/2022 8:52 AM
11	Pedestrian/Cycle connection across Riddells Creek (ie join northern and southern banks)	4/7/2022 5:03 PM
12	Pedestrian crossings	4/7/2022 3:08 PM
13	Safety for residents	4/7/2022 9:00 AM
14	How Amess Road development will impact on increased traffic on already stressed intersections and how Amess Road development residents, and other town residents can be encouraged to walk and cycle rather than take the car.	4/7/2022 8:51 AM
15	Keep town small	4/7/2022 7:15 AM
16	Parking in Station St and in Main Road near the Post Office.	4/7/2022 7:02 AM
17	Keeping the country feel	4/7/2022 6:06 AM
18	The amount of growth	4/7/2022 6:04 AM
19	Avoiding too much traffic and congestion	4/7/2022 3:21 AM
20	Better road maintenance	4/6/2022 11:28 PM
21	Refer to my lengthy answer earlier. Can't rate in priority.	4/6/2022 11:28 PM
22	Traffic lights roundabout put near the supermarket	4/6/2022 10:15 PM
23	Cycling focus	4/6/2022 10:15 PM
24	Footpaths down Amess Road to connect	4/6/2022 10:05 PM
25	Public transport	4/6/2022 9:58 PM

26	Making it safe for kids to cross Main street between Richardston Street and Amess Road	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
27	Footpaths	4/6/2022 9:42 PM
28	Footpaths and safe crossings	4/6/2022 9:25 PM
29	That shopping remains focussed on the station street area.	4/6/2022 8:47 PM
30	Bike parking at school bus stops such as community house	4/6/2022 8:28 PM
31	Fixing the roads	4/6/2022 8:13 PM
32	Maintain country town feel	4/6/2022 7:42 PM
33	Carpark	4/6/2022 6:52 PM
34	Don't seal roads- I prefer dirt roads for environmental look and feel	4/6/2022 6:49 PM
35	Retaining character	4/5/2022 7:43 PM
36	Smart traffic controls on Kilmore Rd	4/5/2022 5:15 PM
37	Horse riding paths for existing property owners who ride around Riddell's Creek. Specifically Kathryn crt, Amess rd, Southerland's rd, to shops and back or to go to the PONY club.	4/5/2022 12:09 PM
38	x	4/4/2022 3:23 PM
#	2	DATE
1	Improvement in walkways, pathways and roads to cater for current traffic density and useage.	4/22/2022 10:33 AM
2	Accessible footpaths on existing roads to link village with high traffic areas such as Walter Smith reserve (instead of prioritising new estates)	4/21/2022 2:40 PM
3	Maintain country town feel	4/21/2022 11:23 AM
4	Give way signs for geese!	4/15/2022 3:47 PM
5	Increase in car parking around shops	4/11/2022 9:18 PM
6	Keeping the country town/village aspect	4/9/2022 12:37 AM
7	Active transport	4/8/2022 11:14 PM
8	Traffic lights at Main Road/Station St. or SMALL round-a-bout.	4/8/2022 5:53 PM
9	Shopping parking	4/8/2022 10:33 AM
10	School traffic movement and turning lanes	4/8/2022 8:52 AM
11	Off road cycle connection to New Gisborne	4/7/2022 5:03 PM
12	Good quality roads	4/7/2022 3:08 PM
13	Inclusive pedestrian paths	4/7/2022 9:00 AM
14	Ability of pedestrians and cyclists to walk into and out of Riddell's Creek. No safe access into the town across the creeks on the east or west. Plus once on the west side, unsafe to cross to Wybejong Park area. Also unsafe to cross double lines to enter Wybejong Park from the east.	4/7/2022 8:51 AM
15	Address vline stops, the train that stop in Gisborne might as well stop in Riddell's!	4/7/2022 7:15 AM
16	Road repair in general	4/7/2022 7:02 AM
17	Not to become another Gisborne	4/7/2022 6:06 AM
18	More footpaths	4/7/2022 6:04 AM
19	Adequate parking at shops	4/7/2022 3:21 AM
20	More factories to bring in more business/employment	4/6/2022 11:28 PM
21	better streetlighting	4/6/2022 10:15 PM
22	Increased public transport	4/6/2022 10:15 PM
23	Potential school crossing around Amess Road for school kids running across road.	4/6/2022 10:05 PM
24	Walk/bike tracks	4/6/2022 9:58 PM

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25	Connecting footpaths	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
26	Bike paths	4/6/2022 9:42 PM
27	Ability to park with ease - shops and train station	4/6/2022 9:25 PM
28	That reliance on cars is reduced so don't develop land into housing if it's not close to the existing infrastructure.	4/6/2022 8:47 PM
29	Reduce through traffic on Main Rd	4/6/2022 8:28 PM
30	Removing the geese since they are a hazard	4/6/2022 8:13 PM
31	Not to over complicate	4/6/2022 7:42 PM
32	Train frequency	4/6/2022 6:52 PM
33	Don't widen roads	4/6/2022 6:49 PM
34	Speed limits and adherence to speed limits	4/5/2022 7:43 PM
35	Better walking tracks	4/5/2022 5:15 PM
36	With increased traffic (4 cars per household), provide lights at intersections.	4/5/2022 12:09 PM
37	x	4/4/2022 3:23 PM
#	3	DATE
1	Improvement on Main Road traffic carrying capability, flow and access.	4/22/2022 10:33 AM
2	Widen main road and fix pot holes	4/21/2022 2:40 PM
3	Don't allow high density blocks on the ranges side of the main road.	4/15/2022 3:47 PM
4	Traffic flow will be impacted by any increase in population	4/11/2022 9:18 PM
5	Protecting and conserving surrounding bush land and native habitat	4/9/2022 12:37 AM
6	Properly designed & constructed	4/8/2022 11:14 PM
7	Repair all roads to a high quality not patchwork repairs.	4/8/2022 5:53 PM
8	Fencing -safety issue	4/8/2022 10:33 AM
9	Pedestrian access and shared paths and crossings to keep families safe as volume of traffic increases.	4/8/2022 8:52 AM
10	A 7:45am train to Southern Cross (if the 7:33am is cancelled it is over an hour between trains)	4/7/2022 5:03 PM
11	Clear signage	4/7/2022 3:08 PM
12	Bike lanes	4/7/2022 9:00 AM
13	Improved, safe parking and more parking. Ensure that vehicles (especially SUV's and large utes!) don't have to pull out across traffic.	4/7/2022 8:51 AM
14	Future expansion to keep the current wide road ie narrow roads with no street parking should NOT be allowed.	4/7/2022 7:02 AM
15	Fix the roads not just fill the holes	4/7/2022 6:06 AM
16	Maintain the duck pond area where the creek runs	4/7/2022 6:04 AM
17	Footpaths	4/7/2022 3:21 AM
18	Keep it small country town before we get swallowed up in subdivisions	4/6/2022 10:15 PM
19	Carparking in Station street near supermarket	4/6/2022 10:05 PM
20	Condition of roads.	4/6/2022 9:58 PM
21	Car parking at supermarket	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
22	Less geese numbers	4/6/2022 9:42 PM
23	Address the huge increase of traffic to/from Romsey	4/6/2022 9:25 PM
24	More parking at Station.	4/6/2022 8:28 PM

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25	Cutting the grass along the roadsides & maintenance of trees	4/6/2022 8:13 PM
26	footpaths required in most main residential streets	4/6/2022 7:42 PM
27	Access out of the school in peak times	4/6/2022 6:52 PM
28	Improve v-line timetable	4/6/2022 6:49 PM
29	Road improvements (i.e what areas are dirt that shouldn't be)	4/5/2022 7:43 PM
30	Cycling path linking Romsey, Clarkefield, Riddells, Gisborne, Woodend	4/5/2022 5:15 PM
31	With climate change, provide EV Car / transport Chargers at the shops parking or rail road car park	4/5/2022 12:09 PM
32	x	4/4/2022 3:23 PM
#	4	DATE
1	Improvement to the parking and access to the central shopping precinct.	4/22/2022 10:33 AM
2	Better signage to inform visiting moterist of geese crossing road	4/21/2022 2:40 PM
3	No more high density housing estates	4/15/2022 3:47 PM
4	Better street scapes/ walking paths	4/11/2022 9:18 PM
5	Maintenance of the towns existing amenities and landmarks	4/9/2022 12:37 AM
6	Properly maintained	4/8/2022 11:14 PM
7	All roadsides cleared of vegetation which becomes a fire risk.	4/8/2022 5:53 PM
8	Better maintenance on main access roads in and out of Riddell, including signage, barriers, turning lanes and bus stops.	4/8/2022 8:52 AM
9	Sealed roads	4/7/2022 3:08 PM
10	Avoid mixing trucks and school bus drop off points.	4/7/2022 9:00 AM
11	One way street down Station Street	4/7/2022 8:51 AM
12	Keeping the country look and feel	4/7/2022 6:04 AM
13	Railway station parking	4/7/2022 3:21 AM
14	Footpaths down Sutherland Road	4/6/2022 10:05 PM
15	Parking around railway station	4/6/2022 9:58 PM
16	Car parking at station	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
17	Parking around shop areas	4/6/2022 9:42 PM
18	Main road bridge- footpath required	4/6/2022 9:25 PM
19	Better street lighting	4/6/2022 8:13 PM
20	Bike path between Riddells and Gisborne	4/6/2022 6:49 PM
21	Pot hole management	4/5/2022 7:43 PM
22	Trucks delivering goods to shops, blocking cars especially during peak school drop off and pick up school hours with the increase population traffic	4/5/2022 12:09 PM
23	x	4/4/2022 3:23 PM
#	5	DATE
1	Restrict bicycle traffic to the service roads adjacent to the Main Road thus reducing congestion on the main road whilst enhancing traffic flow and safety	4/22/2022 10:33 AM
2	Bike lanes on key roads leading into town from Gisborne, Sunbury and Romsey	4/21/2022 2:40 PM
3	Create an alternative entrance to Wybejong Reserve - i.e next time the Church on Melvins Rd	4/15/2022 3:47 PM
4	Better pedestrian crossings/management	4/11/2022 9:18 PM
5	Existing Rd maintenance.	4/9/2022 12:37 AM

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6	Safe	4/8/2022 11:14 PM
7	Reduced speed sign in Station St.	4/8/2022 5:53 PM
8	Planning for future town growth with the expected population increase from Amess Rd and Daffidil farm developments	4/8/2022 8:52 AM
9	Drainage safe and efficient near roads	4/7/2022 3:08 PM
10	Encouraging safe passive spaces..parks	4/7/2022 9:00 AM
11	Pedestrian crossings from Lions Park to supermarket, then across Station street to currently vacant block.	4/7/2022 8:51 AM
12	Not increasing the traffics through the town.	4/7/2022 6:04 AM
13	Pedestrian crossings	4/7/2022 3:21 AM
14	Carparking problem at post office	4/6/2022 10:05 PM
15	Plan for growth	4/6/2022 9:58 PM
16	Footpath down Amess Road to rangeview estate	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
17	Regular public transport	4/6/2022 9:25 PM
18	Better street signs	4/6/2022 8:13 PM
19	Electric vehicle power stationd	4/6/2022 6:49 PM
20	Train parking	4/5/2022 7:43 PM
21	Lack of traffic lights at the T intersections of Amess rd	4/5/2022 12:09 PM
22	x	4/4/2022 3:23 PM

Q7 Please share any other comments/feedback here:

Answered: 16 Skipped: 31

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Fully paved walkways throughout our parks and town which would improve personal safety; enhance the aesthetics of our town and surroundings and encourage more people to outdoor physical activity. Please note: It is absolutely painful that I cannot upload more than 1 photo. It does not give me the opportunity to fully demonstrate the multiple poor and unsafe conditions that currently exist and has for many years, with regard to our pathways and walking tracks. I attach 1 photo which shows the faeces deposits by the geese in one of our main street pathways which is shared by our children, us and visitors to the town.	4/22/2022 10:54 AM
2	Please fix the existing parts of town before shifting focus to new estates (as has been the case to date)	4/21/2022 2:45 PM
3	Stop granting permits for excessive unit development complex's on every vacant block! Don't let greedy developers destroy the town!	4/9/2022 12:43 AM
4	If the fire station was moved, and a better access road established linking Main rd to Sutherlands rd via the vacant block would reduce congestion around the shopping area and reduce train goers shortcutting down Racecourse rd to fast.	4/8/2022 8:54 AM
5	Families priority..footpaths .	4/7/2022 9:01 AM
6	My concern that by the time any improvements are implemented, the traffic situation and inability to safely move around Riddells Creek will have worsened.	4/7/2022 8:52 AM
7	Keep it rural.	4/7/2022 7:02 AM
8	We have not long moved into Riddells Creek and we don't want a boom in housing or massive increase in population	4/7/2022 6:07 AM
9	Better sporting facilities also needed get your act together Macedon ranges cancel and put the money back into the community other than Gisborne and Woodend and Macedon don't forget about the small towns	4/6/2022 10:15 PM
10	Lack of footpath are a problem. Can you put a school crossing corner of Amess Road and Main Street	4/6/2022 10:06 PM
11	Please ensure adequate infrastructure is in place eg: ambulance, community health centre, age care infrastructure, sports and recreation facilities.	4/6/2022 10:00 PM
12	Stop increasing population with increasing the carparking at the train station and supermarket	4/6/2022 9:53 PM
13	I don't want estates, with tiny blocks and cramming in units into existing house blocks	4/6/2022 9:44 PM
14	Two years for this study is too long. But, if that's how long it's going to take.. I'd suggest that council need put significant funding aside to preempt the works which will need to be completed. Now is the time to put it in the 3 year cap ex plan...	4/6/2022 9:36 PM
15	Don't let this be yet another pointless exercise where you consult and ignore local residents' input.	4/6/2022 8:48 PM
16	Future proofing our area regarding EV Transportation and charging facilities, along with the fact trying to balance those who are physically active on horse back, walking dogs, push bike riding to name just a few as we understand that fossil fuels hurt our environment, hence making the conscious choice to offset carbon emmission's should be at the fore front of the Riddell's Creek movement network plan along with the obvious traffic congestion and flows of us getting our grand kids too and from school (when you think of an average of x4 cars per household) for all to appreciate land space, Greening of our area and finding the balance for all to live a great life especially when we purposely left suburbia to enjoy a more rural and country feel that Riddell's Creek gives us all.	4/5/2022 12:14 PM

Q8 Upload file/photo (if applicable):

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1	IMG_5557 Small.jpeg	40.8KB	4/22/2022 10:54 AM
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