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To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Friday, 14 May 2021 4:14:44 PM
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Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

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14/5/2021

Mr Bernie O'Sullivan
Chief Executive Officer
Macedon Ranges Shire Council
PO Box 151
Kyneton VIC 3444

RE: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Dear Mr O'Sullivan

In the past year the committee and members of the ██████████ Club have worked hard to overcome the challenges of COVID. Some of the significant achievements of the club and committee include:

- growing our membership from around 120 in Feb 2020 to a current number of 250
- applying for grants and following sound financial management to improve our financial position to maintain our payroll commitment and other operational expenses
- grown our junior membership to 30 and started a junior clinic programme on Tuesday evenings which has had up to 40 juniors enrolled
- undertaken improvements to the greens and fairways

In the 2000/21 Budget Report, Macedon Ranges Shire Council set aside \$200k to bring the Woodend Golf Club Clubhouse up to Building. Apart from the replacement of some bearers underneath the bar area we have not seen any evidence that any works have been undertaken.

Some of the concerns we have with our facility are:

- disability access - we have a member with MS who has great difficulty getting in and out of the club rooms
- safety of the access points - many of our members are elderly and there is a significant trip, slip and fall hazard around the entry points, particularly in winter when the clay is slippery
- rising damp
- mould
- vermin accessing the kitchen from outside via rotten boards
- ability to cater for major events - the club purchased and installed three ovens which we use for catering purposes on our large event days like the Woodend Open. Council officers have placed out of service tags on two of the ovens and have said that there are no plans to replace or repair

Essentially as a club we have survived for 115 years thanks the efforts of our members. The lack of communication from Council as to plans for repair / replacement of our clubhouse is causing concern amongst our members and is

making it difficult for the committee to plan for the future. **There is also a significant risk that someone may be injured because the building is not up to building code.**

When reviewing the Draft Budget for 2021/22 the \$200k does not appear in the carried forward items.

ACTION: MRSC to update the Draft budget to include this amount in the carried forward items

When reviewing the Capital and Recurring Programs and Projects we can see that there has been projects set aside for Kyneton Rifle Range for Clubrooms renewal and toilets renewal. We cannot see Woodend Golf Club mentioned here at all. We would like Macedon Ranges Council to explain how Kyneton Rifle Range has been prioritised above Woodend Golf Club when:

- a) Woodend Golf Club has 255 members, much higher than the membership of any club affiliated with Kyneton Rifle Range
- b) Our membership includes 30 juniors, many women, people of all ages and people with physical and intellectual disabilities
- c) There was no mention of Kyneton Rifle Range in the 2020/21 budget

Action: MRSC to explain how the Kyneton Rifle Range clubroom and toilet has been prioritised over the Woodend Golf Club given the greater community benefit and greater diversity and inclusion of our club.

Regards



Appendix 1. Extract from Budget Report 2020/21

The below image is an extract from the 2020/21 budget report.

Note that Woodend Golf Club is listed for Club House Works. As mentioned we have seen no evidence of any works being completed.

Also note that there is no mention of Kyneton Rifle Range.

4.5.4 Summary of Renewal and Construction Programs

Building renewal program 2020/21			Total \$2,714,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details & Comments
Darraweit Guim	East	Darraweit Guim public toilets	Replace existing toilets
Gisborne	South	John Aitken Reserve	Lions Club Shelter BBQ
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Library and Mechanics Institute Hall	Toilet renewal
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Library	Office and front counter renewal
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Office Reception	Stage 2 upgrades, includes public toilets
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Mens shower renewal
Gisborne	South	Sankey Reserve	Pavilion, toilets, showers, coach boxes
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Gym	Box Gutters
Kyneton	West	Council Chamber	OHS requirement - power & electrical upgrades, window repairs
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Historical Society	Internal works and storage renewal
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Roof & HVAC renewal
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Saleyards	Agents Office, drovers hut and supervisors office
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Showgrounds	CH Watts pavilion stormwater & DDA compliance
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Sports & Aquatic Centre	Toilet/change room upgrade
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Renewal works
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Town Hall	Restoration works
Kyneton	West	Red Brick Hall	Access & Toilets
Lancefield	East	Lancefield Golf Course	Clubhouse ESM & make good
Lancefield	East	Lancefield Swimming Pool	Changerooms and Kiosk
Macedon	South	Jubilee Hall Stage 2	Toilet renewal
Macedon	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Bowls Clubrooms	Asbestos and flood damage
Macedon	South	47 Victoria Street	Fitout works
Macedon	South	47 Victoria Street	Access entry
Malmsbury	West	Malmsbury Recreation Reserve	Changerooms
Woodend	West	Woodend Racecourse fencing	Security fencing
Woodend	West	Woodend Golf Club	Club house works
Woodend	West	Woodend Buffalo Stadium	Change room toilet renewal
Woodend	West	Woodend Swimming Pool	Change rooms and kiosk
Woodend	West	Woodend Depot	Office reconfiguration
Regional	All	Building planning project	Planning for 2021/22 renewals



Appendix 2. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Carried Forward Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Carried forward¹

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$'000	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contrib.	Council cash	Borrowings
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
PROPERTY									
Buildings									
Kyneton Early Learning centre	1,600	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	-	-
TOTAL PROPERTY	1,600	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	-	-
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Chintin Rd Monegetta	594	-	594	-	-	594	-	-	-
Bridges									
Margaret St Macedon footbridge	381	-	381	-	-	381	-	-	-
Footpaths and cycleways									
Macedon Ranges shared trail	4,000	4,000	-	-	-	4,000	-	-	-
Baynton St Kyneton footpath	297	-	297	-	-	297	-	-	-
Recreational, Leisure and Community Facilities									
Macedon Ranges Regional Sports Precinct	1,500	1,500	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	-
Kyneton Barkly Square Field	750	-	750	-	-	500	-	250	-
Parks, Open Space and Streetscapes									
Healthy Heart of Victoria	250	250	-	-	-	250	-	-	-
Gisborne Fields open space	250	250	-	-	-	-	-	250	-
Other Infrastructure									
LED streetlight replacements	1,094	-	-	1,094	-	1,094	-	-	-
Kyneton saleyards gantry	450	450	-	-	-	-	-	450	-
Kyneton livestock exchange	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	515	-	-	485
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	10,416	6,300	3,022	1,094	-	9,131	-	800	485
TOTAL CARRIED FORWARD CAPITAL WORKS 2020/21	12,016	7,900	3,022	1,094	-	10,731	-	800	485

(1) Reflects material projects identified for carry forward from the 2020/21 financial year. All final amounts of project carry forwards will be identified post-June 30 2021, when all expenditure has been determined for the financial year. Formal approval will then be sought to carry forward these amounts.

Appendix 3. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Capital Recurring Programs and Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Note that Kyneton Rifle Range is listed for Clubrooms renewal and Toilets renewal. We would argue that there is less community use and by a less gender and age diverse range of community members of the Rifle Range than there is of the Woodend Golf Club.

4.7 Capital Recurring Programs and Projects

Building renewal program 2021/22			Total \$3,150,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details and comments
BOLINDA	East	Bolinda Hall toilets	Renewal fitout
GISBORNE	South	Gisborne Court House stables	Floor structure failure
GISBORNE	South	Sankey Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square small bore range	Small-bore range renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Window replacement, roof and fittings
KYNETON	West	Kyneton IT server room	Security data brick upgrade
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Roof and fitout renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Toilets renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Clubrooms renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Transfer Station	Waste bins structure replacement
MACEDON	South	Jubilee Hall	Veranda posts, eaves and fascia
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Tennis clubrooms	Fitout renewal
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
MALMSBURY	West	Malmsbury Hall	Stage 1 design and plan renewal
RIDDELLS CREEK	East	Riddells Creek Montessori Kindergarten	Chimney, external renewal, review of services
WOODEND	West	Hanging Rock Café	Roof and fitout renewal
WOODEND	West	Woodend Museum (Court House)	Stage 1 services and façade
WOODEND	West	Woodend Playgroup	Veranda and fittings
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square Kennel Club building	Replacement with modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Airfields toilets	Replacement with Modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Shire Office	Roof repairs, windows, structural blade walls
WOODEND	West	Gilbert Gordon Oval toilets	Renewal fitout
WOODEND	West	Woodend Pool	Fence renewal
WOODEND, LANCEFIELD and GISBORNE	West, East, South	Woodend Pool, Lancefield Pool and Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Woodend Pool toddler pool repainting and filtration system upgrade, Lancefield Pool toddler and 25m pool repainting, Gisborne Aquatic Centre sand filter replacement

Appendix 4. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Potential Future Capital Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

It appears that the work to bring the clubhouse up to building code that was planned for 20/21 was not only not completed but also not carried forward and has now gone from a committed project in the previous year to a “potential” project with no committed timeframe.

Potential Future Capital Projects
Gisborne Skate Park – construction
Kyneton Museum Roof Works – construction
Kyneton Showgrounds Master Plan Implementation – Asphalt Works
Kyneton Town Hall – Theatre and Meeting Room Refurbishment construction
Malmsbury Mechanics Institute – construction
Malmsbury Recreation Reserve Change rooms – construction
New flagpoles & planning for flagpole illumination
Red Brick Hall – On-street Disability Discrimination Act Car Space and Building Renewal Works
Riddells Creek Exercise Equipment
Riddells Creek Leisure Centre multipurpose room extension – construction
Riddells Creek Lions Park Pavilion – upgrade
Riddells Creek Tennis Club modular change rooms – construction
Recreational Vehicle Dump Point – construction
Secure Electronic Key Cabinet
Woodend Community Centre – construction
Woodend Golf Club – new clubhouse building – construction

As these projects may occur in the future and costs change over time, no amounts have been quoted at this time. Analysis of likely costs will be considered when the initiative or project is to progress further in a budget allocation process.

Appendix 5. Email from Dean Frank Oct 8, 2020 – Page 1



RE: [REDACTED] Club
1 message

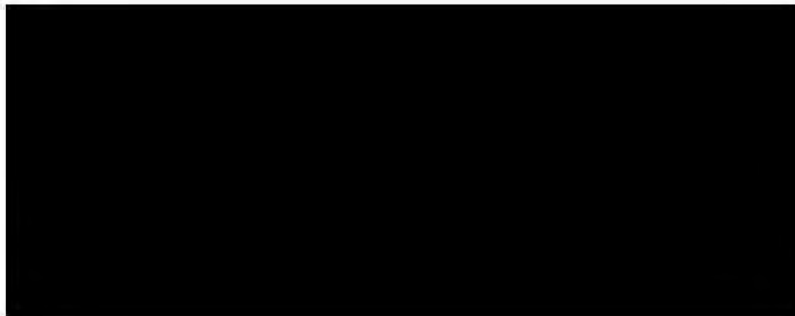


Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks for your time as well.

I will provide a formal response to your email, but in the interim I have added a couple of comments to your notes below.

Thanks



Sent: Thursday, 8 October 2020 1:27 PM



Subject: re: [REDACTED] Club

Appendix 5. Email from [REDACTED] Oct 8, 2020 – Page 2

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Hi [REDACTED] thanks so much for your phone call this morning. I look forward to receiving your written response to my queries but here are some brief notes I made. Please correct me if there are any errors:

1. There has been delays in finalising the scope of works due to COVID 19 restrictions. You hope to have the survey work completed by Friday, 9 October and be able to present the plan for remediation to the Woodend Golf Club Committee by October 23. *I can't confirm that it will be by October 23, but I will endeavour to keep you informed as I get information from other departments of Council.*
2. We currently do not have access to our club rooms due to restrictions in place from the Chief Health Officer. If we had a commercial kitchen like Gisborne GC or Trentham then we might be able to open. [REDACTED] is going to send the exact reference to the DHHS restrictions so that we can clarify this with the State authorities. At this stage [REDACTED] expects that the earliest we would be back in the club rooms is November 23. *This is based on the state government advice we have at the moment and is subject to change. As things change I will endeavour to keep you informed.*
3. The Tenancy agreement for [REDACTED] Club is still being drafted. There are different options for how this agreement may operate. [REDACTED] has agreed to a Zoom meeting at 5:30PM on Wednesday, October 14 to discuss these options before finalising the draft agreement. [REDACTED] to send the Zoom meeting invitation.
4. [REDACTED] agreed that it seemed strange that if we did not own the land we should be liable for Rates. [REDACTED] agreed to investigate the Rates further. Please see a copy of our Rates notice attached.

On Wed, Oct 7, 2020 at 1:17 PM [REDACTED] wrote:

Appendix 5. Email from [REDACTED] Oct 8, 2020 – Page 3

14/05/2021

Gmail - RE: Woodend Golf Club

Hi [REDACTED] has there been any progress towards developing a scope of works and plan for remediations at [REDACTED] Club. I know when we spoke more than a month ago you expected to have finished your inspections and developed the scope of works within 2 weeks.

[REDACTED] can you please advise the timing and the next steps for the club to make able to make use of the clubhouse? You would be aware that most other clubs in regional Victoria have their club houses open to members whilst observing COVID 19 safe protocols. I have already provided you with a copy of our COVID Safe plan and risk assessment.

[REDACTED] when do you think that you will be able to share a copy of the tenancy agreement? I know that we have also been talking about this for some time. This was highlighted by the incident where the hot water system failed and you informed me it's repair was the clubs responsibility per the terms of the agreement but could not share a copy of the agreement.

I have CC'd the councillors that represent West Ward. With 170 members now I am sure that being locked out of our club house with no communication on a return date is a concern to many residents within the area.

I look forward to your reply.

[REDACTED]



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Appendix 6. Email from [REDACTED] (Office of [REDACTED]) after speaking to Shane Waldon Oct 8, 2020



Constituent Enquiry

1 message



Thu, Oct 8, 2020 at 11:31 AM

Good Morning [REDACTED]

As per our earlier conversation, I can report that [REDACTED] at Macedon Ranges Shire, rang me yesterday and informed of the following:

-That- the lock out is due to the fact that with current restrictions the club is not in a position to open its building. I note that there are other clubs which have opened their buildings, but this is for hospitality/restaurant service (as allowed under step 3).

- The land that the golf course is on is crown land overseen by DELWP. Council is the Committee of Management. The golf club committee operates the golf club with minimal Council involvement.

- Council has identified that there is no lease in place with the club, but has not begun discussions with the club regarding this. Early investigations, undertaken in May 2020, identified that there are some compliance issues with the buildings. Council is not taking over, or intending on taking over, but must also ensure that the building complies with the Building Code of Australia and that all Essential Safety Measures are up to date. To this end Council has provided \$200K towards essential building works this financial year.

-Council advises club members that any restricted access to the club house is COVID restriction related and that Council is investing in the club house to ensure its continued operation. Once we get back to COVID normal we will approach to discuss lease arrangements further.

I hope you find this information of assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact me again for any further information.

Kind regards,



From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: [Sender Unverified] Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Saturday, 15 May 2021 10:33:05 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

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Please
share your
feedback.

One item I thought worth mentioning. I saw the council plans to continue with the Autumn Festival for the next few years. I think these events are great for the region and boost tourism and economy as well as making the Ranges a great vibrant place to live. However, after attending the Malmsbury village autumn street festival this year, I want to say that if events like this are to be organised, they need to be properly thought out. At this year's street party, the market finished at normal time, just before the music was meant to start, and though the market was well attended, most people left as soon as it packed up, seeing nothing much to hang around for. There were no additional food or drink trucks and only a couple of places in town set up to do take away food (no thought was given to reducing waste and single-use). The music was of a low standard and there was nothing else - no market stalls, no food and drink in the music area - and only a dozen people there. Before the event even finished, even the few food joints in town had shut. If these events are well organised, they can bring huge tourism and economic benefits to the area. But too often they are half-baked and end up being a huge waste of money. Please consider this and make next year's festival events the vibrant, lively, bustling events they should be. If the market could have even just been extended to run all day alongside the live music, this would have provided the atmosphere and food and drink required to keep people there and having a good

	time. Such a simple solution ...
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From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Saturday, 15 May 2021 1:53:50 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p>I agree with the majority of the Draft Budget, but strongly oppose wasting ratepayers money on appointing the following two positions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 1.0 FTE Sustainability Officer Climate emergency. 2) 0.8 FTE Climate Emergency Response Officer. <p>This is because there is no climate emergency in the Macedon Ranges. When was our last major bushfire? Are the heat waves longer now in the Macedon Ranges than they were in the 80/90's? If the extreme left want these positions within council, then let them fund raise the money to support them. Please do not waste our ratepayers money on these leftist potions. Once again there is no climate emergency within the Macedon Ranges. Thank you</p>
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
Do you wish to speak at the Council Meeting on 16 June in	No

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Kaitlin Evans](#)
Subject: Re: Formal Budget submission request - Malmsbury strategic planning
Date: Saturday, 15 May 2021 2:52:59 PM

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[REDACTED]
Thank you for getting in touch; yes please add to submissions for the process.
regards
[REDACTED]

On 12 May 2021, at 4:32 pm, [REDACTED]
wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

I wish to advise that Council has placed its draft Annual Budget 2021/22 on display and is inviting submissions from the public from today, 12 May 2021 until 5pm on 8 June 2021. A copy of this document and further information can be found via the following link <https://www.mrsc.vic.gov.au/About-Council/News/Have-Your-Say/Draft-Annual-Budget-and-Revenue-and-Rating-Plan>.

We acknowledge that we have received your submission prior to the draft Annual Budget 2021/22 being placed on public display, and would now ask if you could you please confirm that you would like your below submission listed as a formal submission to this process.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

Macedon Ranges Shire Council acknowledges the Dja Dja Wurrung, Taungurung and Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Peoples as the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this land and waterways. Council recognises their living cultures and ongoing connection to Country and pays respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Council also acknowledges local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander residents of Macedon Ranges for their ongoing contribution to the diverse culture of our community.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 8 March 2021 3:29 PM
To: Macedon Ranges Shire Council <mrscmail@mrsc.vic.gov.au>
Subject: Formal Budget submission request - Malmsbury strategic planning

Hello

At the suggestion of Councillors below, I am sending this as a formal budget submission.

Thank you

Regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, March 6, 2021 5:49 pm
To: Cr Jennifer Anderson; Cr Janet Pearce; Cr Mark Ridgeway
Subject: Malmsbury - strategic planning

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Dear Mayor & Councillors (representing West Ward)

I just wanted to get in touch around strategic planning in relation to Malmsbury.

There is a current planning application that has triggered the enquiry, but it is not the specific application I wanted to raise.

I spoke with [REDACTED] from Strategic Planning (who has been very helpful) re the below and asked if it was something I should raise with Councillors and he confirmed it would be appropriate, particularly in context of upcoming budget considerations in a couple of months.

The email below is fairly self-explanatory but it touches on the following

- updating planning for Malmsbury, with the last studies some time ago, and prior to the bypass - looking at future population needs (query projections for the next 10, 20 years+)
- extensive commercial zoning - having regard to future population needs, can this be reduced, particularly in the areas where commercial on one side and residential (including historic buildings) on the other
- developing guidelines recommended in July 2006 report with community consultation - in relation to streetscapes - in particular bulk, scale, height etc - for assessing planning applications

The absence of guidelines means that these issues arise on a case-by-case basis - as in happening at the moment - which is not ideal in a small community for harmonious relationships where there are objectors to a proposal involving people who will be joining the local community; all acknowledge the aim is for acceptable outcome for all parties.

PS: Excellent that we have draft Master Plan for Malmsbury Botanic Gardens, thank you to Council for getting to this stage.
Kind regards
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, 28 February 2021 6:06 PM
[REDACTED]
Subject: Malmsbury - strategic planning

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Dear [REDACTED]
Further to a discussion with you, I had copied you on my earlier email in relation to a specific planning application.
I have extracted below the material relating more generally to planning.
I would like to request that the matters below (highlighted) be considered separate to any current planning applications.
Could you advise if that is possible?
Many thanks
[REDACTED]

I understand from Council Strategic Planning that both documents are regarded as being referenced through the Macedon Ranges Planning Scheme and form part of overall assessments of relevant applications within Malmsbury.

- 2003 Malmsbury Urban Design Framework; and
- 2006 Macedon Ranges Small Towns Study.

Zoning and Council discretion in decision-making: I am not sure how common this is in a small country town for commercial zoning on one side of Clowes St and residential zoning on the other but it does create a difficult situation to balance interests - not just the interests of individual residents who may be directly affected, but also the character of the town (see references in extracts below to importance of rural village character for Malmsbury) and assessing what is realistically likely to be the needs of the local community.

I think it is important to bear in mind that the Council has a discretion as to whether to require a commercial use in these circumstances or to permit wholly residential. I understand Council would be concerned to ensure there is sufficient commercial land/use available to cater to the need of the community now and in the future.

- The bypassing of the village by the freeway has reduced the likelihood of an unmet demand for commercial premises and the focus really needs to be on the needs of the local community.
- From the perspective of now, there clearly is no commercial need - having lived in Malmsbury for many years I have seen a multitude of businesses come and go in the main street - many relatively short lived - there is not the community to support them, particularly now the freeway has been diverted. Currently there are a number of empty commercial premises including the Tin Shed which has been empty for some time. The small weatherboard former church on the other side of the road failed as a restaurant through a number of business owners and is now used as a residence - I recall one of the restaurant owners observing that they received little support from the local community - most came from elsewhere.
- In terms of the future, it would be interesting to understand if population projections are such that Clowes St land would be needed for commercial development. This seems unlikely - see extracted observations in the Small Towns Study Final Report (below) where it was stated that not all land required for business development was likely to be required - and suggested rezoning some parts of the highway business zone being "contrary to a rural village setting" - if it is contrary to the village setting on the highway it is definitely contrary to a village setting in an otherwise residential street (and noting that in the Malmsbury UDS this area was not even highlighted as part of the relevant village precinct - see below). Surely it would be better to maintain the land along the old Calder for commercial development of a strip (if ever needed and query this), rather than encroaching on the

existing residential areas - moreover residential areas with a significant heritage buildings/streetscape.

Perhaps consideration could be given to rezoning this area, or at least the Council exercising a discretion to allow wholly residential developments.

From recollection, according to the owners of [REDACTED] some years ago who applied for planning permission for two residences suitable for elderly residents (which had the potential to enable elderly residents to stay in the community rather than leave when their larger properties became too much to manage) together with a B&B, it was reported that Council said the development was not sufficiently commercial - whether that was the case or not, there is an understanding around town that there needs to be a commercial element in order for an application to be approved.

I would like to suggest Council should consider whether a commercial element is in fact necessary for this strip of Clowes St when it is exercising a discretion.

Bulk, scale and height: This issue was identified as important in the Macedon Ranges Small Towns Study Final Report July 2006, which said: Protect the landscape and built form characteristics and qualities of residential areas in Malmsbury, promoting the theme of a rural village. No further land should be rezoned at this time as there is land available for development in excess of 10 years supply. Apply the findings of the Kyneton Shire Heritage Study 1991 in consideration of development proposals and works in public areas. Undertake a neighbourhood character study of areas in the Residential 1 Zone, and prepare a Neighbourhood Character Overlay for inclusion in the Planning Scheme. The planning control should include guidelines relating to streetscapes, built form (bulk, scale, height), materials and colours, garden settings and fencing. So far as I can gather the proposed guidelines have not been developed as yet? It would be helpful if this could occur and involve a consultation process.

Macedon Ranges Small Towns Study Final Report, July 2006 (highlighting on document as provided by council)

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Malmsbury Urban Design Framework 2003 (highlighting on document as provided by council)

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#); [Travis Harling](#); [Kaitlin Evans](#)
Subject: MRSC Draft Budget 2021 22
Date: Sunday, 16 May 2021 9:08:27 AM

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To whom it may concern

Pursuant to the recent invitation to provide feedback on the Draft Budget , please note the following :

The Budget includes proposed Customer fees and charges for the use of Recreational Facilities owned by the Shire.

These are very extensive and detailed ,it looks like every sort of activity is subject to a charge .

That schedule stands in stark contrast to the complete lack of charging for Aircraft movements and storage at the Kyneton Airfield .

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Regards

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Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Saturday, 15 May 2021 11:15:49 AM



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I had this link in an email to provide feedback to council from the Woodend Golf Club

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On Mon, May 17, 2021 at 12:51 PM [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

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Are you able to confirm which toilet block you are referring to?

Thanks kindly

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Regards



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The below image is an extract from the 2020/21 budget report.

Note that Woodend Golf Club is listed for Club House Works. As mentioned we have seen no evidence of any works being completed.

Also note that there is no mention of Kyneton Rifle Range.

4.5.4 Summary of Renewal and Construction Programs

Building renewal program 2020/21			Total \$2,714,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details & Comments
Darraweit Guim	East	Darraweit Guim public toilets	Replace existing toilets
Gisborne	South	John Aitken Reserve	Lions Club Shelter BBQ
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Library and Mechanics Institute Hall	Toilet renewal
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Library	Office and front counter renewal
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Office Reception	Stage 2 upgrades, includes public toilets
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Mens shower renewal
Gisborne	South	Sankey Reserve	Pavilion, toilets, showers, coach boxes
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Gym	Box Gutters
Kyneton	West	Council Chamber	OHS requirement - power & electrical upgrades, window repairs
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Historical Society	Internal works and storage renewal
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Roof & HVAC renewal
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Saleyards	Agents Office, drovers hut and supervisors office
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Showgrounds	CH Watts pavilion stormwater & DDA compliance
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Sports & Aquatic Centre	Toilet/change room upgrade
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Renewal works
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Town Hall	Restoration works
Kyneton	West	Red Brick Hall	Access & Toilets
Lancefield	East	Lancefield Golf Course	Clubhouse ESM & make good
Lancefield	East	Lancefield Swimming Pool	Changerooms and Kiosk
Macedon	South	Jubilee Hall Stage 2	Toilet renewal
Macedon	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Bowls Clubrooms	Asbestos and flood damage
Macedon	South	47 Victoria Street	Fitout works
Macedon	South	47 Victoria Street	Access entry
Malmsbury	West	Malmsbury Recreation Reserve	Changerooms
Woodend	West	Woodend Racecourse fencing	Security fencing
Woodend	West	Woodend Golf Club	Club house works
Woodend	West	Woodend Buffalo Stadium	Change room toilet renewal
Woodend	West	Woodend Swimming Pool	Change rooms and kiosk
Woodend	West	Woodend Depot	Office reconfiguration
Regional	All	Building planning project	Planning for 2021/22 renewals



Appendix 2. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Carried Forward Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Carried forward¹

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$'000	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contrib.	Council cash	Borrowings
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
PROPERTY									
Buildings									
Kyneton Early Learning centre	1,600	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	-	-
TOTAL PROPERTY	1,600	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	-	-
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Chintin Rd Monegetta	594	-	594	-	-	594	-	-	-
Bridges									
Margaret St Macedon footbridge	381	-	381	-	-	381	-	-	-
Footpaths and cycleways									
Macedon Ranges shared trail	4,000	4,000	-	-	-	4,000	-	-	-
Baynton St Kyneton footpath	297	-	297	-	-	297	-	-	-
Recreational, Leisure and Community Facilities									
Macedon Ranges Regional Sports Precinct	1,500	1,500	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	-
Kyneton Barkly Square Field	750	-	750	-	-	500	-	250	-
Parks, Open Space and Streetscapes									
Healthy Heart of Victoria	250	250	-	-	-	250	-	-	-
Gisborne Fields open space	250	250	-	-	-	-	-	250	-
Other Infrastructure									
LED streetlight replacements	1,094	-	-	1,094	-	1,094	-	-	-
Kyneton saleyards gantry	450	450	-	-	-	-	-	450	-
Kyneton livestock exchange	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	515	-	-	485
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	10,416	6,300	3,022	1,094	-	9,131	-	800	485
TOTAL CARRIED FORWARD CAPITAL WORKS 2020/21	12,016	7,900	3,022	1,094	-	10,731	-	800	485

(1) Reflects material projects identified for carry forward from the 2020/21 financial year. All final amounts of project carry forwards will be identified post-June 30 2021, when all expenditure has been determined for the financial year. Formal approval will then be sought to carry forward these amounts.

Appendix 3. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Capital Recurring Programs and Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Note that Kyneton Rifle Range is listed for Clubrooms renewal and Toilets renewal. We would argue that there is less community use and by a less gender and age diverse range of community members of the Rifle Range than there is of the Woodend Golf Club.

4.7 Capital Recurring Programs and Projects

Building renewal program 2021/22			Total \$3,150,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details and comments
BOLINDA	East	Bolinda Hall toilets	Renewal fitout
GISBORNE	South	Gisborne Court House stables	Floor structure failure
GISBORNE	South	Sankey Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square small bore range	Small-bore range renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Window replacement, roof and fittings
KYNETON	West	Kyneton IT server room	Security data brick upgrade
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Roof and fitout renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Toilets renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Clubrooms renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Transfer Station	Waste bins structure replacement
MACEDON	South	Jubilee Hall	Veranda posts, eaves and fascia
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Tennis clubrooms	Fitout renewal
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
MALMSBURY	West	Malmsbury Hall	Stage 1 design and plan renewal
RIDDELLS CREEK	East	Riddells Creek Montessori Kindergarten	Chimney, external renewal, review of services
WOODEND	West	Hanging Rock Café	Roof and fitout renewal
WOODEND	West	Woodend Museum (Court House)	Stage 1 services and façade
WOODEND	West	Woodend Playgroup	Veranda and fittings
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square Kennel Club building	Replacement with modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Airfields toilets	Replacement with Modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Shire Office	Roof repairs, windows, structural blade walls
WOODEND	West	Gilbert Gordon Oval toilets	Renewal fitout
WOODEND	West	Woodend Pool	Fence renewal
WOODEND, LANCEFIELD and GISBORNE	West, East, South	Woodend Pool, Lancefield Pool and Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Woodend Pool toddler pool repainting and filtration system upgrade, Lancefield Pool toddler and 25m pool repainting, Gisborne Aquatic Centre sand filter replacement

Appendix 4. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Potential Future Capital Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

It appears that the work to bring the clubhouse up to building code that was planned for 20/21 was not only not completed but also not carried forward and has now gone from a committed project in the previous year to a “potential” project with no committed timeframe.

Potential Future Capital Projects
Gisborne Skate Park – construction
Kyneton Museum Roof Works – construction
Kyneton Showgrounds Master Plan Implementation – Asphalt Works
Kyneton Town Hall – Theatre and Meeting Room Refurbishment construction
Malmsbury Mechanics Institute – construction
Malmsbury Recreation Reserve Change rooms – construction
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Please share your feedback.	I am a [REDACTED], so I am local and ready to help define the schedule of works needed for the Club Rooms. Recently I have been involved in the design of a new library and precinct in Woodend and have become very critical of the capacity of Council officers to understand design and the building process. I think we need to develop a "bottom up" proposal of what we want, rather than wait for a Council version of a solution.
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Please share your feedback.	<p>(Please accept this amended version as my original submission was incomplete) Hi, as a [REDACTED] member of Woodend golf club I am incredibly concerned at the lack of council support, collaboration and funding to improve the accessibility, safety and standards of our club house facility. Simply put our clubhouse is in horrific condition and in desperate need of the previously committed funding (\$200k). I also ask MRSC make a further matched commitment in this years budget to provide the club with an opportunity to turn our premises into a key attraction within the Macedon Ranges.</p> <p>As a [REDACTED] member, I have grown up at this club and have only recently commenced enjoying the WGC experience with my [REDACTED] children, including my [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Having hired the club house [REDACTED], it was disappointing not to be hiring it again for my [REDACTED] due to the lack of accessibility and the terrible state of facilities, including the male toilets which are simply disgusting. I appreciate the WGC committee have a responsibility here, however they have done a terrific job on course improvements which has increased community and general participation, however is not significant enough to derive the revenue required to improve the club house facility. Last years budget that allocated \$200k was a positive sign that the council was going to assist in bringing our club house facility up to an</p>

	appropriate standard, with a further commitment expected this year. A significant investment in our club house would; 1) allow local community groups to access our facility to maximise utilisation of the clubhouse and site 2) make our facility accessible for everyone regardless of ability 3) compliment the improved condition of the golf course to become a premier attraction for not only MRS residents, but also visitors to the region 4) allow the committee to hire out the venue for private and corporate functions to derive a secondary income to further our overall facilities and offerings. Thank you for taking the time to read my feedback and I would be happy to discuss further if you have any questions. Regards, [REDACTED]
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Essentially as a club we have survived for 115 years thanks the efforts of our members. The lack of communication from Council as to plans for repair /

replacement of our clubhouse is causing concern amongst our members and is making it difficult for the committee to plan for the future. **There is also a significant risk that someone may be injured because the building is not up to building code.**

When reviewing the Draft Budget for 2021/22 the \$200k does not appear in the carried forward items.

ACTION: MRSC to update the Draft budget to include this amount in the carried forward items

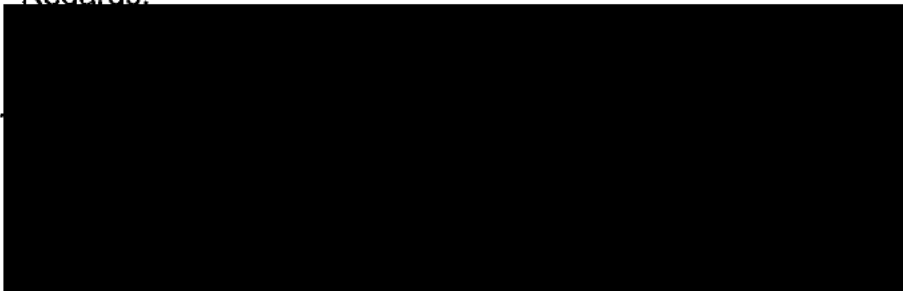
When reviewing the Capital and Recurring Programs and Projects we can see that there has been projects set aside for Kyneton Rifle Range for Clubrooms renewal and toilets renewal. We cannot see Woodend Golf Club mentioned here at all. We would like Macedon Ranges Council to explain how Kyneton Rifle Range has been prioritised above Woodend Golf Club when:

- a) Woodend Golf Club has 255 members, much higher than the membership of any club affiliated with Kyneton Rifle Range
- b) Our membership includes 30 juniors, many women, people of all ages and people with physical and intellectual disabilities
- c) There was no mention of Kyneton Rifle Range in the 2020/21 budget

Action: MRSC to explain how the Kyneton Rifle Range clubroom and toilet has been prioritised over the Woodend Golf Club given the greater community benefit and greater diversity and inclusion of our club.

** As a Woodend GC member for now [REDACTED] years I fully support the above arguments and points outlined by the Woodend GC committee. Our club has meant so much for so long to so many, both local and from abroad. Continuing to commit funds by the MRSC toward the archaic and unsafe clubrooms is an investment into a major recreational drawcard for Woodend, and a recognition of the hard work of many Macedon Ranges people over 115 years. The Woodend Golf Course is a unique and special place that deserves and needs vital improvements to a clubhouse that is a collective and spiritual home to so many.

Regards,



Appendix 1. Extract from Budget Report 2020/21

The below image is an extract from the 2020/21 budget report.

Note that Woodend Golf Club is listed for Club House Works. As mentioned we have seen no evidence of any works being completed.

Also note that there is no mention of Kyneton Rifle Range.

4.5.4 Summary of Renewal and Construction Programs

Building renewal program 2020/21			Total \$2,714,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details & Comments
Darraweit Guim	East	Darraweit Guim public toilets	Replace existing toilets
Gisborne	South	John Aitken Reserve	Lions Club Shelter BBQ
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Library and Mechanics Institute Hall	Toilet renewal
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Library	Office and front counter renewal
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Office Reception	Stage 2 upgrades, includes public toilets
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Mens shower renewal
Gisborne	South	Sankey Reserve	Pavilion, toilets, showers, coach boxes
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Gym	Box Gutters
Kyneton	West	Council Chamber	OHS requirement - power & electrical upgrades, window repairs
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Historical Society	Internal works and storage renewal
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Roof & HVAC renewal
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Saleyards	Agents Office, drivers hut and supervisors office
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Showgrounds	CH Watts pavilion stormwater & DDA compliance
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Sports & Aquatic Centre	Toilet/change room upgrade
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Renewal works
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Town Hall	Restoration works
Kyneton	West	Red Brick Hall	Access & Toilets
Lancefield	East	Lancefield Golf Course	Clubhouse ESM & make good
Lancefield	East	Lancefield Swimming Pool	Changerooms and Kiosk
Macedon	South	Jubilee Hall Stage 2	Toilet renewal
Macedon	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Bowls Clubrooms	Asbestos and flood damage
Macedon	South	47 Victoria Street	Fitout works
Macedon	South	47 Victoria Street	Access entry
Malmsbury	West	Malmsbury Recreation Reserve	Changerooms
Woodend	West	Woodend Racecourse fencing	Security fencing
Woodend	West	Woodend Golf Club	Club house works
Woodend	West	Woodend Buffalo Stadium	Change room toilet renewal
Woodend	West	Woodend Swimming Pool	Change rooms and kiosk
Woodend	West	Woodend Depot	Office reconfiguration
Regional	All	Building planning project	Planning for 2021/22 renewals



Appendix 2. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Carried Forward Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Carried forward¹

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$'000	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$'000	Renewal \$'000	Upgrade \$'000	Expansion \$'000	Grants \$'000	Contrib. \$'000	Council cash \$'000	Borrowings \$'000
PROPERTY									
Buildings									
Kyneton Early Learning centre	1,600	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	-	-
TOTAL PROPERTY	1,600	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	-	-
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Chintin Rd Monegeetta	594	-	594	-	-	594	-	-	-
Bridges									
Margaret St Macedon footbridge	381	-	381	-	-	381	-	-	-
Footpaths and cycleways									
Macedon Ranges shared trail	4,000	4,000	-	-	-	4,000	-	-	-
Baynton St Kyneton footpath	297	-	297	-	-	297	-	-	-
Recreational, Leisure and Community Facilities									
Macedon Ranges Regional Sports Precinct	1,500	1,500	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	-
Kyneton Barkly Square Field	750	-	750	-	-	500	-	250	-
Parks, Open Space and Streetscapes									
Healthy Heart of Victoria	250	250	-	-	-	250	-	-	-
Gisborne Fields open space	250	250	-	-	-	-	-	250	-
Other Infrastructure									
LED streetlight replacements	1,094	-	-	1,094	-	1,094	-	-	-
Kyneton saleyards gantry	450	450	-	-	-	-	-	450	-
Kyneton livestock exchange	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	515	-	-	485
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	10,416	6,300	3,022	1,094	-	9,131	-	800	485
TOTAL CARRIED FORWARD CAPITAL WORKS 2020/21	12,016	7,900	3,022	1,094	-	10,731	-	800	485

(1) Reflects material projects identified for carry forward from the 2020/21 financial year. All final amounts of project carry forwards will be identified post-June 30 2021, when all expenditure has been determined for the financial year. Formal approval will then be sought to carry forward these amounts.

Appendix 3. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Capital Recurring Programs and Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Note that Kyneton Rifle Range is listed for Clubrooms renewal and Toilets renewal. We would argue that there is less community use and by a less gender and age diverse range of community members of the Rifle Range than there is of the Woodend Golf Club.

4.7 Capital Recurring Programs and Projects

Building renewal program 2021/22			Total \$3,150,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details and comments
BOLINDA	East	Bolinda Hall toilets	Renewal fitout
GISBORNE	South	Gisborne Court House stables	Floor structure failure
GISBORNE	South	Sankey Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square small bore range	Small-bore range renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Window replacement, roof and fittings
KYNETON	West	Kyneton IT server room	Security data brick upgrade
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Roof and fitout renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Toilets renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Clubrooms renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Transfer Station	Waste bins structure replacement
MACEDON	South	Jubilee Hall	Veranda posts, eaves and fascia
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Tennis clubrooms	Fitout renewal
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
MALMSBURY	West	Malmsbury Hall	Stage 1 design and plan renewal
RIDDELLS CREEK	East	Riddells Creek Montessori Kindergarten	Chimney, external renewal, review of services
WOODEND	West	Hanging Rock Café	Roof and fitout renewal
WOODEND	West	Woodend Museum (Court House)	Stage 1 services and façade
WOODEND	West	Woodend Playgroup	Veranda and fittings
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square Kennel Club building	Replacement with modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Airfields toilets	Replacement with Modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Shire Office	Roof repairs, windows, structural blade walls
WOODEND	West	Gilbert Gordon Oval toilets	Renewal fitout
WOODEND	West	Woodend Pool	Fence renewal
WOODEND, LANCEFIELD and GISBORNE	West, East, South	Woodend Pool, Lancefield Pool and Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Woodend Pool toddler pool repainting and filtration system upgrade, Lancefield Pool toddler and 25m pool repainting, Gisborne Aquatic Centre sand filter replacement

Appendix 4. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Potential Future Capital Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

It appears that the work to bring the clubhouse up to building code that was planned for 20/21 was not only not completed but also not carried forward and has now gone from a committed project in the previous year to a "potential" project with no committed timeframe.


Potential Future Capital Projects
Gisborne Skate Park – construction
Kyneton Museum Roof Works – construction
Kyneton Showgrounds Master Plan Implementation – Asphalt Works
Kyneton Town Hall – Theatre and Meeting Room Refurbishment construction
Malmsbury Mechanics Institute – construction
Malmsbury Recreation Reserve Change rooms – construction
New flagpoles & planning for flagpole illumination
Red Brick Hall – On-street Disability Discrimination Act Car Space and Building Renewal Works
Riddells Creek Exercise Equipment
Riddells Creek Leisure Centre multipurpose room extension – construction
Riddells Creek Lions Park Pavilion – upgrade
Riddells Creek Tennis Club modular change rooms – construction
Recreational Vehicle Dump Point – construction
Secure Electronic Key Cabinet
Woodend Community Centre – construction
Woodend Golf Club – new clubhouse building – construction

As these projects may occur in the future and costs change over time, no amounts have been quoted at this time. Analysis of likely costs will be considered when the initiative or project is to progress further in a budget allocation process.

From: Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply <noreply@openforms.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 18 May 2021 5:13 PM
To: Macedon Ranges Shire Council
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p>Good afternoon, Once again I am disappointed that MRSC has ignored the request for a footpath on the west side of Station Road from Octagonal Court to Ferrier Road although 30% of the estimated cost was paid by the developer about 13 years ago. I have raised this matter on more than one occasion before - emails 16.12.2018, 29.4.2020, 29.6.2020, 13.9.2020 and 24.1.2021. MRSC is sitting on funds and should use them for the designated purpose. Please reconsider this issue and make provision in the 2021/2022 budget for the footpath. Regards, </p>
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
Do you wish to speak at the Council Meeting on 16 June in regards to your submission?	No
Tell us about you	

First name	
Last name	
Address	
Town	
Postcode	
Phone	
Email address	
How did you find out about this?	Local newspaper Shire Life magazine Word of mouth Other: CONTINUING PROBLEM!

From: Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply <noreply@openforms.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 18 May 2021 9:12 PM
To: Macedon Ranges Shire Council
Subject: [Sender Unverified] Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p>As a member of the Woodend Golf Club I am concerned when reading the Draft Budget for 2021/22 to see no mention of the funds set aside to be spent at the woodend club house. With a membership of over 250 we provide a sporting facility to many more than a lot of smaller clubs. When you add in the number of green fee players and families who use the course for recreation, the club would have to be one of the bigger organisations that is open to ratepayers.</p> <p>If the club house was updated, it could be a facility much needed and widely use in the area. As a venue virtually situated in the middle of town but set back from residential houses, birthday parties, private functions, meeting rooms, funding raising events could be held in the clubhouse, with little concern for noise levels, parking etc. I have attended many events that cater for between 40 to 100 people at the clubhouse but with the current conditions, neglected toilets, sloping entrance steps and poor kitchen facilities these events becoming problematic.</p> <p>Woodend could benefit from having a facility that is maintained by members and available to the general public to be hired for private functions. Golf courses, are beautifully maintained areas that with some creative planning could be used by the public for scenic walks, dog walking and exercise when sport is not being played. I urge Council to put back into the budget the \$200k allocated in 2000/21. [REDACTED]</p>

If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
Do you wish to speak at the Council Meeting on 16 June in regards to your submission?	No
Tell us about you	
First name	
Last name	
Address	
Town	
Postcode	
Phone	
Email address	
How did you find out about this?	Other: The committee of the Woodend Golf Club

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] >
Sent: Tuesday, 18 May 2021 9:33 PM
To: Macedon Ranges Shire Council
Subject: Feedback request - Draft Annual Budget
Attachments: Mulgutherie Way bridge and path project concerns from local residents March-21-R01 (1).pdf

Hi,

Following on from councils request for the community to provide feedback on the draft budget, it would be ideal if the following information could be provided to enable comments to be provided:

Information relating to the following projects:

- Macedon Ranges shared trail project
- Gisborne skatepark
- Footpath construction program

Information such as:

- alignment plans
- Design standards to be used
- consultation process
- project timelines

Making this information available to the community early might reduce the risk of issues occurring later on, as per the attached recent case study.

Regards

[REDACTED]

Mulgutherie Way bridge and
path project:
concerns from local residents

March 2021

What has been built?

Context of path and bridge that has been constructed

A 2.5m wide concrete path has been built in a culturally and environmental sensitive roadside area outside the Gisborne township boundary without community consultation

Members of the community have expressed concern with the scale of the works and lack of proper consideration of the environment that it has been built within

Project benefits could have been realised with a lower cost, more environmentally sensitive design by having genuine stakeholder and community engagement

Context of path and bridge that has been constructed



Context of path and bridge that has been constructed

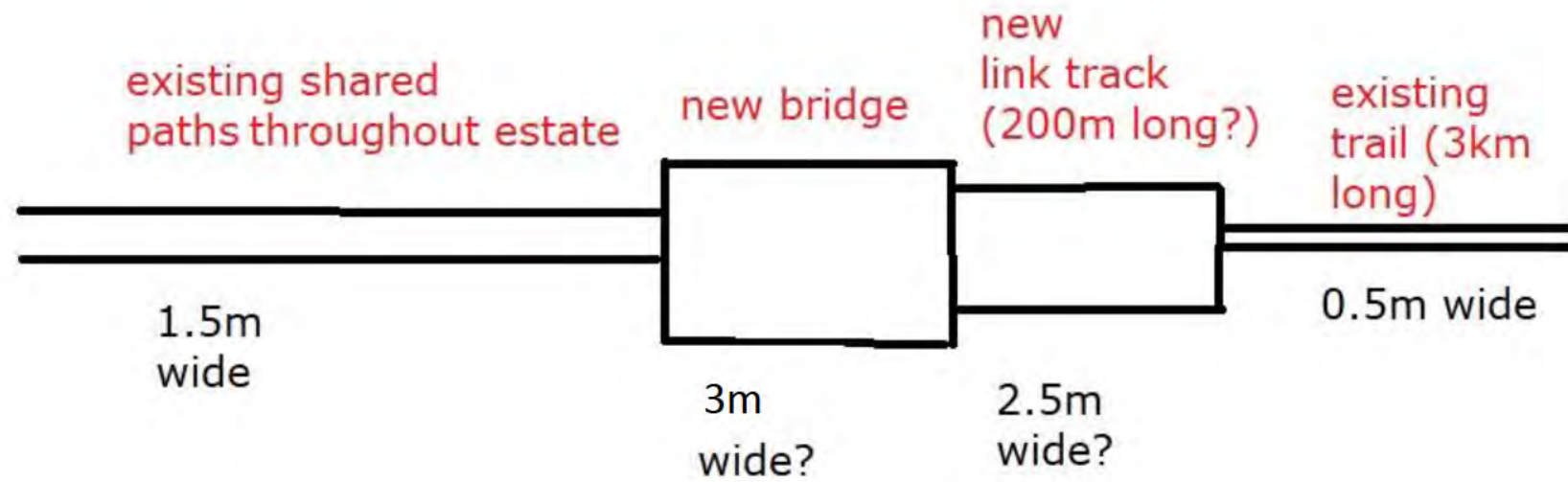


The rest of the nature trail is not 2.5m wide concrete – please MRSC do not destroy this road side area also!

0.5m wide natural bush track for 4km to Hobbs Rd

1.5m wide concrete path from town centre to town boundary

Rural setting with sweeping views



Wildlife living along this corridor
(Between Gisborne township
and Hobbs Rd)

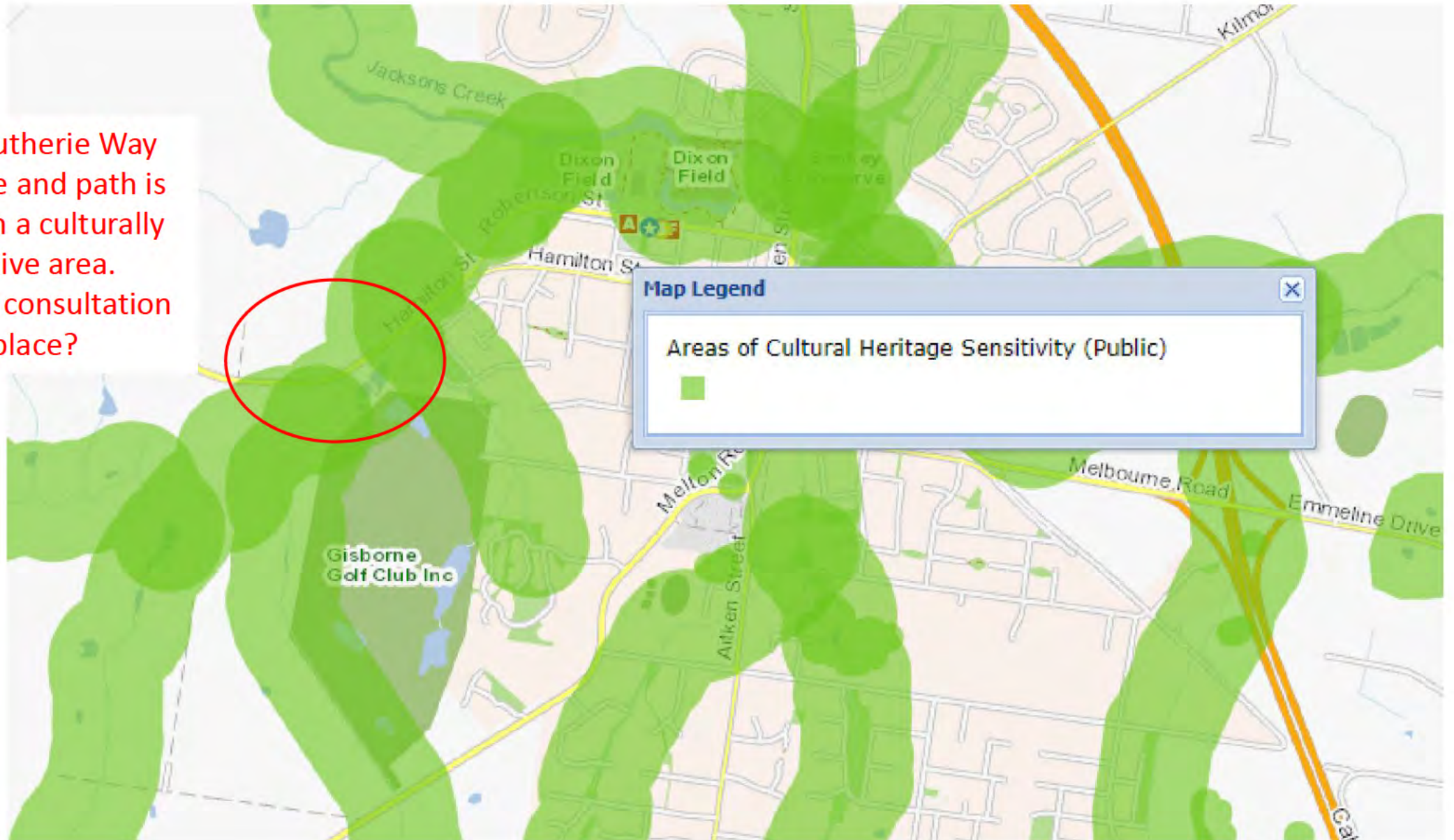
Photos taken by local residents in roadside areas between Gisborne township and Hobbs Rd between 2018-2020. This is not inner city Melbourne!!!



Cultural Heritage Considerations

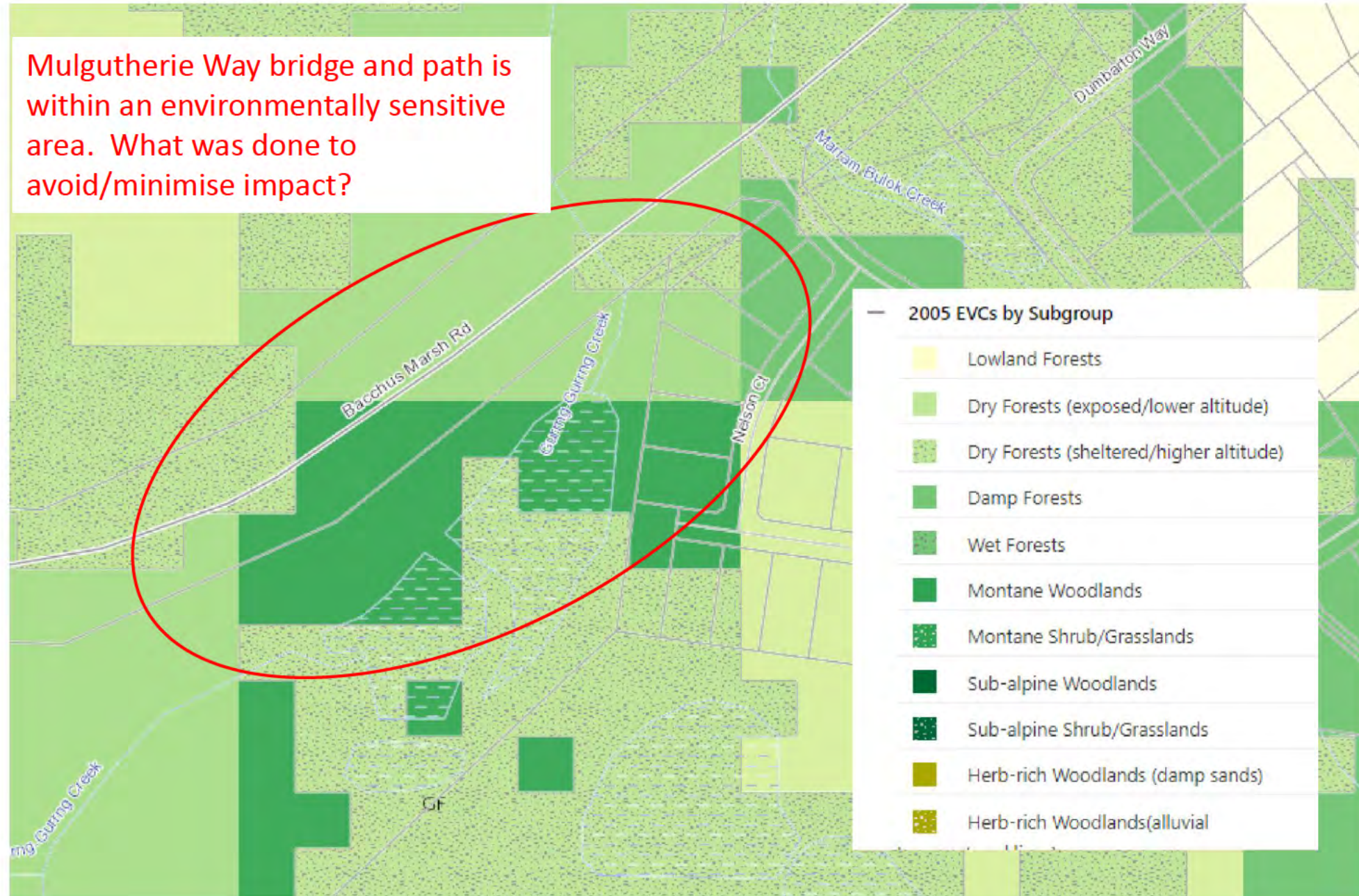
(source: Vic Got website)

Mulgutherie Way
bridge and path is
within a culturally
sensitive area.
What consultation
took place?



Environmental Considerations

Mulgutherie Way bridge and path is within an environmentally sensitive area. What was done to avoid/minimise impact?



2.1 State Planning Policy Framework

The State Planning Policy Framework (SPPF) outlines Victoria's policy objectives and strategies relating to the protection and management of native vegetation. Specifically, the following clauses give policy context and inform decision making:

- 12.01 *Biodiversity*
- 12.04 *Significant environment and landscapes*
- 13.03 *Soil degradation*
- 13.05 *Bushfire*
- 14.02 *Water*
- 15.03 *Heritage* (includes Aboriginal cultural heritage)

A key strategy identified in Clause 12.01 is to ensure that there is no net loss to biodiversity as a result of the removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation. This is achieved through the following three-step approach, in accordance with the Guidelines:

1. Avoid the removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation.
2. Minimise impacts from the removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation that cannot be avoided.
3. Provide an offset to compensate for the biodiversity impact from the removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation.

Eg boardwalk

Eg narrower

Avoiding / minimizing removal of native vegetation is preferable. No evidence this hierarchy was taken into account for this project. Why not?

Community Engagement considerations

Mulgutherie Way bridge and path project – there was no community consultation – why not???

Residents tried to proactively engage early with MRSC however council did not consider feedback or provide genuine community consultation

4 July 2020 (local resident):

...I was hoping to find out more about the following project, ie plans and scope of the project, could you please assist?

There is very limited information on the website

6 July 2020 (MRSC):

The project seeks to link the existing footpath at Mulguthrie Way with the informal track that leads along the roadside to Bullengarook.

6 July 2020 (local resident):

I understand the sensitivities with the environment as well...Hopefully the tracks natural feel can be retained with and future upgrades along it, as I think if it was concrete or bitumen all the way to Hobbs Rd it would lose the natural feel and its appeal.

7 July 2020 (MRSC):

Council is looking into options for recognising that trail as a natural or off-road track...basically retaining it in the current state...It's too early to say exactly what the process will be in recognising that track and whether or not there will be a period of community consultation

14 Jan 2021 (local resident):

Just a query about the track (being built), the bridge looks massive - you could fit a truck on it! The rest of the tracks is 0.5m wide and I'm concerned that the rural dirt track is going to be turned into highway.

20 Jan 2021 (MRSC):

The new path is designed in concrete at 2.5m wide in accordance with current standards for a shared path.

20 Jan 2021 (local resident):

...as a local resident who wants to keep the rural feel of Gisborne in tact I believe this not a good outcome for the community or the environment...I was under the impression that the rural feel would be maintained. It is shaping up to be more like an inner city development....It would be disappointing if one day we are 'told' that the 4km rural off road track is converted to a concrete highway

5 months before
construction
commenced

After construction
commenced (no
pre-works
notification from
MRSC)

MRSC Biodiversity Strategy relevant extracts

Roadside Management Plan – under development

The purpose of the Roadside Management Plan is to establish a set of standards and guidelines that ensure works within Council's roadsides protect any existing biodiversity values while meeting Council's fire management and road safety obligations.

The Plan also seeks to establish a communications and engagement program aimed at raising awareness amongst the community about the role of roadsides and their conservation values, permitted activities and relevant regulations.

Where is this document or how are the principles being applied?

5.7 Roadside Conservation

Many stretches of roadside vegetation in the Shire are noted for their significant vegetation species. Council is responsible for managing 1,700km of roadside vegetation for multiple outcomes – for protection and enhancement of biodiversity and habitat, to manage fire risks and to ensure vehicle access and public safety. This is inevitably complex, requiring a considered and balanced approach to decision making. However, with careful consideration and planning, practices like woody weed control can help meet goals for both fuel reduction and biodiversity protection.

Council recognises the importance of vegetation corridors along roadsides and a Roadside Management Plan is currently in development which will apply to Council managed roads. Figure 17 shows the most up to date mapping of roadside conservation values across the Shire. Roadside have been assessed for their conservation values in 2006 and 2011. Approximately 60% of Council managed roadsides were assessed for their conservation value between September 2016 and July 2017, with more to be assessed in 2018. The Roadside Management Plan will be informed by this data. VicRoads manage major roads in the Shire which also have conservation values.

Why was this not given more consideration for this project?

VPO2 Roadside Vegetation

Current provisions

Vegetation protection objective to be achieved:

- *To protect areas of significant remnant vegetation located along roadsides throughout the municipality.*

A permit is currently required to remove **any vegetation**.

Discussion

Roadside vegetation plays an important role as some of the only native vegetation in an otherwise cleared landscape. Roadside vegetation also provides important wildlife habitat.

Why was this not given more consideration for this project?

VPO6 Wildlife Corridors

Current provisions

Vegetation protection objective to be achieved:

- *To protect all significant vegetation for biodiversity.*
- *To conserve the habitat and environs of identified wildlife corridors.*

A permit is required to remove **any vegetation**

Discussion

VPO6 currently applies to a select number of roadsides (Figure 26), most of which are also within VPO2. As such, VPO6 and VPO2 are both seeking to protect significant roadside vegetation for its biodiversity and habitat value. This duplication of provisions is not required.

Why was this not given more consideration for this project?

Threatened Species Actions

- 1.29** Raise awareness through landholder engagement, education events and development of communication materials of the importance of Grassy Woodlands and appropriate management actions including holistic grazing, mowing and cultural and ecological burns.
- 1.30** In partnership with relevant community groups and Traditional Owners, prioritise Grassy Woodland enhancement on public land along roadsides, rail reserves and waterways where remnants persist.
- 1.31** Ensure that detailed flora and fauna (e.g. Golden Sun Moth and Growling Grass Frog) assessments are undertaken in areas likely to support grasslands or grassy woodlands as part of planning processes such as permit applications for subdivisions and the preparation of development plans and precinct structure plans.

Why was this not given more consideration for this project?

Roadside Management Actions:

- 2.15** Complete and implement the Roadside Management Plan. Integrate outcomes into council work practices.
- 2.16** In partnership with the Macedon Ranges Wildlife Network, extend the safe wildlife crossing program to identified hot spots. Explore innovative approaches to wildlife signage and crossings as appropriate.
- 2.17** Support and encourage community members and environment groups to play an advocacy and awareness raising role for roadsides in their area.
- 2.18** As part of Council's Roadside Slashing Program, develop guidelines for mowing in high conservation areas and install signage to increase community understanding about the value of these areas.

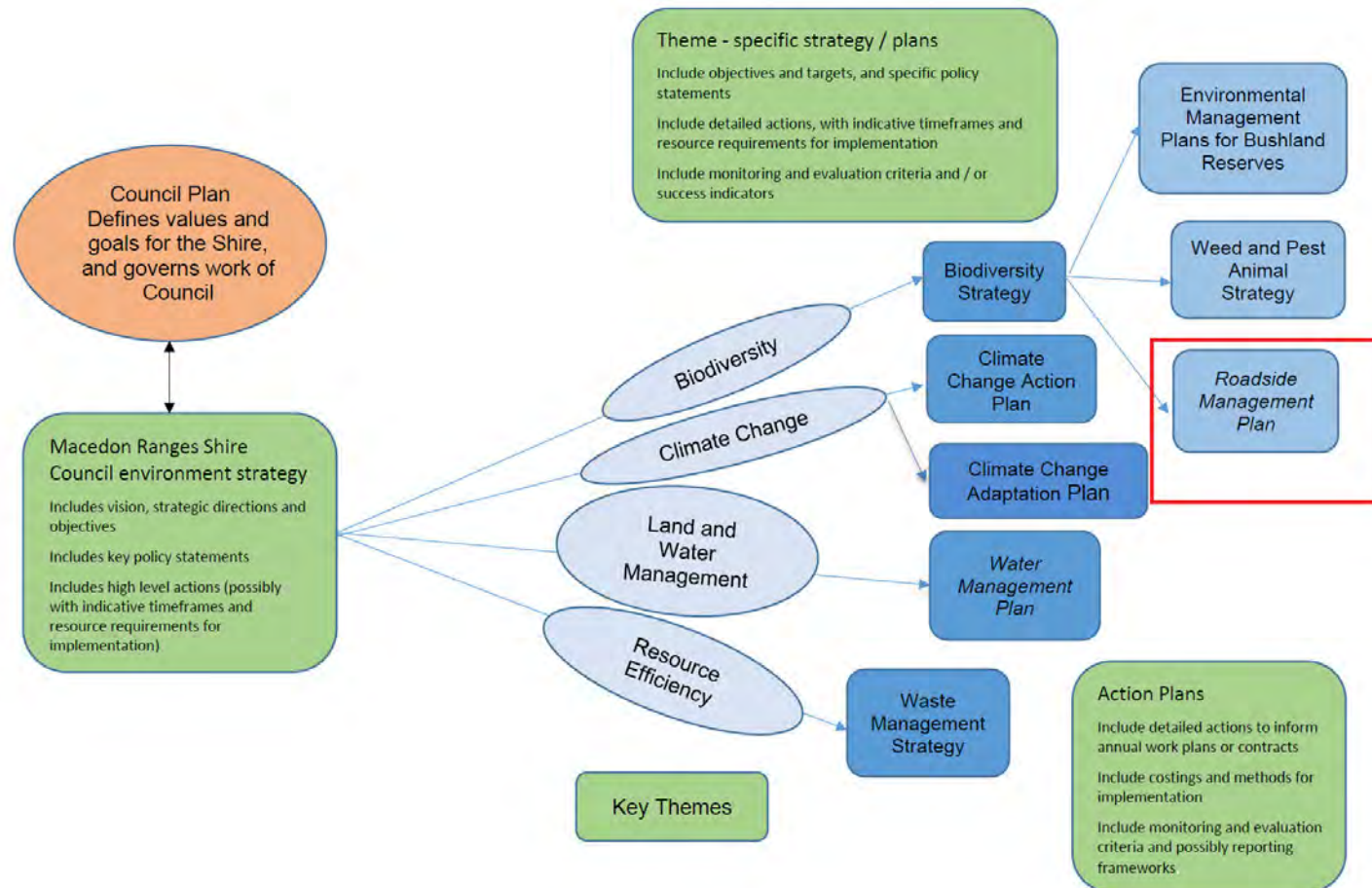
Why was this not given more consideration for this project?

MRSC Environmental Strategy – relevant extracts

Foreword

The Macedon Ranges Shire is located in a unique environment with many beautiful landscapes, natural features, and indigenous flora and fauna species. Council has significant responsibility for protecting environmental values across the Shire and to avoid adverse environmental impacts.

Why was this not given more consideration for this project? A much more environmentally sensitive design could have provided the same project benefits



Where is this document or how are the principles being applied?

Managing the Shire's biodiversity

A key requirement for the viability of ecosystems and for survival of flora and fauna species is connectivity of vegetation and waterways, to allow for movement of wildlife, and cross pollination within individual plant species to maintain genetic diversity. Within the Shire, connectivity is provided by roadside vegetation, streamside vegetation and waterways and native vegetation on private and public land. Connectivity is provided by remnant or restored ecosystems, and plantings of native vegetation, especially in the form of strategically planned biolinks.

In addition to providing connectivity, many stretches of roadside vegetation in the Shire are noted for their significant vegetation species. Council is responsible for managing 1,700km of roadside vegetation for multiple outcomes for protection and enhancement of biodiversity and habitat, to manage fire risks and to ensure vehicle access and public safety. This is inevitably complex, requiring a considered and balanced approach to decision making. However, with careful consideration and planning, practices like woody weed control can help meet goals for both fuel reduction and biodiversity protection.

Why was this not given more consideration for this project?

Key Actions for Biodiversity

Legend

Additional Resource Requirements		Priority	
\$	< \$5,000	I	Immediate - a priority to commence work in the short term
\$\$	\$5,000 - \$25,000	P	Program - to be included in Council's work program, timing subject to funds and resources
\$\$\$	\$25,000 - \$50,000	O	Ongoing - work already being undertaken and /or to continue as part of Council business
\$\$\$\$	\$50,000 - \$100,000		
\$\$\$\$\$	> \$1M		
TBC	Cost will depend on type of work, form of support, etc.		

	Action	Priority	Additional Resource Recovery	Lead (and Support) DEPT
B1	Implement the Biodiversity Strategy as adopted by Council in December 2018	O	\$\$\$\$	Strategic Planning and Environment
B2	Develop a roadside management plan to define the relative conservation values of, and priority management goals for, roadsides across the Shire. Provide clear direction for managing roadsides in different contexts to account for connectivity, wildlife habitat, fire prevention, vehicle access and public safety. Account for relevant work undertaken to date by community groups and management agencies	I	\$\$\$	Strategic Planning and Environment (Community Safety, Operations)
B3	Ensure findings from the	P	\$	Several -

Where is this document or how are the principles being applied?

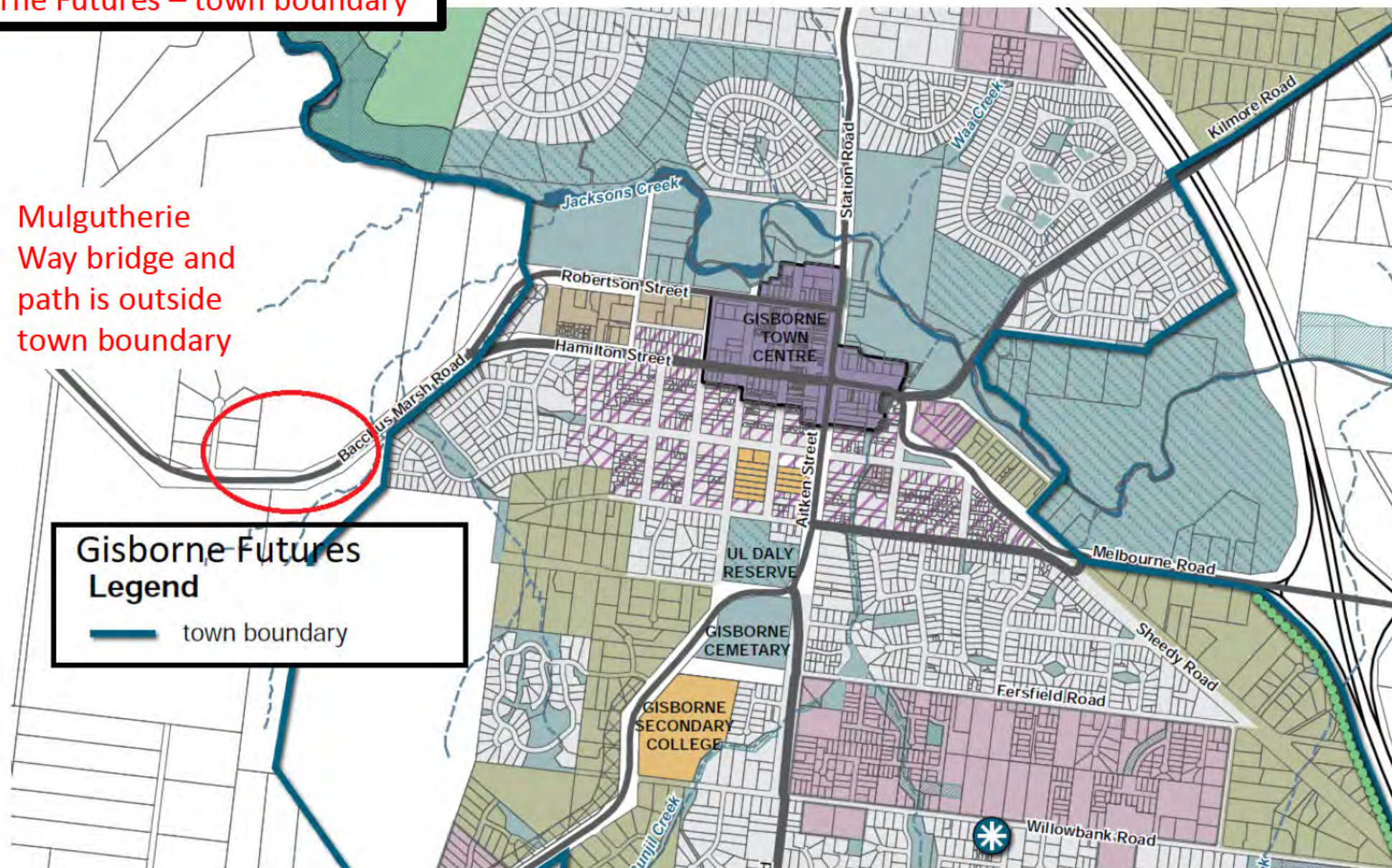
Walking and Cycling Strategy (2014) relevant extracts

Infrastructure type	Preferred surface treatment*	Design considerations
Shared paths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concrete <p>Appropriate for inner city new developments in the 1960's – not appropriate in environmentally sensitive areas in 2021</p> <p>why was this not considered?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Min. 2.5m width (for all shared paths, including Primary Pedestrian Network and Primary Bicycle Network). As with the Primary Pedestrian Network, the Primary Bicycle Network concentrates on providing connectivity between key destinations and high activity areas within towns and between towns. The connections between towns are also known as the Preferred Bike Network and may be subject to approval by VicRoads. Footpaths to be accessible to all (including prams and wheelchairs) in line with Disability Discrimination Act requirements. Provision in new development to be in accordance with hierarchy established in Policy: Engineering Requirements for Infrastructure Construction (June 2010). Provision in established areas to be based upon new development guidelines, but sensitive to issues of character, heritage and environment.
Defined off-road bike paths (in town)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concrete 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Min. 2.5m width (for all bike paths, including Primary Bicycle Network). Provision only where high demand can be demonstrated.

Gisborne Futures
relevant extracts

Gisborne Futures – town boundary

Mulgutherie
Way bridge and
path is outside
town boundary



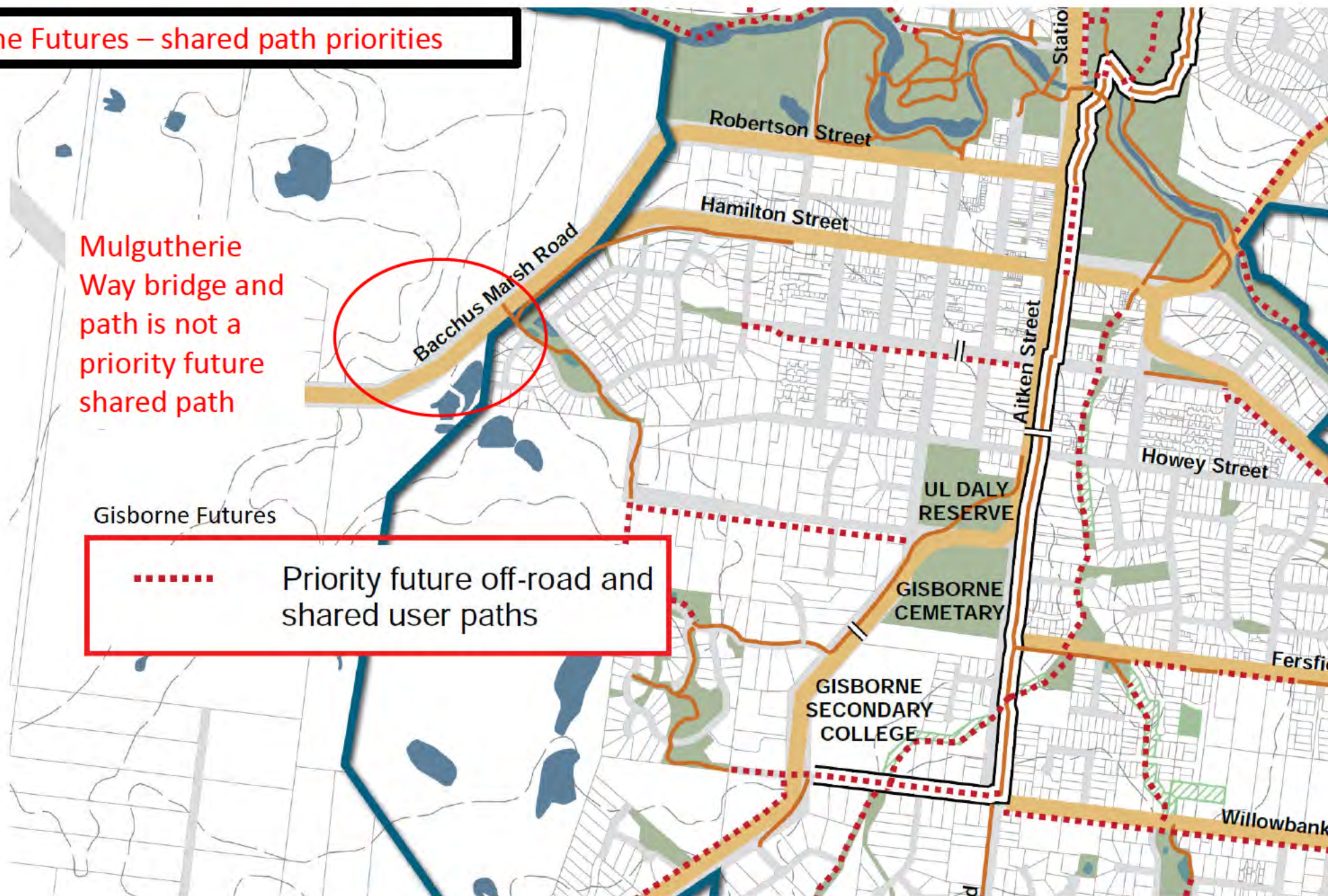
Gisborne Futures – shared path priorities

Mulgutherie
Way bridge and
path is not a
priority future
shared path

Gisborne Futures



Priority future off-road and
shared user paths



Existing Character

The character that draws this group of sub-precincts together is the combination of large, suburban lots of 1000 to 2000m² with single dwellings sited prominently on the lot.

In all the sub-precincts roads are meandering and curvilinear with cul-de-sacs that respond to varying topographical conditions. Most are formally edged with rollover kerb and channel.

A lack of front fences and footpaths has left little delineation between public and private realms from the street, which gives streets within the precinct an open, spacious character and an attractive semi-rural, garden suburban setting.

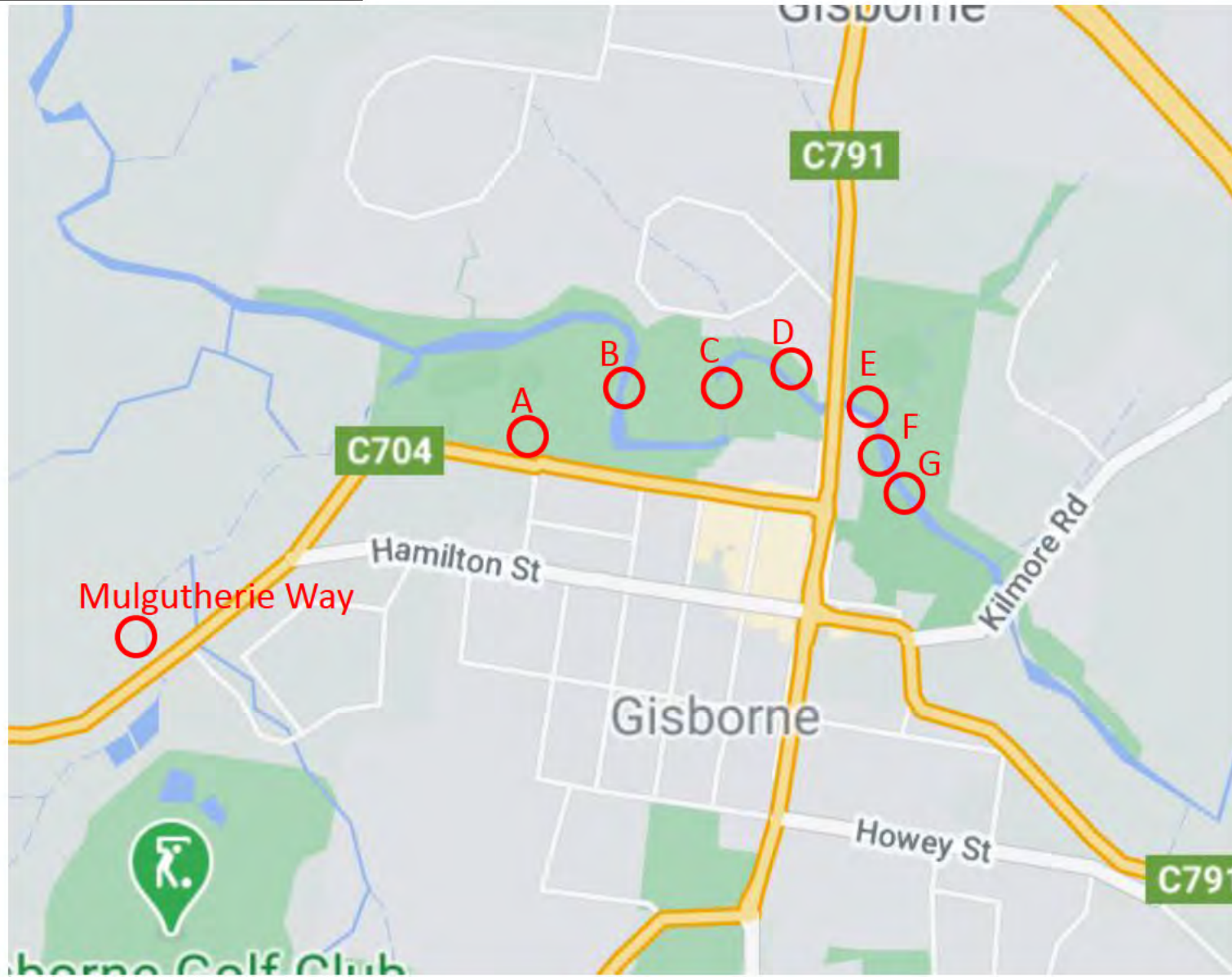
In town planning, an objective description of a neighbourhood's existing character is used to develop planning controls and guidelines that ensure new development is sited and designed to respond to the preferred future character of an area.

Gisborne Futures - Neighbourhood Character Study DRAFT 2020

Mulgutherie Way bridge and path does not fit into the existing semi-rural character

Other bridges and path
designs in Gisborne

Bridges and shared paths in Gisborne



Mulgutherie Way



inside town boundary	No
high traffic	No
design respects natural surrounds	No
overall design of path and bridge minimises impact on environment	No
identified as priority path in future planning	No
Community consultation taken place	No
cost effective	No
Community concerns with current bridge and path	Yes

Bridge A



inside town boundary	Yes
high traffic	No
design respects natural surrounds	Yes
overall design of path and bridge minimises impact on environment	Yes
identified as priority path in future planning	No
Community consultation taken place	n/a
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Bridge B



inside town boundary	Yes
high traffic	Yes
design respects natural surrounds	Yes
overall design of path and bridge minimises impact on environment	Yes
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Bridge C



inside town boundary	Yes
high traffic	Yes
design respects natural surrounds	Yes
overall design of path and bridge minimises impact on environment	Yes
identified as priority path in future planning	No
Community consultation taken place	n/a
cost effective	Yes
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Bridge D



inside town boundary	Yes
high traffic	Yes
design respects natural surrounds	Yes
overall design of path and bridge minimises impact on environment	Yes
identified as priority path in future planning	No
Community consultation taken place	n/a
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Bridge E



inside town boundary	Yes
high traffic	Yes
design respects natural surrounds	Yes
overall design of path and bridge minimises impact on environment	Yes
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Bridge F



inside town boundary	Yes
high traffic	Yes
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overall design of path and bridge minimises impact on environment	Yes
identified as priority path in future planning	No
Community consultation taken place	n/a
cost effective	Yes
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Bridge G



inside town boundary	Yes
high traffic	Yes
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Gisborne Community
Sentiment towards
Inappropriate Development













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(1) Reflects material projects identified for carry forward from the 2020/21 financial year. All final amounts of project carry forwards will be identified post-June 30 2021, when all expenditure has been determined for the financial year. Formal approval will then be sought to carry forward these amounts.

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4.7 Capital Recurring Programs and Projects

Building renewal program 2021/22			Total \$3,150,000
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BOLINDA	East	Bolinda Hall toilets	Renewal fitout
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WOODEND	West	Woodend Playgroup	Veranda and fittings
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KYNETON	West	Kyneton Airfields toilets	Replacement with Modular
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Red Brick Hall – On-street Disability Discrimination Act Car Space and Building Renewal Works
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(1) Reflects material projects identified for carry forward from the 2020/21 financial year. All final amounts of project carry forwards will be identified post-June 30 2021, when all expenditure has been determined for the financial year. Formal approval will then be sought to carry forward these amounts.

Appendix 3. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Capital Recurring Programs and Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Note that Kyneton Rifle Range is listed for Clubrooms renewal and Toilets renewal. We would argue that there is less community use and by a less gender and age diverse range of community members of the Rifle Range than there is of the Woodend Golf Club.

4.7 Capital Recurring Programs and Projects

Building renewal program 2021/22			Total \$3,150,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details and comments
BOLINDA	East	Bolinda Hall toilets	Renewal fitout
GISBORNE	South	Gisborne Court House stables	Floor structure failure
GISBORNE	South	Sankey Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square small bore range	Small-bore range renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Window replacement, roof and fittings
KYNETON	West	Kyneton IT server room	Security data brick upgrade
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Roof and fitout renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Toilets renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Clubrooms renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Transfer Station	Waste bins structure replacement
MACEDON	South	Jubilee Hall	Veranda posts, eaves and fascia
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Tennis clubrooms	Fitout renewal
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
MALMSBURY	West	Malmsbury Hall	Stage 1 design and plan renewal
RIDDELLS CREEK	East	Riddells Creek Montessori Kindergarten	Chimney, external renewal, review of services
WOODEND	West	Hanging Rock Café	Roof and fitout renewal
WOODEND	West	Woodend Museum (Court House)	Stage 1 services and façade
WOODEND	West	Woodend Playgroup	Veranda and fittings
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square Kennel Club building	Replacement with modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Airfields toilets	Replacement with Modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Shire Office	Roof repairs, windows, structural blade walls
WOODEND	West	Gilbert Gordon Oval toilets	Renewal fitout
WOODEND	West	Woodend Pool	Fence renewal
WOODEND, LANCEFIELD and GISBORNE	West, East, South	Woodend Pool, Lancefield Pool and Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Woodend Pool toddler pool repainting and filtration system upgrade, Lancefield Pool toddler and 25m pool repainting, Gisborne Aquatic Centre sand filter replacement

Appendix 4. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Potential Future Capital Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

It appears that the work to bring the clubhouse up to building code that was planned for 20/21 was not only not completed but also not carried forward and has now gone from a committed project in the previous year to a “potential” project with no committed timeframe.

Potential Future Capital Projects
Gisborne Skate Park – construction
Kyneton Museum Roof Works – construction
Kyneton Showgrounds Master Plan Implementation – Asphalt Works
Kyneton Town Hall – Theatre and Meeting Room Refurbishment construction
Malmsbury Mechanics Institute – construction
Malmsbury Recreation Reserve Change rooms – construction
New flagpoles & planning for flagpole illumination
Red Brick Hall – On-street Disability Discrimination Act Car Space and Building Renewal Works
Riddells Creek Exercise Equipment
Riddells Creek Leisure Centre multipurpose room extension – construction
Riddells Creek Lions Park Pavilion – upgrade
Riddells Creek Tennis Club modular change rooms – construction
Recreational Vehicle Dump Point – construction
Secure Electronic Key Cabinet
Woodend Community Centre – construction
Woodend Golf Club – new clubhouse building – construction

As these projects may occur in the future and costs change over time, no amounts have been quoted at this time. Analysis of likely costs will be considered when the initiative or project is to progress further in a budget allocation process.

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Dear Mr. Hausler, Mayor and Councillors,

Attached please find the 2021 Budget Submission for funding to be allocated for the approved Master Plan at Ash Wednesday Park.

I have also attached (for your convenience) a copy of the Ash Wednesday Park Master Plan.

Please note that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I wish to speak and present the submission at a submitters meeting.

Should you have any queries do not hesitate to contact me or [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] any time.

Regards,

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Ash Wednesday Park Master Plan

April 2020



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Introduction

The Ash Wednesday Park master plan has been developed by Council with the Macedon community in 2019 and 2020.

The master plan is to provide guidance for future development of the park, and, as best practice, takes a holistic view of the public open space in this area that is managed by Council. As a result the master plan considers both the actual parcel of land Ash Wednesday Park sits on and the public open space towards Jubilee Hall.

The master plan considers the preservation of the natural environmental attributes, capturing and showcasing the history of the park which encompasses Indigenous heritage/culture, Ash Wednesday fires, and the connectivity between points of interest (train station, public toilets, Jubilee Hall, primary school, Macedon township and Mount Players Theatre etc.) and the park.

A copy of the master plan is included as an appendix to this report, along with supporting documents such as costed, staged implementation plan, planting schedule and materials palette.

Vision

The master plan lays out an approach to the improvement of Ash Wednesday Park over the next 10 to 20 years. The intention is to preserve and regenerate the ecological value of the park, while improving visitor facilities in a considered and appropriate way. This plan aims to pay respect to the history of the park, including its purpose as a place of memorial.

Background

Ash Wednesday Park is a small yet important park located on Smith Street in Macedon with adjoining Council managed open space towards Jubilee Hall also used by the community albeit as a bush land area. Council is the land owner and manager of the park with adjacent land ownership shared with VicTrack, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and private residents.

The park is classified as a district level playground in Council's Playground Strategy 2009-2014 and is well used by local residents and visitors due to the natural shade, serenity and close proximity to the township, train station, Jubilee Hall and Mount Players Theatre.

Current facilities include a barbecue shelter, playground, drinking fountain and multiple picnic settings and park benches. The closest public toilets are located 125m away, further along Smith Street opposite the Macedon Railway Hotel. Jubilee Hall is also located within the Park and is managed by the Macedon Ranges Community Halls Inc.

Council's Open Space Strategy 2013 outlines a priority project for Macedon/Mount Macedon to 'prepare a master plan for Ash Wednesday Park.

Council's Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2018-2028 outlines a key direction of the Macedon/Mount Macedon district to 'continue to work with the local community to explore opportunities to establish a significant play space/community hub (e.g. multipurpose stage, amphitheatre, picnic areas and play space). The strategy also includes action 1.1.2 'implement priority recommendations from the Shire's Open Space Strategy including... preparing a master plan for Ash Wednesday Park in Macedon.'

In 2018, the Macedon and Mt Macedon Business and Tourism Association ('MMMBATA') made a submission to Council's budget process and were successful in securing funding towards the development of a master plan to guide future development for the park.

Pollen Studio were engaged to develop both a master plan and a costed, staged implementation plan.

Consultation

Pollen Studio and Council have worked closely with the local community throughout the consultation process, to develop a master plan which reflects many views and priorities amongst the local residents.

Brainstorming session

An initial brainstorming session was facilitated by Pollen Studio and provided an opportunity for residents to create their wish list for Ash Wednesday Park and to help inform the draft master plan.

Overall, a high level of priority was placed on retaining the natural bush setting of the park, improving existing conditions and use. Suggestions included:

- Park etiquette signage (pick up after your dog, no heat bead barbecues, take rubbish home etc.)
- Signage to inform ecology of the park (species of trees, wildlife in park)
- Infrastructure upgrades to include bike rack, bike repair station, outdoor fitness equipment, a stage with electricity, skate park, playground improvements, extension of shelter and barbecue facilities, inclusion of a public toilet
- Monument to reflect Ash Wednesday fires memorial
- Changes to parking to create accessible and minibus parking, installation of bollards
- Improved drainage and formalization of water way, including upgrade of bridge crossing
- Improved weed management and revegetation areas, including potential bush tucker planting
- Improved connectivity between train station/viaduct and Jubilee Hall/primary school. Including internal walking paths between regeneration areas.

Walk-shop

After consideration from internal Council departments, the ideas and suggestions discussed at the brainstorming session were collated to inform a first draft master plan, which was subsequently presented to local residents at an onsite 'walk-shop' facilitated by Pollen Studio.

Members of the community engaged in a walking tour and open discussions/debate on the elements included in the updated plan. It also provided an opportunity for both Pollen Studio and Council officers to engage in discussions regarding the rationale behind why certain elements and facilities were included/excluded from the first draft master plan.

Discussion topics and feedback included:

- Effects of redevelopment and increasing capacity of the park
- Inclusion of skate friendly elements (e.g. Steel rimmed curbs or bollards) within the park, rather than a skate park facility
- General consensus on location of the stage, with an emphasis on a multipurpose structure
- Regeneration boundaries and maintaining open grassy areas
- Dispersing facilities around the shelter to avoid congestion and reduce risk with high pedestrian and car traffic
- Removable bollards to reduce vehicle access to inner road, creating flat space for bike/scooters etc. yet ability to open in busy periods
- Some support for the inclusion of a public toilet.

Each person in attendance was provided the opportunity to vote on their priorities for the park which has helped inform the staged implementation plan.

Public Exhibition of Draft Master Plan

Council resolved at its meeting on 23 October 2019 to approve the draft master plan for a four week period of community consultation in November 2019.

The draft master plan underwent a period of community consultation over a four week period from 4 November to 30 November 2019, which included:

- Comments sought on Council's 'Have Your Say' web page
- Comment sought directly from those on the established stakeholder contact list including previous submitters
- Promotion via Council's social media.

All feedback received has been considered by Council's environment, parks and recreation officers and the consultants in terms of guiding the final master plan, with the following key changes made to the document:

- Inclusion of car park upgrade works into the master plan implementation plan as item 1.10
- Inclusion of weed management as part of the project description for items 1.02 and 1.09 in the master plan implementation plan so as to re-emphasise the importance of this work
- Revision of the master plan plant list and indicate that these are guidelines and subject to final approval by the relevant authorities at implementation
- Clarification on the need to undertake further investigations and seek approvals when determining the final precise location of the proposed multi-purpose stage
- Clarification on the ongoing annual maintenance cost for assets developed through the master plan, noting more accurate assessment of future maintenance costs should be undertaken as part of future detailed design and implementation
- Various formatting updates required to finalise the master plan.

Implementation

Pollen Studio have provided a draft staged and costed implementation plan to inform the execution of the master plan. A materials palette and planting guidelines also accompanies the master plan to provide visual guidance at the detailed design stage.

It is important to note that once items are funded the detailed design process is to include:

1. Any authority guidelines, approvals and consultation as required and amending the works in regards to these. As examples, the advice of Melbourne Water in terms of details relating to treatment and plantings near the creek areas through the park. The advice of the gas supply authority in terms of the proposed stage and proximity to the gas supply line.
2. The approval of Council's environmental and parks teams and Melbourne Water of the details of any plantings at the implementation stage prior to the sourcing of plants. The planting guidelines provide initial guidance.

Stage one

Council's 2019/2020 budget includes an allowance of \$50,000 to commence the implementation of stage one works as identified in the draft implementation plan, which has been developed in consideration of the priorities outlined by the community at the walk-shop.

Based on the outcomes of the community consultation undertaken so far, this includes improvements to the entertainment area, being the construction of a multipurpose stage/platform and drainage and other improvements to the open grassy area.

Once the final draft master plan has been considered by Council, detailed design for stage one works will commence in 2020.

Ongoing

Based on the estimates provided in the draft implementation plan the development of all stages would cost in excess of \$200,000. The master plan has been developed to provide guidance for the development of the park over the next decade and will require a range of funding sources to support full implementation.

The annual maintenance cost of assets developed through the master plan should be calculated at industry levels which is currently 2 per cent of total investment cost. An accurate assessment of future maintenance costs should be undertaken as part of future detailed design and implementation.

Once finalised, Council officers will encourage the community to use the master plan to apply for different funding streams available through Council, State and Federal Governments or other funding programs.

Community groups will also be encouraged to take ownership in progressing the plan i.e. Landcare hosting community planting days to implement the revegetation phases of the master plan.

Appendices

1. Ash Wednesday Park Master Plan

VISION

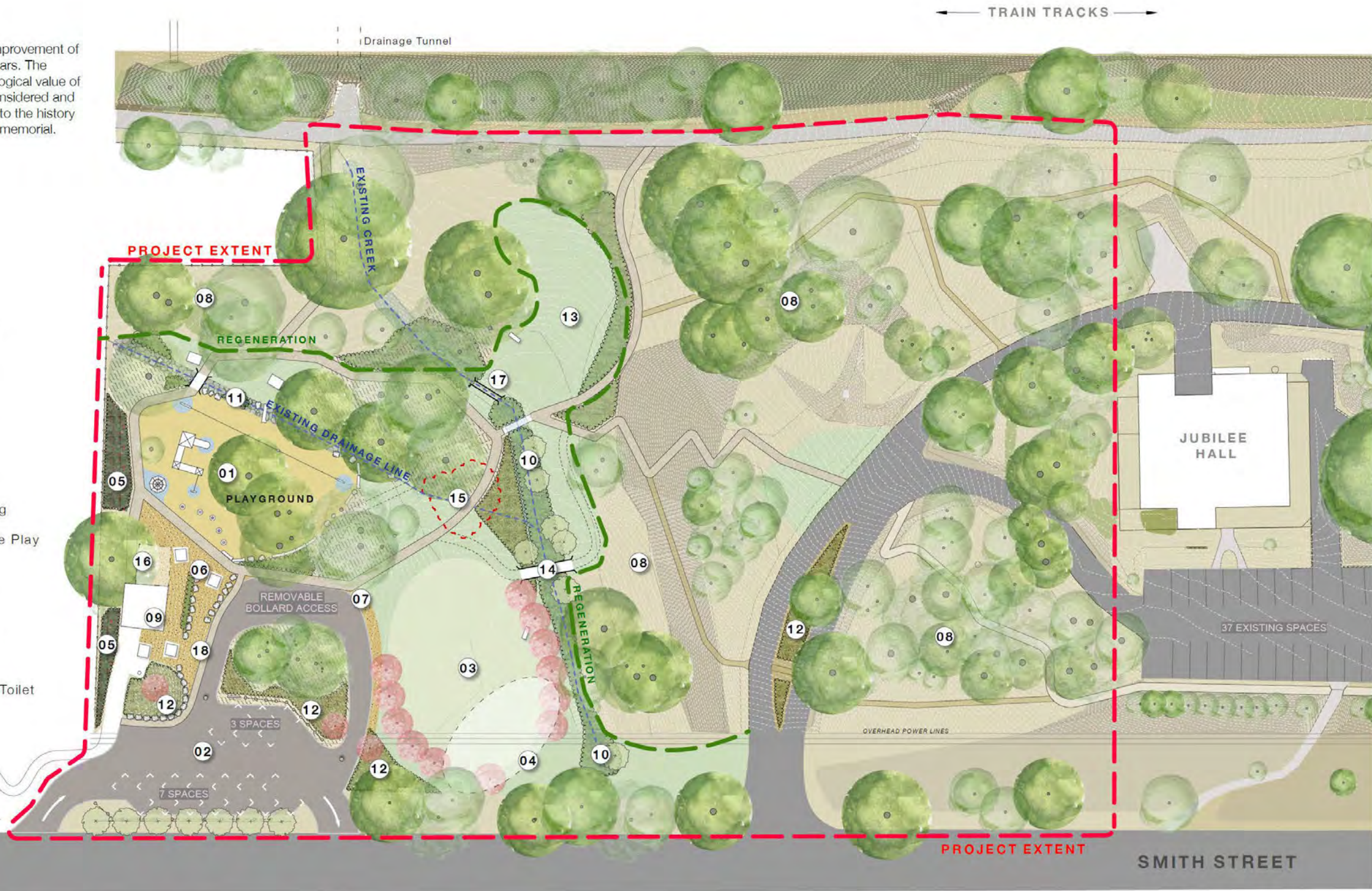
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KEY

- 01 Playground Upgrade
- 02 Carpark Upgrade
- 03 Open Lawn Area
- 04 Stage / Multipurpose Platform Area
- 05 Bush-tucker Planting
- 06 Picnic Area Upgrade
- 07 Bicycle Repair / Bicycle Parking
- 08 Regeneration Area
- 09 Memorial / Information Signage
- 10 Creek Restoration / Riparian Planting
- 11 Drainage Line Naturalisation / Nature Play
- 12 Native Feature Planting
- 13 Grassy Area / Regeneration
- 14 Creek Crossing Point / New Bridge
- 15 Drainage Fix / Shrub Removal
- 16 Shelter Extension / Potential Future Toilet
- 17 Grassy Creek Crossing
- 18 Bin Relocation

LEGEND

- | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Native Tree | Upgraded Carpark (Gravel) | Grass (Seasonal Mowing) |
| Exotic Tree | Path (Granitic Sand) | Mulch (Under Trees) |
| Riparian Planting | Bush Track | Regeneration Area |
| Bush Tucker Planting | Bollards | Gravel / Granitic Sand |
| Native Feature Planting | Lawn (Regular Mowing) | Project Extent |
| Existing Park Seat / Table | | Regeneration Extent |



Ash Wednesday Park Master Plan

2. Materials Palette



NATURE PLAY (NATURAL EDGING)



NATURE PLAY (FALLEN TREE REUSE)



NATURE PLAY (LOG STEPPERS)



FLYING FOX (ADVENTURE PLUS)



PICNIC SETTING (FURPHY)



BICYCLE REPAIR STATION (SECURABIKE)



GRANITIC SAND PATH



RECYCLED PLASTIC BOLLARDS (REPLAS)



GRAVEL CARPARK



ACER RUBRUM 'OCTOBER GLORY'



CITRUS AUSTRALASICA (BUSH TUCKER PLANTING)



BANKSIA INTEGRIFOLIA



EUCALYPTUS MELLIODORA



POA LABILLARDIEREI (RIPARIAN PLANTING)



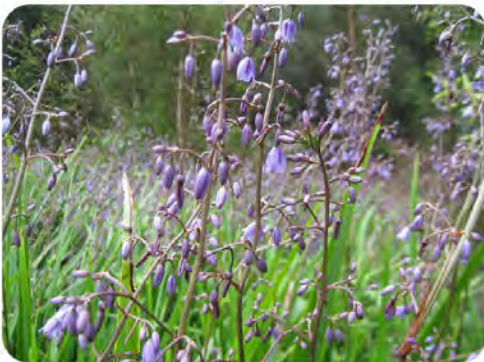
DILLWYNIA CINERASCENS (NATIVE FEATURE PLANTING)



HOVEA HETEROPHYLLA (NATIVE FEATURE PLANTING)



LOMANDRA FILIFORMIS (NATIVE FEATURE PLANTING)



DIANELLA REVOLUTA (NATIVE FEATURE PLANTING)

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PROJECT
Ash Wednesday Park, Macedon

CLIENT
Macedon Ranges Shire Council

TITLE
Materials Palette / Precedents / Planting

DRAWING NUMBER
MP-01

SCALE
N/A

ISSUE DATE
19.03.2020

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3. Implementation Plan

STAGED / COSTED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

CLIENT: Macedon Ranges Shire Council

POLLEN STUDIO

UPDATE: 18.03.2020

Ash Wednesday Park, Macedon

Item	Project	Master Plan Number	Quantity	Unit	Rate (xGST)	Estimate Cost (xGST)	Priority	PACKAGE
1.00	Stage: Small Permanent Stage / Multipurpose Structure	4	1	item	\$20,000 00	\$20,000 00	SHORT TERM	1
1.01	Open Lawn Area Grassy Area Graded & Seeded / Seating Renewal / New Seating / Tree Planting / Creek Regeneration / Agg Drain	3	1	item	\$18,000 00	\$18,000 00	SHORT TERM	
1.02	Drainage Fix Vegetation Removal / Drainage Works / Weed Management	15	1	item	\$10,000 00	\$10,000 00	SHORT TERM	
1.03	Footpaths Granitic Sand Path Network	.	280	m2	\$50 00	\$14,000 00	SHORT TERM	2
1.04	Partial Playground Upgrade New Play Elements to form part of Existing Play Ground / Potential Nature Play / Potential Flying Fox	11	1	item	\$70,000 00	\$70,000 00	SHORT TERM	
1.05	Drainage Line Naturalisation Rock Mulch / Planting / Crossing Log	11	140	m2	\$100.00	\$14,000 00	SHORT TERM	
1.06	Memorial Signage about History of Park. Project to be Community Led	9	1	item	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00	SHORT TERM	3
1.07	Bicycle Repair Station Public Pump and Tools / Bicycle Hoops	7	1	item	\$7,500 00	\$7,500 00	SHORT TERM	4
1.08	Regeneration Area Weed Management / EVC Plantings	8	10,500	m2	\$5 00	\$52,500 00	SHORT TERM	5
1.09	Riparian Planting EVC Appropriate Planting / Weed Management	10	185	m2	\$50 00	\$9,250.00	SHORT TERM	
1.10	Car Park Upgrade Resurface / Bollards / Renew	2	500	m2	\$80 00	\$40,000 00	SHORT TERM	6
Detailed Design, Project Management + Contingency (15%)						\$33,037.50		
TOTAL						\$293,287.50		

2.00	Playground Upgrade Existing playground equipment upgraded at end of life.	1	1	Item	\$60,000 00	\$60,000 00	MEDIUM TERM
2.01	Information Signage Signage about Etiquette in Park / Safety	9	2	item	\$2,000 00	\$4,000 00	MEDIUM TERM
2.02	Native Feature Planting Mulch / Planting	12	380	m2	\$40 00	\$15,200 00	MEDIUM TERM
2.03	Creek Crossing Point Bridge or Culvert / Bridge Relocation / Path works	13	1	item	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00	MEDIUM TERM
2.04	Bridge Bridge Upgrade / Bridge Relocation / Path works	14	1	item	\$15,000 00	\$15,000 00	MEDIUM TERM
2.05	Bin Relocation Closer to Parking	18	1	item	\$500.00	\$500.00	MEDIUM TERM
2.06	Grassy Creek Crossing Culvert Treatment	17	1	item	\$10,000 00	\$10,000 00	MEDIUM TERM
Detailed Design, Project Management + Contingency (15%)						\$15,855.00	
TOTAL						\$121,555.00	

3.00	Bush Tucker Garden Planting / Signage	5	80	m2	\$25 00	\$2,000.00	LONG TERM
3.01	Picnic Area Upgrade Picnic Setting Renewal / Terracing of Slope / Tap	6	1	item	\$40,000 00	\$40,000.00	LONG TERM
3.02	Shelter Extension Additional Future Shelter / Potential Public Toilet. Provision of toilet to be considered in conjunction with planning for Smith Street toilets.	16	1	item	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	LONG TERM
Detailed Design, Project Management + Contingency (15%)						\$28,800.00	
TOTAL						\$220,800.00	
GRAND TOTAL						\$635,642.50	

Note: Implementation order and timing is aspirational and dependent upon funding opportunities that may arise.

Indicative Timeframe	
SHORT TERM	1-7 Years
MEDIUM TERM	7-12 Years
LONG TERM	12+ Years

4. Planting Guidelines

Planting Guidelines - Ash Wednesday Park

ISSUE B

Macedon Ranges Shire Council

POLLEN STUDIO

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME
Exotic Trees - Planted around Open Grassy Area (3)	
<i>Acer rubrum</i> 'October Glory'	October Glory Maple
Native Trees - Planted Throughout Reserve	
<i>Acacia dealbata</i>	Silver Wattle
<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	Blackwood
<i>Acacia verticillata</i>	Prickly Moses
<i>Eucalyptus melliodora</i>	Yellow Box
<i>Eucalyptus obliqua</i>	Messmate Stringybark
<i>Eucalyptus radiata</i>	Narrow-leaf Peppermint
<i>Eucalyptus rubida</i>	Candlebark
<i>Eucalyptus ovata</i>	Swamp Gum
Native Feature Planting - Planted at Entry (12) and around Grassy Area (13)	
<i>Acrotriche serrulata</i>	Honey-pots
<i>Bossiaea prostrata</i>	Creeping Bossiaea
<i>Cassinia aculeata</i>	Common Cassinia
<i>Clematis aristata</i>	Mountain clematis
<i>Coprosma quadrifida</i>	Prickly currant-bush
<i>Correa reflexa</i>	Common Correa
<i>Dillwynia cinerascens</i>	Grey Parrot-pea
<i>Gahania sieberiana</i>	Red-Fruit Saw-sedge
<i>Goodenia lanata</i>	Trailing Goodenia
<i>Goodenia ovata</i>	Hop Goodenia
<i>Hardenbergia violacea</i>	Purple Coral-pea
<i>Hovea heterophylla</i>	Common Hovea
<i>Leptospermum lanigerum</i>	Wooly tea-tree
<i>Lomandra filiformis</i>	Wattle Mat-rush
<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	Spiny -headed Mat-rush
<i>Olearia argophylla</i>	Musk Daisy-bush
<i>Olearia lirata</i>	Snowy Daisy-bush
<i>Pimelea humilis</i>	Common Rice-flower
<i>Pultenaea daphnoides</i>	Large-leaf Bush Pea
<i>Rubus parvifolia</i>	Native raspberry
<i>Sambucus gaudichaudiana</i>	White Elderberry
<i>Solanum laciniatum</i>	Large Kangaroo Apple
Native Waterway Planting - Planted in Creek Restoration (10) and Drainage Line Naturalisation (11)	
<i>Blechnum nudum</i>	Fishbone Water-fern
<i>Carex apressa</i>	Tall sedge
<i>Carex breviculmis</i>	Common Grass Sedge
<i>Dianella revoluta</i>	Black-anther Flax-lily
<i>Dianella tasmanica</i>	Tasman Flax-lily
<i>Gahnia radula</i>	Thatch saw-sedge
<i>Isolepis fluitans</i>	Floating club-sedge
<i>Lomandra filiformis</i>	Wattle Mat-rush
<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	Spiny -headed Mat-rush
<i>Poa labillardierei</i>	Common Tussock-grass
<i>Poa sieberiana</i>	Grey Tussock-grass
<i>Polystichum proliferum</i>	Mother Shield-fern
Bush Tucker Planting - Planted in Bush-tucker Planting (5)	
<i>Austromyrtus dulcis</i>	Midyim Berry
<i>Citrus australasica</i>	Finger Lime
<i>Lomandra filiformis</i>	Wattle Mat-rush
<i>Mentha australis</i>	River Mint
<i>Rubus parvifolia</i>	Native Raspberry
<i>Tetragonia tetragonoides</i>	Warrigal greens

Note: This list forms an initial guideline **only** and will be open for further development and consultation during Detailed Design

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19th May, 2021

Mr John Hausler,
Mayor and Councillors,
Macedon Ranges Shire Council,
P.O. Box151,
Kyneton Vic. 3444

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**Submission for Ash Wednesday Park Master Landscape Plan
Additional Funding Allocation in 2020/2021 Budget**

Dear Councillors,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] I present supporting reasons and documents to assist Councillors' with their decision.

The 2021/2022 Budget Submission is summarised by the following main points,

1. There is an allocation of \$50k for works from the 2019/2020 Budget that will be used to fund the 'Stage 1' component of the approved Ash Wednesday Park Masterplan (AWP). The stage is expected to be built in the 2020/2021 financial year.
2. This submission requests that a further \$200K of funds be allocated towards the project in the 2021/2022. These funds could be sourced from the South Ward Public Open Space Fund Reserve which was specifically established to pay for projects like Ash Wednesday Park.
3. Funding could also be obtained from other Budget reserves for 'MRSC Asset Improvements' for existing infrastructure and/or included in any infrastructure funding grants that MRSC puts forward to the State or Federal Government.

The following reasons are provided in support of the budget submission,

1. (a) The AWP project was first supported by the Gisborne Shire Council on 6th January 1988 (see attached document)
- (b) The project also has the support of the community and volunteer groups including the Lions Club.
- (c) Community funds, grants and donations allowed Ash Wednesday Park to come to life by a resilient Community to provide ongoing activities and recreational opportunities for future generations.
- (d) It has always been our goal for the full implementation of the AWP Masterplan by February 2023 to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the devastation that occurred in the Macedon and Mount Macedon townships and those that lost their lives.

2. The AWP was an initiative of the Community to assist in getting the economy, tourism and community moving as one, after the Ash Wednesday Bushfire disaster.
3. The COVID-19 year raised similar issues because of the isolation due to lockdowns, and it is well known that a place of recreation is the healthiest and best destination to foster wellbeing and a healthy lifestyle.
4. The Ash Wednesday Park Landscape Master Plan aligns with Council Plan priorities
 - (a) A 'High Priority' in MRSC Open Space Strategy since 2013,
 - (b) The MRSC Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2018-2028 outlines a key direction of the Macedon and Mt. Macedon district is to "... continue to work with space/community hub (eg multipurpose stage, amphitheatre, picnic area and a play space)"
 - (c) The Playground Strategy 2009-2014 classifies Ash Wednesday Park as a district level playground and further identifies that, "... opportunity exists to diversify the play experience with addition of some senior play equipment.."
 - (d) Note: The Officer recommendation when the draft Ash Wednesday Master Plan was approved at the Council meeting of 23 October, 2019 highlighted the points 5(a)(b)(c). (see attached page 60 of the 23 October Council Agenda).
5. At the meeting of 23 October, 2019 during discussions by Councillors about funds to be used from the South Ward Public Open Space Fund Reserve it was noted that the funds from this source were specifically tailored to meet open space and recreation facilities such as the Ash Wednesday Park project.
6. In 2019/2020 Budget we also applied for extra funding for Ash Wednesday Park Master Plan works but were advised that any extra funding submission from Budgets would be considered once the Masterplan was approved and endorsed by Council. The Ash Wednesday Park Master Plan has been approved by Council at the meeting held on 1 May, 2020.
7. The 'Shared Trail Project' is progressing to fruition which will provide another link to the recreational facilities of AWP being only metres from the 'Shared Trail Route' We note that funding for Shared Trail project has been allocated from three of the Public Open Space Reserve funds.
8. MMMBATA has now been successful in receiving a grant, from the Community Bank of Gisborne and Districts. This will allow the 'Flying Fox' component of the AWP Masterplan to be installed and completed. It is expected that this work will commence in June 2020.

Conclusion

Over the last 6months during the period of addressing issues caused by Covid-19, I have on many occasions been asked to provide feedback to Council officers on the ideas of MMMBATA to help Council implement support for local townships and address the economic, tourism and social issues brought about by lockdowns and restrictions.

Councillors have before them an opportunity to provide an injection of funds into a community asset to help improve, maintain and address the lack of a suitable playground and recreation destination point in the Macedon township.

Ash Wednesday Park is deserving of further funding to progress the works identified at Stage1 of the Plan so that it will assist and enhance the tourism experience of visitors to the area and promote activities for community wellbeing as well as play an integral part during the annual Autumn Leaves Festival.

The community also needs a quality playground, and the Park being within walking distant of the Macedon village and railway station, as well as part of the Shared Trail route, will enhance the economic, social and health benefits for present and future activity of the local villages.

Some of the current activities and events held at the Ash Wednesday Park are,

1. Daily use by children while waiting for the school bus (morning and evening)
2. Group picnics and children's birthday parties
3. Annual Christmas community party during December each year
4. Destination point for teenager's bike riding excursions and events
5. Family birthday BBQs for our younger generation.

Some future uses are:-

1. School excursions to explore nature and wildlife
2. Recreation facilities as a Tourist destination point during the Autumn Leaves Festival
3. Meeting point for bike riding groups (a Bike Repair station is proposed as part of the AWP masterplan)
4. Approved Shared Trails central meeting point
5. Form part of the Arts Precinct with Jubilee Hall and Mount Players Theatre

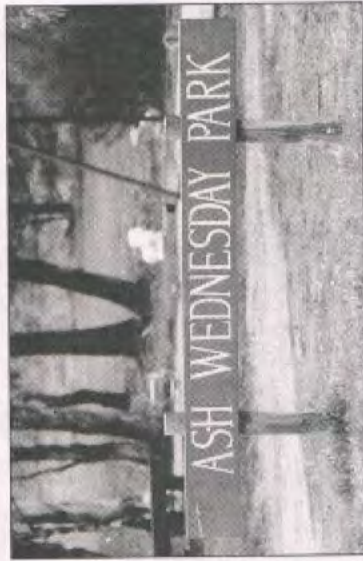
We urge you to support our Submission and further commit to future budget funding to ensure that this project is completed by the 40th Anniversary of the 1983 Bushfires.

Council first supported the AWP initiative in 1988 and the community has been waiting patiently for more than 30 years. This is an existing well utilised Park and not a new concept, upgrades and an enhancement are long overdue.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me or our Secretary Mr. Peter Shaw.

I thank you for the opportunity of this submission, take care and stay safe.

Yours Sincerely,



A reminder: Ash Wednesday Park in Macedon.

N3381145

‘It was a wall of flames shooting up 60-100 metres high and it sounded like 30 freight trains coming toward you.’



Morning after: Macedon township as the fires left it.

Summer stirs Ashes

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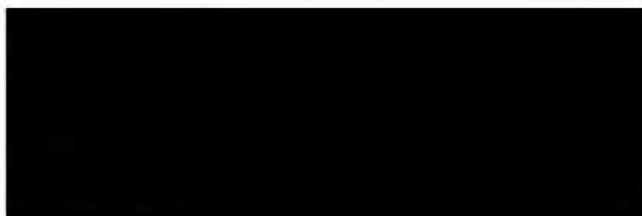
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ROBERTSON STREET,
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6th January, 1988.



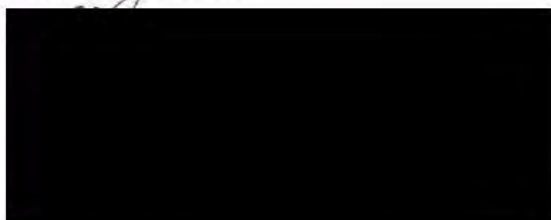
Dear Sir,

RE: ASH WEDNESDAY PARK - SMITH STREET, MACEDON

The Council considered your letter at its December Adjourned Meeting and congratulates you on the formation of a Committee to manage the Park.

The Council also agreed with your request for assistance in providing crushed rock for the surface of the car park and the erection of barriers around the perimeter. These works will be carried out by the Council's Day Labour Staff during the construction period.

Yours faithfully,



SHIRE OF GISBORNE

Strategic Alignment

The project aligns with the following Council Plan priorities:

1. Promote health and wellbeing:
 - a. Foster social connection and inclusion.
 - b. Support volunteers.
 - c. Improve opportunities for all community members to be heard, participate in their community and influence outcomes.
 - d. Ensure people have opportunities for passive recreation and leisure activities in open spaces.
2. Protect the natural environment:
 - a. Protect biodiversity.
 - b. Implement best practice conservation management techniques to protect biodiversity and manage threats.
 - c. Prioritise local species in new public plantings wherever possible.
 - d. Preserve the landscape quality of vistas.
 - e. Continue to apply best practice and partnerships to protect and enhance biodiversity and the natural environment.
3. Improve the built environment:
 - a. Increase walking and cycling connectivity.

Council's Open Space Strategy 2013 identifies the preparation of a master plan for Ash Wednesday Park as a priority project for Macedon/Mount Macedon.

Council's Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2018-2028 outlines that a key direction of the Macedon and Mount Macedon district is to 'continue to work with the local community to explore opportunities to establish a significant play space / community hub (eg. multipurpose stage, amphitheatre, picnic areas and play space).

The strategy also includes action 1.1.2 'Implement priority recommendations from the Shire's Open Space Strategy including... preparing a master plan for Ash Wednesday Park in Macedon.'

Council's Playground Strategy 2009-2014 classifies Ash Wednesday Park as a district level playground, and identifies that 'opportunity exists to diversify the play experience with the addition of some senior play equipment.' Identified new and improved works include:

1. Bench seats near play equipment.
2. Signage
3. Bike rack.
4. Potential for installation of senior play equipment.
5. Explore accessibility options from car park with the park facilities.
6. Investigate the development of accessible and inclusive play opportunities at the site.

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 Tennis Courts Lighting Replacement
 To whom this concerns,
 With regard to the Draft Annual Budget 2021 / 22 - Gisborne
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Lights on all courts are needed even more now than they were back in 2019 with the growing population of Gisborne. Currently the Club is having to negotiate with other clubs in the region to find places to play home matches in the Thursday night competitions, with a lot the additional organising, changing fixtures, paying fees, and stretching good-will that is associated with that. Also, more importantly, coming into the darker months of the year, coaching is restricted, particularly for junior's evening lessons.

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Thanks and Regards,
[REDACTED]

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How did you find out about this?	Other: We have been in discussions with council officers regarding this for some time.

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Thanks and Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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15 April 2021

Dear [REDACTED],

R: Court lighting at Gisborne Tennis Club.

I am writing to provide further information on my experience with the lights at Gisborne Tennis Club and outline the impact that this has had on delivery of a [REDACTED] program at the Club.

As you are aware, [REDACTED] a coaching program Monday through to Friday and on average use 3 to 4 courts to provide lessons to local students each night. As daylight savings ends and winter approaches we need to use lights after 5pm for all of our classes to be completed; our lessons commence after school hours so we are unable to simply start classes earlier to ensure completion by sunset.

Prior to December 2020, I was generally able to access any of the 8 courts at the Club if needed and this meant that we could move classes to alternative courts within the Club if a court was unplayable due to rain or if there was an issue with court lighting. Over the past 24 months I have communicated that the lighting on the courts is unreliable with various lights on each of the courts at times not illuminating, which has required moving lessons to another court.

However, there are now a number of other issues that reduce my ability to move lessons to other courts and this impacts my ability to deliver the coaching program. The current issues are as follows:

1. I am now only able to access 4 courts with lighting each night (3, 4, 7 and 8) as the other four courts (1, 2, 5 and 6) are still without lights after a pole collapsed in November 2020.
2. There are ongoing issues with intermittent lighting faults and the result is a poor playing and coaching environment for students and staff alike. We are unable to move to alternative courts with lighting.
3. Courts 7 and 8 become slippery after rain and are not safe for use with students even when the rain stops. After rain, black material appears on the court and this must be removed to render the playing surface safe. The material can only be removed by sweeping after the courts have had sufficient time to dry.

There are a number of direct impacts on the Gisborne community and my business that I wish to highlight below.

1. Gisborne is experiencing a growth period and this is expected to continue as organisations and employees harness the gains of remote working prompted during COVID-19 lockdowns in 2020. Families can now experience the benefits of a rural lifestyle, including the connection that local sporting Clubs can provide. The Gisborne Tennis Club is in a position to capitalise on potential growing demand for outdoor activities as new families arrive. However, this could be compromised if the issues above are not addressed.
2. There is potential reputational impact for my business as I am unable to guarantee an appropriate playing environment for students. This not only limits my ability to attract new clients but represents a lost opportunity for the Club to build its membership base and thus

ensure a sustainable community asset that helps keep community members active and socially connected.

3. I am self-employed and the business is not only my primary form of income but also the primary form of income for my two employees. The current issues compound an already depleted revenue stream after business restrictions implemented in response to COVID-19 during 2020.

I take this opportunity to thank-you for the support that the Club has given my business and for communicating updates on the court repairs to the extent you are able. I look forward to further discussion with the Club, and the council if appropriate, to resolve the above issues so we can minimise the impact and duration of the lighting and court access issues on the local community and my small business.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

23rd April, 2021

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: Gisborne Tennis Club Court Lighting

I am writing to you to express the [REDACTED] desperate need for all court lighting to be reinstated as soon as possible. Through no fault of the Club we have gone from having 8 courts under lights to 4 courts under lights (currently only 2 courts with reliable lighting). This has seriously compromised our night tennis (social and competition) and after school coaching. This is not tenable for our members, our coach and the broader community.

As a matter of urgency, we need clarity, transparency, and to provide input as to when the Club will have court lighting reinstated on all courts. We don't understand why we have no input into this process. We cannot simply wait and hope. Court lighting is essential to the Club's viability. We need to be able to plan and inform our members and the Gisborne community of the situation and when it will be remedied.

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To remind you of the situation the Club is in, here is the timeline regarding the court lighting:

- Several years ago the Victorian Government, Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC), and the Club saw the need for all 8 courts at the Club to be under lights, so in 2019, with money from all three parties lights were installed on courts 7&8 (bringing all 8 courts under lights).
- The courts were highly utilised under lights, particularly every Thursday night for the growing MRTA Thursday night competition, until the temporary court closure due to COVID.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

22nd April 2021

RE: GISBORNE TENNIS CLUB – COURT LIGHTING

[REDACTED] is writing to offer our support to [REDACTED] Club (GTC) in their pursuit to resolve the current court lighting situation at their venue in collaboration with both the club and the Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC).

[REDACTED] is a very committed club in supporting the numerous tennis competitions on offer through the [REDACTED] and also plays a very active role on the [REDACTED] committee.

It has saddened me to hear the news that the venue is now down to only 2 courts with functioning lights.

Being one of the larger clubs within the Macedon Ranges and the association, this is not sustainable to have their tennis activities impeded to such a serious degree.

The [REDACTED] currently runs 2 night competitions (Thursday Night Open and Wednesday Night Women's comps). Thursday night competition has grown tremendously in participation numbers over the past few years and the new Wednesday night competition has kicked off its first season in Autumn 2021, which is proving already to be very popular and is also likely to grow quickly over the next few seasons.

Given that juniors coaching is also delivered during the week after school hours, it is just as important to support this cohort of players to enable them to get the best out of their tennis and reach their full potential in the sport – which of course starts at the grass roots level in juniors competition.

Without access to the majority of their courts during the night time hours, I cannot see how [REDACTED] can either retain members or grow their club.

This will have serious knock on effects for all clubs and venues in the MRTA, as we rely on all the courts across all venues for our competitions to run smoothly and successfully and to meet the current demand. Thursday night comp is already at fully utilised court capacity for most venues and some other venues do not have enough courts under lights to sustain their own teams, without having the extra burden of having to move matches and accommodate the many teams that [REDACTED] currently have in the competition.

I can only describe this situation as dire for the future of the club and the growth of tennis in the shire.

Given the disastrous year we all had in 2020 due to the COVID-19 restrictions on sporting clubs, we are only just starting to recover and get people back into playing and enjoying our wonderful sport, that supports all ages and abilities.

I really hope that this problem can be resolved with the urgency and attention it requires and that MRSC will be doing everything in their power to help make that happen.

In the meantime the [REDACTED] will offer its full support to [REDACTED] in what capacity we can.

I am happy to discuss this issue further if need be and please feel free to contact myself or the [REDACTED] committee.

Kind Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- After finally coming out of a long period of court closure due to COVID, a court light pole on courts 1&2 fell. (5/11/20)
- The Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC) closed the courts, inspected the fallen light pole and all other light poles, and removed light poles determined to be unsafe on Courts 1&2 and 5&6 (completed 20/11/20).
- The courts were reopened on 21/11/20 for daytime use only (no lights to be operated).
- Lights on courts 3&4 and 7&8 were made available for use from 02/12/20, although there have been reliability problems of the courts 7&8 lights which are being attended to by the MRSC.

Lights on all courts are needed even more now than they were back in 2019 with the growing population of Gisborne. Currently the Club is having to negotiate with other clubs in the region to find places to play home matches in the Thursday night competitions, with a lot the additional organising, changing fixtures, paying fees, and stretching good-will that is associated with that. Also, more importantly, coming into the darker months of the year, coaching is restricted, particularly for junior's evening lessons.

We have been informed by [REDACTED] the MRSC that while the MRSC is committed to reinstating the court lighting, however the MRSC has no current funds to do so and cannot provide the Club with a reinstatement time frame. We understand a business case has been put forward for possible funding the 2021/22 financial year. The Club has not seen or been involved in that business case and we do not understand the process going forward. This is not a tenable situation for the Club, we need clarity in the process and certainty in the date the lights will be reinstated. We cannot simply wait and hope while our memberships start to dwindle at a time when the Gisborne community is showing enormous growth.

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The above sets out the desperate need for the [REDACTED] to have all court lighting reinstated. As a matter of urgency, we need clarity, transparency, and to provide input as to when the [REDACTED] will have court lighting reinstated on all courts.

In the first instance, members of the [REDACTED], our coach and a representative from [REDACTED] would like to have a meeting with you as soon as possible to discuss and plan for lights reinstatement on all 8 courts to get us back where we were in 2019.

Yours Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

21 April 2021

To [REDACTED]

RE: GISBORNE TENNIS CLUB – COURT LIGHTING

[REDACTED] the peak body for tennis in Victoria, is pleased to support the [REDACTED] in their desire to solve the current court lighting issue at the venue in collaboration with both the club and the Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC). The current lack of court lighting at the venue presents numerous challenges in allowing the tennis club to thrive within their community and continue to support the community's health, wellbeing and recreational needs.

[REDACTED] Strategic Plan details a strong emphasis on facility development, including supporting community needs and access to tennis facilities by advocating and supporting their development and upkeep. The current issues with court lighting do not allow the club to provide adequate facilities that can be used by all genders and all ages, at times that it has been shown that court utilisation is very popular. The current weather season and the understanding that court lighting is required to extend the hours that courts can be utilised further impact this.

The [REDACTED] is one that heavily relies on the use of court lighting to ensure they can continue to run their many programs and competitions including coaching, [REDACTED] competitions, internal competitions and social programs. Through our Club Development Officer – Country North West, TV continues to encourage clubs to provide a full suite of offerings to suit the needs of all in the community, but this is impacted when clubs do not have adequate facilities to be able to satisfy this desire.

The [REDACTED] will benefit greatly from a resolution to this court lighting issue. It will once again allow the club to utilise their facility to an optimal level and ensure participation levels are maximised. This will help them to continue their development as a thriving and sustainable tennis club, providing a much needed recreation opportunity for the community.

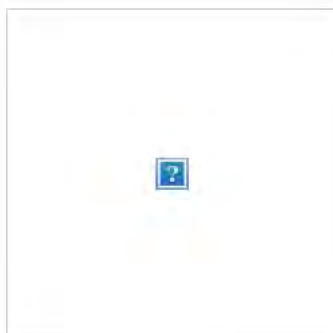
We are appreciative to hear that the MRSC has committed to reinstating the court lighting and TV supports the emphasis on ensuring that all court lighting returns at the venue to ensure optimum utilisation of the tennis courts. On behalf of [REDACTED] I wish the [REDACTED] every success and offer TV's services in working collaboratively with all parties to come to a speedy resolution. If you have any questions regarding our support please feel free to contact our [REDACTED].

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Please share your feedback.	<p>To whom this concerns,</p> <p>I wish to add my support to the submission made by the [REDACTED] Club regarding the funding of replacement lights at the courts.</p> <p>I understand the courts are under the control of the MRSC and, as I am sure you are aware, we have been reduced from 8 courts with available lighting to only 4 (2 of which have ongoing issues with the new lighting that was recently installed). As a member of the club, I play through the winter months and in the evenings and therefore make use of the lights on the courts. The loss of lighting on two sets of courts has significantly affected my ability to utilise the courts, as it has my fellow members. Therefore, I request that the council grant the Clubs request to fund replacement lights on the remaining courts, as has most certainly been identified as a requirement by the council in the past.</p> <p>I refer you back to the [REDACTED] letter, with which I wholeheartedly concur.</p> <p>Regards [REDACTED]</p>
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Please share your feedback.	The Gisborne Tennis Club, Dixon Field and New Gisborne Tennis Club lighting situation needs to be addressed as a matter of urgency and funds need to be allocated as soon as possible. With a growing population and incredibly important need to have people active in our community, the lighting at these three venues needs to be installed so the facilities can be fully utilised by all their members. Training and competitive matches are important for all the community and doing this with adequate lighting is the utmost importance to avoid injury and ensuring their safety. These issues are long standing and cannot wait any longer to be addressed by the council.
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Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

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Please share your feedback.	<p>Hi,</p> <p>I ask council to re-instate the \$200,000 in carry over funds from the previous budget for essential refurbishment works for the club house at Woodend Golf Club. The current club house building is a council asset, however it is in poor condition, and doesn't meet the building code. In practical terms, this means that there is poor access for people with disability and mobility challenges to the building and many of the facilities, such as the toilets and kitchen are in poor condition. The entry to the clubhouse and car park area is not accessible, meaning people with disability cannot easily access this public facility. The golf course itself is in excellent condition due to the efforts of the ground staff and volunteers, and these grounds are enjoyed by the broader community. A significant contribution from the council to upgrade c lub house building will not only ensure that this council asset is available for the whole community, and allow the club to use its limited funding and resources on continuing to improve the course and grounds as an asset for the enjoyment of the whole community.</p>
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submission here	
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From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Tuesday, 25 May 2021 8:40:16 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p>████████████████████ it has come to my attention that there was \$200,000 dollars earmarked as carry over funds from the last budget for improvements to the club house, toilets and facilities at WGC.</p> <p>These funds seem to have disappeared from the latest budget.</p> <p>The golf course which is now enjoying an influx of new members, needs to be brought into a state of user friendliness.</p> <p>The clubhouse is in major need of renovation, the toilets are unusable and there is unsafe access for disabled and elderly.</p> <p>Please reconsider the funding needs for this icon of the Woodend community.</p> <p>Sincerely, ██████████</p>
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From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
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Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Tuesday, 25 May 2021 9:04:12 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p> [REDACTED] I am in disbelief at the general state of the club house and the fact that Macedon council have let their building fall into such disrepair. From the toilets, to the kitchen, the lack of disabled access, the dangerous car park, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and witnessed 3 other members take a spill. It is only a matter of time until there is serious injury. It is an embarrassment to the club and community and to the Macedon ranges council. The promised funds must be allocated in the upcoming new financial year to start the necessary repairs as soon as possible. Regards [REDACTED] </p>
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
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To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: [Sender Unverified] Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Tuesday, 25 May 2021 9:07:03 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say

Please
share your
feedback.

Hi

I [REDACTED] have been informed that the \$200,000 promised and earmarked for club in last years budget is not in this years budget. The funding was to upgrade the club building and access, as both are in dire need of some TLC. Every Saturday, [REDACTED] I go out on the course, [REDACTED] and giving me advice. We both benefit enormously from getting out of the house, and into the beautiful environment the golf course provides. But [REDACTED] it really difficult to access the rooms, due to the severely sloping ground, steep steps, and other obstructions.

WGC is a little gem of a course, and Woodend should be proud of its attraction, but there is only one paid Course Superintendent, assisted by an army of volunteers, to maintain it. Any money the club does have goes to upkeep of the course. The buildings are too much to contemplate. Upgrades to the building and frontage are necessary and overdue. The course is important for community amenity, particularly in these challenging times where a place of natural beauty provides some space and peace. I implore Council to rectify the situation and re-instate the previously promised funding.

kind regards

[REDACTED]

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From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 6:06:27 AM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	Woodend Golf Club Club house is in desperate need of an upgrade take the time to go and check it out and you will see for yourself [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
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From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
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Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 7:59:39 AM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> the Woodend golf club , I find it bewildering that money that had been earmarked for club room renovations, has now gone missing! What the hell are you guys playing at ? The rooms are in urgent need of an upgrade , can you guys please get your act together , and get it done.
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
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How did you find out about this?

Word of mouth

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To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: [Sender Unverified] Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 8:14:32 AM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say

Please share your feedback.	<p>Hi Macedon Ranges Council,</p> <p>As part of being a Macedon Ranges community [REDACTED], I am writing to the Council to consider allocating budget to [REDACTED] Tennis Courts. We have 4 courts that have been impacted with no lights available for these 4 courts at the Gisborne Tennis Club. This is challenging for night tennis as we have approximately 200 members part of the Gisborne Tennis Club and we are seeing more community members playing tennis especially during this COVID epidemic. Our club cannot cater for larger groups wanting to play tennis at night as lights only work on 4 courts. Sport is critical to our well being and given the mental health challenges the community is facing, getting funding allocated to fixing the lights at the Gisborne Tennis Club would be a positive outcome to the greater community. We currently have to limit social tennis due to the light situation as we can only have a maximum of 8 people playing a night. In the last couple of months lights have been intermittent on Courts 7 & 8 and ours teams had to hire courts from other clubs to play competition tennis. Please consider allocating budget to fixing the Lights at the Gisborne Tennis Courts as we can see many positive benefits. Thank you for your consideration.</p> <p>Regards,</p>
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How did you find out about this?	Local newspaper Community newsletter Shire Life magazine

From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 8:17:35 AM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	Please don't forget the promise to upgrade the beautiful woodend golf course ... the curator and green keeper has done an excellent job of getting the course in pristine condition and it's attracting many new visitors to the club from outside areas. Thank you <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
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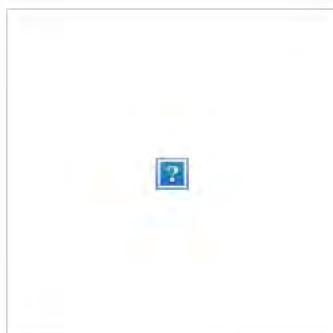
From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 2:46:46 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	You need to upgrade the Woodend Golf Club clubhouse. Property is heritage listed (trees) and the clubhouse is falling apart. Fix it please!
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
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How did you find out about this?	Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn)

From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 4:44:37 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p>I am objecting to a misinterpretation of funds relative to an upgrade of the Woodend Golf Club that had originally procured some \$200,000 in last years MRSC budget but for some unknown reason has not been included in this uears MRSC Budget.</p> <p>I seek clarification as to where these fundws have now been applied as being an avid user of these facilities it wont be long before an unsuspecting visitor is injured by the deplorable state of these clubrooms requiring immediate works to update these facilities to current acceptable standard [REDACTED]</p>
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
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How did you find out about this?	Council's website Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn) Word of mouth

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To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: [Sender Unverified] Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 6:08:08 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say

Please
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feedback.

In the 2020/21 Budget Report, Macedon Ranges Shire Council set aside \$200,000 for the Woodend Golf Club Clubhouse. When reviewing the Capital and Recurring Programs and Projects we cannot see Woodend Golf Club mentioned here at all.

Some of the concerns I have with our facility are:

- disability access - we have a member with MS who has great difficulty getting in and out of the club rooms
 - safety of the access points - many of our members are elderly and there is a significant trip, slip and fall hazard around the entry points, particularly in winter when the clay is slippery
 - rising damp
 - mould
 - vermin accessing the kitchen from outside via rotten boards
 - ability to cater for major events - the club purchased and installed three ovens which we use for catering purposes on our large event days like the Woodend Open. Council officers have placed out of service tags on two of the ovens and have said that there are no plans to replace or repair
- Essentially as a club we have survived for 115 years thanks the efforts of our members. The lack of communication from Council as to plans for repair / replacement of our clubhouse is causing concern amongst our members and is making it

	<p>difficult for the committee to plan for the future. There is also a significant risk that someone may be injured because the building is not up to building code.</p> <p>ACTION: MRSC to update the Draft budget to include this amount in the carried forward items</p>
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
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How did you find out about this?	Council's website

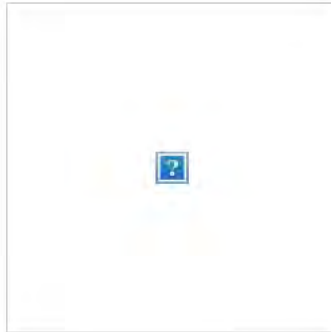
From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 8:18:15 PM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p>The money that was allocated to the Woodend Golf Club and has since been taken away is wrong.</p> <p>The council needs to return that allocation.</p>
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
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How did you find out about this?	Word of mouth

From: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council - do not reply](#)
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: [Sender Unverified] Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Thursday, 27 May 2021 9:24:41 AM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p>What has been placed in this budget that supports Agriculture in light of climate change.</p> <p>There is an unhealthy attitude in this region that farming is no longer viable and that land should be made available for life style use. This plays into the hands of land speculators who's only interest is a quick turnover.</p> <p>I have read the Macedon-Ranges-Technical-Report-Agriculture-Analysis. This report gives us insight as to the effects of climate change and how this will impact on our region. The MRSC would become highly sought after Agricultural land producing a whole range of food that can no longer be grown viably in areas that rely on irrigation.</p> <p>I am like many other generational farmers in this region that has sought off farm income to make the farming business viable. The MRSC needs to support existing farmers so they are retained in t his region.</p> <p>Our law makers have an opportunity to protect this region as a strong Agricultural hub.</p>
If you would prefer, you can also upload a written submission here	
Do you wish to	

<p> speak at the Council Meeting on 16 June in regards to your submission? </p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>How did you find out about this?</p>	<p>Word of mouth</p>

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Transparency
Date: Monday, 24 May 2021 9:18:20 AM
Attachments: [IMG_6308.JPG](#)
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Why not show what the council is spending on salaries and facilities dedicated to shire staff...



From: [REDACTED]
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft budget query
Date: Thursday, 27 May 2021 5:07:48 PM

Hi,

I've been skimming the draft budget. Is it true that there is a proposal to hire another 11 staff, borrow \$1.7 million this year and another \$10 million next year increasing our debt to \$16m? If so, is there a particular project(s) requiring the \$10m?

Regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft budget submission.
Date: Friday, 4 June 2021 12:57:11 PM

Note.. this is my only budget submission.,

At this time of great economic uncertainty council's proposal to hire another 11 staff and increase our debt to 16 million dollars appears to be reckless. The level of private debt in Australia is the second highest in the world and demand for our major exports (coal and gas) will diminish. And our reluctance to address the transition to renewables puts us at risk of trade sanctions. Housing and commodities are experiencing significant inflation while workers face pay cuts as inflation outstrips wages growth. And interest rates won't stay down forever. These are compelling reasons for council to adopt a policy of austerity, cap rates and staffing levels, pay down debt and stop unnecessary spending.

MRSC rates are too high because of council's willingness to accept an expanded range of activities and associated cost shifting. The rationale that expenditure on these initiatives is small in comparison to council's \$100 million budget reflects a culture of extravagance that should be rectified.

Having provided \$300 billion for covid support packages, the federal government now is being pressured to join the private sector in investment in the transition to renewables. And so there is no expectation for council to commit scarce resources to issues that are a federal responsibility.

The slogan 'everyone has a role to play' is fine provided local activities dovetail with a well researched, coordinated national plan developed and funded by the federal government in collaboration with the chief scientist and business leaders.

Instead councils are being persuaded to fund small, autonomous, self serving groups in exchange for questionable advice and dubious deals about complex issues such as covid support and renewables. The outcomes of such random activities can be inequitable and counter productive.

Programs such as "Cool Changes" and "Business Continuity and Resilience " should be discontinued along with involvement in EV charging stations and membership fees for these autonomous groups, however well meaning they may seem.

The challenge for council is to focus on efficient provision of local services while avoiding financial involvement in activities that are the responsibility of higher levels of government.

[REDACTED]

RECEIVED 27 MAY 2021

Mr Bernie O'Sullivan
Chief Executive Officer
Macedon Ranges Shire Council
PO Box 151
Kyneton VIC 3444

RE: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Dear Mr O'Sullivan

In the past year the committee and members of the Woodend Golf Club have worked hard to overcome the challenges of COVID. Some of the significant achievements of the club and committee include:

- growing our membership from around 120 in Feb 2020 to a current number of 250
- applying for grants and following sound financial management to improve our financial position to maintain our payroll commitment and other operational expenses
- grown our junior membership to 30 and started a junior clinic programme on Tuesday evenings which has had up to 40 juniors enrolled
- undertaken improvements to the greens and fairways

In the 2000/21 Budget Report, Macedon Ranges Shire Council set aside \$200k to bring the Woodend Golf Club Clubhouse up to Building. Apart from the replacement of some bearers underneath the bar area we have not seen any evidence that any works have been undertaken.

Some of the concerns we have with our facility are:

- disability access - we have a member with MS who has great difficulty getting in and out of the club rooms
- safety of the access points - many of our members are elderly and there is a significant trip, slip and fall hazard around the entry points, particularly in winter when the clay is slippery
- rising damp
- mould
- vermin accessing the kitchen from outside via rotten boards
- ability to cater for major events - the club purchased and installed three ovens which we use for catering purposes on our large event days like the Woodend Open. Council officers have placed out of service tags on two of the ovens and have said that there are no plans to replace or repair

Essentially as a club we have survived for 115 years thanks the efforts of our members. The lack of communication from Council as to plans for repair /

replacement of our clubhouse is causing concern amongst our members and is making it difficult for the committee to plan for the future. **There is also a significant risk that someone may be injured because the building is not up to building code.**

When reviewing the Draft Budget for 2021/22 the \$200k does not appear in the carried forward items.

ACTION: MRSC to update the Draft budget to include this amount in the carried forward items

When reviewing the Capital and Recurring Programs and Projects we can see that there has been projects set aside for Kyneton Rifle Range for Clubrooms renewal and toilets renewal. We cannot see Woodend Golf Club mentioned here at all. We would like Macedon Ranges Council to explain how Kyneton Rifle Range has been prioritised above Woodend Golf Club when:

- a) Woodend Golf Club has 255 members, much higher than the membership of any club affiliated with Kyneton Rifle Range
- b) Our membership includes 30 juniors, many women, people of all ages and people with physical and intellectual disabilities
- c) There was no mention of Kyneton Rifle Range in the 2020/21 budget

Action: MRSC to explain how the Kyneton Rifle Range clubroom and toilet has been prioritised over the Woodend Golf Club given the greater community benefit and greater diversity and inclusion of our club.

Regards



Appendix 1. Extract from Budget Report 2020/21

The below image is an extract from the 2020/21 budget report.

Note that Woodend Golf Club is listed for Club House Works. As mentioned we have seen no evidence of any works being completed.

Also note that there is no mention of Kyneton Rifle Range.

4.5.4 Summary of Renewal and Construction Programs

Building renewal program 2020/21			Total \$2,714,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details & Comments
Darraweit Guim	East	Darraweit Guim public toilets	Replace existing toilets
Gisborne	South	John Aitken Reserve	Lions Club Shelter BBQ
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Library and Mechanics Institute Hall	Toilet renewal
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Library	Office and front counter renewal
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Office Reception	Stage 2 upgrades, includes public toilets
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Mens shower renewal
Gisborne	South	Sankey Reserve	Pavilion, toilets, showers, coach boxes
Gisborne	South	Gisborne Gym	Box Gutters
Kyneton	West	Council Chamber	OHS requirement - power & electrical upgrades, window repairs
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Historical Society	Internal works and storage renewal
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Roof & HVAC renewal
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Saleyards	Agents Office, drovers hut and supervisors office
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Showgrounds	CH Watts pavilion stormwater & DDA compliance
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Sports & Aquatic Centre	Toilet/change room upgrade
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Renewal works
Kyneton	West	Kyneton Town Hall	Restoration works
Kyneton	West	Red Brick Hall	Access & Toilets
Lancefield	East	Lancefield Golf Course	Clubhouse ESM & make good
Lancefield	East	Lancefield Swimming Pool	Changerooms and Kiosk
Macedon	South	Jubilee Hall Stage 2	Toilet renewal
Macedon	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Bowls Clubrooms	Asbestos and flood damage
Macedon	South	47 Victoria Street	Fitout works
Macedon	South	47 Victoria Street	Access entry
Malmsbury	West	Malmsbury Recreation Reserve	Changerooms
Woodend	West	Woodend Racecourse fencing	Security fencing
Woodend	West	Woodend Golf Club	Club house works
Woodend	West	Woodend Buffalo Stadium	Change room toilet renewal
Woodend	West	Woodend Swimming Pool	Change rooms and kiosk
Woodend	West	Woodend Depot	Office reconfiguration
Regional	All	Building planning project	Planning for 2021/22 renewals

Appendix 2. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Carried Forward Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Carried forward¹

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$'000	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$'000	Renewal \$'000	Upgrade \$'000	Expansion \$'000	Grants \$'000	Contrib. \$'000	Council cash \$'000	Borrowings \$'000
PROPERTY									
Buildings									
Kyneton Early Learning centre	1,600	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	-	-
TOTAL PROPERTY	1,600	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	-	-	-
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Chintin Rd Monegeetta	594	-	594	-	-	594	-	-	-
Bridges									
Margaret St Macedon footbridge	381	-	381	-	-	381	-	-	-
Footpaths and cycleways									
Macedon Ranges shared trail	4,000	4,000	-	-	-	4,000	-	-	-
Baynton St Kyneton footpath	297	-	297	-	-	297	-	-	-
Recreational, Leisure and Community Facilities									
Macedon Ranges Regional Sports Precinct	1,500	1,500	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	-
Kyneton Barkly Square Field	750	-	750	-	-	500	-	250	-
Parks, Open Space and Streetscapes									
Healthy Heart of Victoria	250	250	-	-	-	250	-	-	-
Gisborne Fields open space	250	250	-	-	-	-	-	250	-
Other Infrastructure									
LED streetlight replacements	1,094	-	-	1,094	-	1,094	-	-	-
Kyneton saleyards gantry	450	450	-	-	-	-	-	450	-
Kyneton livestock exchange	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	515	-	-	485
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	10,416	6,300	3,022	1,094	-	9,131	-	800	485
TOTAL CARRIED FORWARD CAPITAL WORKS 2020/21	12,016	7,900	3,022	1,094	-	10,731	-	800	485

(1) Reflects material projects identified for carry forward from the 2020/21 financial year. All final amounts of project carry forwards will be identified post-June 30 2021, when all expenditure has been determined for the financial year. Formal approval will then be sought to carry forward these amounts.

Appendix 3. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Capital Recurring Programs and Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

Note that there is no item for Woodend Golf Club, Club House Works.

Note that Kyneton Rifle Range is listed for Clubrooms renewal and Toilets renewal. We would argue that there is less community use and by a less gender and age diverse range of community members of the Rifle Range than there is of the Woodend Golf Club.

4.7 Capital Recurring Programs and Projects

Building renewal program 2021/22			Total \$3,150,000
Locality	Ward	Building / program	Details and comments
BOLINDA	East	Bolinda Hall toilets	Renewal fitout
GISBORNE	South	Gisborne Court House stables	Floor structure failure
GISBORNE	South	Sankey Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square small bore range	Small-bore range renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Bowls Club	Window replacement, roof and fittings
KYNETON	West	Kyneton IT server room	Security data brick upgrade
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Mechanics Institute	Roof and fitout renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Toilets renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Rifle Range	Clubrooms renewal
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Transfer Station	Waste bins structure replacement
MACEDON	South	Jubilee Hall	Veranda posts, eaves and fascia
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve Tennis clubrooms	Fitout renewal
MACEDON	South	Tony Clarke Reserve toilets	Renewal fitout
MALMSBURY	West	Malmsbury Hall	Stage 1 design and plan renewal
RIDDELLS CREEK	East	Riddells Creek Montessori Kindergarten	Chimney, external renewal, review of services
WOODEND	West	Hanging Rock Café	Roof and fitout renewal
WOODEND	West	Woodend Museum (Court House)	Stage 1 services and façade
WOODEND	West	Woodend Playgroup	Veranda and fittings
KYNETON	West	Barkly Square Kennel Club building	Replacement with modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Airfields toilets	Replacement with Modular
KYNETON	West	Kyneton Shire Office	Roof repairs, windows, structural blade walls
WOODEND	West	Gilbert Gordon Oval toilets	Renewal fitout
WOODEND	West	Woodend Pool	Fence renewal
WOODEND, LANCEFIELD and GISBORNE	West, East, South	Woodend Pool, Lancefield Pool and Gisborne Aquatic Centre	Woodend Pool toddler pool repainting and filtration system upgrade, Lancefield Pool toddler and 25m pool repainting, Gisborne Aquatic Centre sand filter replacement

Appendix 4. Extract from Draft Annual Budget 2021/22

The below image is an extract from Potential Future Capital Projects Items in the Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

It appears that the work to bring the clubhouse up to building code that was planned for 20/21 was not only not completed but also not carried forward and has now gone from a committed project in the previous year to a "potential" project with no committed timeframe.

Potential Future Capital Projects
Gisborne Skate Park – construction
Kyneton Museum Roof Works – construction
Kyneton Showgrounds Master Plan Implementation – Asphalt Works
Kyneton Town Hall – Theatre and Meeting Room Refurbishment construction
Malmsbury Mechanics Institute – construction
Malmsbury Recreation Reserve Change rooms – construction
New flagpoles & planning for flagpole illumination
Red Brick Hall – On-street Disability Discrimination Act Car Space and Building Renewal Works
Riddells Creek Exercise Equipment
Riddells Creek Leisure Centre multipurpose room extension – construction
Riddells Creek Lions Park Pavilion – upgrade
Riddells Creek Tennis Club modular change rooms – construction
Recreational Vehicle Dump Point – construction
Secure Electronic Key Cabinet
Woodend Community Centre – construction
Woodend Golf Club – new clubhouse building – construction

As these projects may occur in the future and costs change over time, no amounts have been quoted at this time. Analysis of likely costs will be considered when the initiative or project is to progress further in a budget allocation process.

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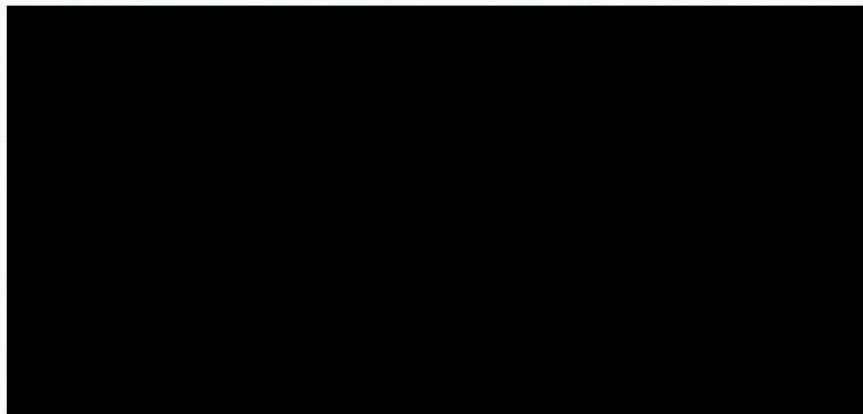


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Mr. Bernie O'Sullivan
Chief Executive Officer
Macedon Ranges Shire Council
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Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Saturday, 29 May 2021 11:32:12 AM



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	Where are the promised funds for the Woodend Golf Club clubhouse which is in dire need of renovation?
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Draft Budget Feedback
Date: Monday, 31 May 2021 11:22:58 PM

Dear MRSC,

I would like to take the opportunity to provide feedback as a [REDACTED] in respect to the Draft Budget.

Firstly thank you for including the allocation of \$280,000 to repair the lights at the GTC. I trust it will get approved. I'm sure the Tennis Club Committee has explained the urgency of these repairs and the impact on the amenity, local business and reputational damage this situation is causing. I implore you to address the urgency by getting the officers to do as much preliminary work so that the replacement can commence in a timely manner, immediately after budget approval.

What I am hoping we don't encounter are process delays in actually getting the lights fixed. They need doing now.

I am also somewhat surprised that Council do not have a budget allocated for emergency repairs. I would have thought there would be contingency budget for urgent repairs like this. Maybe this is something Council could consider for future budgets. If one does already exist then why has this not been used for the GTC repairs?

On a second point I think the MRSC should build a Master Plan for the Dixon Fields area. Whilst I understand the focus is on the New Gisborne complex I feel that Dixon Fields is left as a poor relation. I recommend any of the Councillors attend the GTC at about 7.15pm on a Winters Thursday night. Firstly car parking is limited due to Soccer training. Secondly the road resembles something marginally better than a farmers paddock, car park lighting is non-existent unless the tennis club lighting is on, there's a massive hump between the road and GTC grounds that is only suitable for four wheel drive vehicles. It is simply dangerous and I am surprised there hasn't been any injuries yet.

As a long standing member of the GTC – I was involved in the move from the original home which is now the skate park – I'd like to remind Council that the GTC was aimed at being a hub for the district Macedon Ranges Tennis activities. As it currently stands the facilities at the club are substandard and I would contend are the worst in the District. Smaller clubs like South Gisborne, Lancefield, Romsey and Riddells Creek have far superior courts, lights and safer access than the GTC. I would contend the GTC is an embarrassment to the competition with respect to facilities. I am of the opinion that Council needs to spend some time with key stakeholders at this venue to come up with a plan including the following:

- Access Road surfacing
- Marked car parking bays for both the Pavilion and the GTC
- Additional Courts and repatriation works for the GTC and surrounds
- Lighting to address safety and public risk

MRSC should be the driving force behind applying for Grants to do this in conjunction with the stakeholders. In a town with the growth of Gisborne it needs a modern Tennis facility to bring it into line with the facilities offered at other clubs within the district.


I'm happy to expand on any of these points either in writing or in person. I can be contacted on [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Macedon Ranges Shire Council](#)
Subject: Re: 2021/22 Draft Budget Comment Submission
Date: Wednesday, 2 June 2021 12:54:06 PM
Attachments: [MRSC DRaft Budget 202122.pdf](#)
[ATT00001.txt](#)

Hi [REDACTED]
Apologies.
PDF copy attached.
Regards
[REDACTED]



31 May 2021

Chief Executive Officer
Macedon Ranges Shire Council
P.o. Box 151
Kyneton VIC 3444

email: mrsc@mrsc.vic.gov.au

Dear Sir

Ref: MRSC Draft Budget 2021/22

I am forwarding the following in response to the invitation for community feedback and comment on the above and specifically to 1.2 Strategic Priorities No 2 - Protect the Natural Environment.

Many Councillors will recall our previous submissions in relation to the ongoing issue of Barrm Birrm (BB) in Riddells Creek. It is not our intention to detail again the full background of events and actions relating to this outstanding issue other than to say it pertains to the ownership of all of the said lands within BB including the Shone and Scholz subdivision.


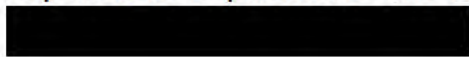
Following our original submission in 2019 and subsequent submission for the 2020/21 budget, Council allocated \$30,000 for works to be undertaken in communicating with the current owners of the remaining privately owned lands which Council does not own. It is my understanding, after discussions with your Biodiversity Projects Officer, Krista Patterson - Majoor that this work is currently being undertaken. In addition during the past twelve months there has been a degree of activity onsite in an endeavour to restrict the abuse of this land including the erection of signage, and the placement of natural barriers to entry.

The work which Council is currently undertaking is in addition to their ongoing advocacy for the long term public acquisition of the remaining private allotments and available adjoining lands which all form part of BB. As part of this advocacy, it is noted that BB was mentioned in the recent submission by Council to the Parliamentary Inquiry into Ecosystem Decline in Victoria. The decline across the state has been extensive since white settlement and is ongoing should areas such as BB not be further protected.

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It is disappointing to see that there has been no allocation in the draft document for this work to be continued or additional follow up works to be commenced.

We freely acknowledge the challenge Council has in meeting their funding and projected expenditure requirements and that not all issues can be addressed or funded.



The current position with BB has a long history and we believe requires clear boundaries and time lines and positive action by Council now that further action has commenced.

Funding is always an issue and we fully understand that the acquisition of these lands should be a State Government responsibility and the total BB area including the neighbouring Conglomerate Gully Reserve should be incorporated into a natural flora and fauna reserve. This would meet the current objectives as outlined in both the MRSC 2019 and the State Government 2037 Biodiversity strategic objectives.

Funding could be addressed via the use of accumulated Council reserves; via grants (both Commonwealth and State) as Council has done with other current capital and community projects; Philanthropic Agreements; and Corporate grants. The coordination of these does take considerable effort and an allocation of resources but this should be seen as a priority in resolving this long outstanding challenge.

The issue of BB, has been as a result of changing Council policies applicable to the area, its overall neglect and abuse, natural erosion and environmental degradation. Some of the access roads within are almost impassable due to erosion and neglect with the area being used for rubbish dumping, trail bike riding, locals walking their dogs even , overnight camps and camp fires.

The Shone and Scholz allotments are still being sold on the open market and with the recent increase in the 2021 Council rate valuations, this may encourage owners to site on the lands hoping for ever bigger increase in the value of their investments . Alternatively this may discourage owners from holding onto their land resulting in an increase in the properties “gifted” back to Council.

In last year’s submission, I outlined a process for Council’s consideration and I would request Council review this and also review the draft budget and allocate additional funding for the continuance of not only the current communication works but also undertake a community education program based upon the uniqueness of the area including the endangered species which occur within BB. In addition, continue to lobby the State Government in an election year for grant monies to acquire these remains allotments and adjoining natural forested properties.

1. Continue the current correspondence to existing and new owners as to the Council’s ‘gift back’ program and also to establish if they are willing to sell their allotments as an alternative.
2. Develop a plan - 2 phases (eg. scoping and then purchasing the land)
3. Get traditional owners on board and an agreed outcome for the land. (Joint effort)
4. Get the written agreement to sell.
5. Raise the funds(3 x levels of Government and Philanthropic)
6. Purchase or acquire the lands.
7. Consolidate and establish a new Flora and Fauna reserve.

For your information and as detailed in our 2020 submission, DELWP was undertaking a Strategic Crown Land Assessment on BB, a summary of their findings for Councillors’ information is included at the conclusion of this submission.



Finally, thank you for taking the time in considering this submission and we trust the Councillors will agree, that this long outstanding issue needs to be resolved as part of the MRSC 2017-2027(Strategy - Protect Biodiversity) and in doing so, allocate additional funds to maintain the momentum of this endeavour.

Yours faithfully



“DELWP : Summary of Assessment Determination

The Departments recent Strategic Crown Land Assessment (SCLA) of the “Barrm Birrm” site, determines that it would be appropriate to adopt a long-term option to protect and conserve the site. The allotments are ecologically and strategically significant with connectivity to the adjoining Conglomerate Gully Flora Reserve, managed by Parks Victoria, forming an important vegetation link with significant environmental value.

The Department determines the land is strategically significant to the State. Options for further consideration and investigation are articulated below with no particular ranking:

1. Acquisition of the freehold parcels for inclusion into the Crown land estate with reservation of the allotments for the preservation of ecological significance *vide Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978*. Site recommended to be added to the nearby Conglomerate Gully Nature Conservation Reserve Management and managed by Parks Victoria. This option is currently not viable as there are no funds or acquisition program in the department at present;
2. Acquisition of the property by Trust for Nature with a Trust for Nature Covenant established on title;
3. Section 173 Agreement under the Planning and Environment Act 1987 or Section 69 Agreement under the Conservation Forests and Lands Act 1987 depending on ownership of the land.

These options will be considered for their individual merit and the most appropriate Option be recommended and pursued via applicable Departmental processes.”



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Subject: [Sender Unverified] Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)
Date: Wednesday, 2 June 2021 1:21:08 PM
Attachments: [LauristonHallAmenities20210528.pdf](#)



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
<p>Please share your feedback.</p>	<p>Dear [REDACTED]</p> <p>I have reviewed the MRSC budget for 2021 2022 and note there is no specific line item for the finalisation of the car park at Lauriston Hall. The original rennovation plan form 2019 was for car parking down one side and around the back of the hall, which would require leveling of the land.</p> <p>Our committee has recently acted to remove as much blackberry as we could from the site. There is still an outside toilet that needs to be removed.</p> <p>We also need 6 more power points within the Hall as we complete the final transformation to a live music venue and community events space.</p> <p>Please find attached a letter from the Malsmbury Landcare group who are keen to see more car parking and night lighting made available. Given the closeness of houses to the Hall, a key component of any lighting would be that it has sensors and turns off a fter a short period.</p> <p>Could these items be considered/added for 2021 2022?</p> <p>Regards,</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>

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28th April 2021

ATT: CHAIRPERSON AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

VIA

Dear Chair and Committee Members

I would firstly like to convey the sincere appreciation of [REDACTED] Incorporated for the continuing use of the Lauriston Hall. We greatly appreciate the use of the Hall and its facilities and we find it to be a very good site from which we can base our meetings and membership activities. The recent investment by MRSC in the Hall is greatly appreciated by our Group members.

At a recent meeting of our committee a member raised his concerns around the limited parking facilities on the Hall site. He pointed out that the need to park away from the Hall, the limited street lighting in the vicinity of the Hall and potential trip hazards might be putting some of our members at risk of injury, particularly given the onset of winter and darker nights. We have also noted that the presence of double white line markings on the road in the vicinity of the Hall further restricts parking and vehicle movements.

I am therefore writing to bring these concerns to your attention, in the event that they might be shared by the Hall Committee and that you might see an opportunity to raise them to the attention of Macedon Ranges Shire Council. We understand that the options to create more parking on the Hall site are limited, particularly given the slope of the land and the potential to use the land for the direct enjoyment of Hall users.

We are aware however that State Government land on the north side of Lauriston Road, to the west of the Hall site presents an opportunity for additional parking facilities, even on an

occasional basis. We believe that if this land could be made available for parking associated with use of the Hall, the concerns about limited parking and poor lighting could be addressed. We believe that an improved and more visible pedestrian route from this site to the Hall would be of great benefit to the Hall and its users.

We are aware that Macedon Ranges Shire Council currently has its Draft 2021-22 Shire Budget on public exhibition for comment, and that comments have been invited by 8th June. [REDACTED] would be very eager to support any submission from the Hall Committee to improve parking facilities at the Hall. If the Committee believes we can be of any assistance in any representations to the Shire in this regard, please let us know.

In closing, thank you once again for the use of the Hall and we look forward to continuing our enjoyment of your facilities.

Sincerely

[REDACTED]
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Subject: Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)



Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	There is no provision in the budget for building dog parks in the local areas. I live in Romsey and we have a couple of allocated dog parks - NONE of which are enclosed, provide water, shelter, fences, disposable bags or garbage bins. The budget confirms that there are about 13,400 dogs and cats registered - so where is all of that money going? We need safe places to take our animals for some off-lead interaction.
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 3 June 2021 11:45 AM
To: Macedon Ranges Shire Council
Subject: DRAFT ANNUAL BUDGET SUBMISSION
Attachments: Kyneton Showground Usage.pdf; 2021 [REDACTED] MRSC Letter.pdf

Hello,

Please find attached a submission to the Draft Annual Budget.

Can you please confirm this has been received?

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

2 June 2021

To Whom It May Concern,

We wish to make a submission to the Macedon Ranges Shire Council Draft Annual Budget 2021/22.

This submission is on behalf of the [REDACTED] Group [REDACTED], which is made up of the following community clubs/groups:

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

The Kyneton Showgrounds is used heavily annually, with over 67,000 (see attachment one) passing through for various activities, please note this does not include general community use like dog walkers, casual running groups etc.

We are actively working together and would like the following two priorities included in the 2021/2022 budget:

- Review of existing Kyneton Showgrounds Masterplan - \$20,000
- An expansion of the initial asphalt works undertaken in 2019, \$200,000 minimum.

The Kyneton Showgrounds Masterplan was developed 7-years ago and since then participation rates have grown significantly, events which take place at the Kyneton Showgrounds continue to grow and the needs of all the user groups have changed. We collectively would like the masterplan reviewed and are committed as a group to be part of this process.

Our request is supported by the current Macedon Ranges Shire Council Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2018-2028, which lists the following actions as **short-term priorities**:

2.1.4 Proactively work with existing user groups at the Kyneton Showgrounds to facilitate establishment of an effective consultative structure and plan for minor review and staged implementation of the existing Master Plan.

4.2.1 Develop Master Plans (or review existing Master Plans that are more than 5-years old) for high use recreation reserves to guide future facility and infrastructure provision, including consideration of additional facilities that support informal recreation, physical activity and social gathering.

It is also supported by the Macedon Ranges Shire Council Event Strategy 2021-2025 which identifies the following action as a **priority in 2021-22**:

Direction 2: Improve Event Venues and Services

To meet contemporary event requirements there is a need for improved venues, infrastructure and services to ensure events are appropriately supported.

Action 3.3 - Undertake audit of key event venues and develop prioritised schedule of venue enhancements.

[REDACTED]

In developing the amended Master Plan, the [REDACTED] Group [REDACTED] proposes to follow the guidelines of MRSC's (as yet draft) Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). In so doing, the [REDACTED] and its constituent groups, will indicate in the amended Master Plan that it will work with MRSC, and Traditional Owners, to make the Kyneton Showgrounds, an exemplar of the Guiding Principles and Deliverables as outlined in the MRSC draft RAP. In particular it will propose that, where appropriate, decisions made by [REDACTED], and its constituent groups, will consider opportunities for delivering outcomes in line with MRSC RAP.

In Victoria, female participation rates in sport and active recreation remain lower than males, particularly in community sport and recreation club settings. The facilities at clubs play a key factor in encouraging female involvement, currently at the Kyneton Showgrounds there is one asphalt netball court and the netballers are required to get changed in a shed. This is just one example as to why the Kyneton Showgrounds Masterplan needs to be updated.

It is important to all of the user groups that facilities continue to be improved and enhanced at the Showgrounds, to accommodate for Kyneton and Malmsbury's growing population. It is equally important that these facilities are accessible and inclusive for all.

Our community should have the opportunity to participate in sports locally and be active, they should also be able to enjoy the social and economic benefits that attending or participating in local events offer.

Now is the time to fund this project as the group are proactively working together with the common goal to review and update the Kyneton Showgrounds Masterplan. The document will guide the user group to identify key priorities and to support future funding applications.

We look forward to having the opportunity to discuss this with you further.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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KYNETON SHOWGROUND USAGE DATA - LAST UPDATED MAY 2021

	32400
Detailed numbers supplied	
Detailed numbers supplied	9428
300 volunteers throughout the year and show week	5800
5500 show attendents	
	5275
	2350
3 Auctions / year x 500 people	
1 poultry show 200 people	
11 meetings with 30 in attendance	
40 working bees 8 people in attendance	
	740
Oct-March Weekly Summer Comp 20 people /week	
December Jnr Competition	
Monthly training for 10 months, 12 people / month	
Wednesday Walking Group	920
Meet 46 weeks/year at the showgrounds	
Approximately 20 people/week	
Club –	195
12 meetings/year 15 people per meeting	
1 zone meeting/year 15 people	
Festival	1200
People are marshalled at the showgrounds for the annual parade	
2 flower shows	875
Annual field day	620
500+ visitors	
50 Exhibitors	
12 Community Groups	

10 Roving Farmers
30 volunteers

██████████	150
Annual event held in Oct/Nov	

██████████ Club	500
September Dog Show	

████████████████████	600
3 rides per year, bottom oval is the meeting place	
200 people per ride	

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2 junior cricket games in January	

████████████████████	480
Whole school sports carnival	
VCAL and year 7 students gathering	156

████████████████████████████	300
Whole school sports carnival	

████████████████████	900
3 times per year	

Funeral held at the showgrounds	500
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Down Under Farm Stays	600
4 times per year 150 people	

TOTAL	64189
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Draft Budget/Revenue and Rating Plan feedback (2021/22)

Have your say	
Please share your feedback.	<p>I am writing to provide my feedback on the MRSC Draft Budget for FY21/22. There is an item in the budget for \$40k for a concept design for a new modular clubhouse pavilion at Riddells Creek recreation reserve. This proposal is very important to the sporting club's serviced by the recreation reserve and in particular for the Riddells Creek tennis club. Our current clubhouse is very small and is shared with the RFNC netball club teams and the RCJFNC netball club teams. There is also the Riddells Creek junior cricket club that use the school oval during the cricket season and the 2 basketball clubs that use the Leisure Centre but do not have access to a permanent club house. It is envisaged that all these user groups will have access to the new clubhouse pavilion as a common space for meetings, social gatherings and for use during competition play. The existing clubhouse is not only small but cannot be extended due to the physical limitations of the type of building it is and the purpose for which it was originally built. With the completion of the 3 new tennis courts, RCTC has had large growth in members and the Thursday night teams for MRTA competition is almost at capacity. Sharing the clubhouse in Winter with Saturday juniors tennis competition teams and senior netball teams has made the building very crowded. RCTC has support from the other clubs to build a new clubhouse. [REDACTED]</p>
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