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C30**INFRASTRUCTURE****Overview**

Infrastructure services are important in providing transport and protecting environmental and community health and should be provided in a cost-effective manner. There is increasing pressure on the existing infrastructure services and on Council for the provision and maintenance of these infrastructure services, particularly for increased road maintenance cost. However, Council is unable to fund the level of infrastructure service which the community expects, owing to the competing demands for other services.

Objectives and Strategies**Objective 1 To provide infrastructure services to meet the needs of the community in a cost effective and sustainable manner.**

Strategy 1.1 Develop a strategic approach to the development of service infrastructure, particularly within and between established townships.

Strategy 1.2 Identify, provide for and protect key infrastructure in the Planning Scheme.

Strategy 1.3 Promote and source energy supply from renewable energy sources such as biofuels from biomass, wind and solar energy.

Strategy 1.4 Require new developments to be connected to reticulated sewerage systems or to have on site treatment and disposal facilities which will not have an adverse impact on surface or groundwater quality.

Strategy 1.5 Concentrate development in existing serviced areas.

Strategy 1.6 Liaise with service authorities to investigate potential for extension of infrastructure to facilitate new development.

Objective 2 To have an effective and efficient road network throughout the municipality.

Strategy 2.1 Ensure the use and development of land does not prejudice the efficiency and safety of the highway.

Objective 3 To have an efficiently operated airfield that services the needs of the community.

Strategy 3.1 Ensure that the operation of the Edenhope Aerodrome is not constrained by encroachment of sensitive development.

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C30**Community Facilities****Overview**

Community facilities incorporates a wide range of infrastructure such as meeting spaces, library services, information services, childcare, maternal child health centres, medical services, sessional service delivery spaces, cultural and performance spaces, places of worship, open space, sports ovals and reserves, indoor recreation centres, primary and secondary schools, preschool, youth centres, neighbourhood houses, senior citizen centres and fire stations.

Objectives and Strategies**Objective 1 To provide a range of readily accessible educational, medical and community services and facilities for all sectors of the community.**

Strategy 1.1 Encourage district and regional facilities and services to locate in Edenhope and Kaniva.

Strategy 1.2 Encourage full-time medical services at Edenhope, Kaniva, Apsley, Harrow and Goroke.

Strategy 1.3 Encourage new community services to be located and integrated within mixed-use hubs close to schools, open space or existing retail and service centres services.

Strategy 1.4 Provide safe places for social interaction and for residents to gather.

Strategy 1.5 Encourage pre-school and maternal and child health centres to locate and integrate with other relevant children's services such as pre-schools, long day care and allied health.

Strategy 1.6 Encourage children's hubs to locate in readily accessible areas and close to other community and entertainment facilities.

Strategy 1.7 Ensure educational, medical, and community facilities and services are sited to maximise accessibility to the local community.

Strategy 1.8 Encourage the provision of youth services in the Shire.

Strategy 1.9 Locate community facilities to help residents to feel safe and involved and promote natural surveillance.

Strategy 1.10 Require developers of all new subdivisions to assist in the provision of community infrastructure by implementing tools such as Social Impact Assessments and Development Contributions Plans.

- Strategy 1.11 Ensure emergency services are located to maximise their ability to provide services to the community.

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Open Space and Recreation

Overview

There is a wide range of recreational facilities and open space areas available to both residents and visitors for year-round use.

The lakes and wetlands of the Shire are a popular destination for day-trippers and holiday makers, particularly in the summer months. Popular past-times include swimming, boating, fishing, cycling, walking and sightseeing. Local shops, eating establishments, and service industry associated with recreational equipment, meet the needs of day-trippers and holiday makers.

Objectives and Strategies

Objective 1 To provide a range of passive and active recreational facilities that caters for the needs of the local population, as well as tourist, seasonal holiday-makers and day-trippers.

- Strategy 1.1 Provide recreational facilities that provide for year-round activities.
 Strategy 1.2 Ensure recreational activities and facilities have minimal effect on the natural environment.
 Strategy 1.3 Provide recreational facilities and activities that are compatible with the size, role, character, and appearance of the town in which they are located.
 Strategy 1.4 Provide a range of types and sizes of open space that cater for all residents, including large regional spaces for sports, intimate parks for social interaction and open space that offers off-leash exercise for dogs.

Objective 2 To provide a variety of tracks for pedestrians and cyclists that offers recreational opportunities as well as direct paths of travel.

- Strategy 2.1 Link recreation areas by pedestrian and cycle networks within, and between, towns.
 Strategy 2.2 Establish pedestrian and bicycle networks that access natural features, such as bushland reserve and lakes and streams, as well as linking other areas of natural beauty and interest, open space areas, sites of cultural significance. These track networks should provide shade and seating opportunities at regular intervals.
 Strategy 2.3 Encourage public areas of the Shire to be more pedestrian and bicycle friendly.

Objective 3 To maintain and enhance the use of waterways, lakes and reserves.

- Strategy 3.1 Encourage complementary water based recreational activities and facilities in suitable locations.
 Strategy 3.2 Provide well laid out car parks, toilet blocks, shade opportunities and good road access in proximity to popular recreational areas.

Objective 4 To provide local open spaces that caters for a range of users and age groups that encourages physical activity.

- Strategy 4.1 Ensure open spaces are accessible for residents with a disability.
 Strategy 4.2 Provide places to socialise and gather.
 Strategy 4.3 Include of a variety of shade opportunities, shelter, seating and lighting in open space.
 Strategy 4.4 Ensure large new and existing open spaces provide bins, toilets, directional signage, seating, shade (either large canopy trees or structures) and shelter.
 Strategy 4.5 Support the use of treated wastewater for irrigating broad acre recreation areas.
 Strategy 4.6 Ensure small open spaces within urban areas provide a minimum of seating and shade.
 Strategy 4.7 Discourage high or opaque fencing around/along open spaces and walking/cycle tracks to encourage natural surveillance and promote safety.