

## 21.03 VISION AND STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK PLAN

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The Corangamite Shire, in partnership with the community, and through its decisions and actions, will work for the sustainable development of the Shire based on:

- orderly development of urban areas, the strategic growth of towns and with new residential development focused on existing urban centres and towns;
- sustainable management and protection of natural resources of soil, water, flora, fauna and eco-systems;
- productive agricultural, forestry and mining activities and protection of rural resources;
- integrated coastal management and protection of natural processes, visual qualities and environmental values of the coast;
- protection and enhancement of items, places and areas of natural and cultural heritage;
- sustainable economic development which provides local employment and training opportunities;
- quality tourism development based on the environmental and cultural qualities of the Shire; and
- efficient and environmentally sensitive infrastructure and the protection of public services and facilities.

### 21.03-1 Strategic Framework Plan

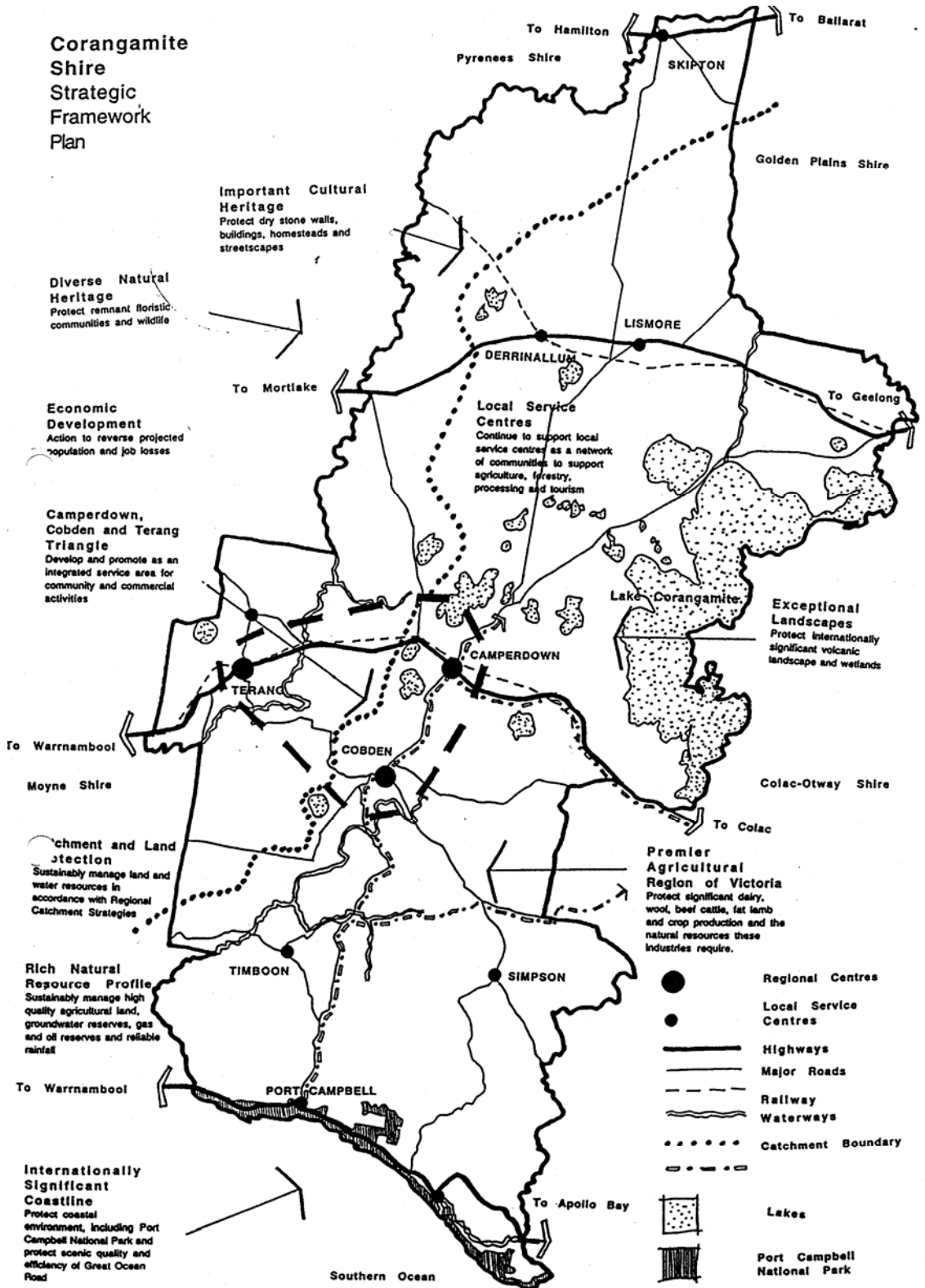
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Council's key strategic directions for future land use planning and development are illustrated by the Strategic Land Use Framework Plans. The purpose of the framework plan is to identify locations where specific land use outcomes will be supported and promoted. It also identifies potential development opportunity areas where significant land use change may be expected as well as areas of environmental constraints where land use activities may be restricted or prohibited. Separate land use framework plans have also been prepared for each of the urban areas.

The major strategic issues identified on the Strategic Land Use Framework Plans include:-

- The location of high quality agricultural land within the Timboon, Cobden and Simpson areas which is used for dairying, the need to protect this land from inappropriate development
- The need for the protection of:-
  - coastal and landscape environment along the Great Ocean Road
  - volcanic landscapes and lakes areas of the central and northern areas of the shire
  - substantial heritage assets of the Shire including those within towns and rural based assets outside the towns
- Consolidation of existing towns to maximise efficient use of infrastructure and manage appropriate expansion into surrounding lands only as demonstrated demand justifies

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**21.03-2 Corangamite Council Plan**

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The Council Plan sets out Council's strategic directions for operational activities. It not only meets the requirement for a three year set of programs and priorities it seeks to establish a vision and goals which will take the Shire well into the future.

Various goals for the respective activities of Council are set out within such a corporate framework. Many of those goals strongly influence the development of the planning scheme for the Shire while others have a more indirect impact. The Council Plan is addressed in the preparation and review of the Municipal Strategic Statement and the planning scheme policies and controls.

The Council Plan provides an essential framework for the general direction of the Shire's land use planning and development - it is a link to the operational activities of Council. The thematic focus of the Municipal Strategic Statement is on land use planning and development issues and the initiatives which it considers need to be taken to implement and achieve many of the Council Plan objectives.

Under Section 12A(5) and (6) of the Planning and Environment Act, Council must review its planning scheme at least once every 3 years after it is prepared, or at any other time that the Minister directs.