

**21.06 BUILT FORM, HERITAGE AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

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**21.06-1 Heritage**

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The heritage of the shire is rich with much of the cultural heritage represented by individual sites, buildings, structures, trees or gardens.

Golden Plains Shire’s history is also evident in the layout and settlement pattern of 19th century towns, rural properties and historic infrastructure related to agriculture and mining areas.

Cultural heritage is also found in the natural environment where Avenues of Honour, streets and reserves were planted to beautify towns and to improve their practical amenity. These areas are important for the Shire’s residents and tourists.

**Objectives and strategies**

**Objective 1 To protect, maintain and enhance heritage areas and features in private and public ownership.**

Strategy 1.1 Encourage development which contributes to the protection and enhancement of items, buildings, areas and places of natural and cultural heritage.

Strategy 1.2 Support the retention of the cultural heritage significance of the Shire’s heritage places and areas by:

- Encouraging works to individual places in the Heritage Overlay which contribute to their conservation and enhance their significance. Encouraging the removal of alterations that do not contribute to their significance.
- Retaining all places in heritage precincts that contribute to the significance of the precinct.
- Encouraging new development in precincts that responds to the historic character, form and context of the precinct and makes a positive contribution through innovative design.

**21.06-2 Urban design**

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**Objectives and strategies**

**Objective 1 To provide a high quality urban environment within existing township areas.**

Strategy 1.1 Encourage improvements to urban design within shopping, main street and public precincts.

**Objective 2 To achieve environmentally sustainable design.**

Strategy 2.1 Promote water sensitive development, and environmentally sustainable design in new development and subdivision.

**21.06-3 Transport**

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The shire’s ready access to metropolitan and regional markets, export facilities and suppliers, is its competitive advantage.

## **Objectives and strategies**

### **Objective 1 To ensure the transport network supports economic opportunities.**

- Strategy 1.1 Maintain the efficiency of transport linkages from the shire to metropolitan and regional markets, facilities and suppliers.
- Strategy 1.2 Protect the efficiency and safety of the shire's transport infrastructure to support economic activities.
- Strategy 1.3 Develop road and bridge infrastructure to service plantation and agroforestry development.

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### **Built Environment, Heritage and Infrastructure strategies will be implemented by applying:**

- Development Plan Overlay
- Design and Development Overlay
- Heritage Overlay to buildings, places and precincts of identified heritage value as listed in the Schedule to the Heritage Overlay
- Significant Landscape Overlay
- Local Planning Policy 22.12 – Heritage

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### **Reference documents**

- Golden Plains Shire Heritage Study Stage Two, Heritage Matters Pty Ltd (2009)
- Meredith Structure Plan, December 2010
- Lethbridge Structure Plan, December 2010