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VC37**MONITORING AND REVIEW****Implementation**

Council is committed to monitoring the implementation of the planning scheme with the aim of evaluating the effectiveness of the administration of the scheme. The monitoring program will be reported on annually and will be used to inform the review of the Municipal Strategic Statement in three years time.

The Municipal Strategic Statement will be implemented through the application of the Hepburn Planning Scheme, the Shire's Corporate Plan and stated policies and strategies. The Monitoring Program will be inserted into relevant sections of the Council's Corporate Plan to ensure on going performance monitoring of the key policy objectives in the Planning Scheme.

| KEY ELEMENT | INDICATOR | TARGET |
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| To facilitate the staged, orderly and efficient development of Hepburn shire's townships | Number and locations of planning applications for residential development to be analysed by type, location and decision made. | In-fill and sequential development within the limits of town urban growth boundaries. |
| To facilitate the sustainable growth of the agriculture and horticulture industries | Number, type and locations of planning applications for use and development on rural land. Number, type and location of planning applications for excision of smaller lots in agricultural areas. | Reduction in the number of applications and approvals for non-agricultural use or development of land. Reduction in the number of applications and approvals for small lot excisions which increase housing potential in rural zones. |
| To facilitate the sustainable management of environmental and heritage attributes of the Shire. | Number and type of planning applications within designated environmentally significant or heritage areas or sites. Number, type and location of planning applications for the removal of native vegetation. | Reduction in the number of planning applications that do not address environmental and heritage management issues. Reduction in the number of applications for the removal of native vegetation. |

The following strategic objectives will underpin the Performance Monitoring Program:

- Ensuring a sufficient supply of serviced urban land is available to meet projected residential demand and growth expectations.
- Protecting the integrity of water catchments and significant environmental areas and features.
- Protecting and managing the natural attributes and heritage features of the Shire
- Protecting high quality agricultural land from unplanned loss.
- Ensuring an ongoing understanding of patterns of rural and rural lifestyle development.
- Ensuring timely and efficient provision of infrastructure, community facilities and services for planned residential development.

Council is also committed to monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of the administration of the scheme and the new planning system. A register of all planning applications will be maintained which will include the following indicators:

| KEY ELEMENT | INDICATOR |
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| Efficient decision making process | Number and nature of decisions made Time taken for decisions Feedback from applicants on the timeframes and costs associated with applications processed |
| Efficient operation of the new system | Compliance or otherwise with the provisions of the Local Planning Policy Framework Degree of officer support at Council Support for Council at Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Extent to which scheme amendments have been increased or decreased Matters of processing requiring Department of Infrastructure attention Matters of content requiring Department of Infrastructure attention |

By the end of the third year, the additional strategic work will have been completed. This information plus the annual monitoring data will inform the review of the whole scheme.