

21.06 BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE

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21.06-1 Health and Wellbeing

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The built and urban environment influences health in providing such things as safe footpaths for pedestrians, lighting, access to appropriate services and places for people to sit. The natural environment has positive influences on health by providing clean air, open spaces, rain and climate conditions and natural features such as mountains, rivers, sunrises etc. Council is committed to supporting health promotion activities within the municipality, as identified in the Council Health and Wellbeing Plan.

Council has adopted a social model of health, which is a conceptual framework for thinking about health. Within this framework, improvements in health and wellbeing are achieved by addressing the many social, cultural, environmental, biological, political and economic determinants of health.

Objectives and Strategies

Objective 1 To support opportunities for social connection.

Strategy 1.1 Support the Horsham Town Hall and Art Gallery as a state of the art regional facility for visual and performing arts, community and conferencing activities.

Strategy 1.2 Support the establishment and ongoing operation of Men's Sheds.

Strategy 1.3 Support cultural events, festivals and local activities throughout the municipality that aim to promote social connection.

Objective 2 To increase levels of physical activity.

Strategy 2.1 Pursue the staged development of the Horsham to Natimuk Bike Trail connection.

Strategy 2.2 Encourage new development to install end of trip facilities including secure bike parking, shower and change room facilities.

Strategy 2.3 Facilitate the development of sporting facilities throughout the municipality.

Objective 3 To create a built environment that supports active living and social connectedness.

Strategy 3.1 Conduct workshops with the Local Development Sector to provide information on how the Healthy Design Local Policy is to be implemented.

Strategy 3.2 Require new residential subdivisions to respond to the Safer Routes to School initiative.

Strategy 3.3 Develop, identify gaps and progressively implement priority pedestrian routes linking all residential areas in Horsham to the Horsham Central Business District, the medical precincts of the Wimmera Base Hospital and Baillie Street and schools and ensure routes are provided with appropriate shade, water, seating and night time lighting.

Strategy 3.4 Ensure new residential subdivision contributes to the connectivity of the municipality's street network. The use of culs-de-sac shall be limited to circumstances where no other option is achievable.

Strategy 3.5 Encourage mixed use development and increased density of development.

Strategy 3.6 Encourage new development to provide positive urban design features, such as active frontages, commercial buildings built to the street frontage with the provision of awnings to shade the street frontage.

Strategy 3.7 Improve public and community transport.

- Strategy 3.8 Encourage provision of shade at public facilities and reserves.
- Objective 4 To increase access to education and employment opportunities.**
- Strategy 4.1 Support the rollout of the National Broadband Network Program and advocate for improved communication infrastructure.
- Objective 5 To ensure compliance with legislation related to public health.**
- Strategy 5.1 Identify preferred methodologies for waste water management in growth areas, and require new development to implement these methodologies.

Scheme Implementation

- Apply the Public Use Zone to Council owned facilities.
- Apply the Public Park and Recreation Zone to public land suitable for recreational activity.
- Apply the Design and Development Overlay to sites requiring specific design outcomes.
- Apply the Commercial Development Policy to commercial land.

Further Strategic Work

- Develop an Open Space Strategy for the municipality that provides for passive and active sports and recreation opportunities.
- Develop a walking strategy for the municipality.
- Continue to develop and maintain the Horsham Youth Park Enterprise (HYPE) Skate Park Facility.
- Prepare a Healthy Design Local Planning Policy for inclusion into Clause 22 of the Horsham Planning Scheme to require new development to meet healthy design guidelines for development.
- Develop a Public Health Environmental Management Plan.
- Develop a Strategic Waste Management Plan.
- Prepare a Sport and Recreation Strategy.
- Prepare a strategic plan and feasibility study into the viability and sustainability of a major indoor, multipurpose stadium.

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Built Heritage

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The buildings, monuments and organizations which had their origin in Horsham's history play a continuing role in life today. Previous studies of the municipality's heritage have identified buildings and precincts of heritage value. These studies will be periodically reviewed and updated to ensure heritage assets are identified and included in the Horsham Planning Scheme.

Objectives and Strategies

- Objective 1 To conserve the post-contact built heritage of cultural heritage value within the Horsham municipality.**
- Strategy 1.1 Undertake periodic municipal projects/ policy document reviews to encompass this objective.
- Strategy 1.2 Require that new development associated with a Heritage Overlay is compatible with existing built form and its heritage significance.
- Strategy 1.3 Discourage the demolition of buildings and other elements of identified local and state heritage significance.
- Strategy 1.4 Require that new development is consistent with any Statement of Significance of the relevant heritage place and/or precinct.

- Strategy 1.5 Grant permits for demolition only where a permit has already been granted for the development of the land, or is to be simultaneously granted for the development of the land.
- Strategy 1.6 Require alterations to heritage places to be carried out in a compatible manner with consideration to the 'Australian ICOMOS The Burra Charter (The Australian ICOMOS charter for places of cultural significance 2013).
- Objective 2 To review and document places of cultural heritage significance as a basis for their inclusion in the planning scheme.**
- Strategy 2.1 Support the implementation of the Horsham Heritage Study 2014 and its recommendations.
- Strategy 2.2 Encourage periodic review of the Horsham Heritage Study 2014 to maintain its accuracy and relevance.
- Objective 3 To identify places of natural and cultural heritage significance for their inclusion in the Horsham Planning Scheme.**
- Strategy 3.1 Support the implementation of the recommendations from the Horsham Heritage Study 2014.

Scheme Implementation

Apply the Heritage Overlay and the Design and Development Overlay – Urban Conservation Precinct – Horsham Central Area to notable historic sites within the CAD to provide for their protection and any proposed modifications to ensure the character of the precinct is enhanced.

Further Strategic Work

Review the application of Design and Development Overlay Schedule 6 in light of the recommendations of the Horsham Heritage Study 2014.

Complete the Horsham Heritage Study.

Reference Documents

Horsham Heritage Study Stage 2, Grieve Gillet Pty Ltd, 2014