COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE – OBJECTIVES, STRATEGIES AND IMPLEMENTATION

Objective 1 – Community Services
To improve access to a well-planned range of Shire-based community services that meet the current and future needs of residents.

Strategies
- Encourage the provision of community services in convenient locations to meet the needs of the urban and rural and green wedge communities. This may include the acting on the outcomes of a ‘Community Hubs’ policy that seeks to identify strategic locations for the provision of ‘hubs’ that provide integrated community services and facilities, such as those for children, aged, family and other community services.
- Provide for the consolidation of community facilities within established township centres where convenient access is available to other facilities such as public transport and shops.

Implementation
Apply policy for Commercial Centres that encourages the consolidation of a range of retail and community facilities within established centres.

Establishing an access support policy that facilitates linkages and coordination between Shire, State and private sector services in developing policies, establishing target groups, disseminating information and enhancing community transport options throughout the Shire.

Objective 2 – Recreation and Cultural Facilities
To establish a network of recreational, leisure and cultural facilities and programs which reflect the natural and environmental attributes of the Shire.

Strategies
- Promote leisure, recreation and recuperation activities, as well as a wide range of sporting activities and health and fitness centres, including havens and retreats for religious, educational and cultural organisations.

Implementation
Apply policy for tourism that establishes criteria to encourage appropriate forms of tourism facilities.

Applying the Public Park and Recreation Zone to public land which is managed predominantly for recreational activities.

Infrastructure map
The following map provides an overview of the infrastructure framework within the Yarra Ranges Shire.