

BULOKE SHIRE COUNCIL PLAN 2021-2025

ANNUAL PLAN - YEAR 1

TYRRELL



PRIORITY 1: OUR BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Action	Description of activity	Strategic Basis	Measure	Completion Date
Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Strategy	Adopt Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Strategy.	Council Plan 1.1	Strategy Adopted	Sep-21
Buloke Shire Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy	Install dedicated glass collection bins at Transfer Stations across the Shire.	Council Plan 1.1	Bins installed	Jun-22
Find innovative solutions to hard rubbish needs across the Shire	Partner with local business suppliers to find user-pay solutions to the desire for hard rubbish collection.	Council Plan 1.1	Solution implemented	Nov-21
Kerbside Collection contract	Enter into long-term contract for new kerbside collection services.	Council Plan 1.1	Contract awarded	Feb-22
Suitable housing	Undertake subdivision and servicing of old Primary School site in Sea Lake.	Council Plan 1.2	Properties on the market	Aug-22
Suitable housing	Advocate for funding for the expansion of Birchip Community Housing onto old bowling green site.	Council Plan 1.2	Applications submitted	Dec-21
Drainage planning	Complete town drainage strategy for Nullawil.	Council Plan 1.3	Plan completed	Dec-21
Upgrading sporting facilities	Complete lighting projects across sporting fields in Donald, Charlton, Nullawil and Wycheproof.	Council Plan 1.3	Construction completed	Jun-22
Streetscape upgrades	Complete streetscape upgrades for all five townships.	Council Plan 1.3	Construction completed	Jun-22
Playspace Strategy Implementation	Construction of playspaces for Berrivillock, Birchip, Charlton, Donald and Wycheproof.	Council Plan 1.3	Construction completed	Sep-22
Seek funding for regional supply chain strategies (Road and Rail)	Applications submitted for upgrades to key heavy roads.	Council Plan 1.4	Applications submitted	Jun-22
Community Hub planning	Seek funding for Charlton Community/Civic Hub.	Council Plan 1.4	Applications submitted	Aug-21
Key freight route upgrades	Complete key heavy road upgrade projects, including Sea Lake Lascelles Road, Birchip Nullawil Road and Jeffcott Road.	Council Plan 1.4	Construction completed	Jun-22



PRIORITY 2: OUR COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Action	Description of activity	Strategic Basis	Measure	Completion Date
Youth Planning for health outcomes	Enact first year of VicHealth Local Government Partnership.	Council Plan 2.1	Youth Officer employed and four community workshops completed	Feb-22
Implement Workforce Development and Training Needs Analysis	Work with regional stakeholders to attract Job and Skill Centre presence in the Shire.	Council Plan 2.1	Provision of service available in Buloke (min. 1 day per week)	Mar-22
Gender Equality Planning	Undertake Gender Equality Action Plan.	Council Plan 2.2	Plan completed	Dec-21
Ongoing improvement of library service	Library Van upgraded to be more accessible and versatile.	Council Plan 2.3	Upgrades to van completed	May-22
Planning for upgrades to early years facilities	Strategic plans completed for upgrades at Birchip and Donald Early Years Facilities.	Council Plan 2.3	Plans completed	Apr-22
COVID-19 recovery activities to reconnect the community	Support the delivery of all CASI funded projects and report on the benefits of the program.	Council Plan 2.3	Projects and events completed. Report completed	Feb-22
Supporting the implementation of Community Plans	Support the Small Towns Big Difference Program to deliver an expanded dedicated community grants program to the community.	Council Plan 2.3	Funding program available to community	Dec-21

PRIORITY 3: OUR ECONOMY

Action	Description of activity	Strategic Basis	Measure	Completion Date
Prioritise the funding application for cabins at caravan parks	Apply for cabin accommodation at caravan parks and lakes across the Shire.	Council Plan 3.1	Applications submitted	Aug-21
Expand street art across the Shire	Undertake the Buloke Street Art Festival at Birchip and Watchem.	Council Plan 3.1	Festival undertaken and additional art installations completed	Apr-22
Tourism activation	Partner with key agencies including Wimmera Mallee Tourism and Buloke Tourism to deliver activation projects.	Council Plan 3.1	Activation undertaken	Jun-22
Night activation of the art trail	Deliver on funding for the night activation of the Silo Art Trail.	Council Plan 3.1	Night activation installed	Aug-22
Birchip Town Centre proposal development	Development of feasibility study for the Birchip Civic and Community Hub project.	Council Plan 3.2	Feasibility study adopted by Council	Apr-22
Planning for Donald Tradie Park	Submit funding application for planning of Donald Tradie Park proposal.	Council Plan 3.2	Application submitted	Sep-21
Redevelop Economic Development and Tourism Strategy	Redevelop Council's Economic Development and Tourism Strategy.	Council Plan 3.3	Strategy adopted	Mar-22
Incentives for housing and business development	Develop and present options paper of appropriate incentives for housing and business development.	Council Plan 3.3	Council position adopted	Nov-21
Removing mobile blackspots	Undertake a review of mobile blackspots across the Shire and prioritise three most required.	Council Plan 3.4	Blackspots identified and form part of Advocacy Strategy	Oct-21
Upgrades to broadband in Sea Lake	Prioritise the advocacy for upgrades to Sea Lake broadband to fibre.	Council Plan 3.4	Advocacy activity undertaken and reported on	Jun-22
Internet of Things rollout across key assets	Implement the Internet of Things project to transition Council towards smart region technology.	Council Plan 3.4	Project implemented	May-22



PRIORITY 4: OUR COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Action	Description of activity	Strategic Basis	Measure	Completion Date
Supporting Buloke volunteers	Alongside Vounteer Co-ordinator position (RDV) re-develop and implement the Volunteer Action Plan.	Council Plan 4.1	Plan completed	Mar-22
Review Council grants, contributions and donations	Undertake a review of Council's grants, contributions and donations and redevelop policy .	Council Plan 4.1	Review complete and policy developed	Oct-21
Develop Communication Strategy	Continue to enhance our online and traditional communication presence to reach all community members with Council information by developing a Communication Strategy.	Council Plan 4.2	Communication Strategy adopted	Feb-22
Redevelop Council's Customer Service Strategy	Provide high quality customer service and a foster an all of organisation customer service approach through a revised Customer Service Strategy.	Council Plan 4.2	Customer Service Starategy adopted	Jun-22
Redevelop Council's Road Management Plan	Develop a new Road Management Plan.	Council Plan 4.3	Plan adopted	Jan-22
Efficient and flexible service delivery	Finalise the Business Transformation Strategy.	Council Plan 4.3	Strategy completed	Sep-21
Adherance to Local Government Act	Complete a review of the Procurement Policy and develop the CEO Employment and Remuneration Policy.	Council Plan 4.3	Policies adopted	Dec-21
Manage our assets in an effective manner	Develop suite of Asset Management Plans.	Council Plan 4.3	Plans developed	Jun-22
Complete Workforce Plan	Develop a 4-year Workforce Plan.	Council Plan 4.4	Workforce plan completed	Dec-21
Renew the Advocacy Strategy	Complete a review and redevelop the Advocacy Strategy to align with Council Plan and Community Vision.	Council Plan 4.4	Advocacy Strategy completed	Sep-21
Build community preparedness and resilience to the effects of extreme weather events	Deliver Safer Together Program in partnership with Gannawarra Shire Council.	Council Plan 4.4	Works completed	Jun-22
Reduce the asset renewal gap	Undertake the next review of Council's land and building stock and identify surplus assets .	Council Plan 4.4	Presented to Council briefing	Jan-22