

BULOKE SHIRE COUNCIL PLAN 2021-2025 ANNUAL PLAN - YEAR 3



PRIORITY 1: OUR BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

THE VISION:

Our future Buloke has quality, safe and accessible infrastructure valued by and responsive to the community alongside attractive streetscapes and a protected and celebrated natural environment reflecting Buloke pride.

Initiative	Council Plan Relevance	Measure	Time-frame
Climate Change Mitigation and Adaption Strategy	1.1 Work Towards Sustainability	Funding sought to continue the implementation of the Climate Change Mitigation and Adaption Strategy.	June 2024
Community-based Solar Bulk-Buy Initiatives	1.1 Work Towards Sustainability	Support community groups to purchase and implement solar initiatives through the Community Sustainability Grants Program and other external funding sources and programs.	June 2024
Rural Land Use Strategy	1.2 Suitable Housing Options	Continue to investigate a Buloke Shire Rural Land Use Strategy to provide strategic direction and a consistent approach to use and development of rural land for rural-style living.	June 2024
Housing and Development Incentives	1.2 Suitable Housing Options	Implement New Housing Rates Incentive Program.	June 2024
Buloke Drainage Plans	1.3 An Attractive and Well Maintained Buloke	Revisit preparation of Buloke Drainage Plans and associated flood modelling in partnership with Catchment Management Authorities.	June 2024
Streetscape Upgrades	1.3 An Attractive and Well Maintained Buloke	Complete Streetscape upgrades in Donald and Sea Lake.	June 2024
Buloke Playspaces Trail	1.3 An Attractive and Well Maintained Buloke	Complete Construction of Playspaces for Berriwillock, Donald, and Wycheproof.	June 2024
Key Heavy Road Upgrades	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Complete Key Heavy Road upgrade projects including Malbed-Curyo Road and Jeffcott Road.	June 2024
Road Services Internal Service Review	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Road Services Internal Service Review completed with report to Councillor briefing.	June 2024
Buloke Shire Council Aquatic Strategy	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Develop and adopt Buloke Shire Council Aquatic Strategy.	June 2024
Birchip Recreation Reserve Masterplan	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Complete Birchip Recreation Reserve Masterplan.	March 2024
Donald Recreation Reserve Masterplan	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Complete Project Plan for Donald Recreation Reserve Masterplan ahead of Plan development in 2024/25.	June 2024
Sea Lake Recreation Reserve Masterplan	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Complete Project Plan for Sea Lake Recreation Reserve Masterplan ahead of Plan development in 2024/25.	June 2024



PRIORITY 2: OUR COMMUNITY WELLBEING

THE VISION:

Our future Buloke is a welcoming, well-connected and inclusive community built around social connections for all age groups and backgrounds and access to, as well as ongoing advocacy for, vital services.

Initiative	Council Plan Relevance	Measure	Time-frame
VicHealth Local Government Partnership	2.1 Partnerships to Outcomes	VicHealth Local Government Partnership Project Year 3 delivered.	June 2024
Land Use Activity Agreements	2.2 Inclusiveness Plan in Action	Achievement of Land Use Activity Agreements for the Donald Playspace Project and Flood Initiatives.	June 2024
Gender Equality Action Plan	2.2 Inclusiveness Plan in Action	Submit Gender Equality Action Plan Progress Report to the Commissioner for Gender Equality.	20 February 2024
Library Services Review	2.3 Well Supported Community	Undertake Library Service Review and develop subsequent Library Service Plan.	June 2024
Buloke Shire Children, Youth & Families Strategy	2.3 Well Supported Community	Finalise and adopt the Buloke Shire Children, Youth & Families Strategy.	December 2023
Buloke Shire Integrated Community Planning Framework	2.4 Increased Community Wellbeing	Prepare and adopt the Buloke Shire Integrated Community Planning Framework.	March 2024
Community Plans	2.4 Increased Community Wellbeing	Work with communities to prepare Community Plans for localities to drive community connectedness and outcomes.	June 2024
Home and Independence Support Services Transition	2.4 Increased Community Wellbeing	Help facilitate transition of community members receiving Home and Independence Support Services to new providers under the Federal Government's Support at Home Program.	December 2023
Viable Childcare Services Advocacy	2.4 Increased Community Wellbeing	Continue to advocate for the provision of viable childcare services for Buloke Shire and rural communities.	June 2024



PRIORITY 3: OUR ECONOMY

THE VISION:

Our future Buloke is an innovative and strong economy with agriculture, small business and industry capitalising on new ideas to provide a range of employment and tourism opportunities backed by the services, connectivity and housing to achieve population stability.

Initiative	Council Plan Relevance	Measure	Time-frame
Silo Art Night Activation	3.1 Tourism	Silo Art Night Activation installed.	June 2023
Birchip Civic and Community Hub Project	3.2 Attraction and Promotion of Local Businesses	Preparation of feasibility study for the Birchip Civic and Community Hub Project.	June 2024
Implement Interim Economic and Tourism Development Strategy	3.3 Employment Opportunities	Implement identified initiatives from the Interim Economic and Tourism Development Strategy.	June 2024



PRIORITY 4: OUR COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

THE VISION:

Our future Buloke is dynamically led by a council that informs community, has active partnerships, authentic advocacy and quality customer service delivering valued responsive community services in a responsible way.

Initiative	Council Plan Relevance	Measure	Time-frame
Safer Together Program	4.1 Active Leaders and Volunteers	Deliver the Safer Together Program in conjunction with Gannawarra Shire Council and report to Council Safer Together Program progress.	June 2024
Customer Experience Strategy	4.1 Community Engagement	Implement identified initiatives from the Customer Experience Strategy.	June 2024
Advocacy Strategy	4.4 A Well Governed and Healthy Organisation	Review, update and adopt Council's Advocacy Strategy in line with Council's Long-Term Community Vision and Council Plan 2021-2025.	March 2024