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### **THE VISION:**

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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	Timeframe
Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Strategy	1.1 Work Towards Sustainability	Report to Council on progress against the Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Strategy.	March 2023
Waste Services – Glass Out Initiative	1.1 Work Towards Sustainability	Skip bins established at landfill/transfer stations and within smaller townships.	March 2023
Buloke Drainage Plans	1.3 An Attractive and Well Maintained Buloke	Buloke Drainage Plans designed and adopted.	June 2023
Transport Asset Management Implementation Plan	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Transport Asset Management Implementation Plan adopted.	June 2023
Road Management Plan	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Road Management Plan adoption in accordance with the Road Management Act 2004.	June 2023
Road Services Internal Service Review	1.4 A Safe and Active Buloke	Road Services Internal Service Review completed with report to Councillor Briefing.	June 2023

# **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	Timeframe
Agriculture Resilience Project	2.1 Partnerships to Outcomes	Partner with Birchip Cropping Group to deliver an Agriculture Resilience Project.	June 2023
VicHealth Local Government Partnership	2.1 Partnerships to Outcomes	VicHealth Local Government Partnership Project Year 2 delivered.	June 2023
Reconciliation Action Plan	2.2 Inclusiveness Plan in Action	Reconciliation Action Plan adopted by Council.	June 2023
Gender Equality Action Plan	2.2 Inclusiveness Plan in Action	Advance the Gender Equality Action Plan including the establishment of a Gender Equality Working Group.	March 2023
Municipal Early Years Plan	2.3 Well Supported Community	Updated Municipal Early Years Plan adopted by Council.	March 2023
Loddon Mallee Partnership Early Childhood Education and Childcare in Rural Areas project	2.3 Well Supported Community	Collaborate in the Loddon Mallee Partnership Early Childhood Education and Childcare in Rural Areas project and publish the resulting report.	December 2022

# **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	Timeframe
Wimmera Mallee Tourism/Wimmera Development Association Initiative	3.1 Tourism	Increased tourism marketing projects implemented as part of the Wimmera Mallee Tourism/Wimmera Development Association Initiative.	June 2023
Submission to State Government for the 2026 Commonwealth Games	3.1 Tourism	Submission made to the State Government for tourism and social housing outcomes as part of the 2026 Commonwealth games.	August 2022
Implement Interim Economic and Tourism Development Strategy	3.3 Employment Opportunities	Implement identified initiatives from the Interim Economic and Tourism Development Strategy.	June 2023
Suitable Housing	3.3 Employment Opportunities	Complete subdivision of former Sea Lake Primary School site and make blocks available for sale.	December 2022

#### 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	Timeframe
Community Plans	4.1 Active Leaders and Volunteers	Updated Community Plans noted by Council and made available on Council's website.	June 2023
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 2023
Community Engagement Policy	4.2 Community Engagement	Revised Community Engagement Policy Adopted by Council.	December 2022
Customer Experience Strategy	4.2 Community Engagement	Report to Council on the delivery of Customer Experience Strategy actions.	June 2023
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.	October 2022
Rural Councils Transformation Program	4.4 A Well Governed and Healthy Organisation	Actively participate in the State Government's Rural Councils Transformation Program.	June 2023