

21.12 TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

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Council aims to improve the quality of residential and rural lifestyles through provision of infrastructure.

The economic development and urban growth opportunities in the Shire, particularly along the Princes Highway corridor are strongly influenced by the eastward expansion of Melbourne and the economic prosperity of the Latrobe Valley urban areas.

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Context

Transport facilities include roads, paths, rail networks and public transport. All are necessary to provide for economic production, social and cultural development, leisure, work and health. Transport networks involve public and private stakeholders. Transport networks contribute to lifestyle values and tourism growth.

The Shire is served by high quality infrastructure in the form of the Princes Freeway and the Gippsland rail line. A network of major roads serves the rural areas and various towns. These facilities provide a spine for the Shire's overall planning and development.

Pressures for residential, commercial or industrial development will be mainly experienced along the Princes Highway and Melbourne-Gippsland railway corridor as it forms the economic spine of eastern Victoria and the Shire.

Gippsland and the Shire are within a strategic geographic location in terms of their association with other highly productive agricultural areas and accessibility to major markets.

Objective 1

To develop an appropriate multi-modal transport network that works effectively, with positive outcomes for amenity, safety and environmental values.

Strategy 1.1

Support better access to tourist and recreation facilities.

Strategy 1.2

Support the Princes Highway and rail transport corridor as an efficient transport facility linking the main urban areas of the Shire with neighbouring employment centres.

Strategy 1.3

Recognise the importance of improved public transport community links.

Strategy 1.4

Support the improvement of access to places of interest to the public while protecting their quality by sound management practices.

Strategy 1.5

Provide for safe and direct access for pedestrians and cyclists in the design of residential subdivisions in order to reduce the need for use of motor vehicles and to assist in improving community health and wellbeing.

Implementation

- Apply State policy, Management of resources, under Clause 11.03.
- Apply State policy, Regional Cities, under Clause 12.03-2.

- Apply local policy, Road construction, under Clause 22.06-3 for applications for the subdivision of land.
- Apply local policy, Townscape, under Clause 22.02-2 to planning applications and strategic planning work involving entrances and approaches to towns.
- Use the Active by Design Subdivision Guidelines and Checklist for Residential Development – 2009. These provide guidelines on how to ensure ‘active by design’ standards are included in residential subdivisions. Compliance with the Guidelines will be deemed to satisfy the objectives under clause 56.05-2 Public open space provision objectives, clause 56.06-2 Walking and cycling network objectives, clause 56.06-5 Walking and cycling network detail objectives and contribute to satisfying other objectives.

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Infrastructure provides the basic services required for urban and rural living and production. Its provision has to meet standards and objectives relating to economic efficiency but also environmental sustainability and quality. Infrastructure can be provided in a way that meets both needs, and adds positively to the urban or rural experience.

Objective 1

To support the maintenance of environmental quality by ensuring a co-ordinated approach on the location, layout, siting and timing of development and the provision of infrastructure.

Strategy 1.1

Rezone additional land in Warragul and Drouin, to accommodate expected demand for industrial, commercial and residential land.

Strategy 1.2

Develop a Shire-wide Environment Strategy to set out the coordinated approach in infrastructure provision.

Strategy 1.3

Prepare development contributions schemes for infrastructure in the future in order to co-ordinate the provision of services and ensure their equitable resourcing.

Implementation

- Apply State policy, Strategies – Regional cities, under Clause 12.03-2.
- Apply State policy, Infrastructure, under Clause 18.
- Apply local policy, Urban growth boundaries and infrastructure, under Clause 22.06-1 for towns with a residential zone for guidance on growth boundaries and infrastructure capacity and standards for new urban areas.
- Apply local policy, Residential Infrastructure, under Clause 22.06-2 for guidance on standards for the residential development of land.
- Apply local policy, Road construction, under Clause 22.06-3 for applications for the subdivision of land.
- Apply local policy, Water Infrastructure, under Clause 22.06-5 for planning applications for all development.

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Context

Facilities to support the provision of high quality water and the treatment of effluent are critical for the economic well being of the Shire and the maintenance of environmental quality. The Shire supports the provision of such services to currently unserved towns.

Objective 1

Support the installation of reticulated sewerage systems in all urban areas where the population base can support the investment.

Strategy 1.1

Develop a partnership with Gippsland Water to install sewerage services in residential locations and townships where there is community support or major environmental problems to be overcome.

Strategy 1.2

Ensure where possible future residential development to have fully reticulated sewerage services.

Implementation

- Apply State policy, Water supply, sewerage and drainage, under Clause 18.09.
- Apply local policy, Water infrastructure, under Clause 22.06-5 for planning applications for all development.
- Apply local policy, Effluent disposal and water quality, under Clause 22.06-4, for applications for all development that cannot be serviced by reticulated sewerage.

Reference Documents

- Warragul Transit Precinct Study (2004).
- Baw Baw Shire Development Contribution Plan, 23 March 2007.
- Warragul Urban Drainage Strategy, 26 February 2007.
- Active by Design Subdivision Guidelines and Checklist for Residential Development – 2009.