

**21.01 WHAT IS A MUNICIPAL STRATEGIC STATEMENT?****Purpose**

The Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) is Council's key land use strategic planning document. The MSS fulfils the following important function:

- It provides a summary of Council's identified strategic directions relating to land use and development across the Shire.
- It provides a strategic framework within which planning decisions can be made.
- It promotes a strategic vision for the Shire's land use planning future, and
- It provides a statement of the linkages between the State Planning Policy Framework, Council's Local Planning Policy Framework including objectives, strategies, policies and initiatives Council proposes to take.