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C24**MONITORING & REVIEW**

A review of this planning scheme must be undertaken at least once every three years. An ongoing program of performance monitoring will be developed to evaluate the achievement of strategic policy directions and the operational effectiveness of the administration of the scheme. The monitoring programs will be reported on annually and will be used to inform the review of the MSS.

To evaluate the achievement of strategic policy directions, a performance monitoring program will be developed that focuses on the following key elements:

Key elements	Indicators	Target
Protection of the economic potential and productive agricultural use of land	Number and types of land use and development applications within the rural areas.	No loss of 'high quality' agricultural land to non-agricultural developments and less productive agricultural land
Performance of main town centres in the Shire in terms of meeting community shopping and business needs.	Monitor the number of applications for commercial use in the business centres of the townships	Undertake Urban Design Frameworks or Outline Development Plans for the remaining townships.
To encourage development that is safe from the adverse affects of fire.	Number of fire incidents. Loss of life and injury. Loss of property.	Reduction in the number of fire incidents. No loss of life from fire. New dwellings have adequate provision of water and access.
Encourage urban containment and planned growth in the Shires towns	Rates and locations of approved residential subdivisions and dwellings within defined town boundaries.	Containment of new urban development within township boundaries shown on township structure plans
Ensure that residential subdivision and development provides for greater housing choice, affordability, sustainability and diversity.	Number of five star rated housing developments. Number and type of higher density housing developments within 20 minute walking distance of town centres. Housing affordability options provided in residential subdivisions and new housing developments. Number of residential lots created in subdivisions that promote energy and water efficiency	Increases in: * 5 star rated housing * affordable housing * energy and water efficient residential subdivisions An increase in higher density living options close to Castlemaine town centre

Key elements	Indicators	Target
Encourage rural living development that promotes efficient use of resources and services and achieves net environmental gain	Number and type of non-farm related developments Number and location of approved lot excisions, resubdivisions and lot consolidations in rural areas.	Reduction in the number of small and inappropriately located lots in rural areas
Protection of water catchments and improvements to water quality and waterway health.	Water quality of the catchments, reservoirs, and streams Vegetation retention, removal and revegetation in water supply catchments	Compliance with the applicable state controls and guidelines, such as the EPA Septic tank Code of Practice, for new development in catchment areas Native vegetation net gain in catchment areas, particularly in areas affected by erosion
Identification, protection and management of the Shire's significant heritage assets	Improvements made within the heritage precincts or places Any additional listing of places within Heritage Overlay or State Heritage register. Progress with studies and Implementation items listed in 21.04-5 (Implementation and Further Strategic Work)	Completion of Pilot Study of Miners Cottages completed in 2006. Funding and progress with major Heritage studies. Undertaking Implementation items listed in 21.04-5. No loss of heritage places and identification of additional heritage places

To evaluate the operational effectiveness of the administration of the scheme a performance-monitoring program will be developed that focuses on the following key elements.

Key element	Indicator
Efficient decision making process	Number and nature of decisions (Planning recommendations - Council decisions) Time taken to process applications Customer satisfaction surveys
Efficient operation of the new system	Consistency of decisions (Planning Department/Council/Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal) based on strategic policy set out in the Municipal Strategic Statement and Local Policies Number of amendments Number of refusals