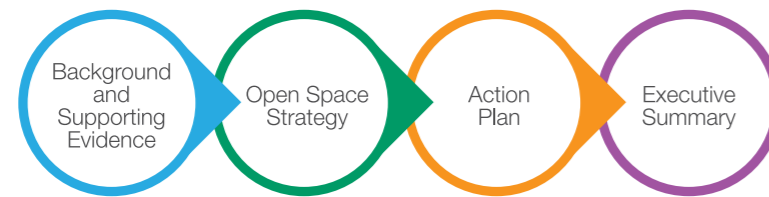


2020-2035
OPEN SPACE
ACTION PLAN

The Moyne Shire Open Space Strategy comprises a suite of public documents. These provide the rationale, evidence and collected research for the Strategy, highlight our priority projects and our actions to implement the Strategy.



Ross Planning contributed to the Background and Supporting Evidence Report, facilitated a consultation program and undertook the audit of open space across Moyne Shire. Council built on this by preparing the Strategy and Action Plan.

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and the Elders from other communities who may reside in Moyne Shire.

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CHAPTER 01

Introduction

01



The Moyne Shire Open Space Strategy covers a 15-year timeframe (2020-2035) and will be reviewed every five years. Regular updates and reporting will also be undertaken by the Strategy governance group.

The following Action Plan highlights the flagship projects that will be implemented over a five-year period from 2020-2025. The key directions presented in the Strategy document have been used to identify these projects. Council has also developed a separate operational plan as part of the governance for the Strategy. This will guide Council on how to manage and track these actions and supporting projects.

Projects and action plans will be reviewed annually to ensure we accurately track our progress, while providing flexibility to address emerging challenges and new opportunities. Please visit www.moyne.vic.gov.au for any updated versions.

This Action Plan has been developed with a whole-of-council approach in mind but includes actions that will be achieved in collaboration with key land managers, community, government and other stakeholders.

Many of these projects require investment from a number of sources. This funding and investment will come through Council budgets, government grants and other programs. Therefore, not all projects have been specifically allocated timeframes as funding outcomes are not guaranteed. Instead, we have categorised projects by rationale and type to support implementation and development of projects. This will inform the approaches that will be needed to progress these projects. Detailed tasks and more specific timeframes will be included and reviewed in Council's internal working document, the operational plan.

Flagship projects are collated under 3 pillars:

1. Strategic governance
2. Key projects
3. Towns, villages and hamlets

All actions are considerate of the guiding principles outlined in the Strategy informing any action regarding open space upgrades, development and ongoing maintenance practices:

- › Quality planning
- › Partnerships
- › Accessible and connected
- › Attractive
- › Adaptable
- › Adequately resourced



CHAPTER 02

Strategic
governance

These actions will support and guide the management and reporting of the Strategy including resource planning, budget and funding allocations for projects. This will be further supported by the development of policies and systems to support the sustainable use and development of open space in the Shire.

Developing a robust governance structure will help ensure that the Strategy is implemented through informed and measurable decision-making.

Ref	Action description	Rationale	Type
SG1	<p>Establish an internal open space governance group who will oversee the planning, development and management of the open space network in a coordinated and strategic manner. Responsibilities will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring and review • Planning and reporting • Budgets and resourcing • Asset Management plans • Future land use and open space planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investment plans and business cases • Planning scheme reviews • Local and State land use policies • Strategic partnerships • Marketing and promotion 	<p>Oversee the planning, development and management of the open space network in a coordinated and strategic manner</p> <p>Governance</p>
SG2	<p>Develop design guidelines for typical infrastructure items such as public signage, street furniture, play equipment, lighting etc to be utilised in the life cycle replacement or upgrade of assets</p>	<p>Ensure a consistency in design and potential cost efficiencies in Council investment in asset items and ensure access for all in facility and open space planning and assets</p>	<p>Policy</p>
SG3	<p>Incorporate climate change, weather event and integrated water management responses into open space and asset planning and management strategies</p>	<p>Continue to plan for climate change impacts and enhance sustainability of assets and open space</p>	<p>Policy</p>
SG4	<p>Develop a portfolio of shovel-ready projects that have the potential to be funded. This would include projects in master plans and the development of business cases, designs, costings and community needs analysis for other projects</p>	<p>Be in a competitive position to take advantage of available funding opportunities</p>	<p>Master Plan implementation Investment attraction</p>

CHAPTER 03

Key projects



A number of projects and actions are not location specific, but cover the use, management and development of open space across the Shire.

These will be embedded into Council's approach to open space management and planning.

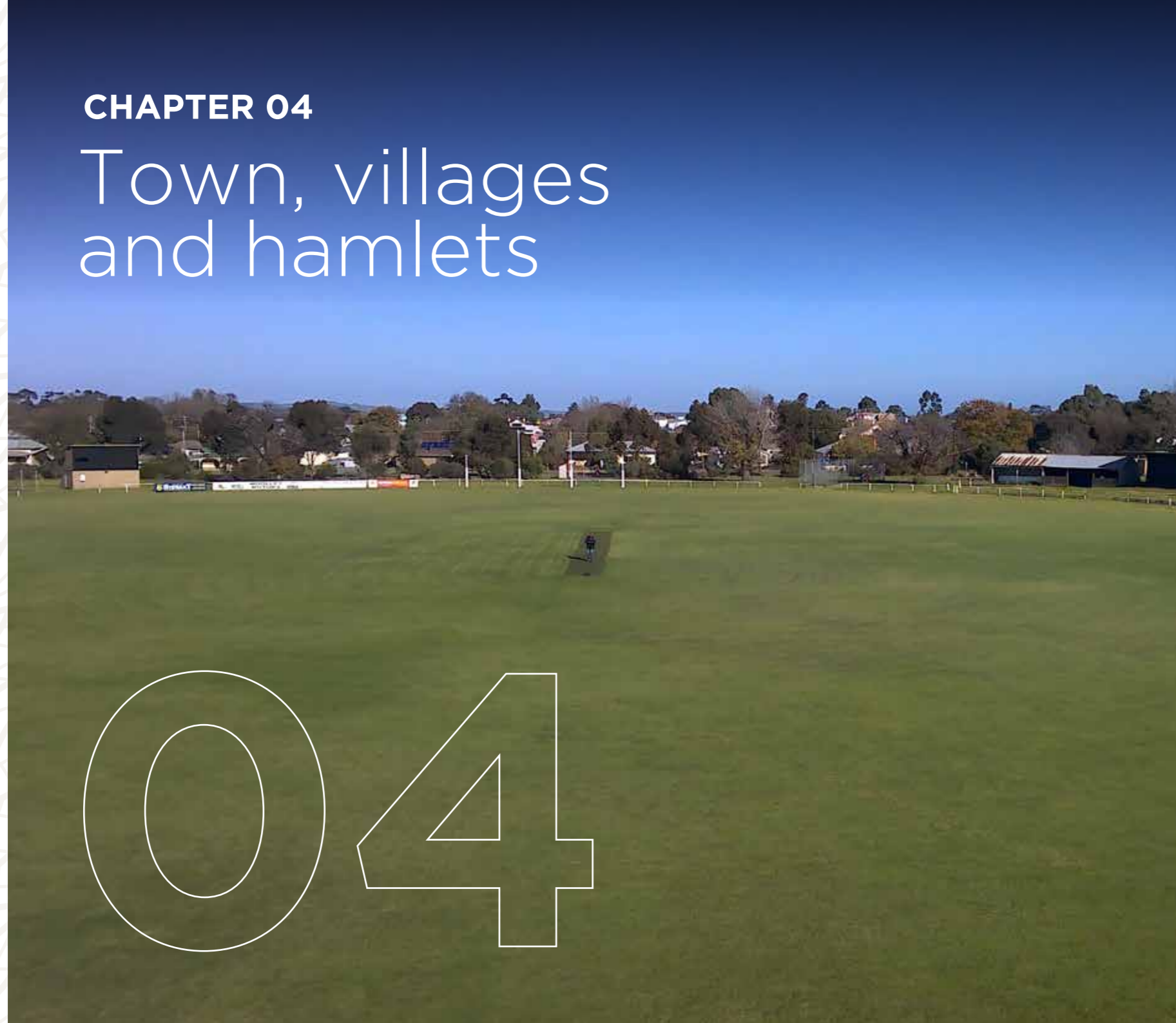
Ref	Action description	Rationale	Type
KP1	Ensure licence and lease agreements with Committees of Management / user groups are maintained and up-to-date and that terms and conditions are relevant to each organisation and asset including maintenance requirements	Foster good and equitable governance and management of open space assets and allow for future asset development and financial planning in partnership with communities and users	Governance Policy
KP2	Continue to implement a rolling program of footpath, cycling paths, trails and sealed road connections with an initial focus on localities where this is identified as a key gap in open space accessibility	Respond to the continued and growing popularity of walking, running and cycling for recreation and to improve accessibility to open space	Investment planning Investment attraction
KP3	Identify unencumbered land to be set-aside for open space to cater for potential residential growth to ensure that open space meets quantity, accessibility and connectivity standards	Ensure that future growth is supported by the provision of open space to improve the liveability and health of communities	Development planning Policy
KP4	Investigate and promote integrated water management strategies and capital works that deliver sustainable approaches to management and maintenance of sport and leisure surfaces and land management. This could include water capture, storage, drainage and associated infrastructure	Support investment in sustainability programs that will mitigate climate change impacts and provide operational efficiencies for Council, land manager and users	Investment planning
KP5	Investigate improvements to water-based assets for recreational purposes including launching and mooring infrastructure in primary locations such as Port Fairy, Killarney, Peterborough and Yambuk and other Shire water assets as identified	Increase the safety and accessibility of users of these facilities and adjoining public space areas	Investment planning
KP6	Review the role and impact of free camping and event camping on public open spaces where appropriate.	Growth in the number and users of these facilities is leading to increased maintenance, management and investment requirements by Council and other site managers	Policy



CHAPTER 04

Town, villages and hamlets

04



The following are projects and initiatives that have been identified for communities across the Shire to be commenced or implemented within the first 5-year period.

Further projects (existing and potential) will be reviewed for inclusion as part of the annual Strategy review.

Port Fairy

Ref	Action description	Rationale	Type
PF1	Implement Railway Place activation projects as a key community precinct including planning for an all-ability playground or play space, community gathering spaces and landscaped areas	Enhance this important central community, recreation and events space for residents, visitors and users	Master Plan implementation Investment attraction
PF2	Enhance the play and recreation offer for younger residents and visitors including skate park facilities and other community play and activity spaces	Improve the play and recreation offer for younger residents and visitors	Design and costing plan Investment attraction
PF3	Incrementally improve the connections to and the amenity and walkability of the open space network through footpaths, cycle paths, wayfinding and signage	Provide a legible open space network, encouraging activation of spaces and improvement to the wayfinding experience of visitors and residents	Investment planning Investment attraction
PF4	Continue to implement the Master Plan for the Gardens Reserve and East Beach as key visitor, sporting and community precinct gathering spaces and landscaped areas	Support the viability and sustainability of the key users of the Reserve through an integrated approach and improve amenities for all users	Master Plan implementation Investment attraction
PF5	Complete a Masterplan for the Port of Port Fairy Precinct to manage and plan for the future use and diversity of uses of this unique and important asset. This will include identifying opportunities to support and expand existing employment and amenities, particularly associated with the visitor economy	Manage and plan for future use and diversity of uses of this unique and important asset	Master Plan development Investment planning
PF6	Monitor any sea level rise effects on, and erosion vulnerability of, coastal open space	Mitigate impacts of changes to sea levels on important community assets.	Development planning Policy



Koroit

Ref	Action description	Rationale	Type
K1	Ensure that pedestrian/cycling connections are considered in the planning of new subdivisions including direct connections to the town centre and key destinations across the town	Continued and growing popularity of walking, running and cycling for recreation and to improve accessibility to open space	Development planning Policy
K2	Support the implementation of the recommendations of the Victoria Park Master Plan, Koroit Structure Plan, Koroit Streetscape Plan, Tower Hill Activation and Linkages Plan and the Koroit Youth Space Development Plan	Improve the liveability, amenity and attractiveness of the town as a place to live, visit, work and play	Master Plan implementation Investment attraction
K3	Improve wayfinding signage throughout the town to support more active lifestyles and improve visitor movement to key destinations.	Provide a legible open space network, encouraging activation of spaces and improvement to the wayfinding experience of visitors and residents	Investment planning
K4	Continue to improve the amenity of open space within the town including embellishments such as shade, seating and landscaping treatments	Improve the liveability, amenity and attractiveness of the town	Investment planning

Mortlake

Ref	Action description	Rationale	Type
MO1	Continue to implement the Tea Tree Lake Master Plan to provide a range of recreation and open space uses for residents and visitors	Provide a range of recreation and open space uses for residents and visitors	Master Plan implementation Investment planning
MO2	Continue the implementation of the Recreation Reserve Master Plan to make best use of the facility and create a vibrant hub for the community	Continue to meet the sport and recreation needs of the Mortlake and district community	Master Plan implementation Investment attraction
MO3	Develop footpath connections and wayfinding between areas experiencing accessibility deficiencies and nearby open spaces	Provide residents with equitable access to open space, improve wayfinding, and encourage active recreation such as walking and cycling	Investment planning
MO4	Support the development of the proposed arts and historical precinct of Settlers Run including how it can add value / integrate with open space and open space uses in the town	Develop a new visitor product for the town and to promote visitor dispersal across the region	Advocacy Investment attraction
MO5	Plan for upgrades and renewal of the Market Square Playground following the principles of play for all ages and abilities to improve the play amenity of the open space for residents and visitors	Improve the play amenity of the open space for residents and visitors	Design and costing plan

Macarthur

Ref	Action description	Rationale	Type
MC1	Implement the Market Street Precinct Plan recommendations to deliver a multi-use open space for recreation and social activities for residents and visitors	Provide a multi-use open space for recreation and social activities for residents and visitors	Master Plan implementation Investment attraction
MC2	Support the development of iconic cultural and visitor product of the UNESCO World Heritage Budj Bim site and identify opportunities to appropriately link open space, open space use and cultural interpretation	Enhance economic, cultural, social and open space benefits to the region	Advocacy Investment planning

Peterborough

Ref	Action description	Rationale	Type
PB1	Implement the Irvine Reserve Master Plan recommendations to provide a multi-use open space for recreation and social activities for residents and visitors	Provide a multi-use open space for recreation and social activities for residents and visitors	Master Plan implementation Investment attraction
PB2	Develop plans for upgrades to the foreshore playground area and general amenities for residents and visitors	Enhance the play and recreation options for residents and visitors	Design and costing plan Investment planning

Villages and Hamlets

Ref	Action description	Rationale	Type
VH1	Cudgee – Improve liveability and amenity features of the town and promote active lifestyles through connections to residential areas and community assets	Provide a diversity of recreation opportunities across the Shire, and in line with community demand	Investment planning
VH2	Garvoc – Continue to support the community with the development of a new community hub that includes improved open space areas	Enhance the social and recreation options for residents	Investment attraction
VH3	Hawkesdale – Support the community to re-develop the playground at the Recreation Reserve	Enhance the play and recreation options for residents and visitors	Design and costing plan
VH4	Nirranda - Provide signage from the town centre to the Recreation Reserve	Improve access to and promotion of this important district facility	Project implementation
VH5	Purnim – support the community to renew / replace community playground assets	Enhance the play and recreation options for residents and visitors	Design and costing plan
VH6	Wangoom – support the community to create a community open space associated with the Wangoom Hall upgrades	Enhance the environmental and recreation value of this open space to build upon the investment in hall upgrades	Design and costing plan
VH7	Woorndoo – implement the Woorndoo Township and Streetscape Plan recommendations	Support the liveability and environmental features of the town for residents and visitors	Plan implementation Investment attraction

CHAPTER 05

Monitoring and review



To ensure we continue to meet the vision and actions proposed in this Strategy, evaluation and monitoring will be undertaken.

This will allow Council to continually monitor and report its progress, be responsive to legislative change and for the Strategy to remain current..

REVIEW

Operational Plan - every 3 months

Action Plan - annually

Open Space Strategy - every 5 years



MONITOR

Monitor and refine Strategy as subsequent detailed strategies are completed to meet user needs

Data and statistical information

Government policy and funding



REPORT

Strategy Governance Group
- at Group meetings

Land and asset
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Council and community
- Council's Annual Report





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