



AGENDA APPENDIX
Council Meeting
Wednesday 22 May 2013

AGENDA ITEM FOR SEPARATE DISTRIBUTION TO COUNCILLORS AND EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM DUE TO DOCUMENT SIZE.

THE ITEM IS ACCESSIBLE VIA THE COUNCIL WEBSITE OR BY CONTACTING COUNCIL ON 03 5662 9200.

E.7 HOUSING AND SETTLEMENT STRATEGY - DRAFT STRATEGY FOR EXHIBITION

Appendix 2 – Notes from community meetings (10 & 12 November 2012)

NOTES FROM COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

CONSULTATION OVER ISSUES, OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS PAPER, NOVEMBER 2012

FISH CREEK – 10 November 2012

WHAT MAKES IT DIFFERENT?

- VicRoads signage making people aware of creative and galleries etc
- Intend branding/placemaking to strengthen
- Not going to expand, current size is part of charm
- Not a service town i.e. no butchers etc
- Public art needed, but maintenance needed in future

- No sewerage is the key constraint to growth, particularly tourism/economic growth. Would like sewerage to improve existing town.
- Strong relationship between Foster, Fish Creek and Meeniyah.
- Art tour brochure for area

KEY ISSUES FOR TOWN, NOW AND INTO THE FUTURE

- Sewage
- Place marking/way finding (toilet – relocation of toilets on Council program 2014)
- Fish Creek – floods. Need to identify issues and solutions
- Tourist information, location to promote
- Boundary issue
- Public toilets (location and maintenance – hall ownership affects maintenance)

PRIORITIES

- Sewage – waste water management (limits growth)
- Public toilets (more) location marked on map
- Wayfinding/placemaking creative
- Great maintenance of gardens. Rotunda drainage needs improving
- Rail trail important assets. Great Asset. Improved wayfinding to town facilities/business
- Public art new and maintenance
- Commonwealth game fish. Council requirements affect location and facilities

- Lighting of public facilities.
- More public facilities/footpath
- Issues: footpaths from Harding Lawson into town. And other roads outside town centre.
- Upgrade of facilities to allow caravans campers etc at old cricket grounds

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BUFFALO – 10 November 2012

VALUED ELEMENTS

- Large lots (5 acres) – fruit trees/paddock
- Close to water/beaches
- Trees/Garden
- Amenity/ambience
- Rainfall

- Rail trails
- Bush setting
- Affordable large lot
- Large farms being able to have more flexibility to subdivide and/or build

POTENTIAL

- Accommodation linked to rail trail/tourism
- Public transport – 1 ½ km walk to V/Line, bus – Yarra/Melb
- Attain old Station Masters house for tourism, connected rail trail or community something
- Smaller blocks > 10 acres for quality hobby farms
- Revisit land use to ensure attractive area for small animal i.e. number not size people e.g. RL2/LDR2
- Community Hall – well equipped and catered for indoor sports, social events – weddings, 21sts etc

KEY ISSUES

- Little to bring the town and district together since the school closed
- Internet reception – mobile phone
- Manufacturing manchester and allergy free 'online marketing'
- Landmark fertilizer storage
- Disposal of Shire owned property on corner of Hall Road and Neals Road? – funds to reinvest in town
- Car parking around community hall – overflowing into street – improvement required.
- Drainage in Hall Road
- Community Hall – events, Fish Creek, Football Club
- Tennis courts – infrequently used
- Rail trail – well used – some people stop at toilets and general store

DUMBALK – 10 November 2012

WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT YOUR TOWN?

- Campdraft
- 1878 settlement years
- Very popular café/general store/post office/liquor for cyclists and tourists
- Collective dairy, butter factory 1894-1920s, second factory 1930, third 1940s-1969
- Co-op, football club – Meeniyah 1818 – lost football club then closing of school and kindergarten
- Merging two schools later on
- Decline until 2008
- Childcare Health Centre/Community Centre – leased by used for other purpose

- 2008 population grew again 'back to' celebration – attracted 2000 people
 - New population: retirees from Dandenong and Mornington, therefore cheaper housing
 - Community Hall: Indoor bowl, dancing lessons, parties, weddings, meeting (used by Tarwin Valley as well)
 - Community bus
 - Toilet (new) (ran by Leongatha RSL and Mirboo North RSLRSL, DDPA)
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- Community – pull together/support key service/advocacy groups e.g. CFA – more active, funding contribution
 - Active children's/teenage participation – variety areas CFA, cricket, campdraft, indoor bowls
 - Very welcoming
 - Emotional support (e.g. free funeral catering!)
 - Has changed between census collections/demographic – a few difference – some growth, household types
 - Affordable lifestyle (quite a few benefits of sometime)
 - Trade skills
 - Younger people moving in (trick or treating occurred)
 - Rain reliability, good hobby farm country (soil?) and handy to Melbourne and land prices
 - Central spot for employment
 - Good quality education (secondary) – employment, children - and Monash Gippsland campus and TAFEs
 - Community casserole night: Xmas in park etc
 - Close to jetty facility and prom (< 1hour), camping
 - ½ hour boating/fishing/recreation
 - Scenery – carries
 - Revealing views
 - The hills
 - Seasonal change
 - Weather – range
 - Care for natural vegetation
 - Reveg
 - Protection of remnant
 - Store and Morray-Goulburn, post office (open 7am-7pm – full or part – 365 days)
 - Lovely gardens
 - Close to Meenyan to V/Line bus
 - Close to Koonwana 'good food'
 - Community self-sufficient but also neighbourly with nearby towns

KEY ISSUES IN DUMBALK

- Need to revitalise Dumbalk
- Ageing population – may be problems with members for footy club and tennis in the future
- Public transport (only community bus)
- Viability of community groups (e.g. church) due to volunteer issues (there are volunteers for fencing)
- Campdraft: Supplying cattle in the future – (set up by the community at the Rec Reserve)
- School sold

- Decline of dairy farmers due to succession issue (capital an system making purchasing shared equipment difficult

- Don't want to have to justify 'why' have or keep or retain community facility
 - Certain basic level of service
 - Part of town character
- Strain from 'our' kindergarten and school to Meeniyan
- Currently three superb facilities
 - Rec reserve (including Campdraft)
 - Hall
 - Kindergarten building/grounds
- Temporary lease on kindergarten facility
 - Short term
 - Uncertain
 - Investment issue
 - Grants not possible due to lease
 - Relay for Life
 - R.V. friendly stopover/town
 - History of community asset support in other towns not necessarily how it would work here (kindergarten site hall)
 - Want to establish a community hub (hall not sufficiently 'home-like' -set up each time)
 - Intimate spaces
 - Younger people not assimilating into community
 - Lower sense of obligation to community input
 - Lack of after school activities
 - Population ageing – the volunteers are getting older
 - Community work/vols burn out
 - Shop owners – depends too much on individual's passion and effort. Could close if burn out

PRIORITIES OF ACTION

1. Mobile phone reception for tradies and other services, carpenters and electrician in town
 2. Longer lease of the building from Council as Community Centre
 3. Provision of reticulated sewerage (correction P.98 = There is reticulated water supply)
 4. Community Plan
 5. Public transport
 6. Renovation/improvements to tennis court (for the tennis club), facilities e.g. skate park, basketball court for families
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- Some type of town sewerage/wastewater scheme – weather pipe to Meeniyan or stand alone systems
 - Telecommunications – mobile phone and internet

- Losing older people out of town as lack of services if they lose mobility – need wider services close
- How to attract user numbers/outside money into the town to stop/stay/spend use as travelling through town.

VISION FOR THE NEXT 20-30 YEARS

- Tourism:
 - Historical centre (using the hall) and heritage trails
 - Turtons Creek
 - Continue to attract cyclists
- 'Heritage Park' in town
 - Need advertisement
 - Have B&B and farm stays
- Management of part time hobby farm in small blocks in areas with steep hill- should encourage hobby farms
- Diversifications: beef, sheep, alpaca farms, grapes, peas, potato farms in addition to dairy in existence and nursery
- Caravan Park in Rec Reserve

KARDELLA – 10 November 2012

1. Meet in Arawatta Community Hall
2. Little community
3. No community hall in Kardella
4. Rural lifestyle, yet has facilities of Leongatha and Korumburra (7-8 minutes travel)
5. Sealed road – some value and others not)
6. Close to Melbourne/Dandenong
7. Views
8. Availability of larger block (20-30 acres)
 - Live and make income from niche products
9. Sense of community
10. Close to highway
11. School bus route

WHAT ARE THE KEY ISSUES FOR KARDELLA?

1. Lot of housing blocks potentially available
2. Little infrastructure
3. Need to maintain and develop "rural activity zone" business/income earning opportunities
4. Maintain rural lifestyle
5. Need to maintain and build sense of community
6. Taking into account people moving into the area

WHAT ARE THE PRIORITIES

1. Decent internet for telecommuting and business
2. Farm produce diversity and value added
3. Links to State growth and plans
4. Maintain wildlife – birds
5. Policy around pet ownership in farming areas – control/containment

Keep local food network and sustainability network, going and build it

BENA - 10 November 2012

- Bypass has transferred the town
- Kerb and channel on one side only – other side flood
- Need for lighting
- No designated parking for hall and no lighting
- Scenery is magnificent
- Boundary – could extend to take in re-zoning and subdivision
- “issue” of sewerage/gas etc is not relevant
- Loca of public toilets – real issue
- Environmental significance overlay – steep/erosion
- IN issues – No public toilets and is it poorly configured?
- Earthworm overlay
- Hall is the local community, which includes rural catchment
- Character of “new” subdivision

STONY CREEK – 10 November 2012

KEY ISSUES

- Community tree planting in “growth area” in SW
- Horses living on the green between the “growth area” and township
- The middle green area divides up the town given the growth area
- No childcare facilities (not good for working families)
- Strength: Bus stop on main road going to Leongatha High
- Poor quality of old HW, still used a lot
- Parking is heavy along the “Stony Creek Dollar Road” – main road on racing day

VALUES

- Small and tight communities, with member from farm on both sides of the HW
- Racetrack – key focus point
 - Netball, football, community hall, swimming pools
- The combined community
 - 3K for each group raised per year service beyond Stony Creek
- Two halls – one has photos
- Former butter factory (closed 50s)
- Former railway line

PRIORITIES

- Not retrospectively looking at the growth or Stony Creek after approving sewerage plant without consulting with Stony Creek people
- Traffic flow on Dollar Road on racing day
- Maintenance of the old HW
- Connection to the sewer
- Extension of existing paved road to the South on Buffalo-Stony Creek Road
- Green belt corridor through the middle green area
- Viability of the racing precinct
- Phone internet reception improved
- Connectivities/corridor between the racing precinct with the rail-trail
- Reconsider acquiring land opposite to the entrance of racing track and think about rationization of land within the existing track land
- Maintain some green/tree lines in private/public realm
- Consider future better use of the middle green if the town is to grow – e.g. park facilities? (existing use: horses)
- Continue to use the town hall

RUBY – 10 November 2012

WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT YOUR TOWN?

- Has community hall
- Fire Brigade
- Halfway between Leongatha and Korumburra – close to services
- Close to Highway
- Correction on map: Ruby-Arawata Road (No Fairbank-Ruby Road)
- Proximity to Leongatha for education, commercial
- Lots of small lots (for housing)
- Tennis Court used by kids
- 4/5 times of major events a year at the hall
- CWA used the hall monthly

- Gallery in town

ISSUES

- On major thoroughfare too many cars speeding
- To maintain the Community Hall
- Keep rural lifestyle
- Get new people in lifestyle block to be involved in the community
- No critical mass for additional facilities (suits well for the population)

ACTIONS

1. Kardell-Fairbank Road needs to be sealed
2. Fast internet speed
3. Maintenance of the hall
 - Promote/encourage use of the hall (e.g. for movie nights)
 - Secure car park of hall its long-term right – partly on rail land
 - Increase school bus frequency
 - Council's policy on controlling dog containment in public area (issues with dog poo) and attacking/killing small animals

VISION IN 20-30 YEARS

- Change of its role over time in the regional context considering Melbourne's expansion
- Satellite rural living choice to Nyora and Poowong
- Diversification of farming e.g. beef, orchard – value adding process
- Part time/full time work opportunities in Leongatha to sustain part time farming in Ruby
 - Require significant growth of Leongatha
- Working from home (with I.T. advancements)
- Advanced internet speed

KONGWAK – 10 November 2012

WHAT MAKES IT DIFFERENT FROM OTHER PLACES?

- 3 Areas residential reserve
- Sunday market
- No hub/shops now
- Town has gone to sleep. Is reverted
- Feels like a town but its lost its services and associated hub
- No commercial services. One shop only open Sunday clothes. Ten years since stored closed. Since that closed lost services
- So peaceful. No pub. Ok for bistro/smart wine bar possible

- Lots of new people with young families
- Primary school close to full. Five years ago at risk. Annex with Inverloch
- Reserve great asset. Lots of weeds. Needs investments and wayfinding
- Pioneer. Has tracks needs linking of track. Landcare group
- Trying to get track from Telstra exchange
- Road near William Street appears in private issue
- Wayfinding
- Butter factory character/historic raison d'être

WHAT ARE THE KEY ISSUES NOW AND INTO THE FUTURE?

- If we cant grow due to sewage/lack of growth areas
- Character stays same/stagnant
 - If land available, people will move into
 - Rebuilding existing houses raises current sewage standard issues/barriers
- VicRoads standards
 - Commercial hub needs/butter factory
 - Parking issues with market
 - Lacking footpaths for people to use
 - Vehicle amenity issues from cartage firm

FIVE MAJOR PRIORITIES

- Road issues. Failure
- Sewage even upgrading existing systems
- Commercial Heart. How to attract business? With sewage being key issue and VicRoads access/parking
 - Access onto main road for footpaths
 - Drainage and kerbing on Korumbarre/Wonthaggi Road to improve roadside drainage would improve Sunday parking issues associated with drainage
- Communication
 - Broadband
 - Phone

ARAWATA – 10 November 2012

WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT OUR DISTRICT

1. Community/heritage/location/history
Character to be retained/lifestyle choice
2. Significant, trees and pioneers trees
Views, locality on top of hills
Hall is hub for a strong community connection

- Involvement with other settlements
3. Site is subject to landslips

KEY ISSUES

- Concern about overdevelopment of area
- Breaking up of community
- Maintain community – no weekend households
- Permanent residents – stability
- Public transport and other essential services e.g. garbage collection
- Small business enterprises to attract tourism

ARAWATA

1. Keep character – retain community feel
2. Maintaining/preserving heritage trees and environment
3. Respecting/preservation of history
4. Services – garbage, transport etc
5. Communication of mobile/I.T. services
 - Currently in a blackspot

WALKERVILLE – 10 November 2012

Walkerville North and South and Prom Views Estate

WHAT IS SPECIAL?

Note: Walkerville consists of three separate settlements, viz. North Walkerville, South Walkerville and Promontory Views Estate.

- It is a diverse community consisting of permanent residents and holiday makers. Visitors are mostly regulars who have owned their homes for some time. They have often originally stayed in the Walkerville caravan park and purchased a block/home in PVE or South or North Walkerville.
- Beauty – bush, beaches and rural aspect – walking tracks are very accessible.
- Historical values e.g. cemetery
- Housing affordability – especially on PVE. North and South Walkerville more expensive.
- Natural based recreational activities
- Very strong sense of community (both locals and visitors) sense of ownership, etc
- Physical limitations re: development – land ownership – private and public

KEY ISSUES

- Very little Council input and interest in Walkerville (we feel like “second class citizens” at times)
- Numbers of day visitors and their expectations.
Tourism is heavily promoted by tourism agencies, websites etc, but facilities are not adequate e.g. car and boat parking particularly at South Walkerville, toilet and picnic facilities, speed limit amendments, i.e. reduction of speed – Bayside Drive is a shared road with increasing traffic, cyclists and walkers and age groups, viz. prams etc.
- Erosion of beach fronts
- Fire risk and traffic congestion in event of emergency. There is no public refuge area
- Liason with Shire – more communication required
- Pollution of Corner Inlet beaches. Sewerage should be strongly considered for all beach locations and an appropriate system/s for PVE (Prom Views Estate)
- Locals and long-term visitors do not want an expansion of PVE
- Facilities – access for all users
- Lack of formal recreation facilities e.g. tennis courts, bowling green as population ages
- North Walkerville Hall is a historical building – it is the hub of the community and is well used.
- Weed management and feral animal control
- Erosion a problem especially in caravan park and north/south Walkerville
- Lack of by-law control in peak season, e.g. dogs being uncontrolled, lighting of fires on blocks without proper facilities, not toilet, water

PRIORITIES FOR NEXT 20-30 YEARS

- Better parking facilities for Walkerville North and South (in conjunction with the Walkerville Foreshore Committee current Management Plan)
- Walking track along Arcadia Road/ Walkerville-Fish Creek Road in PVE under power lines – increasing population and usage of PVE – walking on road dangerous
- Link road between north and south Walkerville
- Maintain and improve interpretation of geology/history of Walkerville
- Transport readily available and regular return of taxis
- Bushfire protection
 - More funding for hospital especially re: heating at night
 - Need public refuge area and safe space
- Increased fire safety – better building codes, more fuel reduction burns
- Playground on Prom Views south-east for the children
- Stop roadside spraying to protect native animals and school children
- Priority that landscape not include large and inappropriate buildings that do not suit area re: size, construction materials, colour etc (but not just a Golden Home ghetto – a need for variety)
- Caravan park – revamped and improved, e.g. more vegetation between sites, weeds are an issue (weeds growing in bush)
- Care for native vegetation especially wildflowers and native animals
- PVE – Water management plan to be implemented, and remain narrow as roads are shared
- Rabbit and fox baiting to continue with all interested groups
- Mobile phone/internet coverage inadequate, emphasis on emergency numbers
- No extension to Prom Views Estate
- Not to expand commercial activities (however, Kiosk needs to be open more often to be used by locals too)
- SUMMARY
 - Liason with Council

- Growth of Walkerville
- Fire vegetation

HOUSING AND STRATEGY (RESIDENTS)

- Robert
- Judy

Walkerville – 3 different settlements

- Walkerville (includes Prom Views)
- Walkerville North
- Walkerville South
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LIKES/DISLIKES

- Amenity
- Environment
- Long term residents
- Housing – availability/variety/affordability
- People attracted to larger bush blocks not necessarily towns
- Older people move to towns for services
- Public transport important for older people (transport needed to get to public transport)
- Need local, regular public transport services
- Taxis important
- Aging population – transport. Services available to city
- Town connections
 - Walkerville – Fish Creek (petrol)
 - Walkerville – Foster (medical, supermarket, entertainment)
 - Walkerville – Leongatha (specialized medical chemist (\$), movies, theatre)
 - Walkerville – Wonthaggi (Council, senior’s activities and art)
 - Foster – Foster (convenience)
 - Melbourne (high order)
 - Leongatha (supermarket only if travelling through)
- Walkerville younger families
 - Playground Tarwin Lower
 - Kindergarten (possibly Fish Creek)
- Foster an important subregional centre
 - Hospital (services and visiting patient)
 - Nursing Home – Toora Nursing Home amalgamating
 - Community garden

- Volunteering
- Social groups
- Smaller towns - CFA/Red Cross/ratepayers/CWA

CHANGE

- Protect environment – vegetation/coastal
- Enable larger life style lots without degrading environment and landscape (e.g. clusters, not necessarily around towns but hidden from view)
- No more wind farms in scenic areas and close to homes
- Concentrate services in larger towns
- Opportunities for small scale enterprise in small town e.g. kiosk in Walkerville
- Transport
 - Public transport
 - Road quality
 - Taxi

FUTURE

- Transport
 - Aging population
 - Young families
 - Services need not be provided in every town, just transport
- Sea change greatest growth potential in South Stresleki/Corner Inlet area
 - Scenic
 - Agriculture less visible
 - Few young people
- Road quality important
 - Pot holes
 - Improve services
- Major industry in future – supporting tree changes
 - Supporting community groups
 - Business support e.g. NBN
 - Medical
 - Transport
 - Venue for community and social activities
- Financing medical facilities
- Community activities
- Farm gate salers – flexibility
- Home occupation – Flexible rules
- Reduce red tape for small towns and country groups e.g. raffles, stalls, legal liability, insurance
- Harmonic laws (legal liability)
- Art complex (south of Shire)
 - Arts
 - Performing arts
- Meeting place at Fish Creek
 - Flexible
 - Dedicated to communities

Judy: social and service groups

Robert

- Can be self-generated
- Art
- Sport
- CFA

Judy

- These function should be discussed for areas like Walkerville (e.g. Red Cross, rater payer groups)
- Sea changers could need something for entertainment and other functions

HOUSING AND STRATEGY (STAFF AND COUNCILLORS)

LIKES

- Variety of townships, town identities "village I.D)
- Things to do
 - Natural
 - Facilities
- Fresh air
- Wilsons Prom
- Scenery (views – God's Country)
- Space – especially natural
- Hills and beaches
- Sense of community, connection to community
- Climate
- Rainfall
- Community entertainment
- Opportunities – self starting
- Community acceptance and flexibility
- Rail rail
- Linake between locations tourism, towns in opportunity
- Wildlife, including birds, insects and retiles
- Greeneess
- Physical/personal security (especially as a female at night or in remote places)
- Property security (don't lock the house or car)
- "Gems" e.g Cement Hill by towns influx of 'new' people mixing with those who grew up here
- Creative arts/diversity of arts
- Healthy environment

- Range and warmth of community interest groups
- Café culture
- Commercial agriculture
- Ability to find like-minded people
- Physical privacy
- Good sized urban blocks/lots of lovely gardens

DISLIKES

- Nothing provate
- Rainfall
- Deal wildlife/road side
- Lack of pedestrian, non-vehicle movement links within towns and between towns
- Lack of rail transport to Melbourne, Sale and Wonthaggi
- Lack of public transport to from service, infrastructure
- No taxis in Foster
- Potholes
- Invasive weeds
- Lacking touism profile and cohesion
- In smaller towns – pressure on volunteers to keep services and facilities operating
- Lack of funding for infrastructure and services
 - How money is distributed to enable services and facilities across the large land area
 - Competition it creates between settlements
 - Pressure on volunteers to do the grants application and frive projects
 - Taking turns different years/queuing
- Small town mentality/parochial – hard for strategic vision to occur
- Lack of new ideas, innovative solutions and projects – leadership in these
- Historic tradition “not how we do things here”
- Seeing existing circumstances in new ways
- Percent of non-resident ratepayers
- Amount of people with time/energy/capability/forward thinking/education
- Difficulty in getting committees to change attitudes
- Few people voicing on behalf of community can be exclusive
- Lack of connection between old and new development
- Food access not mainstream (vegetation/gluten-free etc

CHALLENGES – FUTURE 20-30 YEARS

- Access for all facilities – places and spaces
- Physical and property security
- Maintaining community feel especially if large developments/subdivisions
- Sufficient and well-designed public spaces – recreation, retail – yet keep character of towns
- ‘Generic’ shops – same as other towns e.g. target
- More non-vehciular connectivity – including mobility scooters, bikes
- Protect farmland for agriculture – especially commercial
- Natural environment – quality and extent

**HOUSING AND STRATEGY COMMUNITY WORKSHOP
LEONGATHA – 12 November 2012**

LIKES

- Lifestyle
 - Need growth for provision of services we desire
 - Is growth to occur across shire or focus on specific towns?
- Lifestyle
 - Knowing people enough to trust them
 - Sense of community/part of life of community
 - Fresh air/space
- Scenery, lifestyle, hills
- Close to family
- Convenience to Melbourne
- Quality of lifestyle
- Fresh air, open space, less traffic
- Country side, community living
- Close to capital city
- Connection between community and local government
- Community, landscape, history
- Community facilities – halls
- Small towns even with growth to maintain existence
- Schools – good supply/choice
- Convenience of Gipps Monash
- Smaller villages/hamlets and towns without one dominant town – mix of population spread
- Character of small towns – unique towns
- Maintain ratio of population spread: 1/3: 1/3: 1/3

DISLIKES

- Balance of commercial
- Don't want to return to what was 60 years ago
 - Need services and industries that growth brings
 - Slow progress of plans/changes frustrating
 - Standard of facilities
 - Don't want "Pakenham style growth"
 - Ageing structures (maintenance of community facilities)

(CATEGORY DEFINED USING * SYMBOL)

- Bypass roads needed Leogatha/Korumburra traffic/trucks an issue
- Keep option of train open/don't like train (arguments both ways)
- Road transport – trucks
- Aged care facilities availability for all needs

QUESTION TWO: WHERE DO YOU GO?

- Shopping?
 - Fountain Gate
 - Online shopping - music
 - Leongatha: cafes
 - Korumburra: groceries – older people shop in our town
 - Traralgon: (empty)
 - Wonthaggi: Big W
- Entertainment
 - Local hall: Ruby, Meeniyan, Foster
 - Mossvale Park – music
 - Leongatha cinema
- Work
 - Locally
 - Kids to Melbourne
 - Low unemployment – close to work
- School/kindergarten/childcare
 - One of strongest points
 - Choice of schools
- Health services – strongest points
 - Leongatha/Korumburra
 - Some specialist health services
 - Fairly well-off for health services
- Community services
- Recreation
 - Good access to sport
 - Arts – good access
 - Welcomed to recreation and arts
 - Enough people to volunteer to hall committees
Sports team coaching?
Question of understand of younger people of how they can be involved

QUESTION THREE: THIRTY YEARS TIME?

- Increase density (townhouses) for more green spaces
 - “elbow room for the down time”
- Range of housing types for different tastes and needs
- Larger blocks in larger towns (one acre max.)
- Maintain agricultural land for food production – in large enough blocks to keep primary production viable
- Protect the soil/land for agriculture for locals and broader economy
- “Assisted living” housing
- Medium density in towns

- Cooperative housing options for older people (baby boomers) or mixed communities
- Variety for different tastes
- Keep Leongatha – Wonthaggi sized facilities
 - Leongatha host most facilities
- Train back – not through middle of towns
- Bus, not trains