

Vision 2027 – Stage One Summary

About Vision 2027

The City of South Perth embarked on a major review of its 10-year Strategic Community Plan in November 2016. Vision 2027 is the stakeholder and community engagement process that will guide the development of the City's 2017-2027 Strategic Community Plan. The Plan will outline the community's aspirations, priorities and vision for the future and guides the services, facilities and programs the City provides.

All local governments are required to produce a Strategic Community Plan for the future as part of the State Government's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework.

Vision 2027 is a three stage community and stakeholder engagement project as follows:

Stage One: Community Survey – Completed

The Vision 2027 community survey was open from 7 November to 12 December 2016 and asked the community what they liked about the City, ideas for the future and priorities. The data has been analysed and this document provides a summary of that report. The information gathered in Stage One has been used to design Stage Two of the review. The full report can be viewed [here](#).

Stage Two: Workshops – March 2017

A number of community and stakeholder workshops will be held in March 2017. The survey outcomes and responses will be discussed in further detail with the community, who will help to develop strategies for the Plan. An information session will also be held for the community and stakeholders to outline the major projects and strategies the City is currently working on and has planned for the near future. The session will also cover how the City is managing increased density and developments in some precincts.

Stage Three: Strategic Community Plan – May-July 2017

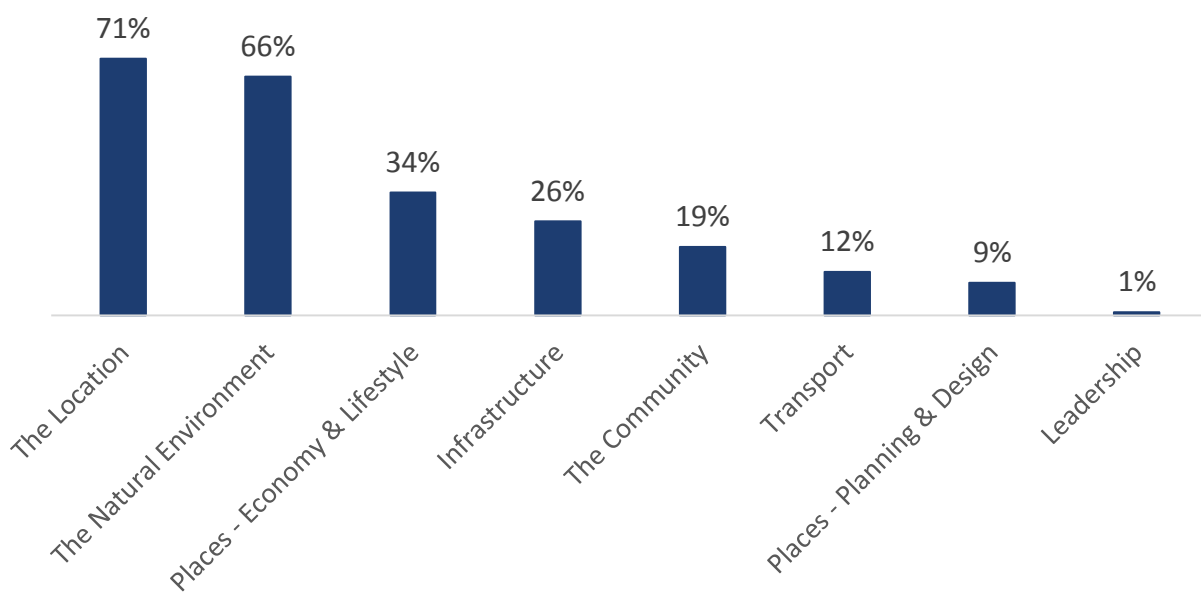
The outcomes from the workshops will be used to develop strategies for the draft Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027. The draft Plan will be released for community and stakeholder feedback in May 2017, with the final Plan presented to Council in July 2017. Once the Plan has been adopted by Council, a Corporate Business Plan will be developed to outline how the City will meet the aspirations and achieve the priorities in the Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027.

Stage One: Community Survey

The survey focused on three main questions, which are followed by a brief summary of the responses to each. A more detailed summary of the feedback received can be found in the Vision 2027 Stage One Survey Results Report. The responses were grouped into seven key themes.

Q1. What are the three things you like most about living in or visiting the City of South Perth?

What people like most about the City of South Perth are its **Location** (71%), the **Natural Environment** (66%) and **Places - Economy and Lifestyle** (34%).



Aspects of the **location** referred to included proximity to the Perth CBD, the relative centrality of the City of South Perth to other parts of Greater Perth, as well as proximity to the Swan and Canning Rivers.

A key part of the City’s **Natural Environment** is the river system, which was mainly acknowledged for its beautiful parks and open spaces:

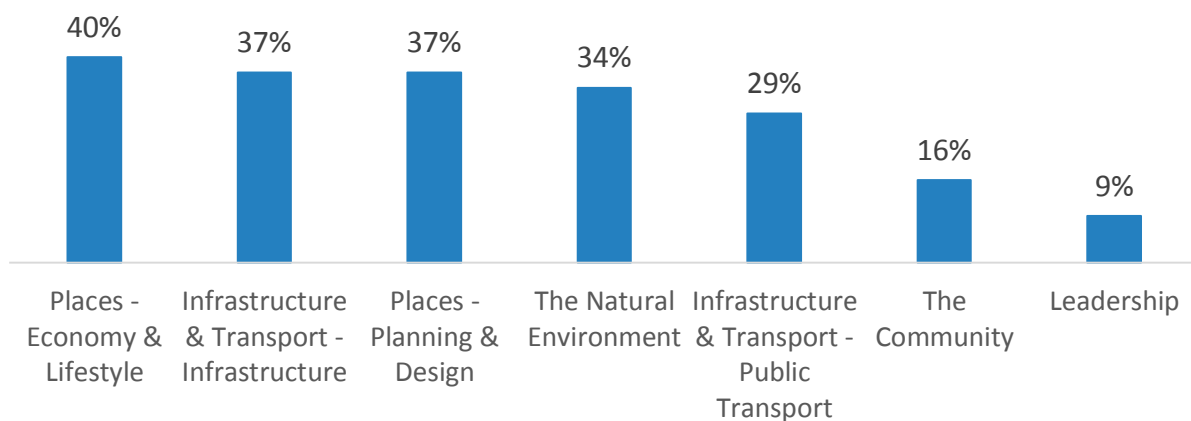
- “Natural beauty – parks, street trees and the river”
- “Green spaces, leafy streetscapes and the river”
- “The impression is a suburb that is a sea of green and blue”.

These likes were shared across the respondents’ suburb, age group and connection to the City.

In **Economy and Lifestyle**, restaurants, cafes and bars (particularly in Angelo and Mends streets) were popular, as was the village atmosphere and community spirit.

Q2. What three ideas do you have that would make the City a better place to live or visit?

Whilst there was strong agreement and common themes when respondents were asked what they like most about the City of South Perth, there was considerable diversity in opinions on how to make the City a better place to live or visit. These differences were greatest between residents of the different suburbs and between different age groups. The responses were grouped into the same seven key themes as follows:



The most popular ideas were grouped in **Places - Economy and Lifestyle** (40% of respondents listed this as one of their three ideas for improving the City), which relates to:

- Activating the café, restaurant and bar scene (20%);
- Improving parking (such as more public parking, free shopper parking and enforcing parking rules to stop commuters parking in South Perth) (14%); and
- Improving the retail offering (13%).

Activating the café, restaurant and bar scene had widespread support from respondents, and was amongst the more popular ideas in four of the suburbs and five of the six age groups. It was particularly popular amongst the younger demographic, as was improving the retail offering.

Places - Planning and Design (37%) and **Infrastructure and Transport - Infrastructure** (37%) were the equal second most popular ideas for improving the City.

Places - Planning and Design comments related mostly to:

- Limiting high rise development (17%);
- Limiting density (6%); and
- Controlled and planned development (5%).

The survey results indicated that this was a greater issue amongst South Perth residents, and those aged 60+.

Within *Infrastructure and Transport - Infrastructure*, improving traffic management (11%) had widespread support, whilst having a swimming pool (9%) achieved strong support from Manning, Salter Point and Como residents. Residents in Waterford particularly suggested improvements to cycle ways (8%).

The main ideas to emerge in *Natural Environment* (34%) related to maintaining and enhancing what people liked about the City's natural environment, upgrading and activating the foreshore, including evening activities and shade (15%). It was evident from the comments that the foreshore extended to the entire foreshore area of the City and not just within the suburb of South Perth. Planting more trees and more appropriate trees (not the Queensland box tree and not those that shed leaves and bark) and maintaining the trees (10%) and conserving and upgrading the parks and open spaces (10%) were the other main ideas to emerge.

On the topic of *Infrastructure and Transport – Public Transport* (29%) responses centered around improvements in public transport including:

- Better public transport connecting the City's suburbs or a CAT bus (13%);
- Improving the ferry service, including extended hours and more stops up to Canning Bridge (10%); and
- The development of a train station in South Perth (9%).

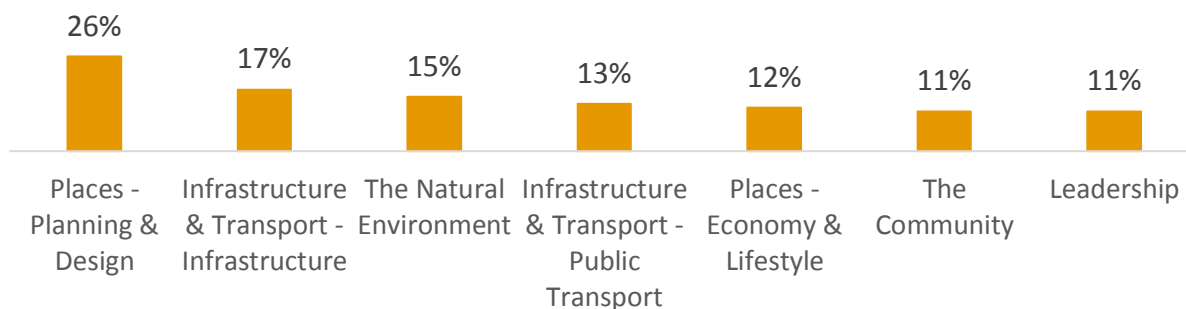
In the area of the *Community* (16%), more regular community events were more frequently suggested by the under 25s (29%) and those aged 25 – 34 years (21%).

Improving the safety of the area was more likely to be mentioned by Karawara residents (1 in 4 of the 17 Karawara residents who participated in the survey).

In the area of *Leadership* (9%), mentions were made about lower rates / more value for money and sustainability initiatives / environmental concerns.

Q3. Are there any other priorities you would like the City to focus on over the next ten years?

The ‘other priorities to focus on’ responses contained a great level of diversity. Again, they were grouped into the seven key themes.



One quarter of respondents mentioned ideas relating to **Places - Planning & Design** (26%) and the theme was one of limiting high rise (9%) and also the need for a controlled development plan for the City, including a transport plan (7%).

“With the forthcoming completions of the new high rises, the City needs to look at how to cope with the increased population & plan for the future in areas like traffic & parking, schools & childcare facilities, medical services, sports ground & public parks, etc.”

Concern was frequently expressed about how the City would manage traffic congestion and parking with the increases in high rises and population. Whilst there was support for this development being concentrated around transport hubs, concern was expressed that these were already congested.

The survey also asked three questions to find out about the respondents as follows:

Q4. What suburb do you live in?

Suburb live in	%	No.
South Perth	41%	494
Manning	5%	61
Como	25%	304
Waterford	2%	28
Karawara	1%	17
Kensington	9%	105
Salter Point	4%	42
Outside City of South Perth	10%	120
Not provided	2%	20

Q5. What best describes your connection to the City of South Perth?

Connection to the City	%	No.
Live here	88%	1054
Work here	16%	190
Own a business here	6%	68
Shop here	3%	40
Study here	44%	520
Attend events here	42%	498

NOTE: Respondents were able to select more than one answer

Q6. What is your age?

Age of participant	%	No.
Up to 24 years	4%	42
25 – 34 years	12%	136
35 – 49 years	26%	303
50 – 59 years	22%	256
60 – 69 years	24%	278
70+ years	12%	140

NOTE: Responses to the survey amongst the 50-69 age group tend to be over represented and responses amongst the under 25 age group tend to be under represented.

What is the City currently working on in these seven key areas?

The City is currently working from the 2015-2025 Strategic Community Plan. A number of the ideas, issues and themes mentioned by respondents in the Vision 2027 survey are currently either being implemented or planned to be developed by the City. All the data gathered in Vision 2027 will be fed into all these current or planned projects and masterplans.

Some of these current or planned projects include:

Places - Economy and Lifestyle

Key Projects	Timeframe
<p>Economic Development Strategy</p> <p>With the Economic Development Strategy 2013-2016 complete, the City plans to commence work on an Economic Development Strategy in the next financial year and will involve community and stakeholder engagement.</p>	2017-2018
<p>Tourism Strategy</p> <p>The City plans to commence work on a Tourism Strategy in the next financial year.</p>	2017-2018
<p>Connect South Project</p> <p>Connect South is a \$7.5 million major project to enhance and invigorate the Mends Street precinct and foreshore area. The project has grown from the South Perth Foreshore Strategy and Management Plan which identified Node 1: Mends Street as a key area to redevelop. Recently the City was successful in receiving \$2.5 million in Round 3 of the National Stronger Regions Funding Project and work is to commence in 2017.</p>	2017-2019
<p>Parking Strategy and Parking Management Plans</p> <p>With the Parking Strategy endorsed in 2016, the City is currently working on the Parking Management Plan 1: South Perth Station Precinct with other areas to follow.</p>	2016-ongoing

Infrastructure - traffic management, parking and transport

Key Projects	Timeframe
<p>Bike Plan</p> <p>A joint project with the Town of Victoria Park and commencing engagement in 2017.</p>	2017-2018
<p>Traffic Management at the South Perth Station Precinct</p> <p>Whilst construction is taking place in this area, the City implements traffic management plans to ensure day to day safety and flow of the traffic on the roads.</p> <p>The planning of infrastructure upgrades for the next five years is underway in order to manage the increased development and population in the area.</p>	Ongoing
<p>Integrated Transport Plan</p> <p>The City plans to commence work on a City-wide Integrated Transport Plan in the next financial year.</p>	2017-2018

Places - Planning and Design

Key Projects	Timeframe
<p><u>South Perth Station Precinct</u></p> <p>The South Perth Station Precinct includes all land between Richardson and Darley Streets to the south and east, and Scott Street and Frasers Lane to the north.</p> <p>The City is currently reviewing the vision for this area, holding workshops and a high level Planning Design Forum with key stakeholders and community in February-March 2017. All information from the workshops and Forum will also be utilised in the Strategic Community Plan.</p> <p>The City is lobbying and working with State Government for the planned future construction of a South Perth railway station at Richardson Street, to service Perth Zoo, local businesses and residents. Development in the</p>	<u>2014-ongoing</u>

precinct will assist with the feasibility of the station.	
<p>Local Planning Strategy (LPS) and Town Planning Scheme</p> <p>The City will continue with work to develop a new Local Planning Strategy and plans to commence work on reviewing the Town Planning Scheme No. 6 in conjunction with the LPS.</p>	2017-2018
<p>Waterford Triangle</p> <p>The intention is to facilitate the redevelopment of the properties in the Waterford Triangle area. The plan will address community activity, infrastructure provision, development to match future demographics and the retention of valued attributes from the existing area.</p> <p>The Urban Design Plan for the area, which was developed in 2010, will assist the City in making decisions about the area to deliver the community vision. It will also enable prospective developers to frame redevelopment proposals more attuned to the community vision.</p>	Ongoing
<p>Canning Highway #ShapeOurPlace project</p> <p>Canning Highway is a key transport and urban corridor which plays an important role in the City. The Canning Highway #ShapeOurPlace project is an ongoing series of studies to understand the area and plan for the future. The City's Draft Local Housing Strategy (2011) first identified challenges for the City between managing high density development along Canning Highway and the adjacent low density residential areas.</p>	Ongoing
<p>Curtin University and Bentley Technology Precinct</p> <p>The draft structure plan was released by the Department of Planning in December 2016 for community comment and the City is preparing a submission which will be endorsed by Council in February 2017.</p>	2017-2018
<p>Canning Bridge Activity Centre Plan (CBACP)</p> <p>The precinct surrounding the Canning Bridge will be revitalised with a mix of office, retail, residential, recreational and cultural uses, maximising opportunities offered by its unique 'transport hub' location.</p>	Ongoing

<p>The will guide development in the precinct surrounding the Canning Bridge Station, on both sides of the Canning Bridge. The plan became operational on 10 February 2017.</p>	
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Natural Environment

Key Projects	Timeframe
<p><u>South Perth Foreshore Strategy and Management Plan</u></p> <p>The South Perth Foreshore Strategy and Management Plan aims to balance the competing demands for use, development and management of this precious regional reserve with the need to conserve and enhance a functional healthy river and foreshore environment. Current projects include the Connect South Project and the Millers Pool project and promenade.</p>	<p>2016-ongoing</p>
<p>Southern River Foreshore Strategy Masterplan (SPF Plan)</p> <p>In early 2017, the City is commencing the development of a Master Plan for the Southern River Foreshore area including the Salters Point, Waterford and Clontarf foreshores. This will become the City’s strategic guiding document for recreation, restoration and rehabilitation works at the City’s southern foreshore and adjacent areas to address current and future management issues and to strengthen natural and cultural foreshore aspects.</p>	<p>2017-2018</p>
<p><u>Water Efficiency Action Plan</u></p> <p>The City’s Water Efficiency Action Plan was produced as a requirement of its Waterwise Council Program and is currently being implemented.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p><u>Climate Change Strategy</u></p> <p>The Climate Change 2010-2015 strategy has been completed and is currently being reviewed in order to produce a new strategy which reflects the City’s current and future needs in relation to climate change adaptation and mitigation.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

<p>Public Open Space Strategy (POS Strategy)</p> <p>The City is currently implementing the POS Strategy.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p><u>Green Plan 2002</u></p> <p>The Green Plan is still current and much of it has been completed. It will be reviewed and updated to reflect the City’s needs in the next financial year.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>Urban Forest Strategy</p> <p>The City will commence work on this project in early 2017.</p>	<p>2017</p>
<p>Waste Management Plan</p> <p>The City is working to the current document and plans to review and update it in the next financial year.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

Infrastructure and Transport - public transport

Key Projects	Timeframe
<p>South Perth Train Station Precinct</p> <p><i>See the Planning and Design Section</i></p>	
<p>Integrated Transport Plan</p> <p><i>See the Infrastructure - traffic management, parking and transport Section</i></p>	

The Community

Key Projects	Timeframe
<p><u>Manning Community Hub</u></p>	<p>2017-2018</p>

<p>The Manning Community Hub is a multi-million dollar project that aims to create a new 'heart' for Manning and provide the community with a vibrant, connected and attractive precinct integrating community services and social activities. The recently completed Manning Community Centre is now open.</p>	
<p>Ernest Johnson Reserve Redevelopment</p> <p>Ernest Johnson Reserve Redevelopment (2017-2018) will provide recreational, sporting and social opportunities for the local community. The budget for the project has been set at \$10.5 million in the City’s Long Term Strategic Financial Plan 2013-2023 and works commenced in early February 2017.</p>	<p>2017-2018</p>
<p>George Burnett Leisure Centre Redevelopment (GBLC) and surrounding precinct plan</p> <p>An expression of interest will shortly be distributed to consultants to develop a precinct plan for the GBLC building and the surrounds, including the parkland, skate park and other community buildings and amenities.</p>	<p>2016-2017-2018</p>
<p>Waterford Triangle</p> <p><i>See the Planning and Design Section</i></p>	
<p>Canning Highway #ShapeOurPlace</p> <p><i>See Planning and Design Section</i></p>	
<p>Karawara Vision</p> <p>The Karawara Public Open Space Master Plan and Collaborative Action Plan (KMPCAP) contains 14 projects that aim to strengthen Karawara’s public open space and community character. A number of these projects are nearing completion or have been prioritised for the 2016-2017 financial year, including the Walanna Drive upgrade, improvements to the greenways, a program of events in public spaces and an upgrade to the central playground.</p>	

Leadership

Key Projects	Timeframe
<p>Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework</p> <p>The City maintains the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework comprising a 10 year financial, four year corporate plan, workforce plan and asset management plan</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>Biannual Community Perceptions Survey</p> <p>Evaluation of the City’s performance against measures of success in the Strategic Community Plan.</p>	<p>2018</p>