

10.6.4 Draft Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027

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Ward:	Not Applicable
Applicant:	Council
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Strategic Direction:	Governance, Advocacy and Corporate Management -- Ensure that the City has the organisational capacity, advocacy and governance framework and systems to deliver the priorities identified in the Strategic Community Plan
Council Strategy:	6.2 Develop and maintain a robust Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework (in accordance with legislative requirements).

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the major review of the City's Strategic Community Plan 2013-2023 and gain approval to release the draft Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027 for public advertising to obtain further community and stakeholder feedback and subsequently finalise the plan.

Officer Recommendation AND COUNCIL DECISION

Moved: Councillor Fiona Reid

Seconded: Councillor Cheryle Irons

Note: Councillor Fiona Reid moved the Officer Recommendation with the following amendment:

That the Officer Recommendation be amended as follows:

That Council:

1. ~~approve the release of the~~ **amend the** draft Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027 **to include Strategy 3.8 under Environment: Sustainable urban neighbourhoods (p11):**

Environment: Built

3.8 Plan for and promote the development of recreation and aquatic facilities to service City of South Perth needs.

2. ~~That Council~~ approve the release of the draft Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027 for public comment

So that the Motion reads as follows:

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2. approve the release of the draft Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027 for public comment.

CARRIED (8/0)

Reasons for Amendment

In July 2015, in response to the Aquatic Centre Feasibility Study, Council resolved:

COUNCIL DECISION (Amended Motion Moved by Cr Irons, Seconded Cr Reid)

Moved: Councillor M Huston

Seconded: Councillor G Cridland

That:

1. *That receipt of the South Perth Aquatic Centre Feasibility Study be deferred to the August 2015 Ordinary Council meeting pending further clarifications on questions being raised in relation to the accuracy of the Report with respect to calculation errors, usage estimates and financial queries;*
2. *Council considers the project during the next Strategic Plan review, due to commence early 2016;*
3. *Council continues to explore opportunities to seek Federal, State Government and private funding contributions towards an aquatic centre at GBLC in line with the intent of Strategic Plan initiative 6.5.1; and*
4. *That the City of South Perth continues to develop a business plan that supports the business case for the aquatic facility as a financially sustainable continuation of the GBLC expansion.*

CARRIED (9/0)

In the Vision 2027 Stage One Survey Results - Improving Infrastructure was equal 2nd highest response relating to 'Ideas to Make the City a Better Place' with a swimming pool being the 2nd highest idea for infrastructure improvements, after traffic management, with strong support from Manning, Salter Point and Como residents. It is not a surprise that an Aquatic Centre would receive strongest support from these suburbs given:

- The closure of the Bentley Pool a number of years ago;
- The closest public swimming pool being at Wesley College which has limited facilities
- The closest facilities in other Local Government areas are Aqualife, Cannington Leisureplex, Beatty Park and Leisurefit Booragoon

With increasing unit and apartment living in the City of South Perth the days of a pool in every other suburban back yard (which in our dry climate are also not sustainable) are rapidly disappearing and facilities in the City will increasingly be required. In a City the size of South Perth it is surprising that we do not have comprehensive recreation/aquatic centre and whilst it may be some years before this is realised at the preferred George Burnett Leisure Centre site it is important that we continue to plan for and promote a sustainable centre to meet future needs.

Background

The State Government's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework requires all local governments to develop a ten year Strategic Community Plan. The Plan is a long term, overarching document that outlines the community's aspirations and priorities for the future and sets out the key strategies required to achieve these.

At the core of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework is the Corporate Business Plan, which outlines in detail the projects, services, operations and performance measurements required to deliver on the priorities identified in the Strategic Community Plan.

The 2013-2013 Strategic Community Plan was formulated through the Our Vision Ahead process, which documented the community's priorities, aspirations and vision for the City and helped shape and create a shared vision.

The Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework requires a part review of the Strategic Community Plan every two years and a full review of the Strategic Community Plan every four years. A minor review was completed in 2015, resulting in the 2015-2025 Strategic Community Plan.

Comment

The City of South Perth embarked on a major review of its 10 year Strategic Community Plan 2013-2023 and developed the Vision 2027 project to engage the community in the review. The engagement activities provided the community and stakeholders with the opportunities to have a say about the City's future and to contribute to shaping the City's priorities for the next 10 years.

Consultation

The Vision 2027 project was designed in three community engagement stages as follows:

Stage One: Community and Stakeholder Survey

Vision 2027 was launched on 7 November 2016 with a community and stakeholder survey. The community was invited to complete the survey by visiting the City's Your Say South Perth online engagement portal or by picking up a hardcopy of the survey from selected City venues including; Civic Centre, Operations Centre, South Perth Library, Manning Library, Manning Men's Shed, South Perth Senior Citizens Centre, Manning Senior Citizens Centre, George Burnett Leisure Centre and Old Mill.

Postcards advertising the survey were distributed to each property in the City, cafes and businesses, banners installed in 20 locations across the City and displays put up at South Perth Library and South Perth Seniors Centre. The survey was also advertised in local newspapers, on Facebook and Twitter and on the City's website. In addition, the City had a stall at Clontarf Markets on Saturday 19 November 2016 to publicise the survey. It was also advertised in the Peninsula Snapshot E-newsletter.

The Vision 2027 community and stakeholder survey was open from 7 November to 12 December 2016 and asked the community the following three questions:

1. What are the three things you like most about living in or visiting the City?
2. What three ideas do you have that would make the City a better place to live or visit?
3. What priorities would you like the City to focus on over the next 10 years?

Information was also requested from respondents about which suburb they live in, their connection to the City and age group. They were also asked if they were interested in continuing the conversation by attending a workshop and if they wanted to be added to the City's e-news distribution list.

The City received almost 1,200 responses to the survey, with over 800 indicating that they would be interested in attending a workshop and almost 600 wanting to receive the City's e-newsletter. The responses to the three questions were grouped into the following seven themes:

1. Community
2. Infrastructure and Transport: Infrastructure
3. Infrastructure and Transport: Public Transport
4. Leadership
5. Natural Environment
6. Places: Economy and Lifestyle
7. Places: Planning and Design

The analysis of the survey was carried out by Research Solutions and the detailed report can be found in Attachment One.

The City produced a summary document of the survey outcomes and also included in the document information on what the City is currently working on and what is planned for the future. This summary document can be viewed in Attachment Two.

The comments and ideas provided by respondents in the survey were used to design Stage Two of the Vision 2027.

Stage Two: Community and Stakeholder Workshops

In Stage Two, the City held four workshops at which participants further explored priorities, discussed visions, reviewed strategies from the Strategic Community Plan 2013-2023 and drafted new strategies.

Invitations to attend the workshops were emailed to all survey respondents who indicated an interested in attending a workshop. The workshops were advertised on Facebook and Twitter, in the local newspaper and via the Peninsula Snapshot E-newsletter.

The workshops were held as follows:

Workshop theme	Date	Venue
Economy and Lifestyle	Wednesday 22 March	South Perth Community Hall
The Natural Environment	Thursday 23 March	Manning Community Centre
Our Community	Saturday 25 March	Manning Community Centre
Our Community	Monday 27 March	South Perth Community Hall

Many respondents had provided feedback in the survey about planning, design, infrastructure and traffic congestion in particular in the South Perth Station Precinct (SPSP) area. As workshops for the SPSP project were taking place around the same time as the Vision 2027 workshops, survey respondents who indicated an interest in attending a workshop were invited to attend the SPSP workshops.

Approximately 60 people attended the Vision 2027 workshops, which involved working towards a vision, review of strategies in the SCP 2013-2023 and drafting new strategies.

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The workshops were facilitated by Metrix Consulting, who also analysed the workshops and produced a report, which can be found in Attachment Three.

Stage Three: Draft Strategic Community Plan released for community and stakeholder engagement

The City's Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027 has been drafted taking on board the community and stakeholder feedback from the survey and workshops. The draft Plan can be viewed in Attachment Four.

It is intended that the draft Plan be released for public comment as per the recommendation in this report for a period of four weeks. The final Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027 will then be presented to Council for adoption.

Policy and Legislative Implications

Section 19C(9) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* requires local governments to have a Strategic Community Plan for the district that covers a period of at least ten financial years. It is also a requirement to review the current plan at least once every four years.

Financial Implications

The updated Strategic Community Plan will help guide the City's financial planning, including the Strategic Financial Plan and annual budgets.

Strategic Implications

This report is aligned to the City's [Strategic Community Plan 2015-2025](#).

Sustainability Implications

This report is aligned to the City's [Sustainability Strategy 2012-2015](#).

Attachments

- 10.6.4 (a):** Vision 2027 Stage One Survey Results
- 10.6.4 (b):** Vision 2027 Stage One Summary
- 10.6.4 (c):** Vision 2027 Stage Two Report by Metrix Consulting
- 10.6.4 (d):** Draft Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027