

Community Strategic Plan - Feedback

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1.
 1. All parks to have shade
Diversity in restaurants
 1. Good traffic management and ample parking in the CBD will attract out of area people to Griffith. This will also keep locals happy.
 2. 2. The city as a whole needs an overall traffic management plan properly and thoroughly researched. At present the piecemeal approach is not working.
 3. Test
 4. Land release - Macarthur Street
Need a university for our young people.
 5. Need more footpaths around the CBD area eg Kookora Street, Coolah Street, Canal Street. Also more bike paths.
Trees in main street.
 6. Yambil Street is the priority - greater than new pool.
Expand Art Gallery and Library into the Clock building.
 7. Olympic Pool not necessary. Priority is to re-do Yambil Street.
Move freight terminal away from the main street.
 8. Traffic lights at Yoogali Intersection.
Yambil Street needs fixing up.
Angle parking Banna Avenue.
Like trees Banna Avenue. Love the Theatre, shows really good. Expand the Library.
Hyandra Street Drainage - y junction clean out. Planning of footpaths.
 9. Pedestrian crossing to access Big W, Pedestrian access Centre.
Water tank/grey water. Solar panelling (alternative sources of energy)
Improve walking footpaths. Slopes are bad. Gradient too steep. Driveway levels. Footpaths Wakaden Street.
 10. Council could assist Sing Australia choir with location to practice as they have to pay \$10 pp at the moment.
 11. Memorial Park - improve parks and gardens.
 12. Lake Wyangnan - family orientated activities, animal.
 13. Control cats in neighbourhoods.
 14. Memorial Park upgrade - landscaping, dead grass, beautify Memorial Park.. More colour in parks and along roadways.
 15. Kooyoo Street footpath is a concern for safety.
 16. Rotary Markets outside rather than consolidated inside.
 17. Better access for wheelchairs and mobility scooters.
 18. Motor sport events driven out of Griffith eg speedway club closed.
 19. Closed off road events - too much red tape. Events moving to other shires.
 20. Lack of commitment to motor sport events.
 21. Recycling collection weekly.
 22. Kooyoo Street - need cordoned off area eg mall.
 23. Italian language/cultural school
 24. Street trees - need to plan, employ a landscape architect to plan street trees and city entrances.

- Wyangan Estate - Family orientated. Families, dogs and children often walking along bike paths, incorporating Pelican Shores bike paths.
25. Additional CCTV in high incident areas such as Yambil Street and Willow Park.
A path needs to be placed from Wyangan Estate entrance to join to path on Lakes Road. Children need to be able to ride their bikes or walk to school safely - need to be able to cross Boorga Road.
- I just wanted to get in touch about the imminent sale of the old MTN9/2RG broadcast centre on the hill. This is a fantastic, solid, multi-function building, that will be auctioned in a couple of weeks.
- I don't know if you've been to see it, but the building actually has a massive studio space, with glass enclosed control room overlooking that studio space, and with direct drive in access. In the good old days that was the television studio where live shows were produced for broadcast. In addition it has parking for 50 to 100 cars, and a huge number of rooms / offices.
- To build that today would cost well over \$10 million, yet it's likely to sell for peanuts due to zoning restrictions.
- It strikes me that Griffith Council should take the opportunity to purchase this building to preserve it for the community...possibly to function as a combined Arts Centre and production facility.
- The main space can function as a rehearsal space, photo/video studio and exhibition space. Other areas can accommodate a café, a retro/vintage gallery of storeholders, a resident sculpture or painter facility, craft workshops, spaces can be hired out to graphic designers/IT/web developers, and last but not least, there's room for a broadcast museum to commemorate the origins of the site.
26. In fact, such a building has the capacity to become an incubator for future local smart businesses. Over time, it could pay its own way.
- Not dissimilar to Arts Centres in other cities, for example the old Bendigo Pottery buildings, which have been converted to exactly that purpose and today serve as a major city attraction and source of revenue.
- I believe this is a rare opportunity to grab a major Griffith landmark building and retain it for the community at a bargain basement price. In 10 years, we'll definitely want such a space and pay through the nose for it. Right now, we can grab it and have change left over to fix the air conditioning.
- Obviously there's little time to debate this, so if all the city's luminaries could bang their heads together this week to figure out what kind of a smart, creative city we all want to live in in 2030, we might just come up with a positive result.
- Given that estimates for the purchase range to as low as \$300k, it would certainly be an opportunity missed. And Council has the advantage of being able to rezone to suit Council purposes after purchase. In other words, after everybody else has given it a miss due to restrictions. So the odds are definitely in your favour...let's hope we don't miss the boat.
27. Dear Community Strategic Planning Committee, Congratulations on an excellent Plan. I am just wondering have you factored into your planning the important aspect of better enabling and facilitating people to celebrate their faith at their respective places of worship in the coming years. Thank you & God Bless, Fr Grace.
28. in consideration of what is currently available in terms of Alcohol & Other Drugs recovery options for all communities in & around Griffith, a residential recovery facility is much in need of.
29. Great place to live - not in city - close to work, other cities.
30. Flights to Melbourne not work because Sydney centre.
31. Lake Wyangan - underutilised. Support residential growth Lake Wyangan.
32. Construct track along scenic hill - walking track.
33. City approaches need upgrade urgently. Especially accessing Sikh Temple.
34. 50 m pool. Better ventilation, solar power. Solar power Council buildings.
35. Marquee for sporting facilities.
36. Moved from Mildura to Griffith to buy a farm > Family here 20 years. Multicultural mix - very positive. Improve the condition of the roads.

37. Live in Griffith - Griffith is safe. Groceries all available but too expensive. Current Base Hospital very good. St Vincent's Hospital welcome. More medical services required such as pacemaker operations etc.
38. Would like City to grow. Will improve shopping opportunities.
39. Come to Griffith for medical appointments. Aware of St Vincent's - very good. Some shopping in Griffith. Garden - nursery, Bunnings, fresh fruit and veg, Steggles. Like the Theatre. Tabbita Lane needs sealing.
40. MI Motel Drainage pipe is an issue.
41. Wyangan Avenue and Rae Road - trucks
Swimming pool - put extra on rates but free entry.
42. Do not need another pool. Upgrade Lake Wyangan facilities. Boats and swings for kids. Fish species eat blue green algae. Another long jetty for kids.
43. Bring back La Festa.
44. K-Mart. More variety of shops.
WiFi free down the entire main Street.
45. People need to be more friendly and welcoming. Help make new residents fit in and make connections, make them feel welcome and inform them of what services and organisations are available.
Mosquitoes are a problem.
46. More education facilities - primary school, university courses, preschools.
Need more medical specialists eg orthopaedics.
More parenting rooms/areas eg toilet facilities where fathers can take kids.
Free youth activities.
47. Griffith and Leeton Councils should merge, create a better Council for both communities and make life better for both.
48. Keep talking to locals. Increase awareness for healthy lifestyle.
49. Bus shelter at courthouse.
50. Outdoor pool. Pool indoor - chlorine smell - asthma.
51. Education - split Junior/Senior high school. Better staff - more at Griffith Base Hospital - English speaking.
52. Stuart McWilliam Block - Memorial Gardens - beautify and colour. Like memorial stones.
53. Kooyoo Street - don't block off.
54. Shade over footpath - choose right trees, deep root system. Costa - Gardening Australia - do up Memorial Gardens. Water bubblers in main street.
55. Basketball court Wakaden Street.
Outdoor swimming pool. Wet n Wild
Upgrade Jubilee - basketball courts and night lights.
Trampoline park, basketball hoops.
- I would like to see an olympic-sized pool with affordable rates (maybe \$2 per person) so that entire families can spend the day without having to travel to Narrandera. The current pool is pricy and designed for exercise/fitness rather than fun. I don't have a pool at home as I worry about my kids' safety, but I would like to have a place where I can take them where they can practice the swimming skills they are learning through school. I would enjoy going swimming also, but cannot afford it.
56. I would like to see a little uni-sex toilet installed in the enclosed city park playground, like they have at Launceston Central Park in Tasmania. They have a little building in the shape of a mushroom house with a divided stable-type door that contains one child-sized toilet and wash basin. The arrangement at Launceston is brilliant. It is whimsical and in keeping with the feel of the playground, and allows children to take themselves to the toilet without unduly interrupting their play, and allows parents with more than one child to supervise the toileting child as well as their other children who are still playing. The current set-up requires gathering all the children together to take them across the bridge to the toilet, even if it is only one child that needs to go, or leaving children unsupervised in their play for a period of time. Some children, when they finally realise that they need a toilet, need a toilet NOW and cannot hold on while their parent collects their siblings and then they all make the trek to the toilet-block.

I really like what you have done in creating city park, and the water park is a fantastic feature. I was wondering if there was a way that we could use the channel water to create a lake/wetlands area as part of the community gardens before returning it back to the channel?

Library - great facility and services, kids love it. City Park - water. Collina - footpaths. Pedestrian Crossings - Central/Yambil Street. Traffic - avoid busy times, parking in top block. Toilets at City Park and Chandler Park and fence off road. More shade and water/drinks same as Collina.

57.

Green recycling bins fortnightly.
Footpath out the front of the Gemini needs improvement.
Improve Lake Wyangan.
Decrease rates and water.

Enjoy the lifestyle, food, library, City Park.
Not much for families on weekends.
Need new Base hospital.

58.

Roads in CBD need fixing.
Fence and toilets at City Park, canteen.
Feel safe but worried about breakins, not walk streets after dark.
Doug as Mayor and more new councillors.

City park - Water and play equipment. Library - Youth Space and borrow books.
Multicultural Festival. Computers at library all good.

59.

Lack of toilets at City Park. Pedestrian crossings Best and Less, Central and Yambil Street.
More to do for kids at the library - preschool age. Scanning, printing at library for school kids.
Footpaths - residential. Park in Murrumbidgee Estate needs attention.
More cultural awareness - food, craft, singing, dancing.
More CCTV cameras.

60.

Variety of cultures plus Italian heritage and farming background. Love the library, community place and Youth space. City Park and Collina. Private Hospital - day surgery. Not in favour of amalgamating the 2 high schools. Too many students and need choice/variety. Students miss out when too big. Upgrade both schools. Potential 3rd high school. Economic decision not about people.
Daycare - limited places and cost.
Need toilets City Park. Outdoor Pool. Upgrade Base hospital - waiting at emergency.
City Park facility at Collina.

61.

Library for kids and everyone including computers and books. More shade in street and parks. More shade City Park and toilet. Footpaths in Yenda. No shade in parks in Yenda. More multicultural - English conversation lessons.

62.

Proud of Private Hospital, great lifestyle. Love library and festivals - FOG, organ sculptures.
Truck Bypass - take out Patricks - Widgelli. Road improvements. Pedestrian crossing Central/Yambil Street. More youth activities, not sport. Footpaths to Yoogali. Yoogali cafe great but needs to be open more regularly. Nice village atmosphere in Yoogali. More biographies at the library. Clean public toilets. Lake Wyangan - redevelopment, shop. Decrease blue green algae. Showground toilets are locked on weekends when cricket is on.

63.

Proud of Library.
Need to deal with the antisocial elements of the Sikh community. Sikh ladies are harassed and insulted and being stalked by the anti social elements of the Sikh community (Sikh men). Please do something.

64.

Proud of nice people, Youth Space at library, Art Gallery.
More awareness about Aboriginal culture, history - local stuff. Youth activities and services - see the opportunities. Shops - upgrade facade. Pedestrian crossing central, near exits. Crime and drugs - domestic violence, theft, . Improve relationships between Aboriginal and Police and council. More acceptance between Indigenous and others.

65.

Proud of - pound upgrade.
Mow with catchers - grass, seeds and looks terrible. Road upgrade - holes Yambil Street
CCTV at Cemetery. Illegal rubbish dumping. Not safe at night to walk due to drugs and crime/theft.

66.

Proud of - Base hospital, day surgery - coming to Griffith. Shopping and restaurants.
Pedestrian crossing. Bus stop moved to front and longer than 15 min parking out front and across Jondaryan Ave. Outdoor pool as people go out of town to use them elsewhere.
Monitor traffic in busy areas to see improvements.

67.

Proud of City Park, Central, private hospital, library - activities for kids, multiculturalism, restaurants.
More festivals eg la festa to keep young people interested. Traffic - Yambil and Banna Avenue

- upgrade. More flights - affordable, competitive. Road improvements. Plan more events for community
68. Proud of sense of community, enjoy the festival FOG and orange sculptures.
More shops - Kmart etc. GBH upgrade, more rooms and beds. More pedestrian crossings, Maccas and Central.
Roads - upgraded.
69. Proud of - Private hospital, airport upgrade. Dog off leash - needs to be bigger. Youth space.
GBH upgrade - pedestrian crossing Central
Drugs/crime - facilities to get help.
Young people bored.
Fix roads. More traffic lights - major intersections near schools.
Decrease drugs and help people - big problem - social, family breakdowns, crime, theft.
70. Proud of Library, trees, gardens, City Park, FOG and orange sculptures, places to eat, visitor info centre.
More dog pick ups - Erskine Road.
Need traffic lights, not roundabouts in Banna Ave - traffic back up and wont improve. Mowing parks for snakes. Indoor pool - unhealthy. Upgrade Yambil Street.
More planning ofr town growth - traffic lights - plane, courthouse. Outdoor pool.
Cemetery - marked rows make easier to find graves. War Memorial - black columns. Day surgery in Griffith at Private hospital. Orange sculptures are great.
71. Outdoor pool. Dog off leash too small. Crematorium/cemetery - security and need for expansion.
Genealogy resources - where to place them. Access to info once members move on. Cenotaph in memorial gardens - needs to be cleaned more often.
Fix Yambil Street. Outdoor pool. Genealogy rooms - community resources to be looked after and displayed.
72. Metered parking in main street.
10,000 more people - permanent jobs
University building. Swimming pool. Non rural new industries.
73. Bus shelter repairs eg snap send, solve.
Improve West end stadium, facilities and appearance. Footpath continuation, Benerembah Circle.
Look after what we've got. Litter. Artificial turf looks good.
Improved maintenance of sports facilities, Banna Avenue etc. Community should be more community minded. Better pedestrian mobility crossings/control. Health services should improve with new hospital.
74. Yambil street
75. More activities for teenagers. Lighting in Coolah Street.
76. City entrances need cleaning up and improving appearance.
77. Boarding school. Drop in day care facility - for out of town parents.
Remove Patrick's from Railway Street.
Heavy Vehicle route - Wumbalgal
Public Hospital Upgrade
78. \$25m enough for new high school?
Think 20 years ahead.
Increase tradespeople
Strong Mayor.
79. More footpaths. Doing a good job.
Specialists to locate to Griffith.
Base Hospital needs upgrade very important.
80. Outdoor pool - school carnivals
More youth activities
Keep schools separate
81. Leave schools as they are.
Memorial Gardens - improvement.
Colour in Main Street - flowers and flowerboxes, low geraniums.
82. Seats - donated by families- Banna Ave
Roundabouts - low height colourful plantings.
Trees along Citrus Road
Disability Inclusion Action.

83. Allied Health Services lost to Griffith - advocate for services eg diabetes support. Social inclusion - increase enforcement. Mobility scooters.
Walk a Mile in Shoes - 23 Nov. Mobility Scooter day.
Roundabout near Belvedere - reduce height of plants.
Beautify Griffith - wheelchair mobility and toilets for wheelchairs.
Toilets at City Park
84. Walking and bike paths in Yenda
Improve Lake Wyangan as a tourist attraction eg the rock pool, animal enclosures
Library is a credit to Griffith
Yambil Street between Mackays and Pinnacle Accounting disgraceful.
Information Centre - move childcare playground - relocate to fire station site when it is relocated
retail car parking for all of that site making provision for extension of the visitors centre.
Car parking opposite north of courthouse needs to be provided - would assist with Banna Ave parking.
A parking station - maybe Yambil Street allowed for more car spaces in Banna Avenue would cause too much congestion and destroy the appearance for improvement.
85. With online shopping do not believe there will be a giv increase in retail shops in the CBD.
No need to close off the traffic in the street between Westpac and Commonwealth Banks. it eases traffic off Banna Ave. The kiosk could be improved and temporarily closed off for functions carried out.
Art gallery War Museum and Library - to be retained where they are with extensions. Art Gallery could be extended east a little into the existing park with child security and toilets available. Would make a beautiful setting.
The War Museum has room to be extended to the west of the building.
The Clock building a great access to the library or whatever.
NOTES FROM COMMUNITY CONSULTATION - GRIFFITH LIBRARY - 4/11/2016
Yambil Street rehabilitation.
Full or partial closure of Kooyoo Street.
CBD Strategy Committee/group needed.
Kooyoo Street eases traffic off - dont close permanently. Can close of when needed.
Parking - retail - use Visitors centre and current childcare centre. Vis centre - more child care - move to firestation. ? location of firestation.
Car parking north of courthouse to assist with Banna Avenue parking issues.
Car parking in Yambil Street.
Online shopping - possibly no increase in shops in Banna Avenue.
Kiosk Banna Ave needs to be upgraded.
Art Galery and Library stay as is - extend out current location.
War Museum - extend to west of building towards Gemini.
The Clock - access to Library.
86. Keep cultural facilities together - Banna Ave - where they currently are.
Community Services - Neighbourhood House.
Residential Recovery Health Services - Alcohol and Drugs a problem. Need access to rehabilitation.
Nothing west - only Wagga, Sydney, Organe, Shepparton, Melbourne. Need to travel long distances for rehab. Need a detox and rehab centre - one facility for detox and rehab - alcohol and drugs inc accommodation. Funding - Ice taskforce. Need to house approx 14 people. Need transport to facilities - poss private hospital? Nurses quarters? Need a masterplan for the base hospital.
Police station - Lands Council - parking/community centre.
Showgrounds - consider if high schools merge - PCYC ? location.
Lake Wyangan - develop recreation area.
Blue green algae - study done - approach universities to investigate project eg CSU/Deakin
Skate park ? Showground
Arts/Function Centre at Penfolds location.
Cemetery/crematorium - Rifle Range Road good site.
Dog off leash
Ampitheatre - ?Lake
Broadcast Centre ? options
NOTES FROM COMMUNITY CONSULTATION - BGR - 3/11/2016
Heavy Vehicle Bypass - needed.

Upgrade Griffith Base Hospital - What will Council do?
 Service delivery, advocacy - lobby for it to be a priority, transparency from State Government.
 Aged care facilities - nursing homes full.
 Tourism - no accommodation - more required going into the future.
 Where is support for creative industries? - unique town, great events and festivals. Develop creative industries - economic development - cultural aspect, cultural image - commitment to build on that - important to grow Griffith.
 The Click - cultural precinct - possibilities there.
 Options for secondary education - conservatorium of music?
 Lack of education in creative arena - level of talent in the town - need to build and support that.
 Affordable housing and accommodation for homeless. Difficult for services to secure motel accommodation for homeless. Accommodation and affordable housing is an issue.
 Multipurpose community centre - Neighbourhood House - needs to expand.
 Yambil Street - need \$. CBD strategy adopted. Revenue source identified. Need to look at underground infrastructure, appearance, drainage.
 Public transport - railway station, airport? another carrier? Timing of buses.
 Airport - we can fit another carrier.

87. Blue green algae Lake Wyangan - report to come to Council with options and costs.
 lake Wyangan rec area - paddle boats, playground for kids, kiosks, bbqs, lawns. ? Creative arts centre at Lake.
 Caravan/tourist accommodation at Lake.
 Outdoor auditorium - amphitheatre - buskers/artists. Purpose built place for live music, food and wine festival.
 Glamping - to assist with accommodation shortage.
 Outdoor stage.
 Community gardens/showground?
 BBQ facilities - community gardens. Woodfired pizza oven.
 Womens shed - look at funding.
 lake - animals - talk to Altina, partnership?
 Goats - feral animal control needed
 Freight terminal - out of town. Waiting on private enterprise to construct.
 Yambil Street and Jondaryan Avnue pedestrian crossing.
 Yambil St - consistency with development eg pavers, footpath.
 Pathways aged care facilities eg BUpa, Yenda, West Griffith
 Cycleway Lake Wyangan - better links throughout city and villages.
 Pedestrian crossing - private hospital and St Pat's - need to check criteria
 Safety - Marian College and East Griffith
 Water pressure Collina

88. Proud of our diversification and openness. Overdue for a truckstop.