8.3 Community Plan Review - Towards 2040

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT

TO 20 APRIL 2022 ORDINARY MEETING GOV400098, COR400482

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the Director Development on the Community Plan Review Towards 2040 :
- 2. place the draft Mid-Western Region Community Plan Towards 2040 on public exhibition for 28 days; and
- 3. receive a further report following the exhibition period.

Executive summary

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement to place the draft Mid-Western Region Towards 2040 Community Plan on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Detailed report

A key responsibility of a newly elected Council is a review of its Integrated Planning and Reporting Documentation which includes the Community Plan and Delivery Program for the next 4 years. This documentation must be in place by 30 June 2022.

Under Section 402 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, each local government must have a community strategic plan that identifies the main priorities and aspirations for the future covering a period of at least 10 years.

In order to meet this requirement and ensure the Mid-Western Region Community Plan Towards 2040 is relevant for the future, a range of community engagement activities have been undertaken to seek feedback from the community. Attachment 1 captures key findings from the community engagement activities conducted between June 2021 and February 2022 which reflect the community's needs and priorities for the future. Attachment 2 provides the results of the community wide survey which was undertaken by an independent research company.

The draft Mid-Western Region Community Plan Towards 2040 is included in Attachment 3. The recommendation is to place this document on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and to provide a further report to Council at the end of the exhibition period to consider any submissions received.

Community Plan implications

| Theme | Good Governance |
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| Goal | Strong civic leadership |
| Strategy | Provide clear strategic direction through the Community Plan, Delivery Program and Operational Plans |

Strategic implications

Nil

Financial implications

Not applicable

Associated Risks

Nil

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Attachments: 1. Community Engagement Outcomes. (separately attached)

2. Community Satisfaction Survey. (separately attached)

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

BRAD CAM GENERAL MANAGER