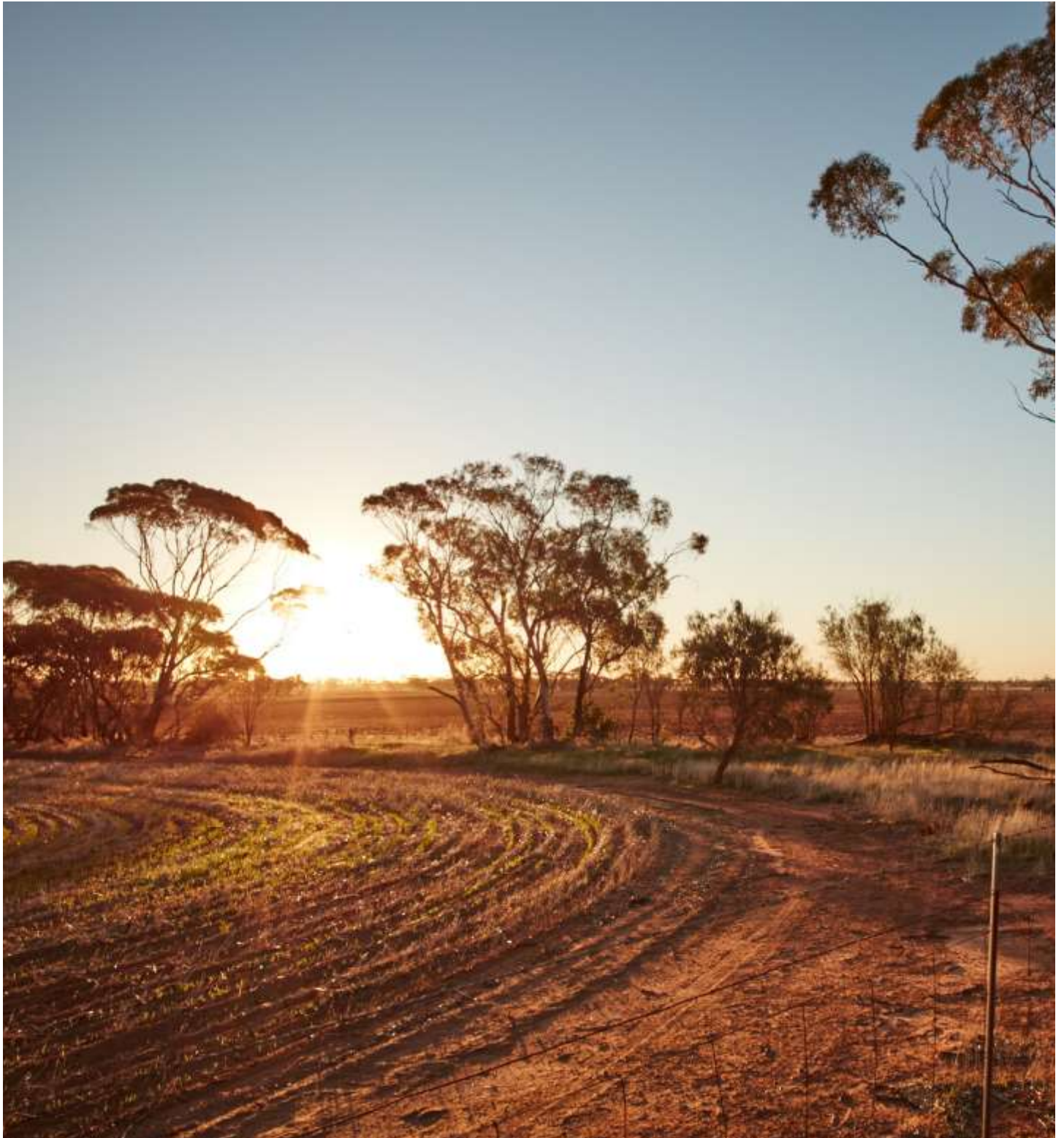


# MANANGATANG

COMMUNITY PLAN 2021 - 2025





# WHAT IS COMMUNITY PLANNING?

The Swan Hill Rural City Council supports communities in the Swan Hill Municipality who wish to develop their own Community Plans. Community Planning is a process that is 'owned' by the community with Council available to play a facilitation role. Community Plans provide invaluable input into Local, State and Federal Government planning.



## MARVELLOUS MANANGATANG

The small town of Manangatang lies at the heart of sheep and wheat country...the crossroads of the Mallee. The town's heritage buildings, sporting clubs, access to health and education services and proximity to the Murray River are all major draw cards.

Manangatang is legendary for its annual racing Event

Every year people travel far and wide for the ultimate country racing experience, which always takes place on the 2nd Saturday in October.

The Manangatang district is renowned for its dry land cropping with its use of precision agriculture and no till system. Manangatang is home to many farming families who live in the township and the outlying district.

The town caters for a wide variety of residents ...health and education employees, senior citizens, retirees and those who work at the mineral sands mines, the olive and almond plantations, the receival depot and most importantly, farming industries.



## MANANGATANG IMPROVEMENT GROUP (MIG)

### MANAGEMENT OF THE COMMUNITY PLAN

The Manangatang Improvement Group (MIG) has been elected by the community to manage the Plan.

It is the responsibility of Focus Groups to plan and implement projects identified by the community.

Community Plan reports and updates on each project are to be presented by the Focus Groups at scheduled MIG meetings.

A full Manangatang District Community Plan Review report can be obtained on the Swan Hill Rural City Council website at [www.swanhill.vic.gov.au](http://www.swanhill.vic.gov.au)

### COMMUNITY PLAN STATEMENTS

Manangatang District Community Plan purpose and vision is to improve the facilities and environment of Manangatang for district residents and visitors to town.

### DISTRICT

### SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING

- Support and advocate on behalf of community and visitors for a self serve after hours fuel depot
- Aged Care Transport
- Activities of MIG
- Manangatang P 12 College and Community Stadium
- Recreation and Sporting Facilities
- Public halls (Manangatang and Chinkapook) and Community Centre
- Travellers' Rest improvements
- Robinvale District Health Service (RDHS)
- Rail freight Services
- Local Youth
- Our Seniors
- Early childhood - preschool and playgroup

### THE MANANGATANG



479

45  
MEDIAN AGE



41%  
PARTICIPATED IN  
VOLUNTRY WORK

2%

UNEMPLOYED

## ACTION PLAN

2020/21

### Major Projects

Project Description	Actions	Responsibility/Partners
<b>REDEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY CENTRE— SENIOR CITIZENS RAMP AND ACCESS</b>	Liaise with SHRCC and consult with Senior Citz to make improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SHRCC</b></li> <li>• MIG</li> <li>• Senior Citizens</li> </ul>

### Council Support

Project Description	Actions	Responsibility/Partners
<b>LOWAN PARK UPGRADES - NEW EQUIPMENT - ONGOING IMPROVMENTS</b>	Work with parents to keep play equipment safe and updated. Landscaping, water bubbler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SHRCC</b></li> <li>• Pre-School</li> <li>• MIG</li> </ul>
<b>WALKING TRACKS - A. REC RESERVE B. VICTRACK</b>	Construct walking track along Victrack land to Sport St and Rec Reserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SHRCC</b></li> <li>• MIG</li> <li>• VicTrack</li> <li>• DELWP</li> </ul>
<b>BEAUTIFICATION— - COUNCIL GARDENS - MEMORIAL PARK</b>	Design/discuss maintenance schedule for Memorial Park, landscaping, irrigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SHRCC</b></li> <li>• MIG</li> </ul>
<b>WATTLE ST BEAUTIFICATION - SHOP FRONTS, PATH AND ACTIVATION</b>	Working with shop owners and Council to beautify the main street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MIG</b></li> <li>• SHRCC</li> </ul>
<b>SWIMMING POOL IMPROVEMENTS - COMMUNITY HUB/ SOCIAL SPACE FOR VARIOUS EVENTS</b>	Design improvements to the pool area, creating a welcoming community space to hold events and social functions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pool Committee</b></li> <li>• MIG</li> <li>• SHRCC</li> </ul>
<b>DEVELOP AREA AROUND TRAVELLERS REST</b>	Work with VicTrack to secure the land. Create a inviting space for visitors to stop— landscaping, seating and shade.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>VicTrack</b></li> <li>• SHRCC</li> <li>• MIG</li> </ul>

### Events

Project Description	Actions	Responsibility/Partners
<b>AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST FOR COMMUNITY</b>	Apply for funding from the Events Support Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MIG</b></li> <li>• ESF</li> </ul>



## OTHER PROJECTS & INITIATIVES

### TOWN BEAUTIFICATION

- Continue work in Lowan and Mallee Parks
- Lowan Park-new park equipment, include equipment for younger children
- Improve drainage at Langley's corner, pool corner, main street and Church St

### ACTIVE TRANSPORT

- Plan the development of a walking and cycling track linking the pool, school, shops and recreation reserve
- Provision of exercise stations and seating along the walking track
- Map and signage of walking track and of other tracks around race track etc
- Bollards with distance both ways
- Solar/security/sensor lights at exercise station
- \*BMX track adjunct to walking track

### EVENTS

- Australia Day Breakfast, speaker and Australia Day Award
- Support Christmas Eve Celebrations

### NEW INDUSTRIES, EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Rail freight services
- Temporary Container Depot (Wakefields)
- Information about town facilities and business available at bus stops
- Improve internet access

### WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

- Welcome pack—continually updated



## OTHER PROJECTS & INITIATIVES

### EDUCATION

- Support Manangatang P-12 College & Community Garden
- Support Manangatang Pre-School and Early Childhood services

### HEALTH & WELLBEING

- Support Robinvale and District Health Services
- Try to get a doctor for our town
- Support Health Information Sessions e.g. Men's health session, Aged care information
- Support Exercise Groups— water aerobics and exercise classes, swimming lessons, squad training, triathlon training
- Support local youth - skate park, basketball ring, investigate development of a rebound wall
- Support Seniors - Need transport/drivers to medical appointments and shopping
- Continue to lobby Council for improvements to Community Centre.
- Support Recreation and Sporting Facilities and Sporting Club
- Numbering of properties for medical access

### ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

- Continue to lobby VicRoads and Council to improve roads and town laneways

### OTHER

- Support Manangatang and Chinkapook Halls- upgrades to flooring
- Drum Muster
- Support publicity and Manangatang and District



# COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Deb (President)

Billy (Secretary)

Tarryn (Treasure)