GLENELG SHIRE

COUNCIL PLAN QUARTER 4 REPORT 2020-2021



OVERVIEW OF REPORT

The icons in the below table are used throughout this report as a key to represent the progression stages of each task, project or objective identified by the Glenelg Shire Council.

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ed	The Delayed icon will be present in this report when a project/plan has been identified as postponed, not on track or redefined.
paration	The In Preparation icon will be used in this report when a project/plan is in its planning stage and the details are being prepared.
ck	The On Track icon will be used when a project/plan is progressing and is likely to achieve what is required within the time identified in the scheduling plan.
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CAPITAL WORKS UPDATE

The below table provides an update on major projects and plans as identified in the Council Plan 2017-2021.

AUSTRALIAN KELPIE CENTRE

This project involves the construction of a new facility including an interpretive display and **Visitor Information Centre.**

• The construction of the Australian Kelpie Centre was completed in May 2018 and was opened to the public during the Kelpie Festival 2018.



PORTLAND LIBRARY REDEVELOPMENT

This project involves a redevelopment of the existing library in Portland to provide a more functional and modern space.

• The redeveloped Portland Library was completed and unveiled to the public on 4 August 2018.



OTHER PLANS

RECREATION PLAN

The Active Your Way Glenelg Sport and Active Recreation Plan 2019-29 will guide Councils planning and investment in recreation programs, services, and infrastructure over the next 10 years.

• The Active Your Way Glenelg Sport and Active Recreation Plan was endorsed by Council at the June 2019 Ordinary Council Meeting.



• The Active Your Way Glenelg Sport and Active Recreation Plan will inform the planning and provision of sport and active recreation over the next 10 years.

CAPITAL WORKS UPDATE

The below table provides an update of the status of Council's priority plans, as identified in the 2017-2021 Council Plan.

PLANS		
FORESHORE MASTERPLAN		
This plan involves the creation of a masterplan identifying future redevelopment of the Portland foreshore.	 The Portland Foreshore Masterplan was finalised February 2018. The Foreshore Master plan is now in the final stage of implementation, with the designing and construction of a Multipurpose Facility. 	
OPEN SPACE STRATEGY		
This plan involves identifying future open space needs of the Shire.	 The Glenelg Open Space Strategy was finalised in May 2019. 	
COMMUNITY PLAN		
This plan involves consultation with the communities within the shire to develop a clear vision and community aspirations for the shire's future.	 The 2040 Community Plan was endorsed by Council in May 2021. This plan outlines the Community vision for the Glenelg Shire over the next 20 years. 	
GLENELG SHIRE TRACKS AND TRAILS STRATEGY		
This plan involves identifying a direction for development and promotion of tracks and trails within the shire.	• The Glenelg Tracks and Trails Strategy was endorsed and the Casterton to Branxholme Rail Trail Feasibility Study was noted by Council in June 2020.	

PRIORITY PROJECTS

Council is committed to seek funding for the following projects over the next four years, as identified in the Council Plan.

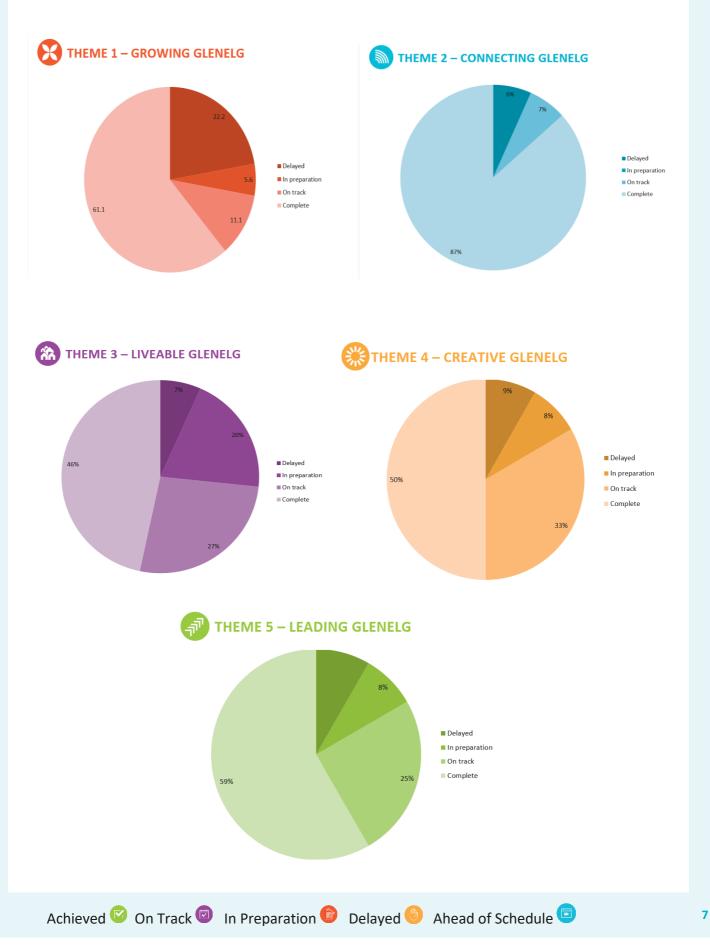
	OUTCOME INDICATORS		FUNDING STATUS	UPDATE	
Portland Foreshore			PROJECT COMMENCED	First stages of hard paths and boardwalks is complete. Hard path construction is complete linking the	
Masterplan Implementation				activity space with the Pulambeet All Abilities Play space and the Changing Places facility.	
			FUNDING RECEIVED	The extension to carparking at the Pulambeet All Abilities Play space has also been completed.	
		100% ON TRACK	FUNDING SOUGHT	Detailed design on next stages of hard paths and boardwalks from the Pulambeet All Abilities Play space to Nuns Beach have been completed.	
			FUNDING AVAILABLE	The tender for construction is currently advertised. The tender is in separable portions and will be awarded based on funding received.	
				Grant funding is secured for the design and construction of the Multi-Purpose Foreshore	
			PROJECT PROMOTED	Facility, which is in the final stage of the Foreshore Masterplan. This project is currently in the concept design and consultation phase.	
Саре				Stage One works are 75% Complete.	
Bridgewater Masterplan			PROJECT COMMENCED	Rock revetment works are in the final stages of placement and works are currently underway for the construction of the viewing platform, staircases, boat ramp and the disability access	
				ramps. This project has been impacted by COVID-19	
			FUNDING RECEIVED	with regard to sourcing rock and bluestone materials. Stage One of the project is scheduled for completion at the end of	
		100%		November/early December 2021. Stage Two initial designs are complete and are	
		ON TRACK	FUNDING SOUGHT	currently under review for preparation to go out to tender. These works will include the carparking, hard path connection and	
				landscape works. Tender and construction is planned to begin	
			FUNDING AVAILABLE	once Stage One has been completed in November/early December 2021.	
			PROJECT PROMOTED	Stage Three will consist of the design and construction of the amenities block. This will be completed post the 2021/22 Summer tourist season.	

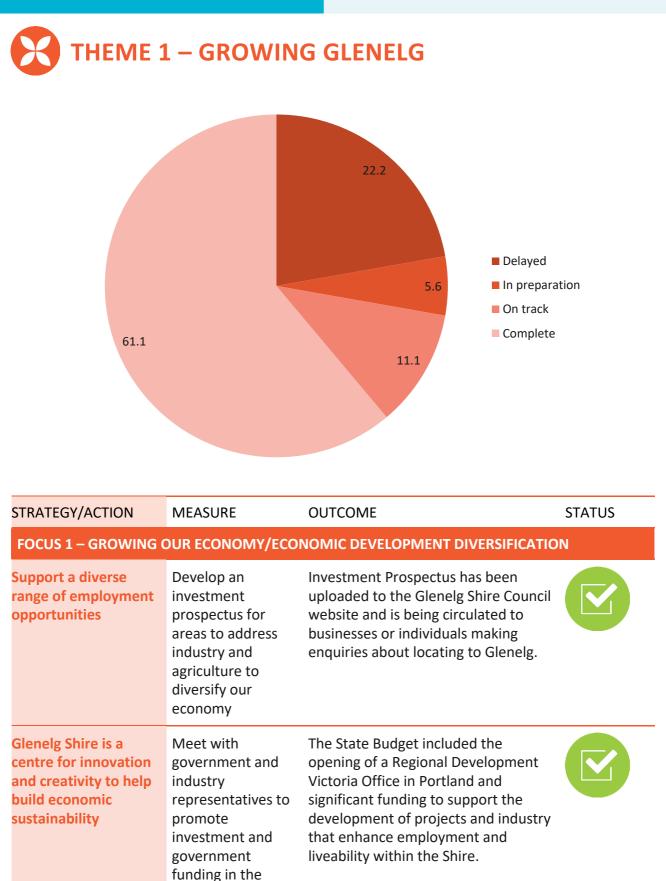
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PRIORITY PROJECTS

Portland Central		PROJECT COMMENCED	Monitoring funding opportunities.
Business District	200/	FUNDING RECEIVED	
upgrade	20%	FUNDING SOUGHT	
	ON TRACK	FUNDING AVAILABLE	
		PROJECT PROMOTED	
Hanlon Park		PROJECT COMMENCED	Installation of the new lighting at Hanlon Park
Lighting		FUNDING RECEIVED	was completed in Q4 2019-2020.
	COMPLETE	FUNDING SOUGHT	
		FUNDING AVAILABLE	
		PROJECT PROMOTED	
Portland Civic		PROJECT COMMENCED	No further progress to date.
Precinct	200/	FUNDING RECEIVED	
Masterplan Implementation	20%	FUNDING SOUGHT	
mplementation	ON TRACK	FUNDING AVAILABLE	
		PROJECT PROMOTED	
Marine		PROJECT COMMENCED	Construction is underway for the Portland Bay
Masterplan Implementation	1000/	FUNDING RECEIVED	Marina extension project, Trawler Wharf pontoon extension project and replacement of
prementation	100%	FUNDING SOUGHT	New Town Jetty.
	ON TRACK	FUNDING AVAILABLE	Construction to be finalised by October 2021.
		PROJECT PROMOTED	

COUNCIL PLAN PERFORMANCE SNAPSHOT





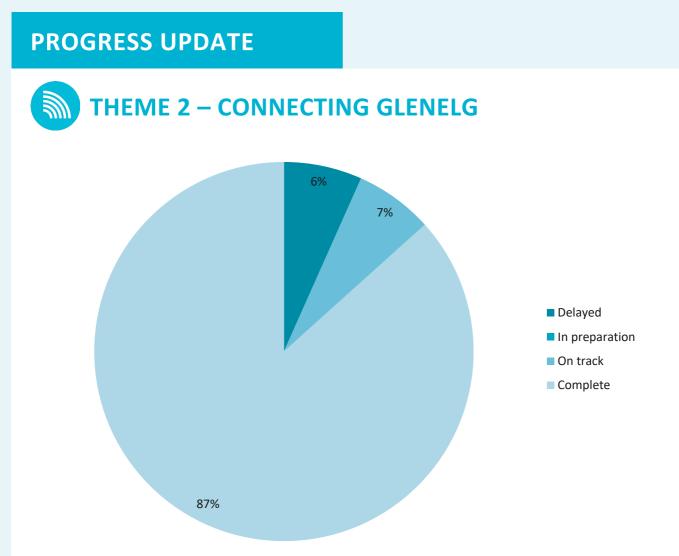
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Create strategies to encourage new business development	Identify a space for start-ups to use within the shire and work with emerging businesses	Currently exploring alternative funding streams and models to deliver a workable space that meets the needs of current and emerging businesses and possibly also students.	
Support the growth of existing businesses	Provide support to business groups in Portland, Heywood, and Casterton	Promotion of online business training and networking opportunities has been ongoing. The Shire facilitated the staffing of the Small Business Bus in Portland and Casterton. Business and Tourism Awards planning ongoing for April 2022.	
FOCUS 2 – GROWING 1	THE POPULATION/PC	DPULATION ATTRACTION	
Promote the shire to attract new residents/ immigration and refugee relocation	Develop a value proposition for population attraction and retention	Continued partnership with Warrnambool City Council to assist local businesses to access the DAMA (Designated Area Migration Agreement) program. The Economic migration Project & Jobs for Portland Ambassador Program has been delayed.	
Promote Budj Bim value within and outside of Glenelg Shire	Update visitor information material for Budj Bim	Ongoing co-ordination with Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owner Aboriginal Corporation, Cooee Traveller and ARUP (who are redeveloping the Budj Bim Masterplan). The product development is pending completion of infrastructure which has been impacted by COVID-19 restrictions.	
	Actively participate in the Aboriginal Advisory Committee to implement Stage 1 of the Budj Bim Development Plan	Aboriginal Advisory Committee has lapsed however Council has had ongoing participation in Budj Bim Project Control Group meetings; Budj Bim World Heritage Steering Committee; and Budj Bim Master Plan meetings.	

Continue to partner with Great Ocean Road Regional Tourism (GORRT)	Continue Council's attendance at all Great Ocean Road Regional Tourism (GORRT) board meetings	Mayor CR Anita Rank continues her attendance and participation on the board.		
	Develop other townships within the shire under the destination	Casterton and Nelson's Destination Action Plans (DAPs) have been developed and published on the GORRT website.		
	brand as developed by GORRT	Portland Destination Action Plan action group has not been convened due to COVID-19 restrictions.		
Promote natural and recreational assets Promote iconic events and develop	Develop three marketing initiatives per year to promote	Ongoing GlenelgVIC marketing through press advertising. 'Eat Shop Play Local' campaign reinstated.		
new and emerging opportunities throughout the shire	Growing Glenelg	Round Two Support vouchers made available to all local small businesses.		
Continue to promote Portland as a destination for cruise ships	Meet with cruise ship operators annually to promote Portland as a cruise ship destination	On hold due to COVID-19.		
FOCUS 4 – SKILLS DEVELOPMENT				
Support opportunities for life-long learning	Continue to support Beyond the Bell program initiatives	Continued attendance at Beyond the Bell Local Action Group meetings by Children's Services Manager & Community Well-being Manager.		

	Support linkages to training and development opportunities in innovation, entrepreneurship and technology to local businesses and education providers	"Ideas Place" Co-funded and promoted to local Glenelg agri- business start-ups. Melbourne innovation Centre and other free online businesses. Assisted TAFE with promotion of hospitality short courses locally to enhance tourism offering.	
	Create partnerships with education providers and establish a direction to support and encourage higher education and upskilling in our community	Working with Beyond the Bell Local Action Group and local schools to develop the next steps to addressing disengagement from education, following the Engagement in Learning Report findings for the Glenelg area. A further three traineeships have been offered in 2021 in Early Childhood Education & Aged & Disability Services.	
Support partnerships between employers and education	Meet with service providers at least annually	Continued communications with higher education providers and South West Tafe for placements throughout the Glenelg Shire Council. Children's Services continues to work with TAFE in supporting placements for students completing early childhood education qualifications, despite the ongoing impacts of COVID-19 and lockdowns.	
	Develop informal learning programs and activities across the shire	Online training videos developed for Ancestry and Online Open Access Cloud Source program. One on one computer assistance continuing to be provided to patrons and available via phone in times of lockdown.	

Continue to offer traineeships, work placements and scholarships	A further three traineeships have been offered in 2021 in Early Childhood Education and Aged and Disability Services. Council is looking to build on the existing trainee and apprentice	
Support community engagement through volunteering/ work placement opportunities for youth through various volunteering organisations and Council events	 Skittles LGBTIQA+ support program has continued to be delivered weekly during COVID-19 through online sessions. Live4Life has continued to run sessions in all 4 of the Secondary Colleges across the Shire. Delivering three out of four launch events in person before lockdown as well as engaging each of the four Crews in event planning for their own in school mental health awareness days. FreeZa Youth group successfully ran their Music on the Deck event in April with over 30 young people attending. The Draw Attention Youth Art Competition was also delivered across the Shire, attracting over 40 entries. 	



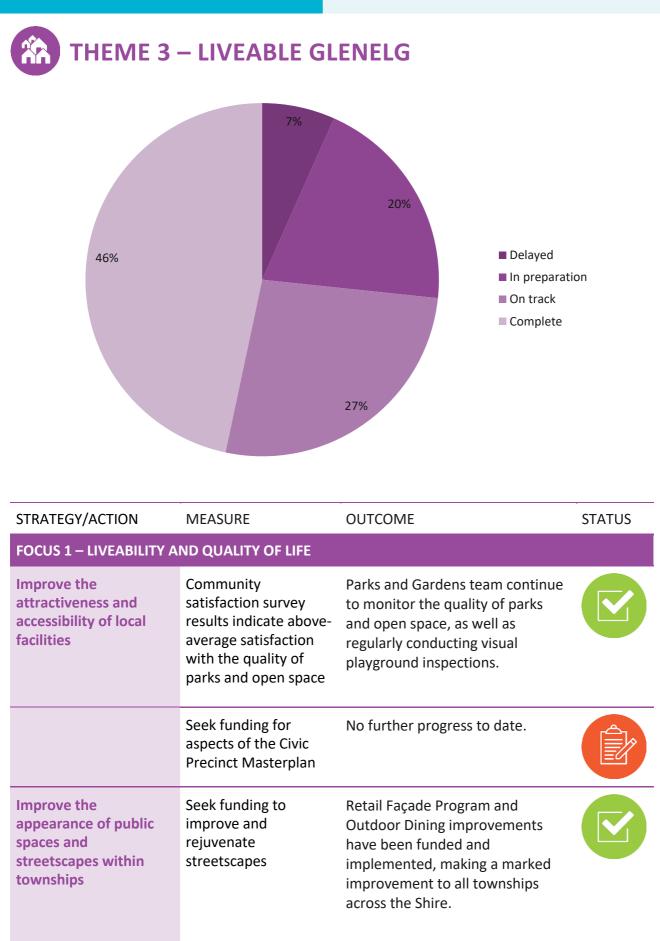
STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
FOCUS 1 – CONNECTING P	LACES AND SPACES		
Advocate for improved roads and public transport across the shire	Continue to pursue funding opportunities for road repair and upgrade	Ongoing.	
	Lead the Green Triangle Freight Action Plan Steering Committee – meet at least four times per year for continued advocacy	Achieved. Meeting for this quarter was held Friday 25 June 2021.	
Create places that enhance active engagement of people within community	Finalise the Glenelg Shire Tracks and Trails Strategy	Complete. The Tracks and Trails Strategy was endorsed at Ordinary Council Meeting in June 2020.	

STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
	Finalise the Open Space Strategy	Complete. The Glenelg Open Space Strategy was finalised in May 2019.	
	Redevelop Council's public libraries through funding opportunities	Development for Library strategy underway.	
Provide opportunities for all people to connect to Council services and community information	Continue to seek funding for all abilities access to recreational and commercial services	State Government funding secured to increase our all- abilities accessible spaces with the completion of the Foreshore and Bridgewater Masterplans, which include connecting paths and boardwalks, the Portland Multipurpose Facility, and the Alexandra Park Pavilion upgrade. Upgrades to the Casterton Little Athletics and CR Gill Pavilions which include compliant accessibility elements, funded through the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Round 2 funding.	
Transform public spaces to create 'smart' and digitally connected spaces within the community	Add to or create new free public Wi-Fi infrastructure	Councils Public Wi-Fi sites have recently been expanded through the ICT Regional Infrastructure Grant, creating an additional 13 sites across the shire.	
	Increase the utilisation of our Smart Cities membership	Smart City framework completed.	

STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
	Pursue Smart Cities funding opportunities	Digital Glenelg has secured funding, as part of the Great South Coast Cohort from the Regional Digital Fund.	
FOCUS 2 – CONNECTING P	EOPLE		
Advocate for digital and e-commerce uptake	Meet with NBN company representatives to discuss services gaps within the Shire	Achieved. This item has now been superseded by the Regional Partnerships digital initiative.	
	Improve digital/e- commerce uptake	Digital and e-commerce training options have been promoted widely through social media, website, and business newsletters. Glenelg's partnership with the Melbourne Innovation Centre, GORRT and other providers has delivered the opportunity for free training on a range of digital and e- commerce platforms to local businesses.	

STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
Enhance inclusive and equitable communities where people feel safe, supported, and	Maintain an above average perception of safety within the community	Lighting upgrades and maintenance implemented throughout various car parks, laneways, and streets.	
connected to others		Universal design has been utilised for lighting elements in all large infrastructure projects including the Portland Marina, the Portland Foreshore and Bridgewater Masterplans to support increased community safety.	
		Increased provision of public Wi-Fi has been implemented to increase connectivity.	
		Bollarding and fencing components have been funded to support improved community safety at several recreation and open space facilities across the Shire.	
Support opportunities for social connections through partnership networks	Seek grant/funding opportunities to enhance public safety	Grant funding application submitted and awaiting outcome through Coastal Public Access and Risk grants. Funding is available for up to \$200,000 for coastal safety concerns.	
		This application is seeking funding for the installation of bollards across the Portland Foreshore to eliminate unauthorised vehicle access causing risk to the community.	
	Continue Connect Glenelg website	Ongoing review ensures the site is up to date.	

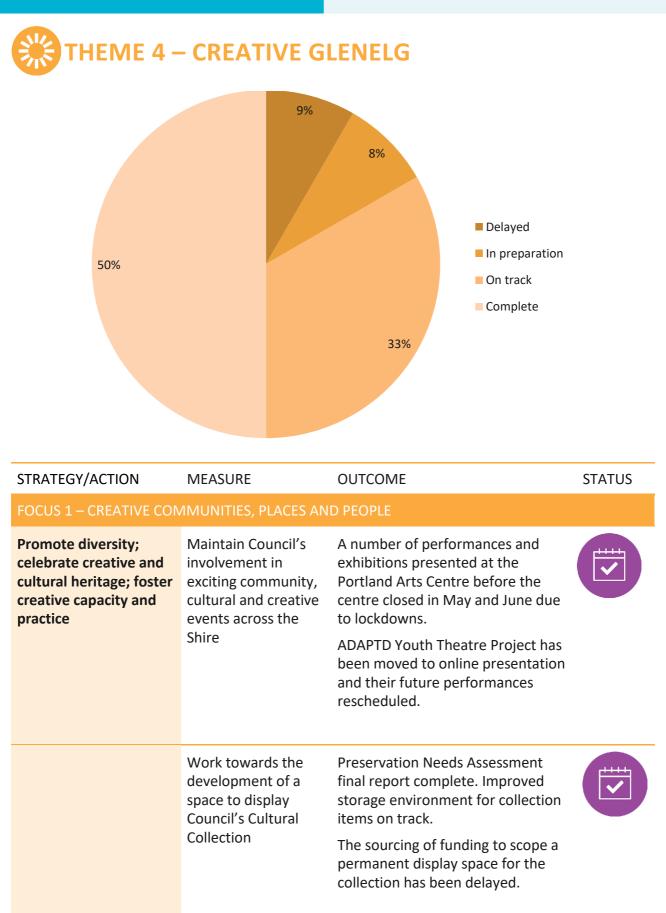
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	Continue to promote the community events	All Calendars remain online during COVID-19 Pandemic.	
	calendar	Events are promoted by the Glenelg Shire Council, GORRT and Visit Vic.	



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Create a range of opportunities for the community to participate in Council decision making	Create an ongoing online forum for community feedback	The Your Say Glenelg Page update was completed in Q3 with the new content, look and feel being well received.	
	Conduct at least one listening post event per quarterListening Posts have not been conducted due to COVID-19 restrictions.		Ð
FOCUS 2 – HEALTH & WE	LLBEING		
Support programs to improve health awareness and active communities	Residents report an above-average wellbeing score	The Year 4 Action Plan report is being prepared which will outline the success and outcomes of the collaborative health and wellbeing initiatives across the Shire in 2021.	
		The new Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2021 - 2025 is going to Council in October 2021 for endorsement.	
		48 adults and young people across the Shire, have completed Youth/Teen Mental Health First Aid training through the Live4Life initiative.	
	Assist the community to promote events	'Light Up Glenelg' will once again be used to promote events across the Shire for the Summer period.	
Support the creation and maintenance of good-quality sport, recreational and leisure facilities	Finalise Open Space Strategy	Complete.	

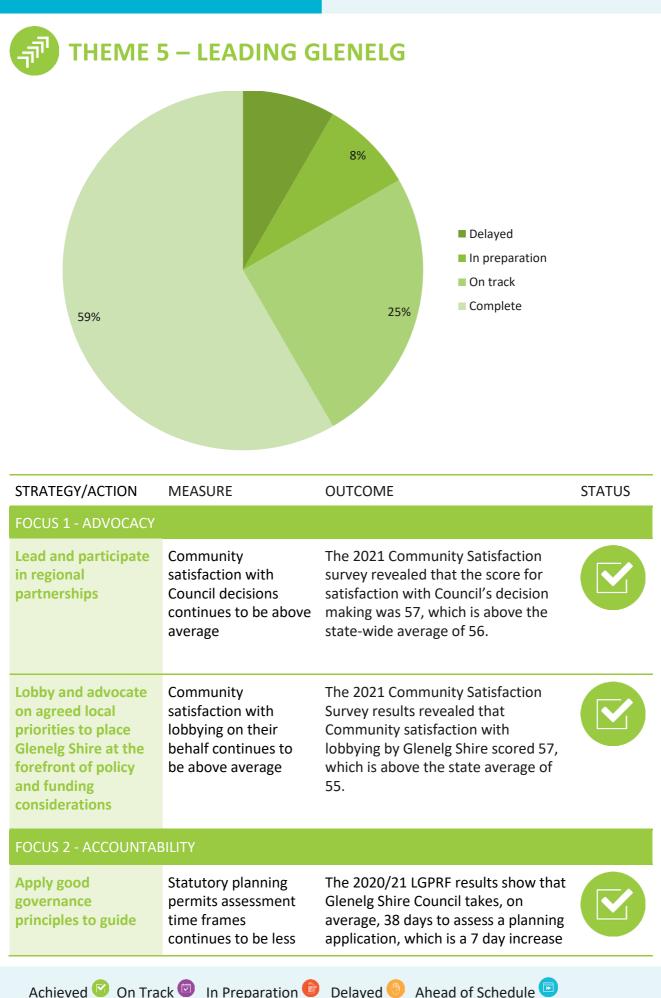
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Advocate for improved health and allied services	Redevelop the user group agreement with health service providers	Health Service Provider Stakeholder session held to develop the new Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan (MPHWP) 2021 – 2025.	
	Develop a Municipal Health & Wellbeing Plan	The MPHWP 2021 - 2021 is in the final stages of development, due to be endorsed at the October Ordinary Council Meeting 2021.	
FOCUS 3 – ENVIRONMEN			
Reduce Council's carbon footprint Reduce the impacts of climate change	Continue to implement measures to reduce Council's energy usage (carbon emission)	The request for quote documentation for the development of the Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2021-2025 is complete. This strategy will inform and direct Council's actions on the environment and sustainability including objectives to achieve relevant carbon emission targets. Waste to Energy feasibility studies continue to be assessed in line with the State Waste Reforms and Kerbside Transition Plans. Installation of Fawthrop Centre Building Management System complete and will see anticipated energy use and carbon reductions.	

STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
Reduce Council's water usage	Council's policies, procedures, documents and operations account for the possible impacts of climate change	The request for quote documentation for the development of the Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2021-2025 is complete. This strategy will inform and direct Council's actions on the environment and sustainability. All new and renewed policies,	
		procedures and documents take into account the possible impacts of climate change.	
	Continue to implement measures to reduce Council's water usage	Participation in the Integrated Water Management Working Group. These meetings have been impacted by COVID-19 restrictions.	
	Council to implement environmentally friendly energy	Building Management system installed into Fawthrop Centre building.	
	solutions	Lighting and services upgrades with energy efficient options built into design for current large capital works program including smart LED lighting.	
Protect environmental assets	Actively reduce weed species	Roadside weed spraying completed for the 2020/21 Financial Year.	



STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
Build partnerships that promote creative expression and engagement; stimulate	Commit resources to enhance the Partnership Agreements	The Aboriginal Partnership review is complete, with a new Partnership structure agreed to by all Partners.	
creative practice and creative places		Meetings have been scheduled for the next twelve months, with a Terms of Reference drafted to be endorsed by the Partners in December 2021.	
	Promote the community events calendar and support diverse arts and cultural programming	The sourcing of funding to scope a permanent display space for the collection has been delayed.	
Promote opportunities for community events within all townships of the shire	Offer opportunities for people to participate and attend cultural, arts and literary activities	ADAPTD Youth Theatre Project has proceeded online and has proven to be an agile model for theatre development.	
		Library Author events and literacy programs are continuing online when they are unable to be delivered in-person.	
	Seek funding for creative public art and place-making initiatives	Awaiting outcome of funding for new initiatives.	
FOCUS 2 - INNOVATION			
Promote innovative solutions by allowing for creative input into decision making	Work with the community to develop an events calendar	Complete.	

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	Simplified and streamlined customer experience	Council's engagement has been adapted to be delivered via the online platform Your Say Glenelg. COVID-19 lockdowns and restrictions have limited the ability to undertake to face-to-face engagement sessions across the Shire.	
	Promote Council's One Stop Shop service	Nous Consulting the company engaged to support improvements to the One Stop Shop have provided several recommendations which will be incorporated into the new Glenelg Shire Council website.	
Create opportunities for innovation within the community	Promote an "ideas" forum in townships	All Stakeholder forums planned to date have been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions.	
Partner with other organisations to facilitate innovative solutions	Deliver opportunities for people to experience new technologies and innovative solutions	Ongoing promotion of the Victorian Government's Small Business Adaptation Program.	
	Promote our Smart Cities membership	Smart Cities framework complete.	



STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
strategic decision making	than the state average	on last years result of 31. Council's result of 38 days to action planning permits, continues to be less than the state-wide average of 69 days.	
	Undertake a Planning Scheme review	Complete.	
Council demonstrates leadership in its decisions to meet future needs and challenges	Maintain existing (Planning) service standards	The 2020/21 LGPRF results show Glenelg Shire Council's planning service standard as 84.59%, an increase from previous year.	
	Lobby for additional funding to support asset renewal	Ongoing advocacy undertaken with both Federal and State Government Departments to seek further funding towards asset renewal. A meeting was recently held with Regional Development Victoria to discuss asset renewal opportunities.	
Long-term planning and prudent financial management	Reduce expenditure level per property assessment from 2016 levels	The expenditure level per property assessment has reduced from the 2019/20 results. The number of property assessments remains consistent. Expenditure has remained high as a result of significant work required for the Landfill rehabilitation project. It is anticipated that expenditure will be reduced in the coming years as this project nears completion with only monitoring costs to be incurred.	

STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
Continuous improvement methods used to ensure excellence in service delivery	Continue to maximise grant opportunities for the shire	Priority projects identified and supported by Council, with a Priority Projects prospectus to be developed in the coming months to assist with advocacy prior to the upcoming State and Federal elections.	
Council continues to improve communications and engagement practices to support open and inclusive decision making processes	Improve Council's website to be more intuitive and useable for customers	New Council website design has been approved and old content has been migrated to the new platform ready for a planned Beta Launch.	
Use technologies to assist communication and service delivery	Embed the Community Engagement Framework into Council procedures	The Community Engagement Framework will need further refinement in the new financial year to ensure it remains current.	
Offer people a say in Council decisions	Endeavour to maintain the number of Council decisions made at meetings open to the public (2016 benchmark)	There were no resolutions made in closed Council meetings during the final quarter of 2020/2021. The LGPRF results show that the percentage of decisions made in closed meetings for the 2020/2021 year is 1.59%, with only two resolutions made in closed Council meetings during 2020/2021. This is a decrease in comparison to the number of resolutions made in closed Council meetings in 2019/2020.	
Ensure the organisation has the right mix of people to deliver the best outcomes for the community	Update Organisational Development policies to be in line with best practice	The Equal Opportunity, Anti discrimination and bullying policy is currently being divided into 3 separate standalone policies. A new Alcohol & Other Drug guidelines has been developed to	

STRATEGY/ACTION	MEASURE	OUTCOME	STATUS
		inform the Alcohol and Other Drugs policy.	
		A sick leave donation policy has been implemented.	
		The CEO Remuneration policy, Recruitment Policy and Leave without Pay policy are all currently being developed or reviewed in line with the Local Government Act.	

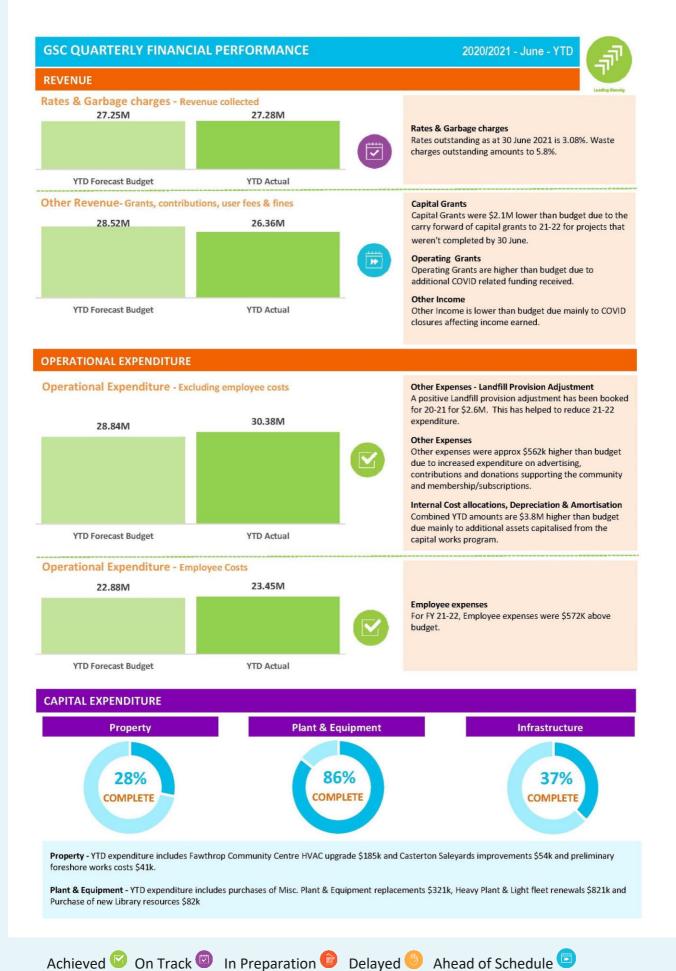
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	Full Year	Full Year	Year to Date
	Adopted Budget	Forecast Budget	Actual
Income			
Rates and Charges	24,858,000	27,249,503	27,283,754
Statutory Fees and Fines	798,000	814,422	1,081,927
User Fees	5,014,000	2,275,575	2,636,674
Grants - Operating	13,566,000	15,083,617	16,564,337
Grants - Capital	3,625,000	9,168,288	6,979,694
Other Income	966,000	966,349	485,905
Contributions - Monetary	165,000	208,516	123,152
Contributions - Non Monetary	0	0	2,740
Net Gain (or Loss) on disposal of PP & E	0	220	(1,512,040)
Total Income	4 8 ,992,000	55,766,490	53,646,144
Expenses			
Employee Costs	23,514,000	22,875,283	23,447,161
Materials and Services	18,312,000	17,978,523	18,482,710
Borrowing Costs	329,000	329,000	1,525
Bad and Doubtful Debts	0	0	8,673
Other Expenses	2,481,000	2,534,629	2,639,462
Other Expenses - Landfill Provision Adjustment	0	0	(2,550,767)
Finance Costs - Leases	281,000	22,467	20,649
Depreciation and Amortisation	9,050,000	9,217,993	13,011,776
Internal Cost Allocations	(1,250,000)	(1,240,153)	(1,229,952)
Total Expenses	52,717,000	51,717,742	53, 8 31,23 8
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(3,725,000)	4,048,748	(185,094)



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