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ADVOCACY

Community feedback

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Submitters	Request	Costings (subject to feasibility and costing assessment)	Officer response
	Homes for homeless Womens and teens refuge	N/A	Housing is a priority project in council's Advocacy Plan and council recognises there is no women's refuge in Wodonga and demand on existing cross-border services exceeds availability. Victorian Government has previously announced Minimum Investment Guarantee of $30 million into affordable housing in Wodonga and recently announced funding for an Education Youth Foyer in Wodonga **Ongoing advocacy**
	Install traffic lights at the roundabout at Melbourne Road and Melrose Drive Wodonga.	$1,000,000	This would need to be joint project with VicRoads which is the responsible authority for the road. No evidence at this stage it is required, a review would be required to determine if it needs upgrading. **Ongoing advocacy**
	Helsinger Ave – Install a speed hump or look at how to relieve congestion at this corner	Scope dependent	This would need to be joint project with VicRoads which is the responsible authority for the road. Future duplication of Beechworth Rd will resolve issue of congestion. Upgrading intersection as an interim could be reviewed but would require survey, design. **Ongoing advocacy**
	Council should consider ways to take control of the land in the central part of the city near the former railway station and sell or assign it to a developer who has the right vision, financial resources, and capability to develop the centre of the city with quality inner city residences rather than the current untidy and undesirable crammed unit proposal.	N/A	Junction Place is owned by the Victorian Government. A developer interest process is presently under way and a Community Reference Group formed to input into the process. **Ongoing advocacy**
	Extend bicycle network to include a safe connection to the track that finishes on the Link road	N/A	VicRoads is the responsible authority for the road. We would support and encourage VicRoads to include a shared path from where it currently terminates all the way to Anzac Parade in the future or when the need arises to duplicate this roadway. **Ongoing advocacy**
	Public transport in and around Killara	N/A	Public transport is a priority project in council's Advocacy Plan. **Ongoing advocacy**

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INFRASTRUCTURE

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Submissions	Request	Costings (subject to feasibility and costing assessment)	Funding options	Officer response
	Build a labyrinth to support mental health	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	Would need to be placed in existing public space that has access to toilets and require ongoing maintenance and regular mowing. Closest ones in Beechworth and Thurgoona. Potential for a community partnership. **Not supported at this time**
5x submitters	Build changing places in Wodonga eg Junction Square and Willow Park	$230,000	$143,530 grant funding received In 2023-2024 budget	Changing Places are larger than standard accessible toilets with extra features to meet the needs of people with disability and their carers. There are no accredited CP toilets in Wodonga. Following the resolution passed at the February council meeting, council officers are continuing to explore suitability of alternate sites. Liaising with funding body to secure an extension, to be formalised once an alternate site has been secured. **Supported**
(2x submitters)	Improvements to change rooms at the Wodonga Sports and Leisure Centre. Add an adult change table and hoist.	$50,000	In 2023-2024 budget	Retrofit of equipment not recommended. Adult change facilities could be incorporated into a full upgrade of the WSLC aquatics change rooms. Undertake detailed design works immediately, with works to commence in summer 2023-24. **Supported**
	BBQ and toilets at the river in Killara	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	Will require further exploration and discussions with NECMA considering flooding issues in area **Investigation required**
4x submitters	Second exit at Killara	$700,000	Not budgeted	Responsibility of developer as part of the Riverside development and part of planning permit. **Not supported for council funding**
	Install traffic lights at Anzac Parade and Kiewa Valley highway intersection.	$500,000 (signals only)	Not budgeted	This would need to be joint project with VicRoads which is the responsible authority for the road. VicRoads has indicated they would like to construct a roundabout in that location Would require review to determine need for upgrading. **Not supported for council funding**
	Install traffic lights, for the safe crossing of Lawrence street, between Mayfair Drive and Dundee Street.	$300,000	Not budgeted	For pedestrian operated signals. Prior to completing works investigation of pedestrian movement through survey and cameras would be recommended. **Investigation required**
	Install large roundabout at Glenwood Blvd/Baranduda Blvd/John Schubert Dr intersection (Avalon Park)	N/A	Developer	Baranduda Leneva DCP item. Traffic lights are being installed as part of development under works in-kind agreement. Construction scheduled for 2023-2024, due to be complete in September 2023. **Works scheduled**
	Upgrade to the intersection of Kiewa Valley Hwy John Schubert Drive and John Boyes Drive Baranduda.	$5,000,000	Baranduda-Leneva DCP	Baranduda Leneva DCP item will be constructed as required. **Pending**
2x submitters	Whytes Rd needs repair - Creates a lot of dust for residents. - There are so many depressions and pot holes.		Not budgeted	Whytes Rd is in a tree protection zone overlay which limits any significant reconstruction work on the road. The road is slated for closure to vehicles once the second entry to the estate is constructed. The road is maintained in line with the council's Road Management Plan.

				No action for 2023-2024
	Install a footpath on the south side of Bassett St.	$70,000	Not budgeted	Replacing driveways allowed in costings. Not presently in 10-year Financial Plan and there are other footpaths that have more need. Bassett Rd has a footpath on north side. **Not supported at this time**
	Visitor information centre with toilets and coffee	$300,000 plus ongoing operation	Not budgeted	Wodonga Council has a joint tourism partnership with Albury City branded -Visit Albury Wodonga. It is not feasible financially to support two visitor centres. **Not supported**
	Additional long vehicle parking Build a dump point	N/A	Not budgeted	There is 11 long vehicle parks across the city. Future long vehicle options will be reviewed during the dump point location mapping process. **Under investigation**
	Remove or replace gates at either end of Jack Perry reserve to accommodate bikes.	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	**Investigation required**
	Bike path along Chapple Street and Osburn Street past Arnold's and links up with the bike path. Then safe access across High Street to Sumsion Gardens would be great.	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	Not currently identified. Consideration as a future project. **No action for 2023-2024**
	Upgrade the playground on Felltimber Crk and Macpherson St	N/A	Long-term capital plan	Alan Goyne Park playground will be considered for upgrade through the playground renewal works in the next few years. **No action for 2023-2024**
	Add a basketball ring to the playground on Clarendon ave	N/A	Not budgeted	Bernie Cox playground has had shade installed over the playground in recent years, supported by the current playground strategy. Consideration of a basketball court would require community consultation as it would most likely involve the removal of other existing play elements. **Not supported at this time**
2x submitters	Extension of indoor pool to 50m (WSLC)	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	Council is considering several options as part of a current review of its aquatics facilities. **Under review**
	Second pool at WAVES designed specifically for Waterpolo with the potential for a roof Medium sized swimming pool at WAVES	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	A second body of water (medium sized pool) at WAVES has been previously identified in the 2017 WAVES stage 2 planning. A second pool could provide a range of additional uses and programs, such as learn to swim classes, rehabilitation swimming, warm-up pool for event and activities. It could also be provided community with a pool to use when larger events are on in the 50m pool. Having a second pool covered has also been previously considered. Council is considering several options as part of a review of its aquatics facilities. **Under review**
4x submissions	Build a community centre in Killara	$4.5m plus land	Not budgeted	Further planning work is required to establish catchment demand, costings, timeframes, and growth centre facility provision. The S173 Agreement states the owner must nominate a site within or near the future commercial centre, and the site will be transferred to council at a value determined by the Valuer General. It includes a community infrastructure levy which has been used for the embellishment of open space in Killara ie. playgrounds etc

				Currently no specific site identified for a community centre and as per the Wodonga Growth Strategy, a Level 1 Community Centres requires population catchment of up to 10,000. **Further planning recommended**
6x submissions	Council to fund 100% of the development plan for Valley Views Estate	Est $400,000	Not budgeted	Valley Views presents a complex planning problem, with the Low Density Residential zoning of the land not matching the rural residential nature of the developed estate. Funding the preparation of a Development Plan will not necessarily result in the realisation of an integrated development. This is due to the ownership of land being highly fragmented with many landowners unlikely to develop their land. This presents problems in developing integrating infrastructure and any infrastructure cost recovery scheme. A briefing paper for council is being prepared on this matter. **Under review**
2x submissions	Reinstate Wodonga dog pound	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	A shared pound with four other councils to provide a regional service is best practice. There are economies of scale that could otherwise not be realised. Good rehoming rates are currently being provided. **Not supported**
Wodonga Cemetery	Funding for buggy shed/carport	Requested $20,000	Not budgeted	The cemetery trust is a state incorporated body. Recommend applying for a Community Infrastructure Grant. **Not supported**
Ron Finemore	Traffic signals installed on new exit road at the rear of the RFT property	Requested $255,000 Est is $700,000	Not budgeted	VicRoads is the responsible authority for the road. Developer has purchased land to construct road. This is a private entrance on to VicRoads declared road. **Not supported**
Wodonga Tennis Centre	Removal of trees on Lawrence St	Requested $250,000 Cost est $1 million including path, drainage, guttering, car parking bays and trees	Not budgeted	The pine trees sit outside Wodonga Tennis Centre lease area. The tree removal is identified in the Kelly Park Masterplan. Consultation should be undertaken with the community, surrounding residents and users of the Wodonga Tennis Centre to fully inform any decision on the tree removal. Following that consultation, planning and design work would be required which would inform the capital budget request. **Supported**
Wodonga Tennis Centre	Upgrade to Tennis Centre fencing	Requested $300,000 Cost est $350,000	Not budgeted	Council could consider a partnership application with WTC and Tennis Australia to apply for the Community Safety Fund in 2023-24 if the project is deemed eligible to the fund guidelines. **Support grant application**
Wodonga Tennis Centre	Lighting upgrade	Requested $100,000 Cost est Between $200,000 (globes only) and $1 million (for new poles and globes)	Not budgeted	These works are not identified in the Kelly Park Masterplan (2018). Under the terms of the lease lighting replacement is the responsibility of the tenant. **Not supported**
Wodonga Tennis Centre	Building rewiring	Cost est $10,000	Not budgeted	Electrical assessment have been undertaken and full building rewiring is not required. It have been recommended that the electrical loads on the servers been distributed more evenly and the power board upgraded. Not currently budget for but could be considered for building renewal works if the budget allows this financial year. **Pending budget allocation**

Wodonga Tennis Centre	Replace synthetic court surfaces	Cost est $150,000	In 2023-2024 draft budget	The courts were determined as nearing end of life in a review conducted by Tennis Victoria 2019. This report suggested they be replaced in the next three years. **Included in draft budget**
Wodonga Tennis Centre	Resurface blue plexipave courts	Cost est $500,000	Long-term capital plan	As identified in the review by Tennis Victoria in 2019, the works have been broken up across two financial years to spread to cost and minimise disruptions to tennis programs and events. **Included in draft budget**
Cypress Court residents	Flood levy in Les Stone Park	$550,000	Budgeted 2023-2024 design 2024-2025 construction	**Included in draft budget**

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	Public toilets that are OPEN 24/7 and accessible to general public, especially walkers and children.	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	Being reviewed as part of the consultation and development of a draft Public Toilet Strategy **Pending strategy outcomes**
	Review the traffic flow in the CBA eg High/Elgin, Hume/Elgin and Smythe/Elgin	$20,000	In 2023-2024 budget	$10,000 for modelling and $10,000 for road safety assessment. **Supported**
	Vic Roads standard green speed limit sign with flashing lights placed on Baranduda Blvd where the road becomes a 60km zone near Westmont.	N/A	Not budgeted	A 60 ahead sign is already in place. Once development increases a township entrance sign might be required. **Not supported**
	Parking bays in Lawrence St east, indented parking from Havelock to Anne St - the pipes keep cracking as people drive over them. Poor design, needs to be looked at.	N/A	Operational budget	Maintenance request. Lodged as customer service request #287039 **Request lodged**
	Killara needs more Street sweeping needed at least every 2-3 months in all streets not just a select few in Killara.	N/A	Operational budget	Maintenance request. Lodged as customer service request #287040 **Request lodged**
	Repair Yack Wodonga road at Baranduda and remove warning sign	N/A	N/A	VicRoads is the responsible authority for this road. **No action required at this time**
	Support businesses to collaborate and put on live music and small events	Scope dependent	In 2023-2024 budget	Council officers have proposed in the 23-24 budget a continuation of 'Fridays in the Square' that supports traders, markets and artists. **Supported**
	Lawrence St bridge is poorly designed, you can't turn right and the railing obstructs your view	N/A	Not budgeted	Intersection was altered to address road safety audit. Turning right out of Parkland Drive was unsafe. **Not supported**
	There is a great piece of land in a flood plain off Huon Creek Road that I used to call the "horse paddock" that could make for a wonderful treed road parkland. Increase the number of green spaces and to increase tree planting. Continue tree planting program including deciduous trees.	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	Land will have significant restrictions as it is a flood plain. Council commits a $150,000 per year to tree planting. **Investigation required**
	Add a tap to the community garden in Killara	N/A	Not budgeted	This has been discussed previously with the group who have been instructed to apply for a grant. **No action required at this time**
	Clean the Wodonga creek area near the miniature train. Install tables and chairs.	N/A	Operational budget	Remediation works have commenced at Diamond Park since the flood waters have receded and will continue over the coming months. **Supported**
	More council public partnership with events	N/A	Operational budget	Council hosts a calendar of events annually across the city that encourage partnerships with local organisations, the arts community, service clubs and

				sporting clubs. Council encourages sponsorship opportunities from our business community across cultural services and venues **Supported**
8x submissions	More stuff for kids - Rollerblading rink - Ice skating rink - Movies - Bowling - Splash park Local museum More community events Community activities	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	Commercial activities would need to be supported by private developers. The Wodonga and District Historical Society is located at Bonegilla Migrant Experience. The council hosts an annual calendar of events for the community, additional events would need to be supported with funding. **No action required at this time**
	Source equipment that will improve the maintenance of cycle /walking pathways, e.g. four wheel 'Polaris" type vehicle	N/A	Operational budget	The council undertakes regular inspections of footpaths and shared paths, checking for defects using detailed video imaging by contractors on quad-bike as well as with an own ATV and staff on foot. The data gathered from the survey is used for proactive, cost-effective maintenance and renewal of our footpaths. **No further action required**
2x submissions	Upgrade the skate park to be like Albury's	N/A	Not budgeted	Wodonga Skatepark was previously upgraded in 2017, to include several new skate elements and the basketball court. This facility caters for a range of ages and abilities. Wodonga also has a skatepark at Baranduda and a pump track that can be used by skaters and scooter riders in West Wodonga. **Not supported**
	Additional public bins a block or two from fast food outlets	N/A	Operational budget	All new public places are processed via a flow chart to ensure the need is real. Audits are taken to determine level of littering or dumping. **No action required at this time**
4x submissions	Annual hard waste collection	Scope dependent	Not budgeted	More than half of Victoria's councils do not provide a hard waste collection. The accumulation of hard waste at a property is the occupier's responsibility. Many businesses offer the service of removing old appliances etc. Council continues to provide assistance for pensioners for hard waste collection. **Not supported**
6x submissions	Weekly bin collection Larger red bins	N/A	N/A	The present fortnightly refuse bin collection is industry best practice. Householders can apply for an upsized bin at their cost. **No action required**
	More playgroups	N/A	Funding	Early Years provides funded facilitated Supported Playgroups across the city with five groups per week to eligible families. These are funded through the Department of Education. Community playgroups are run by parents/carers/volunteers who attend the group. Community playgroups currently operate out of the Baranduda and Felltimber Community Centres. **No action required**
	Proper shopping centre at Baranduda	N/A	Developer	The Leneva-Baranduda Precinct Structure Plan is a comprehensive land use plan for the city's principal growth area. The PSP includes two local town centres, one of which is in Baranduda. **No action required**

Albury Wodonga Ethnic Community Council	Funding for Harmony Day and Refugee Day celebrations	Requested $11,000 per year	Proposed for 2023-2024 budget	Harmony Day recognises the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Refugee Week provide opportunity to celebrate the positive contributions of refugees to Australian society The event supports engagement and inclusion of the multicultural community and the council has previously supported this event financially. Wodonga is a Refugee Welcome Zone and 11.3 per cent of Wodonga residents were born overseas. The request aligns with community feedback for more festivals and events. **Supported**
Business Wodonga (4x submitters support funding of Business Wodonga)	Jobs expo funding	Requested $22,000 per expo. ($44,000)	Proposed for 2023-2024 budget	The two previous expos have been reasonably successful and supported by industry. Proposal is two run two expos in the 12 months. **Support at previous level, up to $10,000 per expo ($20,000)**
Business Wodonga (4x submitters support funding of Business Wodonga)	Digital Literacy Program funding	Requested $85,290	Proposed for 2023-2024 budget	Assumption is that budget request represent total cost of program for about 30 participants. **Not supported at that level. Recommend up to $10,000 to support a grant application to Victorian Government.**
Startup Shakeup (1x submission supports funding support for business innovation)	Partnership designed to build innovation support for businesses	Requested $20,000	Not budgeted	Council have supported program in the past through received grant funding. There are no clear outcomes for Wodonga and the previous performance/outcome from past financial support has not been made clear. **Not supported**
Chris Phillips	Planning enforcement officer	N/A	Not budgeted	Compliance and enforcement review to be presented to councillors in due course. **In progress**