

Help Shape a Better Bass Coast

Community Engagement – Health

Hospital – Phillip Island

- How many people have to live here and die here before we get adequate medical facilities? (Phillip Island) Our population has doubled in the last 10 years but our infrastructure hasn't. The council is pushing more housing estates which are selling like hot cakes, retirees and young families alike are moving down here but nothing is being provided for them. The schools are bulging at the seams, we have a long and I mean long wait even for a Drs appointment, same at the radiology clinic. Is there any future planning for these urgent facilities?
- Reopen the hospital the island needs this with the growing population
- We also need the infrastructure to cope with the tourists as well as the local residents i.e. Hospital
- Give Cowes a hospital again.
- A hospital on the island
- On Phillip Island, 24hr A & E.
- A hospital please in Phillip Island
- We certainly need a public hospital in Cowes. It is ridiculous having to travel all the way to wonthaggi to get help. Not to mention the holiday periods when people flock to the island.
- A hospital on PI
- More Drs who stay put in Wonthaggi and actually take an ongoing interest in their patients. Maybe need incentives? More specialists to visit the area on a regular basis.
- Adequate Mental health services & drug rehabilitation services
- Great to see the council joining the community discussions. From PIMHAG's point of view, what we need are improved medical services on Phillip Island. To do this, we need Bass Coast Health to develop a master plan for the upgrading of the Wonthaggi hospital, in conjunction with the Medical Hub, to be constructed in Cowes. We need the Bass Coast Shire Council to strongly endorse and support the planning and lobbying process, so Phillip Islanders and visitors have ammunition to fight for what we rightfully should have. This must be done urgently. We can't wait for years and years.
- And we need a regional hospital in Cowes with an emergency department . Cowes is now populated enough that is now requiring a fully operational hospital
- hospital on Phillip Island.
- Hospital on Phillip Island.
- A hospital on Phillip island

- 24hour medical clinic on Phillip Island
- Phillip island needs a hospital !!!!
- Hospital in cowes!
- Bring our hospital back (PI)! We have the numbers to dictate*
- No hospital in Phillip Island*
- Appropriate Emergency Medical Facility (24hr) (PI)* * *
- Not having our hospital back is outrageous – residents and tourists are at risk* *
- My concern is no hospital on the island.
- The island deserves its own hospital*
- HEALTH CARE! I am concerned about the lack of 24/7 emergency health care on the island for not only our ageing population but the huge influx of tourists over the peak season & for major events. We need to realise that it will only take one major accident, on the only access road on & off the island, that involves one or more of the hundreds of busses that visit us daily & we will have a major disaster on our hands. Maybe we don't need a hospital but we certainly need a 24/7 facility that has some sort of emergency department.
- A hospital/24 hour medical centre with emergency facilities on Phillip Island
- Services that are not available on Phillip Island that need to be. In particular, this would be an appropriate medical centre with suitable allied services
- Improved 24 hour health service at Phillip Island.
- A hospital on Phillip Island.
- Better health facilities on Phillip Island, especially a hospital.
- For Phillip Island - this may already be in the plans with the new medi hub, but a 24 hour doctor clinic.
- A hospital on Phillip Island.
- Triage/emergency medical care on Phillip Island
- more medical facilities on Phillip Island
- A Hospital at Cowes
- A Hospital or 24 hour Superclinic for Cowes
- Full time hospital on Phillip Island. With as much care facility as possible built in. Make it happen!
- Plans to build a hospital on Phillip Island.
- A good reliable 24 hor medical service in COWES
- A hospital on the Island
- Phillip Island 24 hour medical service
- Also a 24 hour medical centre / triage clinic
- Health care on Phillip Island could be greatly improved
- No hospital on Phillip Island. Having had emergency ambulance trips to Wonthaggi time was an issue as is easy access to health.
- No 24/7 bulk billed medical on Phillip Island
- No 24/7 medical, emergency services on Phillip Island

- There is no 24 hour medical care on the island, nor a hospital that caters for many surgical procedures. When my husband had a heart attack , he had to go by ambulance to Wonthaggi and then to the Monash Hospital for further treatment. My adult children also live on the island and when they decide to start a family it would be nice to know that medical care is available 24/7.
- There should be a larger ambulance presence on the island and a 24 hour emergency medical Centre. Not necessarily a hospital but a 24 hour centre.
- Phillip island woeful facilities for summer and ageing pop, let alone sporting events
- We need a hospital in Cowes. 24Hour medical facilities are needed.
- I would appreciate additional hospital facilities in my area. As we have Wonthaggi Hospital reasonably nearby, we presumably wouldn't qualify for a second public hospital - therefore perhaps a small private hospital, perhaps on Philip Island where the population should warrant it?
- Phillip Island urgently requires an 24hr general and emergency medical clinic. This should be a top priority requirement.
- No hospital is a huge risk for those people contemplating living in Philip Island on a permanent basis compared to other parts of Coastal Victoria.
- Need a hospital on the island
- A hospital on Phillip Island??? Basic services are lacking for health, I travel back to Melbourne to see doctors and have been told by locals that I am not the only one that does this.
- The fact that Phillip Island doesn't have a 24 hour health service. At peak holiday periods sometimes it is a 2 hour trip to access the hospital in Wonthaggi.
- Concerned that there is no hospital on Phillip Island
- Nearest hospital is in Wonthaggi.
- We need a hospital returned to Cowes, Phillip Island urgently.
- Lack of hospital facilities on Phillip Island. Better Bass coast health facilities for Phillip Island.
- Need a hospital on the Island. Our population is constantly growing, our peak periods are bigger than ever and our international events need it.
- Active, visible support for the Cowes Medical Hub - 24/7 emergency care on Phillip Island
- Hospital is desperately needed on the island!
- Nothing in particular but I do support Phillip island need for comprehensive health hub and better services in peak times.
- Emergency access if road blocked by traffic or accident No hospital
- Cowes needs a hospital
- No Hospital on Phillip Island is unacceptable
- No hospital, emergency care on Phillip Island and uncertain service by ambulance places residents at severe risk.
- Not having a hospital on the island is a huge concern given that I have children and that myself and my husband are approaching middle age.
- I'm concerned about closer accessible services for my kids from the island. Especially in peak period when getting off & on the island is difficult.

- Fix the current warley hospital.
- Availability of 24/7 medical. We cannot rely on being able to access Wonthaggi at all times.
- No 24 hr medical facilities on Phillip island
- Medical services on the island do not seem to be sufficient.
- I heard of a case today where a young boy severely cut his head and required stitches, because it was before 10am he had to travel to Wonthaggi hospital for treatment. We need 24 hour cover for emergencies.
- Council to lobby State Govt for permanent, static 24/7 ambulance stations here. We need more paramedic services. What we have is stretched, even without the tourist population. The Medical and Health hub in Church Street starts building soon. It won't provide the medical/after hours services we need yet, but it's a step towards it. Council can lobby for future expansion to occur quicker. The population has exploded here and the medical infrastructure is the same. It's the single issue most people worry about here. Wait times (with an appointment) at the PI Medical Group is over an hour most days. And that's not in the high season.
- Inadequate health services for the island, especially during holiday seasons.
- There is no hospital on the Island.
- A hospital in Cowes
- Lack of hospital facility on island.
- Lack of medical facilities on the Island
- We need a hospital on Phillip island just to cope with all the visitors if we are going to keep the high end events being held on the island. We have been very lucky up until now that there has not been a disaster or bush fire on the island. Anything with hundreds of casualties it would be impossible to get them to Wonthaggi for treatment using our only road and bridge off the island.
- No 24 hr access to health care on Phillip island.
- Not having a local hospital, Wonthaggi's too far.
- Lack of health care on Phillip Island - over summer it is impossible to see a local doctor and sitting in traffic for 1.5 hours is not an option
- Hospital is inadequate for the future both Wonthaggi and the island .
- Lack of 24 hour medical facilities on Phillip island. Again it has a population of some 50k over the summer and there is one road on / off. We have had a good summer with accidents, but even getting appointments at the drs is difficult often the only option is the hospital.
- Cowes hospital should be operational especially in holiday times
- The lack of hospital on Phillip island .
- Phillip Island needs improved emergency services. People with health issues need confidence medical treatment is at hand if needed.
- 24/7 hospital/ medical on Phillip island
- 24 hour emergency health facilities on Phillip Island
- Reopen the hospital
- Council to lobby State Govt for permanent, static 24/7 ambulance stations on Phillip Island.

- hospital for Phillip Island.
- Hospital reopened
- at least a 24 hour emergency clinic on the Island.
- Improved Specialist Services to Island for residents. Working closer with State Govt to achieve these goals in regards to medical/hospital needs etc.
- Better medical - 24 hours. We need a hospital
- No hospital
- Need for 24hr hospital/clinic to be on the Island for residents and visitors needs.
- No hospital on the Island and inadequate emergency department facilities. My husband need emergency department 12 months ago and had to travel to Wonthaggi emergency department where he was poorly attended to.
- No hospital - We need it! More doctors Population of Phillip Island now greater than Wonthaggi
- 24 hour emergency health service - bring back a hospital either on the Island or at least in San Remo.
- Surgical hospital/A&E provision on Phillip Island.
- Require 24/7 first reponse medical emergency service at Cowes
- Lack of 24 hour medical - instead, sent to Wonthaggi (asked to drive)
- That if someone gets sick after hours their only two options are to go to the public hospital (which needs better facilities & more staff) or to drive back to Melbourne.
- Lack of emergency facility on Phillip Island & no medical practice available after 5pm weekdays or over weekends in San Remo.
- Lack of a hospital on Phillip Island.
- Lack of a public 24hr affordable medical centre at Cowes is a concern.
- I am concerned about the provision of emergency medical services on Phillip Island. The proposed Hub does not seem to be providing much more than already exists.
- Lack of 24/7 Accident and Emergency care. Lack of a well resourced hospital on Phillip Island.
- Emergency medical treatment center on Phillip Island
- Better health services on the island
- No hospital services at phillip island
- Improved medical services on Phillip Island with 24hr emergency care to properly assess needs prior to off-island transport, also better specialist service options available locally reducing the need to go further afield or to Melbourne.
- The fact that we don't have a hospital or 24/7 Medical Center. Wonthaggi cannot cope and Phillip Island pay the larger portion of rates
- A 24 hour Medical hub is essential many of my friends have reluctantly left the Island because of the lack of a hospital and a 24 hour service.
- I am concerned about isolation and lack of both medical services and recreational choices for our aging population who are often house bound and rely on friends, family, or

health/community services to get them to appointments. Advocate on behalf of the community for a genuine 24/HR medical facility on Phillip Island that covers all services.

- We need better access to medical services in the Shire. 1. We need to lobby for better medical facilities on Phillip Island. 2
- Hospital to a regional hospital with services to meet the many needs of our population, especially as it is ageing.
- The Shire is reasonably well catered for in this regard but I must agree that due to periodic high population density PI does need some form of large clinic/hospital
- No hospital on Phillip Island is a massive concern.
- the obvious, below standard 24 hour health care particularly on Phillip Island. the wonthaggi hospital become well respected.
- Getting a new hospital in Cowes
- Medical services on the island
- Improved access to health services on Phillip Island
- 24/7 emergency unit for Phillip island
- Improved medical services on Phillip Island with 24hr emergency care to properly assess needs prior to off-island transport.
- Hospital in cowes.
- Small hospital facilities on Phillip Island
- Parent Room on the Island (Cowes)
- That there is no hospital or clinic providing after hours emergency service on the island, particularly during peak periods and major events weekends.
- Encourage private enterprise re- Hospital Phillip Island
- Hospital on Phillip Island *
- Pool and 24 hour medical centre **
- Hospital. High school *
- 24 hour medical service
- 24 hour emergency cars/triage on Island ***** ✓✓
- Hospital – reinstatement ***
- All these specialists services require a “medical hub” to work out of that as a 24/7 service (i.e. as a hospital) *
- Hospital – reopen ****
- More medical services - Waverly hospital site maybe?
- Whatever is happening to the Warley Hospital Site? Surely this could be the new day surgery and 24 hr medical centre. And the ambulance station
- A 24 hour emergency care of some kind is needed **urgently!**
- Use the money for a hospital and tip and a pool
- Better emergency facilities (24/7) for Phillip Island, especially during peak season of tourism * **and all of Bass Coast** *
- Build a hospital in Cowes or improve the emergency services 24/7 ** ✓✓

- Lack of hospital in Cowes *
- Will the Medical Hub deliver the specialist services we need on Phillip Island?
- Accepting change in delivery of health services on Phillip Island
- People not moving to Phillip Island and are leaving due to lack of medical services
- 24/7 Medical Facility
- We need some medical facilities on the Island – Council needs to **advocate** *****
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- We are growing and we need medical resources - hospital on Phillip Island
- Hospital Phillip Island Author - Theresa O'Dea
- * Hospital to service the island and surrounding areas is urgently needed
- We need hospital on Phillip Island
- 23 hour doctors and chemist hospital on Phillip Island
- Improved medical facilities for Phillip Island - nursing homes
- The closure of the Warley was frightening for many residence and this I believe is quite justified. I'm not suggesting we need a full-on Hospital but we need a 24hr Medical Emergency Centre, which the current medical clinics do not provide. A 24 hr Emergency Centre would provide the immediate assessment and immediate first aid – resuscitation, CPR, epi pens, nebulizers, asthma puffers, inhalers, oxygen, AED Device, pain management and to see children of concerned parents with fevers, broken bones, choking, Our ambos can provide this service however the wait times are too long, particularly if they are already dealing with other cases or transporting patients to Wonthaggi or Melbourne or at a car accident. It is so stressful for people waiting for ambos. Our population in Cowes swells to about 80,000 over peak times which not far off the population of Bendigo, Ballarat, Launceston and that's nearly double the population of Mildura, Shepparton, Wodonga, Warrnambool, Traralgon-Morwell (ref: 2016 census). It is so hard to believe Phillip Island has been denied this basic service when we are surrounded by water, host high risk events, have an aging population and have our fair share of car accidents.
- Also our need for a P.I. community swimming pool + our hospital, given the size of our population and all the supporting evidence long touted. We know of so many Victorian 'bush hospitals' located in much smaller communities, and admittedly built in earlier times, but still functioning.
- Hospital on Phillip Island?
- We definitely need a hospital for the Island with the amount People here. It's ridiculous there isn't one.
- A hospital (Phillip Island), no matter what is being planned it will be no substitute for a hospital. Some 34 years ago our sons life was saved in the second month of pregnancy thanks to the **immediate** attention and care provided at the Cowes hospital. Its beyond belief that an island with a growing permanent population of about 10,000 and daily tourist population of thousands does not have a hospital. We can travel anywhere in Australia (yes even in the outback) and you will find a hospital in communities nowhere near the the size of Phillip island.
- Please let's make phillip Island a place with a great hospital.

- A hospital. Perhaps in place of the old museum: a museum celebrating the unique natural environment on the island.
- It is a huge concern that there is no hospital/emergency department.
- Really, we need a hospital (PI).
- Hospital (Phillip Island)
- Need a hospital, tourist and non peak season too far for emergencies.
- Hospital plans and indoor pool.
- To have a hospital so if you have a really urgent problem you can go straight there.
- A Hospital would help very severe injuries or illnesses.
- Lack of hospitals and doctors.
- Medical facilities for aging population and a 24hour facility to cope with minor injury (PI)
- Build a hospital
- No 24 hour medical facility
- A Phillip Island much needed hospital.
- No hospital – no amount of doctors can replace this missing hospital.
- Take a look at Philip Island which is a crown of tourist treasures of Australia. A highly neglected treasure of Australia. No Aquatic centre, no hospital, no botanic garden, no movie theatre. No place to sit down and enjoy this magic place.
- A Hospital – 24 hr emergency health service (PI)
- I am concerned that a member of my family will need emergency health services and won't be able to access them in a timely manner resulting in their death/disability. (PI)
- Hospital (PI)No emergency services/hospital on Phillip Island – what about the elderly living there and summer accidents from holiday makers?
- Need a Hospital / 24 hour emergency regular service (PI)
- Hospital/24 hour emergency.
- Build a hospital. (PI)
- We won't get, but a HOSPITAL on the Island.
- A Hospital Put in
- Hospital (PI)
- More medical facilities (PI) (*)
- Hospital! (PI)
- Hospital (PI)
- Hospital (PI)
- Hospital (PI)
- Doctor 24hour, Chemo, Radiotherapy, Dialysis available on the Island.
- Hospital (PI)
 - Hospital Phillip Island (5)
- Hospital Phillip Island (*x46)

Hospital – Wonthaggi

- Is Wonthaggi Hospital big enough for a growing population?
- Improved upgraded hospital in Wonthaggi to accommodate the growing population and the large influx of visitors each year.
- expansion of the Wonthaggi Hospital and upgrading of the current town infrastructure to cope with the current population.
- Hospital Upgrade Wonthaggi
- continuation of midwifery led unit in wonthaggi initiation of home birth services in wonthaggi initiation of water birth services
- Advocate to upgrade status of Wonnie hospital to sub-regional.
- Better medical clinic/hub for the island.
- Realise the opportunities offered by Wonthaggi as a major regional centre - this will benefit the whole shire (including advocacy for enhanced physical and community infrastructure - hospital etc).
- Addition of birth pools in wonthaggi hospital midwifery led unit at wonthaggi hospital to continue and improve facilities older buildings to be updated in wonthaggi hospital.
- Improve Bass Coast Health and make it sub regional, this will then cater for the influx of holiday times and the residents of the shire and also to keep residents locally and maybe not sending them out of the shire so it makes it more difficult for loved ones to help the sick/injured. Our growth and development is not keeping up with the basic educational and health needs of the shire and it should be seriously addressed.
- Continually upgrade level of service at Wonthaggi Hospital and ambulance/air ambulance provision
- Wonthaggi Hospital to receive further investment to make it a first-class regional facility
- Wonthaggi needs a new hospital badly.
- The constant worry that my children will need emergency services one day & there won't be an ambulance available or a bed available at Wonthaggi
- Wonthaggi Hospital needs to be upgraded to a major regional hospital.
- The outdatedness of Wonthaggi Hospital
- The lack of facilities at Wonthaggi hospital. It needs to be upgraded to a regional hospital.
- The upgrade to the Wonthaggi Hospital
- Access to a advanced regional medical facilities. Phillip Island does NOT need a hospital, I would prefer Wonthaggi was upgraded to a regional hub to better service the wider community.
- Also lobby to increase Wonthaggi Hospital to sub regional status.
- Can we please upgrade Wonthaggi hospital, larger Emergency dept. more operating theatres, more capabilities. Wonthaggi hospital should be the major hospital for the region.
- I'm concerned that the Wonthaggi hospital sends a lot of mothers to be away to have their babies. Upgrade our hospital facilities please! Same goes for Emergency Dept.

- Wonthaggi Hospital to be upgraded to sub regional standard - URGENT. Medical hub to include specialist rooms.
- Pressure on Govt for a better Hospital at Wonthaggi with Paediatrics
- Full service offer locally for medical, Wonthaggi hospital upgraded to a regional base hospital - enormous local benefits.
- The hospital in Wonthaggi needs to be resourced effectively and upgraded to the highest level possible to cater for permanent residents and visitor influx
- The pressure on our hospital. Such a large tourist and local population with such demand that services are difficult to access. One surgeon we have been seeing has recently stopped operating out of BCRH due to cut backs which resulted in increased patient risk.
- Hospital is inadequate for the future both Wonthaggi and the island .
- Reliable access to specialists and Wonthaggi Hospital.
- Hospital in Wonthaggi is run down and not appealing
- Hospital is sub standard for a regional centre
- the hospital upgrade.
- Make Wonthaggi a proper regional town, improve hospital facilities.
- updating and replacing infrastructure at wonthaggi hospital
- Wonthaggi Hospital to be upgraded to regional status.
- upgrade the hospital
- Greater investment in Wonthaggi hospital in conjunction with state and federal governments
- Family Resource Centre at Wonthaggi Hospital is a godsend.
- Improve the hospital - look at how that locals have to wait over xmas when visitors in town.
- Upgrade to Wonthaggi a must Hospital.
- progressive upgrade of the Wonthaggi Hospital
- Advocate strongly for sub-regional health service
- Upgrade of Wonthaggi Hospital
- Continue to support local hospital and doctors - important to keep our hospital 1st class.
- Better equipped hospital.
- We need to support all steps to upgrade the Wonthaggi District
- Wonthaggi needs a fully operational 24 hour ED
- Wonthaggi Hospital as a Sub-Regional hospital
- the poor state of services at Wonthaggi hospital.
- Improvements to Wonthaggi hospital and to our ambulance service would provide better use to the community than a half hospital.
- None. State government needs to re-site Wonthaggi hospital to a greenfield site (near Anderson)
- 24 hour med facilities, bulk billing docs and improved emergency services and equipment in wonthaggi hospital.
- Good access to competent G.P.s when needed and confidence that the Ambulance will come when needed! Wonthaggi Hospital to be upgraded to meet our real needs.

- Access to Wonthaggi Hospital.
- Improve after hours medical facilities in Wonthaggi by encouraging non public business' to open after hours (medical, imaging, dental, allied health).
- Upgrading the Wonthaggi Hospital's Status.
- Better hospital for Wonthaggi
- Information when specialists are in attendance at the Wonthaggi Hospital. Saves a trip to Melbourne. *
- Lobby for expansion of Wonthaggi Hospital – support initiatives to upgrade it to a regional hospital
- Hospital upgrade
- We need a surgeon so operations can be performed at Wonthaggi Hospital, Traralgon is too far away both for patients and their families. It is not economical to travel there and visit.
- Hospital upgrade – to a regional hospital **This has been mooted for years ******
- Opportunity: Ambulance station in Inverloch and upgrades to Wonthaggi Hospital * (I)
- Better Wonthaggi Hospital – enlarge emergency!!!
- Council should advocate strongly for upgrades to Wonthaggi hospital – ambulance stationed in Inverloch after hours Healthcare for emergencies *****
- Development of hospital to sub regional status
- Sub-regional status for the hospital ***
- More information
- Hospital Phillip Island
- Hospital on the Island / traffic on road – major incidents what is plan *****
- Weakness: Lack of amenities ie medical facilities
- Access to better medical facilities
- Opportunity: Create medical tourism – eg dialysis
- Health service eg palliative care stabilisation – overnight
- Insufficient emergency services in peak times *
- Not enough Doctors will bulk bill – aging population with limited incoming (pensioners) (and children) *
- Stabilization of Ambulance Department so that ambulance does not need to search for the appropriate hospital
- Build the support networks amongst farmers in the Shire
- eed for stabilisation station before being taken to medical facilities **
- Palliative care for locals on Phillip Island to be near family and friends
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- Having to wait for home care to happen 6 weeks after required is not good enough. If you are sick home help can't come to assist you what use it that!!!
- A unified Coordinated approach to mental health and wellbeing especially in the area of men's health ie Bass Coast Council, Bass Coast Health, Interest groups in the community
- Do we have family violence contacts in towns and refuges to assist with this

- Men's live in drop in housing (emergency)
- Funding of clinic bulk billing etc
- 24 hour triage and doctor available (on immediate call)
- Ambulance and paramedic can be off island when needed
- We should not be at the mercy of a private clinic
- 24 hour on call medical service. Why the need to call an ambulance when sutures are required ***
- Work with current GP business to help solve the 24 hour service
- Build community spirit in each village in the Shire
- Some competition for medical clinic
- Support by Council of the health hub which will begin construction in February 2017
- Island resources for medical services at peak holiday times are seriously overloaded additionally resources during the 'off season' are also poorly resources **
- Proximity of services for the community is an issues – Dandenong / Latrobe Valley
- Development of facilities for medical treatment needs to be levied strongly against developers
- Sub regional hospital at Wonthaggi
- Wonthaggi hospital make sub regional **
- Given shortfall of medical resources on Island, there needs to be improved services staff and facilities at Wonthaggi. ***
- Upgrade Wonthaggi Hospital
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- Better health facilities - we need a proper hospital in Wonthaggi - instead of having to travel to Peninsula Private in Langwarrin. We need more visiting specialists
- Better medical facilities, improvement to Wonthaggi hospital. More doctors from other medical centres should be able to work at Wonthaggi Hospital. Why is the hospital run by only doctors from Wonthaggi Medical group?
- Larger casualty and emergency facilities at Wonthaggi hospital
- Upgrade of Wonthaggi hospital emergency centre. More permanent doctors
- Level of health care available at Wonthaggi Hospital - it seems very basic treatment is being transferred to Dandenong. Perhaps assisted transport for cancer patients travelling to Leongatha or Latrobe Valley
- Lack of regional hospital status at Wonthaggi.
- Support a Wonthaggi Sub Regional Hospital.
- Council support for a Sub-Regional hospital in Wonthaggi
- Improved skills Wonthaggi hospital

Hospital – Unspecified

- Hospital!!!
- We need a hospital

- Hospital
- I. Hospital.
- A HOSPITAL! And doctors that actually know what they're doing instead of those telling people (whom actually have an issue) they are making it up for attention
- Better medical facility on weekends in San Remo (currently Mon-Fri 9-5pm)
- Lack of medical facilities means people will eventually move away
- Improved medical service coverage over weekends, too much pressure on Wonthaggi Hospital, if everyone requiring medical attention presents at the emergency department*
- A private hospital, or an additional public hospital.
- Hospital
- A hospital
- Improved medical services (local hospital and specialist services)
- improved hospital facilities and staff capabilities
- Hospital.
- Hospital Upgrade
- A hospital
- 24hr medical clinic
- 24 hour emergency with non payment (after hours at drs is very expensive)
- Better hospital system.
- Hospitals
- update hospital
- A new hospital
- Better services such as; medical. The hospital is atrocious.
- There are no decent facilities: hospitals
- More services such as schools and hospitals.
- Hospital services
- There needs to be an improvement of the medical services provided in our area.
- Hospital is needed.
- Lack of high level care Hospital in Bass Coast. All sick patients are transferred to Metro Hospitals.
- We need more comprehensive health amenities, with a population that dramatically increases over summer all residents and visitors need access to 24/7 health care .
- The hospital needs that upgrade!
- a local Hospital.
- Lack of emergency and hospital 24 hour facilities. These will not be covered by a Medical Hub.
- Ensuring that medical practices are available in peak periods
- Improved facilities at Hospital
- Lack of a 24/7 emergency medical facility that the 'Hub' apparently won't overcome!!
- Improved 24 HR medical facilities.
- More medical and emergency facilities

- Medical facilities.
- We need a new hospital!!!
- Hospital expansion would be great
- Better regional hospital networks
- a hospital
- Hospital
- No Hospital
- hospital not able to cope with current need
- Lack of emergency facilities and a hospital
- Lack of good hospitals around, expensive doctors
- Access to hospital treatment. Access to doctors.
- Hospital resources, specialists
- we don't have a hospital and the one we do have cant even set broken bones
- No Hospital
- A Medical Hub OR Hospital is desperately needed, I currently have to travel to either Frankston or Mornington on a regular basis and a centre being here would be great!
- no 2/4 hr medical
- Hospital! we need MUCH BETTER health facilities.
- Hospital facilities.
- A 24 hour emergency center is a MUST. Not a full blown hospital but a smaller unit to handle emergencies.
- no 24 hour doctors unless you attend the local hospital
- Everything, working at the hospital, there needs to be better facilities for the whole community, a new emergency department and hospital to be able to grow with the community, to grow our services.
- Need better access to up to date health care and not needing to travel 2 hours on medical emergencies
- Very poor hospital and after hours medical services
- Hospital obviously. The time delay in receiving medical response especially in peak holiday times
- There is no hospital, concerning when an emergency occurs
- The hospital is hideous- poorly funded, lack of services, falling apart. I drive to Melbourne instead of going here, as do many others. This is sad. Drs are good, but more services could bulk bill as they do in towns such as Cranbourne. This would keep people in the town.
- need an emergency hospital
- Need 24 hour medical centre. As the population of both older and younger people increases we need better emergency health services.
- After hours emergency Care
- It would be nice to upgrade the Hospital and attract more Specialist Medical Professionals to the Bass Coast
- Lack of Gps and hospitals. Often unable to get an appointment when needed.

- Lack of hospital MAJOR concern & why we won't retire down there! More services/infrastructure for permanent residents with health/ageing issues.
- Need emergency hospital facilities
- 24/7 health care
- Funding to upgrade hospital and maternity services
- Hospital
- Supporting Hospital
- more 24hr help for mental health people
- 24hr A & E
- Hospital
- Hospital facilities so transfers to Melbourne not required.
- Closest hospital is Wonthaggi
- Local hospital (lack of)
- Lack of hospital or 24 medical service
- No hospital Need more doctors
- and Access to medical treatment is a priority for all of the community.
- The lack of Paediatric medical care for Children with Cancer in Bass Coast Shire. We lost our 6 year old Charlotte to Childhood cancer (Wilms Tumor) For two years we had to commute to Monash Hospital and to the Royal Children's Hospital, (also Peter Macallum) for treatments, A lot of the traveling could have been reduced if there had of been ANY Paediatric medical help available in Bass Coast for infusion of Chemotherapy, There is Chemotherapy available for Adults but not Children ! This caused much wasted time and stress for our Charlotte having to drive hours to receive care when this would have been a simple half day transfusion if it could have been done locally at the hospital in Wonthaggi. Also A Terrible situation in Bass Coast is that there is NO Palliative care available to assist a family in looking after a child in the final stages and whose wish it is to spend this time at home with family around them not in a hospital ward, We approached the local health services in Bass Coast (through the Monash hospital staff) and while we did get some early help with injections in the home, they could not provide backup for a child needing pain relief during final hours, this is a very sad situation and one that forced our admission into the Monash Hospital on a Friday to spend the next three days in a tiny hospital ward with no familiar happy surroundings around us all until passing away on the Monday.
- No hospital, a very poor after hours service And way more expensive than other areas
- We really don't need a hospital just better community education. People are stupid and often don't know when something is actually an emergency which puts pressure on the ambulance services. Availability of health services extremely scarce no doctor available 24/7 or even between 5pm-6pm !!!!
- No hospital! Not enough Drs etc.
- No Hospital and 'monopoly' on medical centre.
- Not having a 24 hour hospital is very scary for all residents.
- Across the board...new hospital, emergency medical teams.

- 24 HOUR HOSPITAL with emergency ward getting a new
- A hospital
- We need a hospital / 24 hour care . Its hard to see a doctor at busy times . emergency help is too far away
- Medical centre/clinic.
- 24 hour access to emergency medical treatment
- a 24 hour clinic or hospital.
- more investment in infrastructure and even a hospital.
- A public Hospital
- 24 hr med centre
- A new hospital
- A hospital.
- 24 hour access to medical treatment, particularly serious medical emergencies.
- Not having a hospital close enough! Not enough specialists that regularly visit the area.
- 24 hour medical facility
- Improved hospital facilities ✓
- Hospital facilities need upgrading ✓
- Hospital/medical facilities
- New facilities
- Upgraded facilities
- Hospital Inc better management Wonthaggi Cowes/Phillip Island (9)

Mental Health

- Is council working on youth services and mental health/suicide prevention in our community?
- Weakness: lack of Hospital and mental health facility * *
- Mental health facility in Bass Coast Shire –Urgent* *
- More facilities for youth & mental health.
- Good care of the unemployed, mentally ill and elderly. Help them to maintain a dignified independent lifestyle as much as possible.
- Bass Coast needs better medical and mental health services.
- lack of specialist services especially mental health services
- Mental health facilities are lacking in the area - this seems to impact crime and general safety issues. Whilst this is not a council service council need to continue to lobby the state government for these services to be provided to the area.
- Depression
- The complete lack of both general (recreation opportunities outside of sporting clubs) and specific (mental health, drug and alcohol) support and services for young people.
- Mental health services needs an entire overhaul. Why should we have to travel so far to get the help we need.

- The "ice" epidemic in the Wonthaggi region with little or no mental health services to accommodate people struggling
- More mental health access for young people too.
- Mental health, drug use, and abuse.
- Two issues that always resonate with me are weight management and mental health. There are more and more people being diagnosed with weight related medical issues, i.e diabetes - there needs to be support for people to assist them in weight management. There are also more and more people presenting with mental health issues and there needs to be improved support and pathways for them to get assistance.
- there seems to be a lot more people with mental health issue
- Mental Health facilities for young adults
- mental health
- Not enough youth & mental health facilities
- I'm concerned about the mental health issues, that are not being addressed, either well enough or not at all due to, 1: lack of services availability eg, Now! Or 2: service providers not being able to help, eg centerlink office is only a satellite office, waiting lists, and staff availability. Since I moved to the island I have seen 2 services for people who have taken there own life, and the over whelming comment from people who attended was "he had no one to talk to". Sorry? I approached council last year with the idea of opening a community drop in center (information, education and resources) and was told, theres no need and that's not how we do it here. When I publicly asked for expressions of interest i was overwhelmed by mainly females, who want to help, and where also suffering from depression, domestic violence, post natal depression etc etc etc. I am my self a qualified mental health and drug and alcohol clinician, as well as a educator of the same at TAFE, and many offer areas involving community services. I'm not asking for a job or anything, I just need your support. We could in a very short period open a shop front at first, then build up to housing facilities to help with recovery, time out, safety etc. If all went well you would have a program that could and would be able to service the Bass Coast, and provide island locals and safe place to come and just sit, without judgement.
- Mental health is a major concern. There needs to be more facilities/programs available to these people. They should not have to go out of town to seek the help and resources that they need.
- mental health
- More specialists and mental health practitioners are needed in this area.
- Young peoples mental health. Services for aged persons.
- An effective mental health service and preferably a mental health facility in Bass Coast.
- Improve the mental health services.
- Mental health, particularly for men.
- Youth suicide
- more 24hr help for mental health people
- Trees for cooling streets as mentioned above and for mental health benefits.

- Access to mental health services is a big issue for our region.
- But things like mental health are a must.
- mental health crisis and emergency care for mental health patients
- Mental health support for young people
- Mental Health Youth well being
- There seems to be an increase of mental health issues and drug affected people moving into Bass Coast. I no longer feel safe in my community.
- Mental health facilities
- Minimal support for young people with mental health issues on Bass Coast and South Gippsland. Headspace facilities in our region would make a massive difference.
- Med facilities, mental health,
- Mental health *
- Youth health – mental and physical
- Lack for facilities for mental health and youth
- Mental health services – lack of access *****
- Inadequate local psychological and counselling services **
 - Drugs
 - Youth
 - Depression
- Weakness: Mental health – (Grantville)
 - people die!!
 - They just turnover beds
- Mental health (Grantville)
- Support mental health and suicide awareness – especially for those who have lost a loved one (Grantville)
- Services for depression * (Grantville)
- Lack of mental health support * (Grantville)
 - But Govt issue
 - Improve listings of what is available big start
 - Update Council's site re services – out of date ***
- I have seen people under mental health be told they have 24 hours and then need to change bed ** (State/C'wealth issue)
- More support for mental health and suicide prevention services
- health and mental health services
- Lack of services for youth and mental health services ☐
- Weakness: Help for Survivors of Suicide
- Weakness: Help for mental health issues
- Opportunity: Halfway house for sufferers of mental health
- Survivor of Suicide - no where to go – Prevention is King ***
 - Ask why is this so big in our community and fix it
 - Work for local trades and services

- Jobs for locals
- Jobs going to Melbourne trade and services
- Pressure on families
- Survivors of Suicide – no where to go
- Mental health of business owners / families. Mental Health is a symptom of greater need of support in other areas
- A unified Coordinated approach to mental health and wellbeing especially in the area of men's health ie Bass Coast Council, Bass Coast Health, Interest groups in the community
- Men's health, addiction treatment, suicide
- Mental health and drug rehab. Both appear to be on the rise.
- Treat people with mental illness better - especially the Wonthaggi police
- Mental health support.
- Mental health of young bored kids in area *** ✓
- Mental health and isolation is a big issues
- Opportunities for mental health support locally
- More free mental health services *
- Mental health facilities
- Mental health facilities

Other

- paediatrician and related services please
- Rehabilitation Facility*
- Emergency Access*
- Medical Emergency*
- No 24hr medical service, which worsens on peak times and weekends*
- Better access to information regarding health services.
- more visiting medical and surgical specialist, including more paediatricians more maternal and child health services a sleep school in our area increased maternity care on Phillip Island (saelite midwifery clinic)
- Better Health Care Services - More bulk billing services rather than expensive private facilities ie. radiology services.
- Youth centres/health services for young people.
- expanded health facilities
- Better doctor's and better doctor's clinics.
- Better healthcare
- Educational and health services.
- Health facilities are particularly lacking compared to many other areas across Victoria that have far less population to support.
- The Grantville transaction center.

- I am concerned about social isolation and lack of connection, particularly for women in the shire. I notice that in Bass where I live, lots of men congregate at the George Bass Hotel, betting on the horses at the TAB or calling in after work. There are very few women partaking in this activity. I know pokies can be a trap for a few, but they seem to be popular with women who find them relaxing and a chance to chat to someone next to them if they feel like it and have a complimentary coffee/biscuit. Most patrons do not become addicted, but just enjoy a flutter as the men do on the horses. For older residents, a wander down to the pub is manageable and given it is the only place for refreshments in Bass, I think it could provide more for women. Even coffee and cake afternoon specials. The community centre could also have a coffee shop and be the hub of a walking group.
- Quick access to medical facilities if need arises. Have to go to Lang Lang for that. Grantville service too limited.
- Chemists close on the weekend early, really is no option to even get Panadol for kids. Supermarkets aren't allowed to sell. Doctors obviously on the weekend are scarce.
- Access for all along with better access for paediatric specialist services.
- Lack of adequate Emergency Services at hospital and short fall in Ambulance resources especially during summer months.
- Lack of quality healthcare, which often results in residents having to go to Melbourne for visits to health practitioners. I understand this is nothing to do with Council, however, it's what I'm concerned about.
- Being able to attract medico's and specialists to the area eg pediatric anaesthetist
- Concern is that council would run health services when the area has a struggling hospital/health service where those types of services are better placed.
- living expenses rising and removing ability of individuals to focus on health and well being.
- most specialist appointments require clients to travel work places seem to be more concerned with filling shifts and making money than caring for staff members.
- Permanent doctors
- Waiting periods for medical specialists
- healthcare facilities open later to cater for the full time worker.
- General health and fitness.
- I have recently heard that Wonthaggi Hospital no longer treats children because there is no permanent pediatrician. If this is true how can families live in Bass Coast?
- Just general fitness and over all health
- A 24hr doctor would be great, a home visiting dr. Need more ambulances on the island. Medical treatment needs to be easier to get - no one can pre plan when they are going to fall ill and dr is always booked out.
- dialysis services
- I have seen a large amount of tourists and local people alike not wearing helmets while riding their bikes. Perhaps better enforcement, signage and education is required.
- Ambulance is not reliable. I called an ambulance and they said to wait for them. I called back later and they said I was not going to be transported. I would have died if my husband had

not driven me to the Wonthaggi hospital. The most dangerous thing that happened was that the ambulance staff did not communicate with me that they were not planning to come.

- The need for more specialist doctors
- For Phillip Island: The lack of medical attention at night. The high cost of seeing a GP. Often, the doctors are booked out on the day you need to go.
- access to post-op breast screen ultrasound locally
- How quick it would take an urgent matter to attend
- Health services for young people in the area.
- More public funded facilities for families ie. bulk billing clinics
- Having quiet areas to contemplate without a lot of visitors.
- People living in should have access to specialist appointments and treatments for which government and non government organisations has few subsidies and procedures which could benefit local community can be explored and could be enlightened
- poverty and housing increased frequency of extreme weather such as heat waves and fires social isolation public transport
- Daily medical transport for people needing treatment in the city areas. (Out there suggestion) I know lots of people having cancer and MS treatment driving themselves to city locations and back when they are unable too.
- There are MULTIPLE cases of ambulances unavailable in Melbourne, the medical centre closed and residents and holiday makers are forced to drive themselves (or by an emotional loved one) to a Melbourne hospital. An ambulance is often not needed for serious cases that can be dealt with by a doctor or static paramedic on The Island if they were available after hours. A sick baby at 2am needs a better solution than hoping an ambulance is available or driving your baby to Melbourne and hope their siblings can be cared for in the meantime.
- Have to travel too far for specialists or MRIs.
- There should be a 24h chemist somewhere in the shire
- overcrowding of wonthaggi hosp emg dept,with non emg presentations, sometimes due to no available appts at GP clinics
- That there are not enough recreational or health needs met in the shire. If you look at Cardinia, Geelong and Casey they cater and build for a very active community, they encourage people to get outside, in all areas of their shires. But in Bass Coast the council doesn't, it is only highlighted in certain areas and not accessible to all whom live in the shire and that shows disparity between wards and its not right!
- The hospital and their bullying of staff
- Lack of health services in the area and lack of a 7 day a week pharmacy.
- General health and fitness and full inclusion for all.
- Allied health services to be available and more accessible.
- The medical services
- As a breast cancer sufferer - no breast care nurse. No chemotherapy and no radiation - nothing!

- There's a lack of education around eating healthy in the community - lots of fast food places are convenient and there is a vulnerable demographic who fall into unhealthy eating habits because it is cheaper, easier and they don't know how to shop/cook. We need to protect these people.
- Lack of 24 hour medical services and the distance you have to travel for specialist treatment.
- the health and wellbeing in general within the community.
- Access to a permanent local GP medical service at Bass Coast would be great for young families and retirees.
- Difficult to get access to specialists for medical appointments, if you need to cancel it takes months to see them.
- Smoking Outside businesses and cafes is a real problem. For example, you often have to walk through a cloud of smoke to get into Wonthaggi plaza due to all the smokers outside. Ban smoking from all public places for our children's health!
- Tracks will help people maintain their health & weight.
- And not enough old age beds
- A rebate for those areas needing a drinking water attachment on their sink to encourage more water intake on human consumption providing a healthier community
- More specialists and mental health practitioners are needed in this area.
- The lack of permanent full-time jobs that pay a decent wage. This affects health and well being
- Takes 30 minutes to get to the shops, food gets warm by the time i get home. Health and safety concerned!
- The lack of permanent full-time jobs that pay a decent wage. This affects health and well being
- Providing better outdoor spaces will assist with local residents general health and well being.
- Youth health - good to see the council involved in the clinic.
- improved health services
- A better health service for all.
- We need more paramedic services. We need more active lobbying on behalf of our community by the Shire for health. We are a safe seat.
- Have free REGULAR fitness programs, like a lot of other areas in local parks/grounds (eg guide park).
- Better medical services
- Better healthcare Improved
- Better medical services
- Health services not good! \$100 to see a doctor after hours - people cannot afford
- Tap water quality - its ok
- Better medical facilities. Specialist visitations.
- Attracting high quality doctors and healthcare professionals. If we get the food destination right we will be able to attract more professionals to settle on Bass Coast.

- Medical facilities.
- Health and welfare facilities.
- No ambulance service in Inverloch and with a growing population it takes too long for medical services to arrive from Wonthaggi or Leongatha
- Water quality.
- Good health & emdical services.
- Health care medical facilities improved stable GPs access to GPs - more of them.
- Strategic collaboration with Bass Coast Health across the range of health services offered to our community
- Incentives for GPs (more)
- Lack of GPs - takes time to get an appointment
- Expand health services to reduce the need to travel out of town for health needs.
- Access to GPs, more increased profile of integrated and allied health. Low cost housing. Easy access to in-home care - more support.
- More doctors to help more people who need help
- No ambulance station in Inverloch - response time?
- Health care in every way
- People are being lazy around Cape & Inverloch. Many drive to beach, pub, milk bar (congesting car parks) when MOST people who live there are able bodied and could walk-ride. If parking was de incentified (cost) the exercise allure to exercise (& improve health) would improve.
- Lack of good doctors and no after hours service for Inverloch residents.
- Getting people up and active.
- Simple things like a few more seats a bit of real entertainment a pool to soak in. These small things can make an enormous change to a persons health in such a big way
- Lack of madical professionals in the coastal area, including gps and specialists.
- lack of health services
- Getting a doctor for after hours
- Assistance with minor repairs/maintenance for seniors
- 1) Access to more local Medical Specialists. 2) Access to General Practitioners at weekends
- Spraying of toxic poisons in residential areas and schools plus recreation reserves.
- Better medical services
- Health
- more medical care
- Improved health & education services.
- no access to emergency medical treatment for serious issues.
- Nurse Practioner retained.
- More medical time.
- Councillors not to engage in vanity projects Focus on Brain Health included in Municipal Health and Well being plan
- better Health Care.. More experienced Drs & visiting specialists

- Nursing assistants for hospital
- not enough doctors and specialist in our region
- 24 hour clinic would be good. Visiting specialists to local clinics for non- urgent procedures
- a wider range of specialists are needed
- Opportunity: Planning and Health departments to be more encouraging, developing relationships with business to benefit shire. Less enforcement more guidance.
- Easy access to Health Services could improve
- Partnering within other service providers BCSC + ???
- More doctors
- Hoon drivers affect many people across entire shire
- Providing a structured outlet for their behaviour could help
- Opportunity: Increase the standard of medical facilities and practitioners – need a taskforce with minister for health
- Weakness: Lack of medical facilities
- Medical system needs improving ***
- Medical facilities – for all age groups * :Kids, Workers, Elderly
- Medical - Adequate signs as to where medical attention can be obtained ***
- Medical
- Orthodontics: Improved dental services instead of driving to Melbourne
- Ophthalmology services
- Optometrist that operates daily
- Doctors that stay on the Island more than 12 months
- Lack of doctor appointments during peak periods!! And lack of bulk billing
- Extra services at peak times *
- Increased chemist facilities
- Increased GP hours on weekends
- Specialist medical services *
- Ambulances – more?
- Seek funding to increase ambulance funding
- Community Support - E.g. for people with dementia and disabilities
- Create locations for people to gather ie: community café
- Feeling of isolation in the waterline area
- More Fire Brigade, Police and Ambulance
- SES outside town boundary to incorporate emergency Hub and easy access to Highway
- Freeing up good commercial expands up A'Beckett St
- Motorized scooters to ride on footpaths slowly
- More focus on active health – less focus othat food and wine are the only things to do *
- Homelessness – how to address this? **
- Programs to encourage healthy lifestyles ***
- Encouragement for people to have healthy and active and involved in the community*

- Improved specialist care *
- Preventative health rec walking tracks *
- Healthy eating – many do not know how to cook and eat in a healthy way *
- Teenage pregnancies
- Access to medical services
- Distance to Melbourne etc
- Trips to doctor
- Getting to Traralgon is difficult for oncologist
- Council's increased role in health promotion
- With businesses ie soft drink sales
- Council should buy a defibrillator for the hall (Ambulance Vic letter)
- Community led initiatives – ie good neighbours
- Good neighbourly program – vulnerable people program
- Health promotions
- Effort into preventative measures
- Healthy eating options
- Waterline area a bit remote need access to healthy food
- White Ribbon, Women's Men's and sexual health
- To maintain people stay at home independently
- In the light of recent events in Melbourne, I think that alienation is a growing problem and creating spaces where people, young and older, can feel that they belong is a priority
- Enhanced medical facilities
- Access to proper health care and not a revolving door of trainee doctors, and doctors on the island.
- Very concerned that existing medical facilities will become increasingly inadequate as population grows and demographics skew
- Hospital needed to attract people here. More ambulances needed urgently
- One chemist at least open for some time on a Sunday
- We enjoy good health care facilities. I know that the improvement of such facilities is greatly dependent on state funding, rather than local efforts. Community groups are very active, but they are often run by an ageing population; involving younger people would ensure continuity of these wonderful groups.
- Medical/health - facilities Building approvals to be scrutinised more.
- Only the water supply when it gets low in summer. Quality issues.
- We manage very well with health being close to Wonthaggi doctors and hospital. Keep up the pressure to fund them and keep us all healthy. More facilities locally would be a great help.
- Access to health professionals and allied health professionals for adults and children. More consulting rooms.
- Lack of facilities outside of main town.
- Lack of medical facilities - emergency

- My husband died six months after we moved here. No chemo centres meant we had to drive to Melbourne or Frankston for treatment.
- Enlargement of the local hospital.
- Together with health care, I think that health promotion is essential at a community level.
- A chemist open on Sunday even for a short time (and public holidays) would be very helpful. Open in Cowes but that's a long way when you're sick.
- Lack of qualified anaesthetists at the hospital
- Health centres.
- Smoke in winter from wood fires.
- Health services pretty good. Emergency services
- Access to specialist doctors
- So far no problems but then I won't be 70 until next year.
- We enjoy very good health organisations in Bass Health and Wonthaggi Health Centre.
- As a regular swimmer visitor, I am always impressed with the local medical care provided by the GPs and also at Wonthaggi hospital
- Ambulance response times Kernot *
- Chances for people non sporty to participate in exercise/activity. Worried about the funding changes for our most vulnerable and their home assistance
- Access to the same GP
- Level of housing meeting decent heating standards for winter
- More help for the vulnerable
- Too many peanut allergies and people.
- Concerned about not walking alone on track as I do not feel safe to walk alone.
- My life is worth saving from stray people on track.
- Fore wellbeing I think there needs to be less dense Bush as for women walking alone it can be a bit intimidating.
- An after hours Doctor service.
- Upgrade sporting facilities and healthcare.
- Build some hospitals.
- Focus on quality of life and liveability town planning that encourages walking and passive recreation.
- Better Dr Service
- More help for people
- Cheaper food
- Investments in health and wellbeing
- Home for homeless:
 - Cheaper housing
 - Orphanage

Aged/Disability

- Aged /disability care services
- Maintaining aged and disability services for the most vulnerable part of the community
- Inadequate preparation for an ageing population, with increases of numbers of people with dementia.
- Retirement villages.
- Easy access to beaches for those with disability or companion animals; re the latter, for reasons of physical and mental health, companionship, socializing, enjoyment
- Our ageing community needs and support
- Is there enough beds available for residents in the transition to nursing homes?
- Griffith Point
 - Aged Care Facility is getting old*
 - Has not been extended or renovated in 20 years.*
 - Won't meet the community needs in near future*
- Contingency plans for Griffiths Point Lodge which is approaching the end of its useful life. Generally adequate integrated aged care for our residents.
- I am also concerned regarding how the council is planning to incorporate, and service the needs of an ageing population, along with more people with dementia.
- How about saving our Aged & Disability Services!!!
- Great idea, if there is no Aged & Disability Service what happens to the care for those people. Will be very disappointing that we as community minded people will no longer be able to care for our community.
- Aged care is particularly important.
- I have written separately to the Mayor, with my suggestions and ideas. I am studying a Bachelor of Dementia Care degree through University of Tasmania, and our last assignment was to do with a PP presentation to the local council, reporting on aged care. I found the exercise eye-opening, in terms of my understanding of the imbalances, and shortfalls.
- HACC services
- Aging Options
- More aged care outer town
- Concern for elderly people in Wonthaggi with the shift of township.
- Home help service for the elderly confines.
- Aged Care M.A.C.
- Aging population.
- To retain aged and disability services HACC
- Old age
- Aged care facilities.
- Care for aged people living at home.
- Health and well being concerns: Old age

- Access to aged care facility in Northern Part of Western Port Ward
- Continue to fund and upgrade aged and disability services. HACC is a wonderful service. ✓
- * CHSP
- Threat: Older population moving away because of lack of facilities and essential services
- Percentage of people over 50 + wider to deride medical services
- More aged care facilities ✓✓✓ Medical services
- Retirement village
- Retirement village
- Sustainable aged care and for those in need
- Better promotion of existing (health) activities and programs
- Aged care
- I started 'Our Special Kids' FB group to offer support to parents with children that have special needs. You can feel very isolated in these towns (Kylie – Grantville)
- Services for older people living the community (in their own home)
- Improved aged services **
- Private 'retirement' homes and villages are being given planning permissions **without** the necessary medical services being available *
- Aged care is swelling with more retirement villages but the island cannot cope now – apart from further down the track **
- Keep / continue Aged and Disability Service!! ☐☐
- Aged and Disability Sector more permanent
- The Aged Care Sector kept at the Shire.
- Age care centre
- Continuation of Age & Disability Sector.
- Aged & Disability
- Support through programs from shire - elderly groups, companionship
- Implementation of a council run Age Strong program for aging residents - similar to the Frakston Council
- Aged Care
- Aging population and there are limited facilities. The council appears to have plans to address this.
- Understanding the level of disadvantage and single elderly people struggling to make ends meet
- Concerned about our ageing population on Phillip Island. Need more activities/cultural events/physical support – ie hydrotherapy pool, OT and other medical services.

Grantville

- The Doctor's at Grantville need to be increased so that doctor's can be on hand in working week business hours.

- Lack of amenities in Grantville to help promote community and healthy living.
- Better medical facilities in Grantville , Mental health services , Dentist.
- Obesity, diabetes, cancer, scurvey I have heard!!! Three of these can be directly attributable to a poor diet and the other needs a good diet for the best outcomes - so lets give the people of the northern end of the shire access to fresh food by getting a supermarket, walking /cycling paths. Maybe some subsidised exercise programs in a decent space (one was trialled a few years ago) . Ensure the nurse practitioner remains in Grantville - the doctors rooms can be unreliable
- Health wise it would be good to have a larger doctors surgery in Grantville that doesn't just rely on one or two gp's which sometimes sees it closed if they're not available for whatever reason, however it is fantastic that we have our nurse practitioner. A pathology and radiology facility would also be beneficial.
- Doctors - great access/ambulance service in Grantville. Nurse practitioner - lease of area at transaction centre.
- When our GP in Grantville takes leave the practice closes as other staff are too scared to work there without Dr Mariejoseph.
- Strength: Grantville medical centre is wonderful for locals
- No issues. The Doctors and Medical Clinic are great and the Ambulance services are just in Grantville. Pity that the hospitals are so far away.

Maternity

- Health and Maternity services.
- Maternity care, home birthing,water birth options.
- Woman's choice in pregnancy and birth
- Maternity care
- maternity services
- I'm concerned that the Wonthaggi hospital sends a lot of mothers to be away to have their babies.
- To ensure that Bass Coast Health continues to provide a wide range of services, including birthing.
- Funding to upgrade hospital and maternity services
- initiate home birth facilities and water birth facilities in wonthaggi hospital
- A birth centre in wonthaggi
- Family facilities in Cowes that are pram friendly. Feeding, changing etc.
- Facilities for young mums e.g. breastfeeding
- Rooms available for breastfeeding mums! Nappy change etc. *
- Somewhere for breast feeding mothers
- Somewhere nice for breast feeding mothers to go

Drugs/Alcohol/Obesity

- a centre for young people with ice drug addiction and advice for those families involved!!!
- Obesity is a concern and such a cost to health.
- Apparent increase in drug taking in certain areas of the Shire. Lack of medical services out of hours.
- the heavy use of drugs and ALCOHOL in the shire.
- My ex partner died in Bass Coast Shire whilst detoxing from alcohol at home. My partner had severe mental health issues as well as alcohol abuse problems. Detox should not be allowed at home unless supervised daily. My ex partner was dead for 10 days before being found by a neighbour. The death was caused by a heart malfunction and would never have happened if they were in hospital.
- The amount of drug issues on the island.
- Drug use, by younger people.
- i am concerned about the drugs that are getting used but bass coast isn't alone on that issue. Drugs are a national issue that needs to be addressed from the top.
- Drugs such as ice, drinking in the street.
- Drugs (Ice) big ticket items in BCSC
- The complete lack of both general (recreation opportunities outside of sporting clubs) and specific (mental health, drug and alcohol) support and services for young people.
- domestic violence and alcohol abuse
- People using drugs
- also the growing obesity crisis
- The "ice" epidemic in the Wonthaggi region
- Drug use, and abuse.
- drug in and around wonthaggi
- There are a lot of fat people getting around on electric scooters in Wonthaggi.
- Obesity (see q7) and drug use - particularly amongst the younger generation.
- Obesity in the young, Drug culture in youth
- Drugs and alcohol amongst kids.
- Too many youth on drugs and no activities under supervision to give them direction.
- I am extremely concerned about drugs in this town, because they have nothing to do. I don't feel un safe for my children to be able to walk around the town from friend to friend like I was able too, because its simply not safe.
- Obesity, diabetes
- Drugs and family violence
- Prevalence of drugs, places of gathering for youth that isn't focused just around building skateparks
- Two issues that always resonate with me are weight management and mental health. There are more and more people being diagnosed with weight related medical issues, i.e diabetes -

there needs to be support for people to assist them in weight management. There are also more and more people presenting with mental health issues and there needs to be improved support and pathways for them to get assistance.

- Domestic violence, drug use and trafficking - especially methamphetamine in the community. Continued proliferation of gambling advertising and promotion across the media and a normalizing of this in the community is concerning. The associated health effects related to problem gambling should not be understated.
- A drug and alcohol rehabilitation centre would be good.
- Drug and Alcohol issues.
- Drug problem in WOnthaggi - not safe at night.
- Growing obesity is coming really fast
- Growing obesity
- Drug and alcohol misuse
- Youth health and wellbeing Brain Health To actually do something about Domestic violence rather than just use White Ribbon day as an opportunity for selfies and self aggrandissment
- The affect of and amount of drug use in the area.
- Help support the end of drug dealing in Wonthaggi.
- Recognise Ice as a community problem and instigate initiatives to support programs
- ICE *
- Acknowledge and recognise ice as a community responsibility and develop/support. Long term programs to curb impact
 - ntergenerational ICE engagement programs
 - Prevention of family violence and drugs education has been good
 - Drug use in area Youth smoking
 - Ice is a big problem in area. Hooning and burglaries by young people are problem as is horse risks (safety and environmental)
 - Drugs
 - Drugs and alcohol issues. Hoons and dangerous drivers.
 - Excessive drug use/alcohol abuse
 - Mental health and drug rehab. Both appear to be on the rise.
 - The ice labs around Wonthaggi and the wider region (drugs) Lack of survival swimming knowledge
 - Threat: Without proper infrastructure the youth will turn to drugs and crime. Then less tourists, less money, more problems *
 - Drugs
 - Concerned about people becoming less active, type 2 diabetes and obesity.
 - Drugs and hoons.
 - Create a safe, drug free zone in public areas *
- More exercising/healthy foods (2)