ACTIVE BASS COAST 2018-2028

Get Outdoors • Get Active • Get Social

SEPTEMBER 2018
Bass Coast Shire acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders as the first Australians and recognises that they have a unique relationship with the land and water. Council recognises that we are situated on the traditional lands of the Bunurong/Boonwurrung, members of the Kulin Nation who have lived here for thousands of years. We offer our respect to their elders past and present and through them, all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Active Bass Coast is the Plan that will set our aspiration and actions for recreation and open space in the municipality across the next 10 years. We have had great interest in the development of the project with over 3,000 comments and suggestions from our community, visitors and organisational partners in its development. This is a strong indicator of how invested our community are in our open spaces and recreation facilities within the Shire. It is no surprise that Bass Coast has a strong sporting culture and is home to some of the most beautiful and unique open spaces in Victoria.

Quality open spaces and recreation facilities are fundamental as these places encourage people to be social and active. This is integral to the health and wellbeing of our communities and environment. This Plan sets out directions for creating healthy and active environments, infrastructure and services in Bass Coast. We know there are health and wellbeing challenges for many people in our Shire. We can not underestimate the value of our recreation and open spaces in enabling people to participate in sport, socialise, play and relax.

An important part of the Plan is continuing to provide for our community and visitors, opportunities to connect with Bass Coast’s natural coastline, bushlands and waterways. This Plan is an important part of developing on the strengths of the activities and events that currently happen within the Shire and planning for the future.

Cr Pamela Rothfield  
Mayor

Thank you

We thank our community for their input into this Plan. Organisational partners also provided valuable input and we acknowledge the funding assistance from Sport and Recreation Victoria to develop the Plan.

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Active Bass Coast is a 10 year Plan that sets the vision for the provision and use of open space and recreation activities across the Shire.

The vision for Active Bass Coast is:

*a healthy and connected community that regularly participates in recreation and social activities in both natural and structured open spaces.*

The Plan builds on the Sport and Active Recreation Needs Assessment (SARNA) undertaken in 2016 and integrates a number of local strategies such as the Council Plan and Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan along with more recreation specific Plans including the Skate Strategy and Playspace Strategy. This Plan also references key state government plans and priorities including Active Victoria 2017 (Sport and Recreation Victoria).

The Plan has a number of short, medium and long term recommendations that have been prioritised using criteria that supports the objectives of the Plan and these focus areas.

The recommendations have been categorised broadly into regional projects, township based projects, and planning projects. Under these broad categories, recommendations have been categorised according to the project type. These sub-categories include recreation reserves, parks, foreshores and pathways.

This research and benchmarking, along with extensive consultation, uncovered key focus areas for the Plan under the themes **Active People, Active Places, Active Partnerships**.

### Active People

1. Adapting to changing trends in sport and recreation participation
2. Increasing physical activity and targeting the least active members of the community
3. Empowering the community to lead the way
4. Ensuring inclusive environments and access for all

### Active Places

5. Providing adequate open space and recreation options in growth areas
6. Ensuring equitable and sustainable management of facilities, reserves and foreshores
7. Connecting the Bass Coast Shire via walking and cycling trails
8. Conserving the natural environment while promoting sustainable active recreation

### Active Partnerships

9. Identifying and prioritising regional recreation facilities
10. Building equitable and sustainable relationships with community groups
11. Partnering with government and organisations to increase funding for open space and recreation
12. Boosting the economy via recreation tourism
1 | ABOUT THE PLAN

1.1 OVERVIEW

Council’s overarching vision is that ‘Bass Coast will be known as a region that supports a sustainable and healthy community, and values and protects its natural assets’.

Active Bass Coast provides strategic direction to strive toward this vision. This Plan encompasses both open space and recreation facilities and services across the municipality, and recognises the partnerships that assist us to deliver on our vision, both within and beyond the boundaries of our Shire.

This Plan has been developed with consideration of previous strategic plans, drawing on feedback from consultations undertaken through the development of our Council Plan – A Better Bass Coast 2017-2021, masterplans and population health profiles, along with further specific Active Bass Coast consultations throughout February and March 2018. Our community have strongly shaped this strategy, through provision of information about their use of open space and participation in recreation.

Active Bass Coast is an overarching framework to guide Council’s decision-making process in the provision of open space and recreation services and facilities.

The Plan includes actions which range from regional to township level and focuses on aspects such as advocacy and the environment, health and wellbeing, liveability and our character. The Plan outlines short, medium and long term priorities.

The Active Bass Coast Plan recognises that the vision and proposed actions fall into three key categories, helping to conceptualise the key areas of open space and recreation provision in Bass Coast: Active People, Active Places, Active Partnerships.

1.2 VISION AND OBJECTIVES

Vision

A healthy and connected community that regularly participates in recreation and social activities in both natural and structured open spaces.

Objectives

Through this Plan we aim to:

- Increase participation in physical activity and social activities across the Shire
- Provide diverse opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to participate
- Align provision with community needs and expectations

How will we use the Plan

Active Bass Coast will become a guide for:

- Councillors
- Council officers
- Community groups
- Partner organisations

The Plan will be used as an:

- Advocacy document
- Land use planning tool
- Budget preparation resource

Review Process

Being a 10 year Plan, a review process will be required to ensure long-term validity of the Plan’s content and guiding principles.

Minor structural reviews will be undertaken in 2021 and 2025 to ensure the Plan’s key directions evolve and adapt with the changing open space and recreation requirements and Council’s future corporate plans.

A major review of the Plan will be undertaken in 2028 and will involve a comprehensive review of all research and statistics to ensure the document remains relevant and appropriate.
1 | ABOUT THE PLAN

1.3 SCOPE OF THE PLAN

The Active Bass Coast Plan considers all public recreation activities but focuses mainly on those that occur within open space. Open space settings include both built and natural features, providing a venue for the majority of recreation activities across the Shire.

The Plan will consider a broad range of settings, irrespective of ownership and management arrangements, however, Active Bass Coast actions primarily focus on outcomes that fall within Council’s roles and responsibilities.

This Plan defines open space as the setting for a number of activities undertaken by the community. Recreation refers to all leisure activities that occur within this setting.

**Figure 1** outlines the various open space types available within the Shire and the recreation activities that take place within these settings.

1.4 COUNCIL’S ROLE IN OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION

As the level of government with the closest connection to their community, local government has an important role to play in creating healthy and connected communities through:

- Engaging and supporting local people, clubs and volunteers through programs and promotion
- Shaping local places through effective planning and provision of open spaces and recreation facilities

**Figure 2** sets out the diverse roles that Council plays in the provision of open space and recreation activities for the Bass Coast community.

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<th>OUR ROLE</th>
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<td>Service provider</td>
<td>Council provides recreation services through service agreements e.g. leisure centres.</td>
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<td>Partner</td>
<td>Council partners with state government departments, schools, sports clubs and Committees of Management to deliver recreation and manage open space.</td>
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<td>Facilitator and leader</td>
<td>Assist with bringing together relevant stakeholders to address sport and recreation issues. Assist with developing relationships between relevant parties and strengthening their capacity. Provide leadership across the industry and inspire best practice.</td>
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<td>Information provider</td>
<td>Council provides information to the community about recreation opportunities and open spaces via promotion and marketing.</td>
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<td>Advocate</td>
<td>Council advocates for state and federal government investment in new open space and recreation projects.</td>
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<td>Regulator</td>
<td>Council ensures that open space and recreation facilities are provided and used in accordance with the local law, policies and procedures.</td>
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**Figure 1** Active Bass Coast - Scope

**Figure 2** Council’s Role in Open Space & Recreation
1.5 HOW THE PLAN WAS DEVELOPED

The development of Active Bass Coast involved extensive research and consultation. Figure 3 sets out the six key development phases.

Phase 1. Research and Benchmarking
- Literature and policy review
- Demographic analysis
- Review of industry participation trends

Phase 2. Consultation
- Extensive consultation process with community and key stakeholders including:
  - Survey (870 responses)
  - Six pop up consultation events
  - Workshops with Council staff and partner organisations

Phase 3. Open Space Analysis
- A planning framework used to classify open space and establish open space provision guidelines
- Open space and recreation facility inventory and mapping
- Open space supply assessment

Phase 4. Action Plan Development
- Identified key issues and strategies for improving the provision of open space and recreation services and facilities

Phase 5. Public Exhibition
- Draft Plan available for review (six weeks)
- Council Website
- Drop in sessions
- Copies available at Libraries and Council Offices

Phase 6. Finalise Plan
- Community feedback incorporated where appropriate into Draft Plan
- Final plan endorsed by Council

Strategic Basis

The research and benchmarking phase of the Plan’s development has been extensive, and a number of Victorian plans and policies have helped shape Active Bass Coast.

Over the last four years there have been a number of consultations with community that have fed into strategies and plans. These plans and strategies have been integral to the development of Active Bass Coast. The most relevant are listed:

State Government Plans

2018
- Sport 2030 - National Sport Plan

2017
- Active Victoria (Sport and Recreation Victoria)
- Parks Victoria Guide to Healthy Parks Healthy People
- Parks Victoria Learning in Nature Strategy
- Biodiversity 2037
- VicSport Strategic Plan

2016
- GippSport Strategic Plan
- VicHealth Action Agenda for Health Promotion

2015
- Youth Action Plan

2013
- Municipal Recreation Plan

2012
- Heart Foundation Healthy By Design

Bass Coast Shire Plans

2018
- Active Bass Coast Community Engagement Report
- Skate Strategy

2017
- Council Plan – A Better Bass Coast, incorporating the Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan
- Playspace Strategy
- Natural Environment Strategy

2016
- Sport and Active Recreation Needs Assessment Study
- Pathways Plan
- Youth Action Plan

2015
- Bass Coast Aquatics Strategy

2013
- Municipal Recreation Plan

These Bass Coast documents are available on Council’s website: www.basscoast.vic.gov.au
2 | OUR COMMUNITY

2.1 BASS COAST SHIRE OVERVIEW

Bass Coast Shire is located about 130 kilometres south-east of Melbourne and is predominantly a coastal municipality with a unique coastline complemented by a beautiful hinterland.

Bass Coast Shire has a vast array of recreation reserves, parks, community spaces, sports stadiums, an aquatic facility, a network of off-road trails including the iconic and popular George Bass Coastal Walk and Bass Coast Rail Trail, and some of the most valued coastal environments in Victoria.

The Shire has significant waterways including Screw Creek, Powlett and Bass Rivers along with protected wetlands. Phillip Island hosts major tourist attractions including the world famous little penguins and a number of natural attractions including a national surfing reserve.

Bass Coast Shire offers a unique and affordable lifestyle in beautiful natural surrounds. Ever improving transport links, paired with Melbourne’s continuous expansion, means the northern parts of the Shire are included within the commuting belt of Melbourne’s outer south eastern suburbs.

Bass Coast Shire is home to a population of 33,581 (ABS estimated resident population 2016) and by 2036, the population for Bass Coast Shire is forecast to increase to over 47,000, at an average annual change of two per cent. The Shire encompasses a total land area of 865 square kilometres, including extensive coastal areas.

In line with our rural nature, Bass Coast is home to many small coastal or agricultural villages, with some larger townships scattered amongst them. Established as a coal mining town in the early 1900s, Wonthaggi is today a large regional centre not only for Bass Coast, but for surrounding areas, and is the main source of employment within the Shire, particularly in health, education, community service and construction. Bass Coast Shire has recently been successful in receiving millions of dollars in government grants to improve education, health and sport services to the community in Wonthaggi and beyond.

Many of our coastal villages are also characterised by large numbers of holiday homes. Whilst the permanent population of the Shire has been growing strongly in recent years, the population also swells significantly to well over 70,000 during holiday periods. The Shire is visited by 35 per cent of Melbourne’s international visitors each year.

Bass Coast is one of the few Victorian municipalities with tourism and agriculture as the two major industries. Cattle and dairy farming are the area’s agricultural backbone.

2.2 HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Sport, recreation and the outdoors form an integral part of the Australian culture and are recognised as an important part of a well-balanced, healthy lifestyle.

A range of social, environmental and economic benefits are derived from participating in sport and recreation and engaging with open spaces in a variety of settings including parks and coastal environments. With this in mind, we have developed a holistic plan encompassing active and passive recreation, ensuring that we consulted with a broad range of people and age groups.

Bass Coast is one of the fastest growing municipalities in Victoria. It is important that we understand not only the growth in our municipality and future need, but the associated age demographics and health and wellbeing indicators.

We understand that many factors come together to affect the health and wellbeing of our community. The World Health Organisation states that community determinates of health (those areas that impact a person’s health and wellbeing) include; the social and economic environment, the physical environment and a person’s individual characteristics and behaviours (www.who.int/ihia/evidence/doh.en - accessed 25-5-18).

The Active Bass Coast Plan acknowledges the importance of creating liveable neighbourhoods through quality urban planning and community design. This Plan works in partnership with documents such as Council’s Activity Centre Plans and Health and Wellbeing Plan to achieve ‘liveability’ outcomes, such as creating ‘walkable’ environments.

Figure 4 sets out the benefits derived from providing quality recreation options within a variety of open space settings.
2.3 DEMOGRAPHICS

The Plan draws on these demographics to formulate recommendations that address specific characteristics of the Bass Coast Shire community. The least active members of the community and target groups have been identified through research, consultation and the demographic profile. Recommendations in the Plan to address these target groups include a focus on access for all through inclusive environments and providing quality playgrounds, skate parks and walking/cycling trails (free informal recreation activities).

Township Demographics

Population and demographics vary across townships and this data is essential when planning for open space and recreation for particular townships.

Township Profiles are available for each town across the Shire and draw together all the key strategic documents, plans and projects happening in each town. Key events, community groups and demographic information are also included, town by town, as a ‘one stop shop’ resource.*

Township priorities have drawn on these demographics and the Town Profiles are a partner document for this Plan.

Population

Australia, among many other countries, faces an ageing population. Bass Coast Shire is ageing faster than most regions with many older adults choosing to retire to the Shire.

The age group with the most population is 60-64 years (2,713 persons and 8.7 per cent of the total persons).

The median age of people residing in Bass Coast is 50 years (up from 45 years in 2011 Census - compared with 37 years for Victoria).

The largest increase in persons between 2016 and 2026 is forecast to be in ages 75 to 79, which is expected to account for six per cent of the total persons in Bass Coast.

The predominant family type is “couples without children” (49.5 per cent).

The average household size for the Shire is 2.2 persons per dwelling.

Health

Fifty nine per cent of Bass Coast residents visit a green space at least once per week (DHHS 2013).

There are 1,723 people in Bass Coast living with a profound or severe disability. The top five causes of disability are neurological and sense disorders, mental disorders, malignant cancers, chronic respiratory disease and cardiovascular disease.

Fifty nine per cent of residents do not meet physical activity guidelines ‘sufficient time and sessions’ (DHHS 2014).

Bass Coast rates of obesity for men are above the state average. Bass Coast - 28 per cent, Victoria - 20 per cent (DHHS 2014).

The top cause of death in Bass Coast is malignant cancer, followed by cardiovascular disease and chronic respiratory diseases (DHHS 2014).

Social

The percentage of households with mortgage stress is among the highest in the state.

25 per cent of Bass Coast residents volunteer, higher than across Victoria (19 per cent).

The Shire has a strong arts community with numerous artists living and working in the Shire.

The Shire has a strong surfing culture due to the number and quality of surf beaches available. A strong skate culture has emerged from the surfing lifestyle in the Shire.

2.4 ACTIVE BASS COAST
CONSULTATION SUMMARY

A range of methods and tools were used to engage with the community, including six place-based pop-up consultations, a key stakeholder workshop, internal Council staff workshop and an online survey. During the community engagement activities, a wide range of people were consulted including children, young people and adults as well as people who live in Bass Coast and visitors to the region.

Staff who supported the most recent consultation process found the community were highly engaged when asked about the best ways to get our community outdoors, active and social. People were excited about the prospect of more support, facilities and opportunities in the future. The responses gathered during the consultation process included over 3,000 comments.

Feedback from the engagement activities informed the priorities and focus areas identified in the Plan. The following is a summary of the Consultation and Engagement Report June 2018.

Community Feedback: Facilities

The most popular topic during the engagement was requests for the upgrade or development of new facilities across Bass Coast. Over 400 comments were received about the state of current facilities, including the need for upgrades and the development of a range of new facilities to enable people to get outdoors, active and social more often. Comments about aquatics related to both an upgrade to the Wonthaggi Pool (Bass Coast Aquatic and Leisure Centre) and a new facility on Phillip Island (around 220 requests).

When looking at localities, there were over 50 specific requests for improvements to both recreation reserves in Inverloch including; netball courts, pavilion, oval lighting and goal post netting as well as tennis courts. The need for a windsurfing club house and storage on the foreshore were also raised. Over 30 requests were received for township skate parks including Cape Paterson, San Remo, Cowes, Kilcunda and Corinella.

*It should be noted that Inverloch had a significantly higher response rate and these results are considered within the context of the Shire.

Community Feedback: Walking / cycling paths

The second most popular topic raised during the engagement was walking and cycling trails, and path connections. Over 300 comments were received on this subject. The following areas received more than 10 comments:

“Extend the existing trail along the foreshore in Inverloch to the surf beach and to Cape Paterson” (49 specific requests)

“Develop a shared cycling and pedestrian path between Wonthaggi and Inverloch” (15 specific requests)

Community Feedback: Festivals, events and activities

There were over 150 comments referring to the need for more festivals and events across Bass Coast. Suggestions included:

• fun runs
• more sporting activities
• ‘come and try’ days for children
• ‘kid friendly’ active classes
• outdoor group activities such as Tai Chi and dancing
• more walking groups and clubs
The top priorities emerging from the survey under the themes included:

**People**

“Provide open spaces and recreation facilities that cater for ALL ages, level of ability and gender i.e. facilities for female teams within clubs, ramp access to the beach”

“Create better walking / cycling connections i.e. new paths, upgraded paths, directional signage, promotional material”

**Place**

“Improve infrastructure for outdoor recreation activities that are NOT organised sport programs i.e. playgrounds, windsurfing, mountain bike / BMX, skate parks”

“Protect our natural open spaces to allow us to connect to the environment i.e. nature appreciation, biodiversity, nature play, bushwalking, beach play”

**Partnerships**

“Collaborate with partners to attract funding and share resources i.e. shared facilities with schools, physical activity referral programs (doctors), state government”

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**What does our community like doing?**

More than 35 per cent of community members indicated that walking was their favourite activity. Other preferred activities included spending time on the beach, swimming, cycling, walking the dog and surfing. Refer Figure 5.

**What are our participation barriers?**

Respondents to the Active Bass Coast Plan consultation nominated a number of reasons for not participating in open space and recreation activities as regularly as they might like to. The most prevalent barriers nominated were:

- poor condition of facilities
- lack of facilities
- not feeling safe

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Figure 5 Bass Coast Survey - Favourite Activity (786 respondents)
Summary
The Sport and Active Recreation Needs Assessment (SARNA) 2016 found the following in relation to recreation needs in the municipality:

- Participation rates for most sports fall well below state and national averages.
- Participation in the majority of organised sports has remained steady from 2012-2015.
- Netball and soccer have experienced the most growth.
- ‘Lifestyle’ and ‘extreme’ sports and activities have increased in popularity including surfing, stand up paddle boarding, windsurfing and skating.
- Participation rates in tennis and lawn bowls have plateaued.
- There is a need to address the inadequate indoor aquatic facility provision across the Shire.
- There is a need to upgrade player and umpire change rooms to ensure they are female and family friendly.
- There is a need to address netball and tennis court non-compliance and surface condition issues.
- There is a need to support the growth of soccer through provision of improved player and umpire change rooms, floodlighting and playing fields.
- There is a need to address the gap in the current planning and provision for highly participated informal and active recreation pursuits including walking, cycling and skate.
- Water and lifestyle sports (e.g. windsurfing, surfing) require continued support through increased infrastructure and facility access such as storage, meeting spaces and amenities.

Participation rates
SARNA found that participation rates for most sports fall well below state and national averages. While this finding can be due to a number of contributing factors, consultation with local clubs, sporting associations and the wider Bass Coast community indicated poor facility condition, suitability (e.g. fit for purpose facilities) and accessibility was a key barrier to attracting new participants and enabling club growth and sustainability.

Project research, participation rates and consultation suggests that with the exception of basketball, netball, soccer, croquet, indoor aquatics facilities and shared trails, the Shire’s current facility provision (number of playing facilities) is adequate, however the condition of supporting facilities is below standard.

As a result, there is a strong need to upgrade and improve the condition of existing facilities ‘on and off the playing field’ with a large number of non-compliant fields, courts and facilities preventing club development and overall sport and recreation participation growth.
2.6 FOCUS AREAS

The following section is a summary of the extensive research and consultation undertaken to determine the priorities for Active Bass Coast. It provides some overarching issues and areas for action or consideration which relate specifically to Bass Coast. The Implementation Plan takes these focus areas and describes them in more detail in Section 5 of this document.

ACTIVE PEOPLE

Focus Area 1 – Adapting to changing trends in sport and recreation participation

There has been a significant rise in demand for informal recreation opportunities and the natural coastal landscape of Bass Coast Shire provides outstanding opportunities for many outdoor pursuits.

A greater percentage of our community participate in active recreation than in organised sport. Physical activity in outdoor green spaces is also strongly connected to health and wellbeing. The amount of time people spend on sport and outdoor activities has decreased. This plan supports a number of outdoor informal recreation pursuits including, but not limited to, cycling, skateboarding, walking, windsurfing, surfing and stand up paddle boarding.

Another changing trend is the rise in demand for some organised sport activities. In Bass Coast, these include soccer and basketball as well as a rise in female participation in football and soccer.

Specific Actions:

- Work with coastal recreation groups to increase participation while protecting the foreshore environment
- Partner with Gippsland Councils to deliver a Tracks and Trails Plan
- Support the development and delivery of foreshore and recreation reserve masterplans
- Ensure all recreation reserves include female and family friendly change rooms

Focus Area 2 – Increasing physical activity levels and targeting the least active members of the community

Within the Bass Coast community there are many groups that don’t achieve adequate levels of physical activity to stay healthy. Some of these groups include older adults, community members with low socio-economic status and youth. The population distribution is strongly weighted towards older residents, with nearly 24% of the population aged 65 or over compared to the state average of 14.4%. In line with state-wide trends, Bass Coast Shire experiences a significant drop off in sport participation when children reach their teenage years. Open space and recreation activities and programs need to address these target groups to improve the health and wellbeing of our community.

Specific Actions:

- Support GippsSport and other health promotion organisations to develop programs that target the least active members of the community including older adults, people with a disability and youth
- Provide a variety of recreation opportunities for older children and teenagers within regional parks i.e. new playspace at Guide Park in Wonthaggi, new skate facilities
- Support Council’s Pathways Plan to better connect our community and encourage walking and cycling as a recreation activity for all ages and abilities
- Review the Community Grants guidelines and selection criteria to encourage projects that improve access, inclusion and gender equity
- Improve existing and develop new playspaces that cater for all ages and abilities

Focus Area 3 - Empowering the community to lead the way

The Bass Coast Shire community has a large number of volunteers and community groups with a vested interest in improving their local environment and the health of their local community. This Plan identifies the need to empower these groups.

Specific Actions:

- Support Council’s Community Grant Process
- Support community led projects such as Woni Proud using the principles of Asset Based Community Development (ABCD)
- Support community advisory groups as required to empower the community to influence and improve their local neighbourhoods i.e. Bass Coast Walks Advisory Group to assist in promoting walks across the Shire

Focus Area 4 – Ensuring inclusive environments and access for all

Bass Coast Shire prides itself on being an inclusive municipality. The Shire is an accredited White Ribbon Workplace and a ‘Refugee Friendly Zone’. The Council is also a signatory to the Age Friendly Victoria Declaration as well as the Victorian Charter for Child Friendly Cities and Communities and hosts the LGBTI Inclusion Network. To continue to advocate for inclusive environments, this Plan will focus on increasing female participation and recreation opportunities for all abilities.

Specific Actions:

- Work with the Office for Women in Sport and Recreation, and GippsSport, to raise the profile of Women in Sport and gender equity within Bass Coast
- Support local clubs and community groups to improve governance, attract volunteers/members and attract more women to participate at all levels
- Develop programs to encourage and promote skating for women and girls across the Shire and at the future regional skate park
- Implement foreshore masterplans with access as the priority to ensure all residents can access popular beaches
- Implement recreation reserve masterplans with access as the priority to ensure all residents can access popular parks
- Promote accessible recreation facilities using Council’s brochures that feature accessible beach access and accessible trails

The Shire has a high number of residents with a disability and consultation activities highlight the community’s priority to improve access to open spaces and recreation facilities to allow everyone to participate. Active Bass Coast supports the Disability Action Plan 2016 and will work in partnership with the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee to deliver their actions.

Specific Actions:

- Support Council’s brochures that feature accessible beach access and accessible trails

In Victoria, a greater percentage of men participate in sport than women, particularly in club-based sport even though women make up a larger percentage of the overall population. Furthermore, men dominate the non-playing positions in sport including governance, managerial and administrative roles and coaching.
**ACTIVE PLACES**

**Focus Area 5 - Providing adequate open space and recreation options in growth areas**

Bass Coast is experiencing moderate to high levels of population growth, and there has been an increase in the number of residential lots created within the municipality over the last seven years. This is projected to continue at a similar rate into the future. Bass Coast also has a significant transient visitor population, mainly focused on the coastal towns within the Shire. This steady increase in population places pressure on the existing open space network and creates demand for more open space and the need for improvement of existing open space.

**Specific Actions:**
- Develop new parks, playspaces, pathways and recreation facilities to cater for the population growth across the Shire
- Ensure new subdivisions comply with Council’s Public Open Space Policy

**Focus Area 6 - Ensuring equitable and sustainable management of facilities, reserves and foreshores**

Many sporting and foreshore facilities require upgrading across the Shire. Council’s capital works budget has limited and finite annual funds to address all of these within the life of this Plan. This Plan identifies the prioritising process in line with service levels, budgets and community need.

There are many operational requirements of recreation reserves and open spaces. Consultation has shown that standards and expectations require clarification to ensure we can manage our assets consistently and sustainably.

**Specific Actions:**
- Develop design guidelines and funding models for:
  - Pavilions
  - Ovals
  - Courts
  - Flood lighting
  - Cricket nets
  - Other recreation infrastructure
- Develop guidelines and policies to effectively manage Council owned and managed land including:
  - Recreation Reserve and Open Space Fees and Charges Policy
  - Seasonal and casual hire agreements
  - Signage and advertising
  - Commercial and community use
  - Club contributions to facility development
  - Council subsidies

**Focus Area 7 - Conserving the natural environment while promoting sustainable active recreation**

The unique environment is our most valuable asset and the reason that people make Bass Coast Shire their home, and attracts 3.4 million visitors every year. The Shire has environmental, cultural and landscape values of regional and national significance, including Ramsar listed wetlands, marine parks, UNESCO Biosphere and remnant native vegetation.

Protection of the natural environment is paramount when planning for open space and recreation along with the consideration of environmental risks such as coastal inundation and loss of biodiversity.

As screens / technology and organised sports tend to dominate lifestyles, the need to promote the benefits of being active in the natural environment for improved health becomes more vital. Attracting the community into natural places raises the profile of our environment and encourages the community to appreciate and take care of it for future generations.

**Specific Actions:**
- Support the actions of the Natural Environment Strategy Action Plan July 2017
- Support the Victorian Coastal Strategy 2014 and Coastal Inundation Recommendations
- Partner with Parks Victoria and Phillip Island Nature Parks to promote our natural spaces and nature programs such as bush walking and bush kinder
- Partner with land managers to develop a plan to activate the bushland areas around Wonthaggi
- Incorporate nature based play into our playspaces in line with the Playspace Strategy

**Focus Area 8 - Connecting the Bass Coast community via walking and cycling trails**

A re-occurring theme in all community consultation has been to improve the network of walking and cycling trails across the Shire. Given the popularity of walking as a recreation activity and the benefits to communities when there are opportunities to walk or ride rather than travel by car, these are considered high priorities. This focus area also acknowledges the value of dog walking and the positive physical and mental health outcomes that this activity provides for the community.

**Specific Actions:**
- Support Bass Coast Pathways Plan 2017 and advocate for pathways priorities (outlined in this Plan)
- Support the Gippsland Tracks and Trails Plan
- Support actions in the Domestic Animal Management Plan to identify additional potential dog off leash areas in Bass Coast
ACTIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Focus Area 9 – Building equitable and sustainable relationships with community groups

There are many community groups (Committees of Management / Clubs) that manage open space and recreation facilities on behalf of the Bass Coast Shire community, and Council has varying support roles. This Plan aims to clarify processes and better support these groups to ensure sustainability and more efficient management of our assets.

Specific Actions:
• Develop guidelines for Council working with Committees of Management and Clubs
• Support Committees of Management to improve communication and processes to ensure Council is able to provide the appropriate level of support
• Promote open space and recreation priorities within the Shire to funding bodies and fundraising organisations

Focus Area 10 – Identifying and prioritising regional recreation facilities

Due to limited funding options and the uneven population distribution across the Shire, it is important to nominate and locate regional facilities that will cater to all residents within and beyond Bass Coast.

Specific Actions:
• Design and construct the new regional skate park at San Remo in partnership with San Remo Foreshore Committee and local traders
• Continue to investigate and plan for aquatics across the Shire
• Review the Bass Coast Aquatics and Leisure Centre Masterplan
• Partner with State Government to construct and oversee the new Bass Coast Community Stadium in line with the usage guidelines as the regional basketball facility for the Shire
• Design and construct Guide Park (Wonthaggi), Wyeth - McNamara (Inverloch) and Erehwon Point (Cowes) Playspaces as the regional playspaces for the Shire

Focus Area 11- Partnering with government and organisations to increase funding for open space and recreation

Council benefits from partnerships with organisations to reduce the financial burden and provide quality facilities to keep our community active.

Specific Actions:
• Develop a three year funding plan that identifies funding sources including grants, donations and community / club contributions
• Continue to partner with schools to deliver shared recreation facilities
• Promote open space and recreation priorities within the Shire to funding bodies and philanthropic organisations

Focus Area 12 - Boosting the economy through recreation tourism

The Bass Coast environment is ideal for attracting tourism based on recreation and natural spaces. Bass Coast Shire’s status as an iconic location and tourist destination attracts a large number of travellers, backpackers and visitors over the summer months. During peak season, many tourist destinations are at capacity, while during the off peak season, visitation drops dramatically.

This Plan aims to attract recreation events and use of open spaces during the off peak season.

Specific Actions:
• Advocate for the extension of regionally significant walking / cycling trails including the extension of the George Bass Trail and the Bass Coast Rail Trail
• Develop a regional skate park to attract events and tourism
• Support coastal recreation groups to continue to deliver water sport opportunities to the community
• Develop regional playspaces for all ages and abilities in Wonthaggi, Cowes and Inverloch
There are a large number of essential and aspirational projects that have been identified through master planning and strategic planning processes. Careful consideration needs to be given in relation to funding, resources and priority order of implementation to achieve the best outcomes over the short, medium and long term.

Through the development of Active Bass Coast, a prioritising tool has been developed to support this decision making. It has been applied to the projects identified by community, clubs and partner agencies.

The prioritisation tool takes into account project evaluation principles and criteria (Refer Figure 6), time frames and open space and recreation facilities classification (Refer Figures 7 and 8).

3.1 PRIORITISING PRINCIPLES

The prioritising principles underpin our decision making processes. These principles draw on what we have heard throughout the consultation for the Plan, what we know about our population health e.g. rates of disability, and principles already highlighted in guiding Plans and Strategies.

**Efficiency**
- Flexible - multi-use design
- Shared facilities
- Sustainable financial management

**Participation**
- Increasing levels of participation
- Reaching target groups

**Diversity**
- Wide range of recreation opportunities
- Wide range of open space settings

**Partnerships**
- Partnering with organisations for improved outcomes

**Universal Design**
- Safety
- Inclusive of gender
- All ages / all abilities

3.2 EVALUATION CRITERIA

The evaluation criteria has been developed based on the prioritising principles (3.1) which reflect the vision and objectives of this Plan. Each project is scored against the criteria below with the different categories attributing a percentage of the total. All projects must meet the ‘strategic justification’ category to be considered as a priority project.

Each action has a timing priority attributed to it. These are determined using the evaluation criteria. In most cases, the higher priority projects are recommended to be funded in the shorter term.

- Short Term - less than three years
- Medium Term - three to six years
- Long Term - seven to 10 years
- Future - 10 years and beyond
- Current
- Ongoing

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**35% Active People**
- Increases participation numbers
- Attracts least active to participate
- Addresses target groups
- Fills an identified gap
- Encourages broad participation

**35% Active Partnerships**
- High level of community support
- Grant/s available
- Community contribution (in kind or financial)
- Established partnership between government departments or land managers

**30% Active Places**
- Identified location is suitable (size / topography / access etc.)
- Supporting infrastructure available
- Improvement to local amenity
- Addresses safety risk
- Promotes flexible / multi use opportunities
- Supports universal design
- Protects the natural environment

**Strategic Justification** (compulsory)
- Supports regional plans
- Supports other Council strategies and plans
- Supports Financial Plan
- Identified in Active Bass Coast Plan
- Supports the Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan

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Figure 6 Active Bass Coast Evaluation Criteria
3 | OUR PRIORITIES

3.3 FACILITY HIERARCHY

Our open space network and recreation facilities should encourage more active lifestyles by offering a variety of safe and attractive spaces that are well distributed throughout townships, are accessible and cater to the sporting and recreational needs of the community.

The classification of a facility usually represents the level of use. Facilities and parks that attract higher levels of usage may be assessed as higher priorities for the community in line with the evaluation criteria outlined.

The classification of existing and proposed facilities are highlighted in the recommendations and on the maps.

The following hierarchy is used to identify whether an open space (Refer Figure 7) or a recreation facility (Refer Figure 8) is considered a regional, township or local level park.

3.4 OPEN SPACE IN NEW RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Council’s Public Open Space Policy 2017 provides guidelines to ensure that adequate open space is provided within new growth areas.

The purpose of open space contributions is to provide for the open space needs generated as a result of subdivision and consequent development of land. Open space contributions can be taken as land or as cash-in-lieu of land, or a combination of the two.

Active Bass Coast supports the Policy’s guidelines that aim to establish a network of well-distributed neighbourhood public open space that includes:

- Local parks within 400 metres safe walking distance of at least 95 per cent of all dwellings. Where not designed to include active open space, local parks should be generally one hectare in area and suitably dimensioned and designed to provide for their intended use and to allow easy adaptation in response to changing community preferences.

- Additional small local parks or public squares in activity centres and higher density residential areas.

- Regional or township level open space within one kilometre of 95 per cent of all dwellings. To be suitably dimensioned and designed to provide for the intended use, buffer areas around sporting fields and passive open space:
  - Sufficient to incorporate two football / cricket ovals
  - Appropriate for the intended use in terms of quality and orientation
  - Located on flat land (which can be cost effectively graded)
  - Located with access to, or making provision for, a recycled or sustainable water supply
  - Adjacent to schools and other community facilities where practical
  - Designed to achieve sharing of space between sports
  - Linear parks and trails along waterways, vegetation corridors and road reserves within one kilometre of 95 percent of all dwellings.

When locating new open space, the Policy recommends that open space should:

- Be provided along foreshores, streams and permanent water bodies
- Be linked to existing, or proposed, future public open spaces where appropriate
- Be integrated with floodways and encumbered land that is accessible for public recreation
- Be suitable for the intended use
- Be of an area and dimensions to allow easy adaptation to different uses in response to changing community active and passive recreational preferences
- Maximize passive surveillance
- Be integrated with urban water management systems, waterways and other water bodies
- Incorporate natural and cultural features where appropriate

Open space contributions cannot include land reserved for:

- Drainage purposes
- The protection of significant flora and fauna
- Sites of significant cultural heritage
- Buffers (to protect particular uses)

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Figure 7 Active Bass Coast Open Space Classification

Figure 8 Active Bass Coast Recreation Facility Classification
3.5 PROJECT DELIVERY PROCESS

Figure 9 sets out the three phases required for the delivery of all Council projects. In line with this process, many complex projects may take several years to progress.

Project evaluation and classification occurs during the first phase ‘planning’ stage. The priority projects identified through this Plan will be investigated and developed with further consultation and concept planning. An estimated budget is determined before the project enters the ‘fund’ phase.

The ‘fund’ phase looks at the Active Bass Coast priorities in the context of Council’s Financial Plan and competing priorities across all areas of Council.

The ‘deliver’ phase begins once the funding for the project has been committed. Projects are delivered via a number of Council programs including the Capital Works Program for new infrastructure and the Renewal Program to upgrade existing infrastructure to the appropriate standard.

**PLAN**
- Priority projects identified by Active Bass Coast
- Develop concept / schematic plans in collaboration with the community
- Estimated costs

**FUND**
- Identify funding streams (developer contributions, grants, community contributions, rate revenue)
- Develop detailed design
- Secure Budget and align with:
  - Long Term Financial Plan
  - Capital Works Plan

**DELIVER**
Deliver new and upgrade projects via works program:
- Renewal Program
- Operations Program
- Maintenance Program

*Figure 9 Active Bass Coast Plan, Fund, Deliver Process*
4 | IMPLEMENTING THE PLAN

4.1 COUNCIL FUNDING

Council has a capital works budget which includes both new works, renewals and upgrades of approximately $20,000,000 per year.

Open space and recreation projects account for an average of approximately 30 per cent (approximately $6,000,000 in 2018/19) of the total budget and include projects such as:

- Sporting / recreation facilities (new/upgrade) i.e. pavilions, floodlights
- Foreshore recreation upgrades (new/upgrade) i.e. access tracks
- General parks facilities (new/upgrade) i.e. playspace, seating, shelter
- Pathways i.e. walking and cycling

Funding for our parks and recreational facilities is derived from general rate revenue, government grants and contributions by developers as well as clubs and community groups (Refer Figure 10 - Funding Streams for Open Space and Recreation Projects).

A critical requirement for Council is the consideration of ongoing recurrent costs that occur through requirements to maintain, renew and, in some cases, operate services when an upgrade occurs.

Renewal Funding

Renewal works restore an asset to its original condition. Funds for the renewal of Council’s open space and recreation assets are determined through its Asset Management practices. This is informed through regular condition inspections of each individual asset. Typically the yearly capital works renewal program prioritise first those assets which are in the greatest need of renewal based on these condition assessments.

Developer Contributions to Open Space

Council’s Public Open Space Policy 2017 prescribes developers contribute five per cent of the value of the land that is being developed to Council.

The purpose of open space contributions is to provide for the open space needs generated as a result of subdivision and consequent development of land. Open space contributions can be taken as land or as cash-in-lieu of land, or a combination of the two.

The cash taken in lieu of open space shall be spent on improvements to regional open space, or open space in the vicinity of where it was taken.

Open space projects that meet the criteria outlined in this policy are identified, prioritised and considered through the annual budget process.

Figure 10 - Funding Streams for Open Space and Recreation Projects (approximate breakdown – figures from projected 10 year Financial Plan 2017/18 – 2027/28)
Other funding options

Councils have a number of other options to fund open space and recreation projects (outside the operational, renewal and new projects funding):

- Developer contributions
- Grants for capital investment (grants do not cover ongoing operational or maintenance costs and some grant applications require matching funding from Council or the community/clubs)
- Corporate sponsorship
- Partner with neighbouring Councils to save or share the cost of a new regional facility or service
- Increase fees and charges on services
- Partner with local schools to share facilities
- Decommission recreation assets that are not providing adequate value to the community
- Other options as provided in Council’s Revenue Strategy

Funding Active Bass Coast

The implementation of the Active Bass Coast Plan will be funded from within Council’s existing resources wherever possible for service delivery, infrastructure renewal, open space and facility upgrades and planning.

In addition, Council will seek external funding to support projects or services that will assist in delivering the objectives of the Active Bass Coast Plan.

This Plan includes a number of recommendations that aim to improve funding equity and efficiencies:

- Ensure that Council subsidy amounts to sporting clubs and community groups are clearly specified and publicly available
- Develop new guidelines for outdoor sport infrastructure that:
  - Ensure efficient and effective use of Council and community resources and to maximise use of the facility
  - Define who is responsible for the costs associated with infrastructure including club contribution standards
  - Clearly stipulate a standard facility (building) fit out
- Partner with Wonthaggi Secondary College to construct the Regional Community Stadium for the Shire
- Support the development of the Gippsland Tracks and Trails Plan

Budget Review Process

The Active Bass Coast Implementation Plan will inform Council’s 10 year Capital Works Program. An annual review process will be undertaken to monitor the Plan’s success in line with the action and implementation plan timeline and to ensure the Plan continues to align with priorities of the current Council. An annual Active Bass Coast Business Case Report will be prepared including:

- Funding priorities from the Implementation Plan (planning, promotion/engagement and capital projects)
- Key open space and recreation achievements and challenges
Implementation

The following projects plan lists projects in the following categories:

- regional projects
- shire-wide projects
- recreation reserves
- foreshores
- pathways
- parks

These projects have been selected from a range of sources including consultation activities and other endorsed plans and strategies and address the focus areas outlined on page 13. These projects have been assessed against the principles of the Active Bass Coast Plan and evaluation criteria on page 16.

All projects are at different stages of the ‘plan’, ‘fund’, ‘deliver’ cycle (refer Figure 9) and will be reviewed in line with Council’s financial planning process.

*Some listed projects will require significant grant funding to enable their delivery.

Partner Plans

Active Bass Coast projects may also be identified in other Council strategies and plans. Where relevant, these are identified in the project tables (refer pages 21-46). In some cases, timing may be influenced by a partner plan priority. These partner plans include:

- Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017
- Pathways Plan 2016
- Recreation Reserve Masterplans and Foreshore Management Plans
- Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017
- Playspace Strategy 2017
- Skate Strategy 2017
- Bass Coast Aquatic Strategy 2015
MAP A
REGIONAL PROJECTS

1. Partner with State Government to provide Community Stadium
2. Develop new regional skate park including play elements for all abilities
3. Undertake acquisition process for regional recreation land in Cowes and prepare masterplan
4. Deliver the Bass Coast Aquatic Strategy
5. Develop new regional playspace at Guide Park, Wonthaggi

6. Upgrade Erehwon Point Playspace, Cowes as a regional facility
7. Upgrade Wyeth McNamara Playspace, Inverloch as a regional facility
8. Develop a masterplan for the Rhyll Boat Ramp upgrade by 2030
   Advocate and partner on regional trail projects:
9. Bass Coast Rail trail extension Woolamai to Nyora
10. San Remo Foreshore Trail
11. San Remo – George Bass Coastal Walk
12. Wonthaggi to Inverloch
13. Inverloch - Leongatha

Legend
- Aquatics
- Football
- Tennis
- Netball
- Pony Club
- National Surf Reserve
- National Park
- Tennis
- Football
- Open Space
- Rail Trail
- Shared Path
- Proposed Playspace
- Proposed Boat Ramp (upgrade)
- Proposed Skate Park
- Proposed Community Stadium
- Proposed Aquatics
- Proposed Reserve
- Proposed Rail Trail
## REGIONAL PROJECTS

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| **1** Partner with State Government to construct and oversee the new Bass Coast Community Stadium as the regional basketball facility for the Shire | • Three court facility (multi-use courts)  
• Victorian School Building Authority to complete construction  
• Develop usage guidelines and ensure the facility meets the needs of the local community (Council) | State Government  
Local clubs  
Wonthaggi Secondary College | Short term |
| **2** Develop new regional skate park including play elements for all abilities | Design, seek funding and construct regional skate park. Support skate programs including women and girls initiatives | Local community groups and traders | Short term* |
| **3** Undertake acquisition process for regional recreation land in Cowes and prepare masterplan | Review existing masterplan for neighbouring property (Hilton Chadwick Reserve) and expand to include new property (corner Phillip Island Road and Ventnor Road) | Local community  
Local clubs | Short term |
| **4** Deliver the Bass Coast Aquatic Strategy | • Continue to investigate and plan for aquatics across the Shire  
• Review the Bass Coast Aquatics and Leisure Centre Masterplan | Aquatic Working Group  
Local community | Short term |
| **5** Develop new regional playspace at Guide Park, Wonthaggi | Design, seek funding and construct regional playspace for all ages and abilities | Local community | Short* |
| **6** Upgrade Erehwon Point Playspace as a regional facility, Cowes | Design, seek funding and construct regional playspace for all ages and abilities | Local community | Medium term* |
| **7** Upgrade Wyeth McNamara Playspace as a regional facility, Inverloch | Design, seek funding and construct regional playspace for all ages and abilities | Local community | Medium term* |
| **8** Develop a masterplan for the Rhyll Boat Ramp to facilitate the upgrade to a regional boat ramp by 2030 | Partner with State Government Recreational Boating Facilities Framework 2030 | State Government | Long term* |
| Advocate and partner on regional trail projects to improve recreation opportunities as listed below: | Support the development of the Gippsland Tracks and Trails Plan and stimulate tourism as prioritised through Council’s Pathways Plan | State Government  
Gippsland Local Government Network  
Destination Gippsland | Ongoing |
| **9** Bass Coast Rail trail extension Woolamai to Nyora | Advocate for the walking connection between San Remo Foreshore and George Bass Coastal Walk | San Remo Foreshore Committee | Short - Medium term* |
| **10** San Remo – George Bass Coastal Walk | Advocate for the walking connection between San Remo Foreshore and George Bass Coastal Walk | San Remo Foreshore Committee | Short - Medium term* |
| **11** San Remo Foreshore Trail | Partner with San Remo Foreshore Committee of Management to support the completion of San Remo Foreshore Trail | San Remo Foreshore Committee | Short - Medium term* |
| **12** Wonthaggi to Inverloch | Off road shared path | | |
| **13** Inverloch - Leongatha | Off road shared path | | |
| **14** Mountain biking | Location not yet identified | | |

*Some listed projects will require significant grant funding to enable their delivery.*
Develop a masterplan for the Rhyll Boat Ramp upgrade by 2030 (Refer MAP A Regional Projects)

Upgrade tennis courts at Rhyll Recreation Reserve

Improve walking/cycling connections between Cowes and Rhyll (Oswin Roberts Reserve)

Improve walking/cycling connections between Cowes and Ventnor

Deliver Ventnor Common and Old Pine Plantation masterplan (healthy active stations)

Continue to promote the walking trails throughout Scenic Estate
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**Relevant Plans**

Ventnor Common and Old Pine Plantation Masterplan

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3. Undertake acquisition process for regional recreation land in Cowes and prepare masterplan (Refer Map A Regional Projects).
6. Upgrade Erehwon Point Playspace as a regional facility (Refer Map A Regional Projects).
22. Improve access for all abilities to main beaches across the Shire.
23. Support Cowes Yacht Club to replace the launching ramp.
16. Improve walking/cycling connections between Cowes and Rhyll (Refer Map B).
17. Improve walking/cycling connections between Cowes and Ventnor (Refer Map B).
25. Improve walking/cycling connections along the Cowes East foreshore.
26. Upgrade Olive Justice Place.
27. Open the school pool for the local community over summer.
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2. Develop new regional skate park including play elements for all abilities (Refer Map A Regional Projects)

28. Upgrade San Remo Recreation Centre

29. Upgrade Newhaven Recreation Reserve

30. Deliver San Remo Foreshore Masterplan

31. Improve access for all abilities to main beaches across the Shire

10. Complete San Remo Foreshore Trail (Refer MAP A Regional Projects)

32. Support Phillip Island Nature Parks to improve trails and beach connections in Cape Woolamai

33. Future shared path connection between Phillip Island Road and the foreshore

11. Advocate for the walking connection between San Remo Foreshore and George Bass Coastal Walk (Refer Map A Regional Projects)

34. Future walking connection from foreshore to cemetery and Anderson Reserve

35. Proposed playspace at Anderson Reserve

36. New local level park within growth area
## Map D

### Recommendations

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### Relevant Plans

- San Remo Foreshore Masterplan (underway)
- San Remo Recreation Reserve Masterplan (underway)
- Cape Woolamai Coastal Reserves Masterplan 2016
- Skate Strategy 2017
- Playspace Strategy 2017

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San Remo Recreation Centre
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RECOMMENDATIONS  continued

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Upgrade Bass Recreation Reserve
Upgrade Coronet Bay Recreation Reserve
Upgrade Corinella Boat Ramp in line with State Government recommendation
Improve Coronet Bay foreshore management
Provide a walking/cycling path to Bass Valley Primary School from Corinella: Option One (Guy Road)
Provide a walking/cycling path to Bass Valley Primary School from Corinella: Option Two (Corinella Road)
Advocate for Bass River pathway and connections (community aspirations)
Provide new local parks within growth areas

Legend
- Recreation Reserve
- Park (playspace)
- BMX
- Bushlands
- Community Hall
- School
- Future Growth Area
- Open Space
- Proposed Shared Path
- Shared Path

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| 37 | Upgrade Harold Hughes Reserve (Corinella) | Reddevelop activity area  
• Skate  
• Two multi-use courts (Tennis / basketball / soccer / cricket - remove cricket nets)  
• Playspace | Corinella | Township | Local community | Short term |
| 38 | Upgrade Bass Recreation Reserve | Upgrade football and netball change rooms  
Upgrade netball courts  
Upgrade ovals including lighting and irrigation | Bass | Township | Committee of Management  
Local clubs | Medium term  
Short term  
Long term |
| 39 | Upgrade Coronet Bay Recreation Reserve (Fred Gratton Reserve) | Upgrade recreation reserve including netball  
basketball court, pathways, playspace and activity stations | Coronet Bay | Township | Committee of Management | Long term |

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| 40 | Upgrade Corinella Boat Ramp in line with State Government recommendation | Develop masterplan to upgrade Corinella Boat Ramp to a district facility by 2030 | Corinella | Township | State Government  
Local community | Long term |
| 41 | Coronet Bay foreshore management | Review foreshore management to establish one land manager | Coronet Bay | Township | Committee of Management  
State Government | Long term |

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| 42 | Provide a walking/cycling path to Bass Valley Primary School from Corinella | Option a) along Guy Rd | Corinella  
Tenby Point  
Coronet Bay | Township | Community | As per Pathways Plan |
| 43 | Provide a walking/cycling path to Bass Valley Primary School from Corinella | Option b) along Corinella Rd | Corinella  
Tenby Point  
Coronet Bay | Township | Community | As per Pathways Plan |
| 44 | Advocate for Bass River pathway and connections (community aspirations) | Community aspiration / Bass Valley Landcare:  
• Walking/cycling trail along Bass River and connecting to Bass Coast Rail Trail  
• Investigate walking path along the Bass River in partnership with Bass Valley Landcare | Bass | Township | Community | Aspirational |

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| 45 | Provide new local parks within future residential growth areas | Within new residential development  
In line with Council’s Public Open Space Policy 2017 | Corinella  
Coronet Bay | Local | Community  
Developers | Long term |
Upgrade Dalyston Recreation Reserve
Upgrade Glen Alvie Recreation Reserve
Deliver Kilcunda Foreshore Management Plan
Plan for new walking paths in Dalyston
Improve Bass Coast Rail Trail and George Bass Coastal Walk signage
Plan for a new skate park in Kilcunda
Provide new local park within future residential growth area in Kilcunda
Provide new local parks within future residential growth area in Dalyston

Legend
- Community Hall
- Cemetery
- Historic Mining
- Caravan Park
- Bushlands
- Proposed park (playspace)
- Proposed Skate park
- Park (playspace)
- Recreation Reserve
- School
- Future Growth
- Open Space
- Proposed Shared Path
- Shared
- Rail Trail
### Recreation Reserve

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- Skate Strategy 2018-2028
- Dalyston Recreation Reserve Masterplan (Revised) 2017
54 Upgrade Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve
55 Plan for a township level recreation reserve in Wonthaggi North East
1 Partner with State Government to provide Community Stadium (Refer Map A Regional Projects)
56 Plan for walking / cycling connections for the new education precinct
57 Partner with land managers to activate the bushland areas around Wonthaggi
58 Plan for a pathway from the Desalination Plant to the Rail Trail
59 Improve Bass Coast Rail Trail signage to promote use
60 Future shared trail connection through Wonthaggi North East
61 Future path connection from Bass Coast Rail Trail to Guide Park
12 Wonthaggi to Inverloch off-road shared trail (Refer Map A Regional Projects)
62 Plan for new local parks in Wonthaggi North East
5 Guide Park Regional Playspace (Refer Map A Regional Projects)
63 Investigate future recreation land in Wonthaggi South
64 Activate central parks in Wonthaggi
65 Wonthaggi Pony Club - Improve Facilities
### Recreation Reserve

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- Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve Master Plan 2017
- Wonthaggi North East Structure Plan 2018
- Wonthaggi Activity Centre Plan (underway)
- Wonthaggi Secondary College Masterplan (State Government) 2016
- Bass Coast Aquatic Strategy 2015
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66 Upgrade Grantville Recreation Reserve
67 Upgrade Daisy Avenue Reserve (Pioneer Bay)
68 Upgrade the Grantville foreshore pathway connection
69 Partner with Parks Victoria to promote bush walking and informal mountain bike riding in the Gurdies Nature Conservation Reserve
70 Provide new local park and playspace within future growth area
Recreation Reserve

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| 66      | Grantville Recreation Reserve | Redevelop activity area  
• Tennis court  
• Skate park  
• Multipurpose court  
• Playspace | Grantville | Township | Committee of Management, Local clubs | Short term* |
| 67      | Daisy Avenue Reserve (Pioneer Bay) | Work with the local community to deliver community meeting place and toilets | Pioneer Bay | Local | Committee of Management | Long term |

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Daisy Avenue Reserve Landscape Masterplan 2009
(Pioneer Bay Progress Association)
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71 Upgrade Inverloch Recreation Reserve
72 Upgrade Thompson Reserve (Inverloch)
73 Inverloch Sound Shell
74 Cape Paterson Lifesaving Club
75 Cape Paterson Bay Beach masterplan
76 Extend Surf Parade shared path
13 Investigate shared trail to Leongatha (Refer Map A Regional Projects)
77 Connect Screw Creek trails to Cuttriss Street
78 Improve pedestrian access across Screw Creek
12 Future shared path to Wonthaggi (Refer Map A Regional Projects)
79 Provide new playspaces in Inverloch west
7 Upgrade Wyeth-McNamara (Rainbow) Park playspace (Refer Map A Regional Projects)
80 Provide new local park and playspace within future growth area

Legend
- Skate park
- Recreation Reserve
- Park (playspace)
- BMX
- Proposed Playspace
- Proposed Recreation Reserve
- Proposed Park (playspace)
- Community Hall
- Cemetery
- Bushland
- Caravan Park
- Lifesaving Club
- School

Proposed Shared Path
Shared Path
Open Space
Future Growth Area

Inverloch

HARMERS HAVEN

CAPE PATERSON

Thompson A Breeze
Angling Pavilion
Screw Creek Club
Boat Ramp
Park Parade Reserve
Boat Ramp
The Cape (Eco Village)

Reserve
Recreation
Proposed
Reserve
Recreation
Proposed
Park (playspace)
Community Hall
Cemetery
Bushland
Caravan Park
Lifesaving Club
School

Inverloch Sound Shell

Active Bass Coast 2018-2028
### Recreation Reserve

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<td>Upgrade Inverloch Recreation Reserve</td>
<td>Assist Inverloch Recreation Reserve Committee of Management to complete Landscape/Masterplan</td>
<td>Inverloch</td>
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<td>Construct new netball pavilion and redevelop two existing netball courts floodlighting and fencing (multi-use)</td>
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<td>Install oval floodlighting</td>
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<td>• Upgrade and extend existing pavilion</td>
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<td>• Install oval irrigation and drainage</td>
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<td>Upgrade Thompson Reserve (Inverloch)</td>
<td>Review masterplan incorporating additional female and family friendly change rooms</td>
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<td>Install multipurpose cricket nets</td>
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<td>Inverloch Sound Shell</td>
<td>Support the installation of Sound Shell within the Glade</td>
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<td>Service groups Local community</td>
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<td>74</td>
<td>Cape Paterson Surf Lifesaving Club</td>
<td>Support construction of Cape Paterson Lifesaving Club</td>
<td>Cape Paterson</td>
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<td>Cape Paterson Bay Beach Masterplan</td>
<td>Deliver Cape Paterson Bay Beach Activity Area Masterplan with improved beach access and playspace as the priority</td>
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### Relevant Plans

- Inverloch Recreation Reserve Masterplan 2007
- Thompson Reserve Masterplan 2013
- Masterplan Surf Parade Shared Path 2017
- Inverloch Foreshore Reserve Masterplan 2008
- Cape Paterson Bay Beach Activity Area Masterplan 2014
- Cuttriss Street Activity Area Plan 2014
### Pathways

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<td>Extend Surf Parade shared path • Veronica Street to Goroke Avenue • Goroke Avenue to RACV Resort</td>
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<td>Connect Screw Creek trails to Cuttriss Street Construct pathway along foreshore to connect with Screw Creek trails</td>
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<td>As per Pathways Plan</td>
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<td>Improve pedestrian access across Screw Creek Investigate with partners to undertake planning to improve pedestrian access across Screw Creek or Little Screw Creek linking recent and future subdivisions and the beach/walking paths</td>
<td>Inverloch</td>
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<td>Local community Parks Victoria Developers</td>
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<td>Provide new playspaces in Inverloch west Construct 2 new playspaces in Inverloch west</td>
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<td>Local</td>
<td>Local community Parks Victoria Developers</td>
<td>Short - medium term*</td>
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<td>80</td>
<td>Provide new local park and playspace within future growth area In line with Council’s Public Open Space Policy 2017</td>
<td>Cape Paterson</td>
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<td>Local community Developers</td>
<td>In line with subdivision development</td>
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### PLANNING PROJECTS

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| 81      | Develop Recreation and Open Space Design Guidelines | • Principles outlined in the report including universal design and multi-use facilities  
• Sports infrastructure design (standards)  
• Pavilion design (standards)  
• Park infrastructure design (standards)  
• Signage | Local community | Short term |
| 82      | Develop Guidelines for club/community contributions to recreation / open space improvements. | Define who is responsible for the costs associated with new infrastructure as well as facility upgrades and ongoing maintenance | Clubs | Short term |
| 83      | Establish a Shire-wide physical activity network | To assist target groups to achieve healthy levels of physical activity. Investigate park activation opportunities to encourage the use of our parks for example:  
• Inclusive programs i.e. women and family friendly  
• Skate programs for youth  
• Pop up events  
• Tai Chi  
• Programs for older adults | YMCA  
GippSport  
Service providers  
Bass Coast Health  
Older persons groups and communities i.e. U3A, Probus and Neighbourhood Houses | Short term |
| 84      | Develop guidelines for outdoor fitness equipment/gyms | Guidelines to include:  
• Benefits of various outdoor fitness equipment types  
• Appropriate locations  
• Appropriate equipment types and layouts | YMCA  
GippSport  
Service providers  
Bass Coast Health  
Parks and Leisure Australia  
Sport and Recreation Victoria | Short term |
| 85      | Promote walking across the Shire | • Partner with Victoria Walks to increase the profile of Walking across the Shire  
• Improve walking/cycling access to schools across the Shire | Heart Foundation  
Victoria Walks  
Walking groups  
Schools  
Bass Coast Health | Short term |
| 86      | Consult with the Registered Aboriginal Party to strengthen indigenous connections to open space as part of the Reconciliation Action Plan | Consider:  
• Signage/interpretative signage in parks and reserves  
• Environmental and cultural heritage education in natural spaces | Registered Aboriginal Party  
Local community | Short term |
| 87      | Review land management models at recreation reserves | To improve quality and efficiency | Committees of management  
Local clubs | Short term |
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| 88      | Develop guidelines to strengthen Council partnerships with Committees of Management across the Shire | • Section 86 Committees (reporting to Council)  
• Committees reporting to the Crown (DELWP)  
• Processes for improved communication  
• Clarify roles / responsibilities and reporting  
• Clarify funding arrangements  
• Council officers to attend committee meetings where appropriate and assist with master planning processes and grant applications | State Government Committees of Management (Recreation Reserve and Foreshore) | Short term |
| 89      | Facilitate an annual Open Space and Recreation Funding Forum to promote shared community priorities and fundraising initiatives | Work together to fund projects that are most important to the local community | Rotary  
Probus  
Bendigo Bank  
Sport and Recreation Victoria  
Bass Coast Foundation  
Community organisations | Short term |
| 90      | Work with partner organisations to encourage the community to spend more time in natural spaces | Partner with Parks Victoria and Phillip Island Nature Parks to promote our natural spaces and nature programs such as bush walking and bush kinder | Parks Victoria  
Phillip Island Nature Parks  
Schools/ Kindergartens | Short term |
| 91      | Bass Coast Sports Clubs development | Continue to partner with GippSport to assist local sports clubs and community groups to be inclusive, improve governance, attract volunteers/members, and attract participation for all ages, gender and abilities. Create positive and collaborative partnerships between Council and community sporting organisations  
• Incentives  
• Accreditation  
• Forums | GippSport  
State Sporting Associations | Ongoing |
| 92      | Support state-wide / national campaigns that encourage physical activity and social connections | Such as:  
• Active April  
• Heart Week (29 April - 6 May)  
• Walktober  
• Nature Play Week  
• Ride to Work days  
• Seniors Week | Agency partners  
Community  
Bass Coast Health | Ongoing |
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<td>Continue to work with community groups and partner organisations to deliver recreation events and to attract new events to the Shire particularly during off-peak season</td>
<td>Such as: • Park-Run • Triathlons/open water swims • Surfing events • Overnight walks • Skate events</td>
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<td>Provide opportunities for the community to walk their dogs off lead on beaches and on the mainland</td>
<td>Support Council’s Domestic Animal Management Plan. Support actions in the Domestic Animal Management Plan to identify potential dog off leash areas in Bass Coast. Consult with land managers, stakeholders and the community to confirm suitability of locations.</td>
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<td>Encourage people of all ages and abilities to access our beaches and parks</td>
<td>Implement foreshore and reserve master plans with access as the priority: • Cowes • Cape Paterson • Inverloch • San Remo Promote Council’s resources including: • Easy Access Beaches • Bass Coast Walks and Trails Brochure • All Terrain Wheelchair Hire</td>
<td>Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Community</td>
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<td>Raise the profile of Women in Sport within Bass Coast</td>
<td>Support the Office for Women in Sport and Recreation to deliver initiatives</td>
<td>GipsSport State Government</td>
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<td>Liaise with coastal recreation groups to continue to deliver water sport opportunities to the community</td>
<td>Partner with coastal recreation groups (water sports) to increase participation while protecting the foreshore environment</td>
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<td>Provide additional support for community projects that address access, inclusion and gender equity</td>
<td>Review the Community Grants guidelines and selection criteria to encourage projects that improve • Access • Inclusion • Gender equity</td>
<td>Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee Community</td>
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<td>Provide local parks and open spaces to meet community needs and encourage recreation and physical activity</td>
<td>In line with the Playspace Strategy and community needs / priorities</td>
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<td>Support all recreation clubs/providers including facilities not located on Council owned land such as lawn bowls, yacht and golf clubs to increase community use and attract facility funding</td>
<td>Investigate co-located facilities for like-activities such as croquet, golf and lawn bowls</td>
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