

14 June 2017

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Dear Mr Brown

PROPOSED COUNCIL PLAN SUBMISSION: DECISION

Thank you for your submission on the proposed Council Plan 2017-2021, received 20 April 2017.

All submissions were considered by Council in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act). The purpose of this letter is to notify you of Council's decision and the reasons for that decision.

Council adopted the Council Plan 2017-2021 at its meeting of 13 June 2017 at Rosebud. No changes were made to the proposed Council Plan as a result of your submission, which did not make any specific requests or proposals. Other changes to the proposed Council Plan were made.

Full details of Council's decision can be found in the minutes of the meeting, available at mornpen.vic.gov.au/councilminutes and available for public inspection in accordance with section 222 of the Act. The Council Plan 2017-2021 is available for public inspection at the Council's offices and is published on Council's website: mornpen.vic.gov.au/councilplan

The following advice is provided in response to your submission regarding why Council has developed a new plan "*when there are outstanding issues and matters from the 2013-2017 plan*", and how Council demonstrates it is delivering on its plan:

Section 125(1) of the Act requires Council to "*prepare and approve a Council Plan within the period of 6 months after each general election or by the next 30 June, whichever is later*".

The results of the 2013-2017 Council Plan have been included in Council's 2014, 2015 and 2016 Annual Reports and will again be reported on (and concluded) in the 2017 Annual Report.

Under section 125(2)(c) of the Act, the Council Plan must include strategic indicators for monitoring the achievement of the strategic objectives of the Council. Strategic indicators are highlighted throughout the Council Plan under each of the four themes ('Our Place'; 'Our Connectivity'; 'Our Prosperity' and 'Our Wellbeing')

If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to call me on **5950 1206**.

Yours sincerely

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