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A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge

'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Community consultation and the Community Panel indicate strong desire to protect GW. Council's draft does not reflect thie strongly held views of these groups.

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

You can see more details about the [five key moves here](#).

1. A comprehensive landowners' information and support service.
2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
3. A "Green Wedge Conversations" program.
4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Lack of detail. Not specific enough. The existing GWMP 2010-2025 has more detail. Any new plan must ensure greater care of the natural environment.

Principles

The following principles informed the creation of the Green Wedge Management Plan and will inform how the goals, objectives and key actions are to be implemented.

You can see more details about each of the [Principles here](#).

- Leadership
- Aboriginal voice
- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
- Manage change for future benefit
- Collaboration and connectedness
- Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape
- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Lack of detail. Each has useful information, but little explanation of application while ensuring environmental values are maintained into the future..

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Lack of detail.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Lack of detail.The GW is important for those living within the GW and beyond, contributing to good health and wellbeing.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Lack of detail. GWMP must prioritize health of our environment, recognizing need to conserve all indigenous vegetation in the Shire, on both public and private land.. Need to educate residents

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Lack of detail. Economic activities must adhere to latest scientific principles so as to also protect the environment.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Key Action A5.6 and A5.7 could lead to increase in residential and commercial development outside the UGB. The UGB must remain a fixed boundary.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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As an indication for meeting arrangements, at this stage are you intending to speak to your submission at the Future Nillumbik Committee meeting on Tuesday 10 September 2019.

No

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Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

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Key Move 1 - Strongly agree
Key Move 2 - Strongly agree
Key Move 3 - Strongly agree
Key Move 4 - Strongly agree
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Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

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Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Inclusive of all active activities, including equine activities.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

As this vision does not provide any clarity or direction of the desired future of the green wedge land and landscape, and the natural environment, biodiversity and agricultural values it supports, I cannot agree with this vision. Remarkably this draft Nillumbik GWMP has rendered the Nillumbik Green Wedge itself almost invisible. The Green Wedge is the land and the landscape of the green wedge (the place). Management of the Green Wedge is done by the people who are connected to it, and custodians of it (the people). The draft GWMP needs to firstly articulate what is desired for the place, based on an analysis of its values, set a desired future for the place, and then determine how management can achieve the desired future. Plan Melbourne lists Green Wedge Management Plans as one of the tools to protect green wedge land. Plan Melbourne states that "As Melbourne grows, planning for Melbourne's green wedges and peri-urban areas is required to: • protect biodiversity assets, including national and state parks, Ramsar wetlands and coastal areas • support existing and potential agribusiness activities, forestry, food production and tourism • (four more) The purpose of the green wedge vision therefore should be to describe the desired future for the place and the people – what the land, landscape, and its values look like, and what people and

organisations are doing as its custodians. I acknowledge that the vision is almost identical to that proposed by the community panel, with one curious change – what was “...living with the landscape...” has been changed to “...living in the landscape...” which has major implications for the natural environment and agriculture. Why was it changed? However, this vision does not even attempt to describe the desired future of the green wedge land and landscape and the biodiversity and agricultural values it supports, and therefore is fundamentally flawed as a vision for the green wedge. Appendix 1 of Council’s draft quotes the State Government’s ‘Plan Melbourne 2017-2050’, where an explicit desired planning outcome for Green Wedges is to ‘Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.’ The Nillumbik Green Wedge Management Plan Community Engagement Report reports that the key findings for the question: “What I like about the Green Wedge” were: • Space, peace and wellbeing – this related particularly to how the Green Wedge made people feel, an appreciation of views and fresh air along with the less stressful environment. • Environment, biodiversity, plants and animals – this related to the importance of the natural environment for plants and animals as well as humans So why are these community values such a small component of the draft Nillumbik GWMP?

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Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

As these key moves are vaguely written, leaving the reader unclear as to exactly what council is proposing to do, I disagree that they will support the delivery of the green wedge management plan. The ‘five key moves’ are simply five actions lifted from the

actions listed under the goal “Responsible leadership” (and a few other places). They are described as things Council will do to achieve the community panel’s recommendations yet make no attempt to explain how. These actions, as well as many of the other actions, are written so vaguely they leave the reader unclear as to exactly what Council is actually proposing to do, who has responsibility for delivery, what resources are needed, and when they will be done.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik’s relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Even though I support much of the sentiment in what is written, I disagree that these principles as written can/will guide implementation of the GWMP. Principles are the guiding rules or values that underpin decision-making around the GWMP and help

decision-makers determine if potential actions are rightful or wrongful. Many of the listed 'principles', although their intent is good, are not written in a way that they can be used as principles, eg: "Aboriginal voice: we have much to learn from our first peoples, particularly about caring for country". Yes, we do have much to learn, but as written this is not a principle that can underpin decision-making.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Landowners, Council and other parts of the community all have a role to play in managing the green wedge, however in the absence of an agreed and shared view of what the green wedge land, landscape, natural environment and agriculture should be like in the future, and how the community should be acting as custodians of the land, I cannot support the objective or key actions for Goal 1. Clear, shared goals for the Green Wedge land and landscape, consistent with the purpose of green wedges and coupled with a culture of shared custodianship across the community, is what is needed to effectively engage the community in management of the green wedge. Clarity of purpose is also essential when seeking to establish strategic partnerships with regional and state agencies. This draft GWMP does not deliver on this front. Page 22 of the draft GWMP suggests "These constraints may have to be re-examined.." in relation to concentrating new housing within townships, but does not clarify what the constraints are, nor which need to be 're-examined'. Hopefully it is not considering moving the UGB or directing new housing outside of the designated township boundaries. The Victorian Planning Provision 11.1-1R Green Wedges – Metropolitan Melbourne states the strategy: Consolidate new residential development in existing settlements and in locations where planned services are available and green wedge values are protected". The overt push in the draft GWMP to accommodate people within the green wedge as they age is a risk to unnecessarily increasing housing within the green wedge. The Nillumbik Green Wedge Management Plan Community Engagement Report makes no mention of "...a growing need to support ageing people continue to live on and manage their land" that appears in the draft GWMP. The Nillumbik Green Wedge Management

Plan Community Engagement Report states that around 280 responses of a total of 418 to the question: “Do you have any other comments about the Green Wedge?” were “Maintain/don’t stuff it up”. This draft GWMP would do nothing other than stuff it up!

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

This goal struggles to have any logical connection to management of the green wedge, and again in the absence of a an agreed and shared view of what the green wedge land, landscape, natural environment and agriculture should be like in the future, and how the community are acting as custodians of the land, I cannot support the objective or key actions for Goal 2. Bizarrely, Landcare is listed as a ‘recreational activity’ on page 26! Landcare is a volunteer-based movement of private landholders working together to care for the land and environment they share. I agree that health and wellbeing is strongly linked to nature and natural environments, making it all the more important to be clear on what these assets are, their distribution and condition, and the extent and condition we want them to have in the future. Working with the Wurundjeri people should not be limited to local heritage protection (Objective 02.5) but extend to sustained dialogue and relationship building to enable restoration of traditional practices, and a building of a culture of custodianship inherent in the green wedge’s Traditional Owners. There is no reasoning given for the action A2.7 that proposes to allow prohibited uses!

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

This is the only place in the document where the natural environment gets a mention, and it still does not attempt to describe what the desired future for our natural environment in the green wedge should be. Until this is established and agreed on, we cannot know what outcome we are managing for. As such, I cannot support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3 This and other parts of the document uses language of opposition and compromise when talking about “..a need for balanced outcomes” and “Balancing environmental protection and preparedness for bushfire..” The wording is incongruous – goal is “Safe and healthy environments”, sub-heading is “Healthy and safe communities enjoy living in our iconic green wedge environment” – is it the health of the environment or the community that this goal is aimed at? Nowhere does it say that the natural environment needs to be made and kept healthy, let alone what that might look like. More significantly, this draft GWMP is putting the cart before

the horse – the first key action talks about undertaking stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural activity and practices that need to be protected for the future. This needs to be completed before their management, and therefore the GWMP, can be determined, as it will provide critical evidence of what we currently have, enable us to determine what condition we want it to be in in the future, and how we need to manage the green wedge to get there. This then provides the focus and purpose for promoting and supporting environmental care and community custodianship.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Creating a prosperous economy is not the primary role of this or any green wedge, it is to protect biodiversity assets and support existing and potential agribusiness activities. In affording this protection, one can seek to enable viable businesses that contribute to the local economy, in particular those directly related to regenerative agricultural production and eco-tourism. I cannot support this goal, its objectives or actions in the absence of a clear and community-supported desired future for the natural environment and agriculture in the green wedge. The need for a framework that encourages sustainable land management practices is described in the State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, entitled 'Preparing a Green Wedge Management Plan', and so this has to be clearly demonstrated in any GWMP. This current draft does not achieve this requirement. With the recognition of the vital importance of green wedges as Melbourne's food bowl, cleared rural land in the Nillumbik green wedge needs to be protected from actions and uses that may restrict or remove their potential to be used for agricultural production in the future. This also includes lot sizes that are large enough to sustain viable agriculture. The principle of avoiding breaking up larger lots into smaller parcels and encouraging the consolidation of smaller lots is supported. Horses are described as an agricultural product on page 36. What form of food or fibre (the outputs of agriculture) is produced from horses? Horse keeping, undertaken in an environmentally sensitive and sustainable manner, should only be seen as a form of land use that does not prevent potential future agricultural use of the land. Grazing of understorey vegetation and direct access to waterways (by horses, and stock) is not environmentally sensitive and sustainable. The notion of the "right to farm" without constraint is not supported. Agriculture is allowed in Rural Conservation Zones but given the extensive important natural environment values across the Nillumbik green wedge, it is most appropriate that there is a checking process (ie permit) for only allowing sustainable forms of agriculture that will not adversely impact on the natural environment.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Council's leadership does need to be responsible, and its decisions need to be evidence-based and made in the interests of the state, wider Melbourne as well as the community of Nillumbik, and our green wedge land and landscape, especially its natural environment, biodiversity and agriculture. It also needs to help develop a community culture of custodianship of these assets. Council needs to hold the big picture perspective and responsibly apply its position, influence and powers to ensure this is translated to the local and property scale. In the absence of a clear and agreed desired future for the natural environment and agriculture in the green wedge to guide decision-making, I cannot support goal 5 and its actions. Action A5.6 proposes to apply zoning controls based on current land uses. This is back to front – the zoning controls are there to guide and manage the land uses such that they achieve the desired goals, not the land uses dictating what the zoning controls should be. Action A5.2 proposes an organisational approach based on compromise requiring 'robust conversations', rather than a solution-focused approach that unifies rather than divides an organisation. A solution-focused approach for managing the complexities of the green wedge however needs clear desired outcomes for the natural environment and biodiversity values, and agriculture, that unfortunately are absent from this draft GWMP.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Four main overall points: 1. The draft Nillumbik GWMP has lost sight of, or ignored, the purpose of green wedges, which is to, amongst other things, protect biodiversity assets, and support existing and potential agribusiness activities Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 states: "...planning for green wedge and peri-urban areas should: • define and protect areas that are strategically important to the metropolitan area and the state, for the environment, biodiversity, landscape, open space, water, agriculture, energy, recreation, tourism, environment, cultural heritage, infrastructure, extractive and other natural resources • protect and manage the value of green wedges consistent with green wedge management plans" The Victorian Planning Provisions Clause 51.02 'Metropolitan Green Wedge Land: Core Planning Provisions' states the objectives: • To protect metropolitan green wedge land from uses and development that would diminish its agricultural, environmental, cultural heritage, conservation, landscape natural resource or recreation values. • To protect productive agricultural land from incompatible uses and development The draft Nillumbik GWMP does not appear to see these as the purpose of the Nillumbik green wedge. 2. The draft Nillumbik GWMP has rendered the Nillumbik Green Wedge itself almost invisible! The Green Wedge is the land and the

landscape of the green wedge. Management of the Green Wedge is done by the people who are connected to, and custodians of, it. Yet the draft GWMP makes no attempt to provide an analysis of the biodiversity, agricultural and other values of the green wedge, nor to articulate what is the desired future for the green wedge land and landscape - essential ingredients for determining management, in fact the land and the landscape rarely get a mention. 3. The Victorian Government has produced the Planning Practice Note 31 "Preparing a Green Wedge Management Plan" and Council even provides this document on their website, yet they have not followed substantial sections of this guidance. The practice note describes what a green wedge management plan is, as follows:

- A Green Wedge Management Plan is a council adopted strategy that identifies a vision, objectives and actions for the sustainable use and development of each green wedge. The plan will identify the values and features of each green wedge, the preferred future land use, environmental and natural resources that should be protected, and the needs of the local community. Green wedges, like any other place are dynamic and constantly evolving. Changes identified through the preparation of GWMPs may embrace new productive land uses, investments and developments consistent with state policies for green wedges, environmental enhancement and sustainable resource management initiatives

The draft Nillumbik GWMP does not identify the values and features of the Nillumbik green wedge, the preferred future land uses, or the environmental and natural resources that should be protected. The practice note also states:

- Opportunities in the green wedge include:
 - o agricultural uses, such as market gardening, viticulture and broad acre farming, as well as forestry and land-based aquaculture
 - o assisting the preservation of rural and scenic landscapes
 - o ensuring the conservation of important environmental assets close to where people live
 - o (others)

The draft Nillumbik GWMP does not identify any of these as opportunities to pursue. The practice note goes on to state:

- The key task of a GWMP is to articulate the type, scale and form of change in the green wedge and how those changes will be managed and facilitated.

The draft Nillumbik GWMP does not articulate any future for the green wedge, let alone the type, scale and form of desired change (curiously this key task was included in a FAQ sheet published by Council on their website as part of the GWMP review!) The practice note continues with:

- In summary, a GWMP should:
 - o Develop a vision, role and purpose for the green wedge. This should be determined through community consultation and research.
 - o Identify the values and features within the green wedge that are to be protected and enhanced. This should be based on a detailed environmental and land use inventory and community consultation
 - o Establish a strategic direction for land use and development within the green wedge that is consistent with government policies and strategies that will protect and enhance the values and features identified within the green wedge. This should be based on identification of key opportunities and constraints identified through research

The draft Nillumbik GWMP has not conducted any research in developing the vision, and it does not articulate a role or purpose for the Nillumbik green wedge. The practice note states five principles that should underpin the preparation of a GWMP, including:

- A GWMP should be consistent with relevant state government policies and strategies
- A GWMP should be prepared in partnership with government and councils, in their role as the funding agencies implementing government policies, and with landowners and the

community, in their role as the custodians of the area who have a duty of care for the resource base • A GWMP should reflect the regional and local circumstances and needs of each green wedge, as well as the circumstances and needs that are shared with other relevant green wedge areas. It should provide a clear purpose that council is able and willing to implement and defend. The draft Nillumbik GWMP is not consistent with relevant state government policies, has not involved state government in its preparation, and does not provide a clear purpose for the Nillumbik green wedge. The practice note goes on to state: • Council should establish a project steering group (chaired by the council), with representatives from key stakeholders to oversee the preparation of the plan The draft Nillumbik GWMP did not establish a project steering group with representatives from key stakeholders (eg DELWP – the practice note states: Department officers are available to assist councils in the preparation of a GWMP) 4. Council has put the cart before the horse by drafting a management plan for the green wedge, with no attempt to undertake the research and detailed environmental and land use inventory that is needed to help identify the values and features that are to be protected and enhanced - the green wedge itself. What has been presented in the draft Nillumbik GWMP is a plan to manage something there is no information on, nor what it is wanted to be like in the future as a result of the management.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Five Key Moves

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Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Discussion for Goal 1 floats the idea of 'buffer zones' outside the Urban Growth

Boundary. There is no explanation of what this means in practice, nor evidence of benefits. Do NOT support such encroachment on the Green Wedge. eg A1.7

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Particularly support expansion of walking & cycling trails. O2.3

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Would like to see more done by Council on feral animal reduction (deer!) A3.4

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

I do not support attempts to rezone Rural Conservation Zone land to Green Wedge Zoning. Reducing the smaller subdivision limits would be a big threat to the Green Wedge. I support genuine agricultural enterprise where permitted in the RCZ zones. However 'hobby farms' are essentially a lifestyle choice rather than genuine agricultural enterprise. Provision of information to hobby farmers but shouldn't extend to provision of financial incentives at a cost to other ratepayers. eg A4.8

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

I do not support attempts to rezone Rural Conservation Zone land to Green Wedge Zoning. Reducing the smaller subdivision limits would be a big threat to the Green Wedge. I support genuine agricultural enterprise, where permitted, in the RCZ zones.

While a Permit may be required, the Provisions appear to provide a good degree of flexibility. No evidence has been provided of Permit Applications being refused for appropriate agricultural proposals

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Having spent a lot of Ratepayer monies on the Green Wedge consultation process & Community Panel, Council should take into account the Community Panel majority recommendations.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The environmental and sustainability vision is unacceptable

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

These moves are superficial and inadequate for the promotion of environmental sustainability outcomes.

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The principles read as facile statements that say very little. It is hard to see how they would guide anything in a sensible direction.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

As a group the objectives have the feel good words but I cannot see an engaged and connected community developing.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Some (2.2, 2.3, 2.5) are reasonable but others are meaningless.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Many of these objectives and actions are sensible but in the context of the overall plan I cannot trust Council to act in a responsible way on them.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

There are obvious clashes (eg between tourism and environment) between these objectives and those in goal 3 for example.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

I cannot see responsible green wedge leadership in this package of objectives and actions. They read like a platform for incremental erosion of the green wedge.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

This draft document is a poor effort on the part of Council. It does not systematically reflect community contributions to the process. It reflects poorly on Council's competence as a local government steward.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Vision says "balanced and cooperative" but the rest of the draft does not reflect this. I want to see the Shires natural assets conserved and protected first and then a Vision statement can be generated from that position.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Key Move 4 is particularly vague and in specific as to what is planned for townships

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly disagree

Social equity - Strongly disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

They sounds great but what do they actually all mean. They take detail for judgement

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

How can you guarantee this?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Is this a green wedge management priority or part of a health and wellness plan?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Not enough protection if our pressured remnant original vegetation

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Is this at the expense of a protected Green Wedge?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

How is this an individualised, stand alone Goal or all encompassing?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Nillumbik green wedge shire is legislated as one that will have its natural environment protected for future generations. I do not think this plan places enough weight on this fact.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Although in part I agree with the Vision, my concern is the draft GWMP forecasts an enormous change to Nillumbik's Green Wedge.

The Actions within the Goals have a strong focus on Reforming Nillumbik's Planning Scheme through rezoning individual parcels of land from Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) to Green Wedge Zone (GWZ), changes to the Local Planning Policy Framework (LPPF) including the Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS), changes to the Local Planning Provisions (LPP) and advocating changes to the Victorian Planning Provisions (VPP) which I assume is the table template to the zones.

These changes will come with consequences and usually to the unsuspecting rural residents. It WILL introduce currently Prohibited uses under the RCZ if changed to GWZ. An example of what could be developed next door to a lifestyle/hobby farm with a few grazing animals is:

Section 2 uses: FUNCTION CENTRES, EXHIBITION CENTRES, MAJOR SPORTS AND RECREATION CENTRES, PLACES OF WORSHIP and other Nesting Groups

which will also trigger other permit requirements and although they can be of benefit to the community, they can often be inappropriately placed in the rural areas. These intense uses can operate 7 days a week with hours from 6am to Midnight and have 1,000's of patrons each day.

This is currently happening in other Green Wedge Shires on GWZ land next to quiet hobby farms or agricultural farms.

Although I realise a rezoning may be fit in some cases for a current Agricultural purpose, I don't believe the community has been or is being informed that other potential uses with serious amenity impacts can occur next to them with a Green Wedge Zoning.

The relaxing of the LPPF and LPP will give further weight for these uses to be approved by Council or VCAT and the in conjunction with agriculture is easy overcome and often proven unnecessary in particular with the majority of the uses without a condition in the zone table (clause 35.04) or CPP (clause 51.02).

Obviously these changes would be implemented through planning scheme amendments, which is an expensive and lengthy process and once again community consultation.

So the question is, how will council deal with this?

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

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Support

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Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

A2.7 This would require a rezoning to facilitate the prohibited use. What will be the amenity impacts to the residents or environment adjoining?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

A3.2 What is the intention? Is it to reduce the Environmental Significant Overlay or increase it? Either way, again a planning scheme amendment.

A3.9 "As part of a future review of the Nillumbik Planning Scheme" I am glad that there will be a review of the NPS but this GWMP is incorporating a significant focus on reviewing/reforming the planning scheme which should have been a separate plan.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

A4.6 This would require a permit application or an amendment to a current permit for compliant uses.

A4.8 This needs to be clearer so it can be interpreted correctly. The right to farm without a permit would mean a rezoning from RCZ to GWZ.

How will it be determined that a property is suitable to be rezoned? (this precise information is lacking, so you are left assuming the worst case scenario).

What percentage of cleared land in proportion to the size of the land is proposed? What will be the minimum size lot? The Green Wedge Zone specifies a minimum 40 hectares. These actions are proposing extensive changes to the Nillumbik Planning Scheme that really are not transparent enough. They should be through a separate plan in a Review of the Planning Scheme as part of the Ministerial Direction.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

A5.6

A5.7

A5.8

These actions are the catalyst to the changes within the Nillumbik Planning Scheme. As discussed earlier Rezoning, Changes to the LPPF, LPP and ambitiously advocating changes to the VPP which council has undertaken previously without success through submissions for the Refresh Discussion Paper and the Smart Planning review.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

This draft pays respect to all living in the Green Wedge and includes all social, economic and environmental factors, where as the previous plan did not.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The ideology of the above 'key moves' is an excellent way in which the The Green Wedge Management Plan can support it's community and stakeholders however, it is crucial that there is a balance, support and a voice for rural and residential-rural property owners. Currently there is a cohort of bullying, destructive, non-inclusive and loud extreme-environmentalists whom do not support and pay respect to many in this Shire and it is important that any of these 'key moves' are not dictated by them.

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Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

I welcome a greater Aboriginal Voice and their knowledge of how to care for our land as they did this for hundreds of years before us. This would be more beneficial than the current information we receive based on the knowledge of academic environmentalists whom 'read it in a book'.

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Strongly support

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Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Active and creative people are essential to the health and well-being for all in the Green Wedge. This includes the Equine Community which has been shunned and restricted in the previous plan by a group of dominating extreme-activists.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

A safe environment is of utmost importance. With the risk and reality of bush fires we must pay respect and allow people to prepare their homes and properties with out the costs and associated community backlash for doing so.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Naturally this is essential in the interests of all ratepayers.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree
Key Move 2 - Strongly agree
Key Move 3 - Strongly agree
Key Move 4 - Strongly agree
Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Principles

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Last Friday I attended the Hurstbridge Traders' Association (HTA) Committee meeting and we discussed information provided by the Nillumbik Shire in regard to the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan – economic development. After reading the Draft Consultation material I am really concerned about the total disregard for current local businesses operating in Hurstbridge and surrounds. Firstly I think everyone will agree that any Business must have several principles at the forefront. These include but not limited to: 1. Price 2. Quality 3. Customer Service When I read the Goal 4 section, A Prosperous Economy it basically ignores current small businesses located in Hurstbridge, Panton Hill, Smith's Gully and St Andrews. This area has a population of around 7,000+ and small business will always be challenged when there is such a small customer base. Critical to maintaining and growing business is to implement a marketing strategy to attract both locals and visitors to the area, and therefore to potentially grow our Businesses. The principle is simple, the more people coming through the door potentially provides the opportunity to grow sales and thus prosperity. Based on what I read I am concerned that the Nillumbik Shire is not looking to support current local small businesses. The document in question 'A Prosperous Economy' identifies "The Visitor

Economy” on page 37 of the document. It really makes no reference to small businesses located in the area of Hurstbridge. The document also includes a list of Key Actions to be undertaken Council and State Government related to a prosperous economy. Again current local businesses are not identified and basically ignored. In addition I want to make a comment about the Green Wedge. First up, it is fair to say that we all love the environment created by the Green Wedge. The environment created by the Green Wedge does attract people with intelligence and a worldly outlook. I personally love living and working in a Green Wedge environment. Having said that it does have a juxtaposition and a potential negative impact on Business. Green Wedge does not allow for subdivision and the building of new homes, and therefore a growth in population. Hence current small businesses have a limited local customer base. To grow our sales and prosperity we need more people to visit Hurstbridge and surrounds. Hurstbridge recently had the potential to see a development of Units that were eco-friendly. This was opposed by some locals and Council. I have noticed a trend in older people selling their acreage and down sizing to smaller properties. Most still wanted to live in the area but due to lack of housing they had to move away. The Unit development would have seen more families move into the area, and thus increase population. In turn this would have meant growing business opportunity for current local businesses. It is now revealed that Nillumbik Council appears to have no marketing strategy for current and local small business. To reinforce the above point, the Draft for Consultation document refers to the Nillumbik Destination Management Plan 2015 on page 38. It refers to ‘opportunities’ but again there is no reference to supporting current small businesses. Keep in mind that the majority of Business Owners are paying the Council rates, but Council is now deciding to provide no support for small businesses already operating in Hurstbridge and surrounds. This situation is very concerning. Can I suggest that local business owners need to work together and think big picture. We all need to become very active as a Business community and not try to address issues by working separately. I really encourage everyone to get involved with the Traders’ Association. Yes, the retail economy is struggling due to credit card debt, high mortgages, and lack of wage growth. I see in the news that David Jones have just written down their value by \$437 million which has been initiated by a ‘retail recession’. Based on the Green Wedge document, the Nillumbik Shire Council intend to neglect local businesses in Hurstbridge and surrounds. On Friday I attended the HTA Committee meeting and we discussed information provided by the Nillumbik Shire in regard to Draft Green Wedge Management Plan – economic development. After reading the Draft Consultation material I am really concerned about the total disregard for current local businesses operating in Hurstbridge and surrounds. Firstly I think everyone will agree that any Business must have several principles at the forefront. These include but not limited to: 1. Price 2. Quality 3. Customer Service When I read the Goal 4 section, A Prosperous Economy it basically ignores current small businesses located in Hurstbridge, Panton Hill, Smith’s Gully and St Andrews. This area has a population of around 7,000+ and small business will always be challenged when there is such a small customer base. Critical to maintaining and growing business is to implement a marketing strategy to attract both locals and visitors to the area, and therefore to potentially grow our Businesses. The principle is simple, the more people coming through the door

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I could share many comments, but they all centre on the same core issues. Our local government has a duty and responsibility to be fully informed about environmental issues and to protect the natural environment for the future. Our elected representatives have to look beyond their own time frame to that of the future. Natural resources cannot be replaced and the interaction between different aspects of our natural environment must be respected. To place the economic interests of any group of people before protecting the natural environment for the future is not only ignoring professional responsibility but acting in a selfish, short-term way. The 'vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge' is a flawed vision that some would regard as a business plan rather than a vision. To be truly far-sighted and effective, the plan must be revised to create a pathway to the future that protects our present environment.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Neutral

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik’s relationship to Metropolitan

Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Every party of it is designed to promote Development and rezone to lose biodiversity values. Even BHP is voicing protections about the Environment & all you can think of is the downgrade protections. I can only think you are deaf to the Climate Emergency.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Strongly agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Your Developments, what ever shape they take will CUT DOWN TREES . You rejected half of the community panel Recommendations that Council set up: You could try for another Community Panel, stack it with your supporters until they "recommend" what you want.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Your Leadership is a Joke: "we are one team working effectively" You are 'one team' after you sacked every Council Officer who did not agree with your destructive ideas.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Your words are non-specific and the devil is always in the detail. I'm sure you'll find some way to justify CUTTING DOWN TREES in the name of "engaging with Communities' or housing development.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Your words are non-specific and the devil is always in the detail. How many TREES will you cut down to implement this?.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Your words are non-specific and the devil is always in the detail. See above!

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Your words are non-specific and the devil is always in the detail. Of course everyone wants a prosperous economy - but will you destroy the environment in the name of the Development?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Your leadership is downhill.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

ANYTHING that degrades the environment in the name of Economic Development is a fallacy! There will be no environment, no community to enjoy the " Economic Development ". 99% of Climate Scientists are SCREAMING at you to STOP the DEVELOPMENT! Cant you hear them? Real Leadership would take action towards preservation, a participative leader will show the way and convince deniers to follow. Leadership from the front, not the back!

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I believe the purpose of the plan is to increase general economic development and the value of the properties of large-scale landowners at the expense of the environment. This is NOT what the Green Wedge is for. Many long-term residents in the immediate area view this proposal with alarm as diminishing the true worth of the area, which is protection and preservation of the native fauna and flora, and for the quality of life of humans for whom the natural environment is so critical to themselves, their families, and the future of the planet.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

They are cloak and dagger items that simply serve to promote the concerns I raise above.

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Leadership - Strongly disagree

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A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik’s relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Strongly disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Nothing further to my comments above.

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Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

A misguided and fallacious goal, introducing the economy into the principle of a "Green Wedge".

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

In this situation, I strongly do not support, as I have no confidence in the existing partisan leadership.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

This plan is wrong, self-serving for part of the community, unnecessary, and wholly inappropriate.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

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3. A "Green Wedge Conversations" program.
4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree
Key Move 2 - Strongly agree
Key Move 3 - Strongly agree
Key Move 4 - Strongly agree
Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Principles

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- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 4 is most significant to me

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The Vision reflects the original intention of the Green Wedges to assist small scale rural and conservation living alongside urban and peri urban areas.

The Green Wedges were never meant to be locked up as "conservation" The proposed plan accurately reflects Green Wedge living and recreation while still allowing for conservation areas.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Bureaucrats trying to keep themselves employed. Such big brother tactics are not necessary - it's as simple as an education campaign.

Seriously - if you're able to spend millions of dollars buying a property in the area, you are probably willing and intelligent enough to look after it.

You do not need petty bureaucrats dictating the obvious.

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral
Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral
Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral
Social equity - Neutral
Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The principals are focused on general populations and not unique to a rural green wedge.

I have an opinion but it is not relevant to specifically green wedge issues but to the entire population in general, so I will hold my answers for a more relevant survey.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Appreciate the acknowledgement of the Nillumbik horse ownership levels and property use for equestrian and associated activities/businesses.

Continued development of Shared use Recreation Trails is applauded.

Development of an indoor equestrian facility with outdoor supporting arenas would be a great investment.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

To much Bureaucratic monitoring with no actual action - for example - a database is not going to stop the rabbits.

As it is the Shire cannot manage pest control because of various constraints in assisting landowners.

Furthermore - as an example - the main rabbit problem in my area is the warrens along unmaintained council roadside reserves.

Maybe clean up your own backyard before you tell me what to do with mine (which is clean by the way)

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Don't understand what this Stocktake is going to achieve as there will be no assistance - just monitoring for what - Revenue raising if someone does something "wrong"

"Undertake stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural activity and practices, including hobby farming, that need to be protected for the future and the pests that need to be managed by sourcing information from formal research bodies and landowners."

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I appreciate that the Draft Green Wedge management plan gives an accurate reflection of the area and offers realistic processes to assist its continued existence.

As a long time resident (pre - Shire of Nillumbik) I think the plan needs to communicate

more strongly that this Green Wedge Shire was never meant to be locked up for conservation. This Green Wedge Shire was formed to acknowledge and preserve areas from the growing suburban subdivision.

It would offer an area for the community to enjoy rural and bush living and recreational pursuits such as horse riding, bush walking and various small scale hobby farms. (both livestock and horticultural) It would be open to the wider Melbourne community by providing rural and bush recreational activities via shared Trail systems, Reserves and agricultural/viticulture tourism opportunities.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Landowners must be prioritised because council expects us to manage the wedge and we do not support any regulations being imposed and would like to be allowed to keep a dog

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

If council does not provide my family with housing security then the whole plan is meaningless to me living here

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Environmental activists have far to much influence here if my home is not safe then my family is disadvantaged and this should be councils only priority

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

See above

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

See above

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

See above

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

See above

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

See above

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Keep my home and family safe so i can manage my property and then go away and leave me the hell alone

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

There isn't enough information and it doesn't reflect the fact that the Green Wedge benefits everyone enough compared to the existing version

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

There needs to be a much greater emphasis on the care of the natural environment

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

An additional principal focussing on Biodiversity protection is needed and should be the focus.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

More information is needed to have the community thoroughly involved.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Must focus on biodiversity as the top priority

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Educate residents as health of our environment on both private and public land is paramount

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Lack of detail. Economic activities must adhere to the latest scientific principles to protect the environment.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

The Urban Growth Boundary must be treated as a hard boundary as the spread of development outside of this will erode the values of the Green Wedge.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

More information and detail needs to be easily and widely available for everyone.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Nillumbik's Green Wedge is the most environmentally intact green wedge in the Melbourne area. It is therefore imperative that environment here is maintained, protected and enhanced, as we are the lungs of not just our area, but the whole of Melbourne. There is not enough emphasis on this imperative.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

This draft fails to clearly articulate an Implementation Plan based on clearly stated Objectives and Actions, and the Council Department responsible for implementation. The current GWMP has much more detail than this new draft.

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Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

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Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The statements are too broad and open to differing interpretation. There needs to more emphasis on the stemming of the decline of biodiversity, preservation of vegetation and the urgent need for associated climate change action from Council.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

This goal needs to reflect the engagement of community specifically in preserving the environment and biodiversity of our Green Wedge. The shire of Nillumbik was created in 1994 with a goal of being "a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus."

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Open green space is important for physical activity, yes, but its value as a means of enhancing mental health, well being and peace must be held as the highest priority. Unstructured greens space is one of the vital components of our Green Wedge in Nillumbik and it must be preserved.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Environmental health, biodiversity, protection of eco systems and preservation of vegetation in ALL areas of Nillumbik, are of utmost priority if we are to maintain our Green Wedge advantages. We must not fall into the trap of needing 'amenities' above all other concerns. We are unique here in Nillumbik and our needs honour our environment and landscape.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Economic activities must be assessed and balanced against the urgent need for preservation of ecologically balanced systems; the growing threat of catastrophic climate change and the need for regenerative farming and use of land.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Key Actions A5.6 and A5.7 [page 40 of the draft] propose changes to how land within the Green Wedge can be used. This has the potential to undermine the values of the Green Wedge and potentially increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside the Urban Growth Boundary. The UGB must be preserved strictly to preserve the unique nature of our area.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Initial community consultation and the Panel report make it clear that Nillumbik residents want more than anything to maintain, protect and in fact reinvigorate the strong environmental integrity and health of our Green Wedge. The draft does not adequately or explicitly stress the Council's conservation role in upholding and strengthening our

Green Wedge. This is after all, the purpose of managing our Green Wedge here in Nillumbik. We are stewards of a precious area of Melbourne that is vital to the health and wellbeing of not just us here in Nillumbik, but also in the wider community (those who rely on and honour the 'lungs of Melbourne')

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

1. Not enough consideration of additional housing opportunities which would lead to utilization of existing infrastructure such as the train line, Vic Roads' roads such as Yan Yean Road and educational facilities and lead to an increased rate base for Nillumbik. Looking at a map of Melbourne supplied in the draft report shows a lack of development north-east of the city in an area relatively close to the city and many other employment opportunities. This should be considered for people are now traveling long distances often across our shire to get to work and that is not GREEN for the city of Melbourne.

2. There are many zoning anomalies in the so-called Green Wedge; many result from the creation of Nillumbik from other council areas. I would like the Council to honestly RMIT and address these with a view to some reorganization. I know they often result from historic regulations like the 1/4 acre homesites in the middle of supposed RCZs. In my area Yarrambat, not a township despite all the wasted talk over many years, there are allotments from less than 1000m square metres up to 10 or more hectares. The Plenty Corridor or land west of Yan Yean Road have been allowed to recently exist as low as 2 hectares and then with 2 dwellings whereas east of Yan Yean Rd is a different zoning.

3. There seems to be a false assumption that this process gathers opinions of those who live in the designated area. It does not. I was sent a letter to nominate for the process but I was unable to commit to all the Saturdays required as I expect many could not. Then this process of allowing comment is fine if you have access and feel comfortable using an online format. Hard copy written submissions can also be lodged but again that assumes a confidence and ability to write a submission. It would be interesting to know how many responses you receive from resident landowners who are not members of some interest group.
4. I have found that some of the loudest voices in support of keeping the green wedge in Nillumbik come from people whose property is NOT affected. You need to hear from US.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Principles

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Metropolitan Melbourne

- Manage change for future benefit
- Collaboration and connectedness
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- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Date: Tuesday, 6 August 2019 8:42:19 PM

Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I agree with the vision but some is restricted by council restrictions. ie vegetation clearing for defendable space around you home

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Land owners have a vital role in land management in the green wedge

Principles

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

We can learn a lot about land management from the Aboriginal people around fire management. The urban population should not control what the rural residents do on their land.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Small lots should be allowed to be built on, do away with the term small lots . Land holders must be valued as we are well in touch with our land in terms of maintaining our properties.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

RCZ to be changed to GWZ with mixed rural use, I support ELZ for Bend of Islands. Encourage people to clear a defendable zone around there homes with out restriction. The right to rebuild free of planning permit after a bushfire, as it is it causes much stress knowing that in a total loss from a fire we may not be able to rebuild or have to fight

through vcat opposition. Remove the red tape its our choice to rebuild on our hard earnt land, building regulations ensure the building permit meets safe standards.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Council to help control Deer, and Kangaroos in excessive numbers doing major damage. Mobile phone coverage in black spot areas. Change from RCZ to GWZ with mixed rural use. Encourage small farming lots.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Let rural land holders manage their land. Hobby farming and other rural activities is a legitimate use of GW land. Allow and encourage creating defendable space around homes. Council to clean up and back burn for fire mitigation on all crown/council land, encourage collection of fire wood on road verges.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

My concerns are around loss of my home and not being able to rebuild after a fire, there needs to be a clear right to rebuild without a planning permit full stop. This is not a council matter, its our land hard worked for and if we choose to live here we should be allowed to, the building permit stipulates the building requirement to suit the BAL rating. Vegetation should be encouraged to be removed close to homes not frowned upon, encourage people to create a defendable zone exempt from planning. Change zoning from dated RCZ to GWZ with mixed rural use. Ensure all planning schemes that resemble rejected C81 and C101 are erased forever. I support the ELZ for the Bend of Islands but don't support having all of Nillumbik like the Bend of Islands. I support the PALS Minority report as it is very well written with a great deal of knowledge. The Deer population is a major problem and is out of control, council needs step in and take action. There are positive signs that the implementation of a new GWMP can deliver good outcomes to landowners and the community generally, as well as the environment,

as long as it is properly managed, assessed against bench marks and delivered with honesty and integrity.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I support changes to the Vision that are all listed in the PALS submission. These include review of the application of the RCZ to appropriate areas, acknowledgement of and priority for bushfire management actions by landholders, commitment to promote and grow recreational activities such as horse riding Enable landholders to manage their land to maintain agricultural activities including pasture growth and structures without planning restrictions Improve planning requirements to be a minimal cost to applicants, speedy outcomes and restricted to essential purposes only such as commercial development.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

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- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree
Social equity - Agree
Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Vision needs to be more definitive and objective

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly agree

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Do not support if that means that profit motivation is the main driver of goal 45.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I remain wary of the decision by Council to review the existing Green Wedge management plan some years before the time agreed that it is to be reviewed. For example does this mean Council is wishing to change what exists at this point in time, and if so, why. I am not aware of any community pressures to do this. I also believe that Nillumbik Council (and other metropolitan councils which have green wedge planning requirements) need to make a united presentation to the State Government for assistance to support the costs of maintaining the green wedge which is of significant benefit to the quality of life of all persons living in the Melbourne Metro area.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

It is a comprehensive document that considers the broad needs of our community. We love the Green Wedge but this is too general and I fear loss of green wedge. buffer wedges may increase and green wedge decreases or gets lost. Would like to see maintenance of the diversity of Indigenous flora and fauna habitats.

Five Key Moves

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

They are too generalised

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Green space is so important to health of my family from a physical and mental health perspective.

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

More education and more free seminars and sessions such as the free cooking demonstration at Edendale to reduce food waste would be ideal to engage community. Community engagement in projects related to environmental impact.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Environmental values and importance of green wedge need to be kept and valued with the highest importance. Bio-diversity decline is critical and other green wedges have not managed this and bio-diversity has decreased. Employing people with solid environmental knowledge/passion is important. Community engagement should be given higher importance.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Fundamentally I object to people making rules for the Green Wedge who do not actually reside in the Green Wedge or own land in the Green Wedge

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Observant land owners are in the best position to know what is going on. The minority who neglect their land are not representative of the majority who care.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Nobody in an urban area should be allowed to dictate to peri-urban or rural land users. Nobody. And vice versa. Level of "qualification to comment" is relevant, however planning regulators need to acknowledge that the ideals and utopia that suburban dwellers seek to impose on rural people are unwelcome. We should not and will not be dictated to by city folk and tourists.

Understand and formalize that suburban areas like Eltham and Diamond Creek are completely different to St Andrews, Arthurs Creek and Strathewen. They are worlds apart. They share the same Shire boundary, and that's where it ends.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Overhaul or remove the RCZ. It is cumbersome and far too restrictive. Replace it with a more LAND OWNER FRIENDLY version of the suggested "GWZ". Any change must be for the betterment of the Landowners and the Land - NOT to appease extreme Green lobbyists who seek to undermine pretty much everything.

Remember, your constituents are your ratepayers. Not extreme green lobbyists.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

I believe there already are a ridiculous number of overlays and restrictions placed on rural land in Nillumbik. These onerous land use restrictions severely devalue the land. This is clearly evident in rural parts where large parcels of land remain on the market for years because of the ridiculous overlays, planning restrictions, and even more absurd interpretations on those overlays by planning officers. Put simply, there are too many restrictions which restrict use and devalue the land. The "prior use rights" in relation to hooved animal grazing is a scam and an invasion of landowner rights.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

There is way too much focus on tourism in the Draft GWMP. This is a concern. Are we intending on looking pretty to the rest of the world, at the cost of the rights of the individual land owners? It is very clear that the grand plan is to make it so difficult for hobby farmers and other agricultural users so the cleared pasture is slowly replaced by bush over the next few decades. It's not unusual for a property to have seven (7) or more overlays, and more restrictions than can be logically comprehended, so one by one, land owners will just give up. When this happens, vital fire breaks (open, clear, well managed pasture) gets overgrown by bush, tea tree and invasive species, and is "lost" forever - until the next wildfire rips through anyway.

Responsible land owners already do their job well. I believe efforts should be aimed at

cleanup and enforcement of the rubbish tip properties. They aren't hard to find. They are the ones with endless invasive weeds, erosion, endless man made waste, old machinery, car bodies, collapsed buildings, and rubbish everywhere. Make them accountable if there's such a focus on tourism

Planning schemes are far too complicated and expensive. We need simple, streamlined processes which are transparent to the applicant.

"Appendix 1: Agricultural Land", who decides what is an "incompatible use"? It's things like this which cause immense problems for landowners. It reads fantastic in a corporate board room, but in practice it could infringe the basic rights of the owner, and devalue the land. It defies logic that the owner of a piece of rural land can be micro-managed to such an extent, and the details of which remains hidden in the pages of obscure overlays.

I also have a fundamental objection to Green lobby groups who have no pecuniary interest in Nillumbik whatsoever having an influence over these things. "No name on a title - no say in it"

Hobby farming, vineyards, orchards and other non-intensive agriculture is what rural Nillumbik is made of. These people achieving great things should be respected, admired and most of all SHOULD BE CONSULTED. They are the ones out in the paddocks every day, working to improve their little slice of heaven. Listen to them. You might be surprised how intelligent and well informed and educated they are. They are the true caretakers of the land.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

As set out in the document, the proposed vision is actually totally unclear because it is not clear what choices are being made and what priorities are being advocated for. Sentences such as "Nillumbik's green wedge ... reflects its roles as a place for agriculture, recreation, nature conservation, tourism and rural living" are pretty meaningless as they give equal weight to just about all possible aspects of the future. I would be much happier with a simple vision along the lines of trying to maintain, protect and reinvigorate what we have currently got in terms of flora, fauna, ambience, etc.

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

None of the moves appear to be key or important to me - the processes that they describe could mean anything or nothing in practice.

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- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik’s relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Again, most of these principles seem pretty platitudinous. For example, how can "manage change for future benefit" be a principle of any import? This lack of substance becomes clear when one looks at the obverse of some of the suggested principles. For example, "don't manage change for future benefit" or "manage change for future dis-benefit". In other words, just about any plan on any subject could uncontroversially include the principle "manage change for future benefit"!

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

I agree with the goal as stated. But I have read and re-read the 7 proposed objectives and 11 proposed actions and still don't understand what the thrust of the material is meant to be. I think the whole thing would be much clearer if a) there were fewer objectives & actions and b) the objectives & actions were phrased in terms of changes to be sought rather than processes to be undertaken.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

See comment for goal 1.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

See comment for goal 1.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

See comment for goal 1.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

See comment for goal 1.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

It is a very odd document. At the sentence and paragraph level, it is well-written. And the document itself is well-structured. But in terms of the big picture of what it is advocating for, it is actually totally unclear. I therefore find it difficult to either agree with or disagree with. The document really needs an analysis of what problems (if any) it is trying to rectify and what changes it is trying to seek. And it desperately needs a summary which presents the big picture. This lack of clarity is particularly worrying because of the low level of trust in which many of us now view the sustainability credentials of some of the Councillors.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I am delighted with the new emphasis on the importance of humans in the overall concept. I have felt that human existence in the Green Wedge came secondary to all other environmental issues. Given that humans have lived in the Green Wedge prior to 1865 (long before the overlays), it is not logical to ignore the impact humans have had and will continue to have on this area. It has felt like the contribution that land owners make to improving their properties (weed control, vermin control, erosion control, fire mitigation; creating tourism, community, financial value) was not valued by previous Councils. It had felt like the landowners were the enemy of the Green Wedge. Given that we have permits to live on the fringes of suburbia and that we pay our rates, Council has needed to recognise that we have been given the right to live here, it is naive to think that the bush can be made perfect again in these fringe areas. I feel like landowners now have a valued place in the implementation of plans for the future protection of the Green Wedge.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Strongly agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

I think its a refreshing way to review the plan. The Council is standing by it's commitment to encourage community input/consultation. We done.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree
Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree
A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly agree
Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree
Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree
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Social equity - Strongly agree
Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Again, I believe it to be a modern approach to the creation of future strategies.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

In general, I again support Council in looking toward the Community regarding all of the above objectives. They all talk to the idea that people live in the community and Council is seeking community engagement on so many levels. Again, I applaud the Council on these objectives.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The devil is in the detail. While the vision sounds good, I have some concerns in the expansion of the vision . For example, paragraph 4. "Environmental or nature based opportunities will also be encouraged where they demonstrate social, environmental and economic benefits". What is an environmental opportunity? Is it commercial glamping in a sensitive bush area with good views? Later on there is reference to "balanced outcomes". What does this mean? Sometimes something is so important that there will not be a balanced outcome. For example tracts of land where there are many species of rare orchids, indigenous to Nillumbik, which needs protection. There may be no social or economic outcome for this, but it's vital. I support paragraph 3 which refers to maintenance and enhancement of the Green Wedge (GW). The thing that makes Nillumbik unique is the Green Wedge. It should be over-arching and all other things considered in relation to this, and provide context. Other cities and shires have communities, the arts, agriculture and tourism, but not an intact Green Wedge. In para 2 there is reference to "human activity" having shaped out landscape. There should also be reference to the indigenous community who protected the area until very recently (this is referred to in the Introduction) . para 5 refers to social and community challenges.

While important, this ignores the elephant in the room which will ultimately destroy all that we cherish in Nillumbik - climate change. It's a global issue and one that must also be addressed locally (this is briefly referred to on page 10 but only in relation to human and animal health and wellbeing...the environmental impact which will be huge and affect human and animal life is not referred to)

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The five key moves are rather weak. They obliquely support maintaining and enhancing the GW, but give no confidence that in ten years the GW will be any better preserved. "Moves" is a rather odd label for these ideas.

KM1 This is moderately interesting. The problem is about "leading horses to water" . Such a service could create awareness, but this is only the first step in change. To improve land management requires a whole behaviour change strategy, including incentives (based on evidence of effectiveness), and an implementation plan. I agree re asking Government for funding. Unfortunately Nillumbik has a very small resident base and large area. Money will always be a problem (as stated on page 13)

KM2 Achievement of this is going to require far more than conversations. Need more detail about the "whole of organisation approach". The words sound good but there is a serious lack of detail, indicating a lack of understanding about what will be involved.

KM3 There is a typo here. It should be "GW Conservation program". Again while its is important for raising awareness, conversations are not sufficient. It's step one of ten.

KM4 This is OK as community building, but I'm unclear what " a comprehensive planning and place management service" would be.

KM5 Yes, you need information, as you cannot management what you cannot measure. However, it does not go far enough. You need data but this is again step one of ten or fifty. You need a program backed by funding, with actions and an implementation plan and KPIs.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

It's hard to argue against the Principles, but the issue is their interpretation that is unclear.

"Leadership" contains some standard words about values and how, but is missing what the shire needs in terms of providing inspiration to protect and enhance the GW, turning the vision into a reality, and driving the actions necessary (having and implementing the

GWMP and hiring the best people), empowering the community to act for the GW.
"Aboriginal voice" needs expansion. How specifically will you learn from them?
Social equity: Sometimes balance is not possible.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

There are some good objectives and actions.

Some are current initiatives

It is missing the context which is the GW and the community living in it and maintaining and enhancing it.

Need more detail on some as they are open to interpretation.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Agree recreation is important

Paragraph one "our community places significant value on open space and recreation"

Need also to reference bush environments which provide direct recreation and the backdrop to our recreation. It's not just about building a few ovals, but preserving our bush and environmental heritage.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

I support some of this, but it does not go far enough in terms of protecting and enhancing the biodiversity fo the GW.

Again there is reference to balanced outcomes, when for many issues this is inappropriate.

Re "assisting land owners in best practices land management" this needs more detail and dollars. Other shires and cities have programs to help land owners to improve their land in terms of its environmental quality, thru providing subsidies for fencing dams, weed control, pest control and so on. I think this is A3.5 and support its promotion and expansion.

Agree re community resilience. There is a great example in Warrandyte which has a Be Ready Warrandyte program.

Policy is a great way of protecting the environment and there needs to be more consideration given to this lever.

I am totally against any watering down of the GW boundaries.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This goal is quite alarming in that delivering the objectives will inevitably mean degradation fo the GW, unless Council's first consideration is always impact on the quality (biodiversity, size, etc) of the GW.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Some very alarming sections. e.g. reference on page 40 to possible changes to zones that affect agriculture and tourism.

Again maintenance and enhancement of the GW must be the first priority.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The Plan is not very detailed on KPIs and measurement of success.

For each year I would like to see Council's proposed actions in relation to the Plan and their level of achievement.

I think Council's attempt at community involvement was positive, and achieved consensus via the majority report. I think we should go with the consensus. The representatives of the community supported the value of the GW and its key role in Nillumbik.

I think it is Council's role to implement the intent of this.

Some councillors may not individually support the outcome, but they are not on Council to promote this own agenda, but to deliver what is best for the shire. It's a governance role.

There is a lack of science and evidence in the underlying assumptions of the plan. Managing the GW is a huge responsibility and I support Nillumbik in seeking additional funding for this. The GW, once lost, can never be recreated, so we are all responsible for its preservation and good management. Council should find the best environmental scientists and other experts to help.

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Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Environmental protection is the priority for our Nillumbik Green Wedge. The draft plan does not achieve this.

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Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Do not see how key move 1 will contribute to the environmental values of the Green Wedge. Key move 2 and 3 are more relevant to a whole of shire management strategy. Key move 4 is again more relevant to whole of shire and most topics are addressed in other council plans. Key move 5. Collect data and do what? Plan lacks actions.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Generally a collection of motherhood statements applicable to whole of shire. Principles do not address issues relevant to the protection of the environment or green wedge values. Primary principle should be: "Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity".

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Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Most topics relevant to whole of shire. Nillumbik has always had a vibrant and involved community with a strong volunteer culture. This section should focus on applying this culture to managing and protecting the Green Wedge environment.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Again generally whole of shire goals. We have Open Studios, Trails Committees etc. already in place. Should be addressing how our Active and Creative people could be (more) involved in the environmental management of our Green Wedge.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Objectives fail to address protection & conservation of environmental values. O3.1 focuses on 'valuable' biodiversity and habitats. Must include ALL environmental assets. All are complimentary and contribute to the health of the Green Wedge eco systems. O3.1 O3.2 Whole of shire issues. O3.4 Bushfire Mitigation is a separate plan. The Bushfire mitigation strategy should incorporate appropriate considerations to preserve and protect environmental values. O3.5 Natural Beauty will result from a comprehensive Environmental Management Plan for our Green Wedge.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

A whole of Shire goal. Within the Green Wedge "An Environmentally Sustainable Economy". Agriculture needs to be supported on existing cleared land. Tourism is a separate council strategy and within the green wedge it must not impact negatively on the natural environment. Equine activities are one of many pastimes within the Green

wedge. Hard hooves are environmentally damaging and any horse or grazing activity should be restricted to appropriate areas within the green wedge. A.8. The current zonings provide agricultural activities where appropriate subject to approval. This provides council and community the opportunity to ensure environmental and social protection from inappropriate uses and activities.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Regulation, enforcement, education and awareness are not alternative or optional approaches. They should all be part of the same process. Ownership does not equate to the option to 'Do what I want'. Ownership incurs the responsibility to comply with social and legal requirements. Zonings and overlays currently in place have been considered and reviewed over the years to provide appropriate use and protections. Application for use is part of planning to ensure appropriate uses and activities are environmentally and socially acceptable. Again this section fails to embrace Environmental Management.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Large sections of this draft ignore the community requirement to protect our natural environment. This draft does not address the State Government Green Wedge Management requirement to manage and protect the Environment. This draft has ignored the primary recommendations of the Community Panel regarding Environmental Protection. This Draft falls far short of the existing Green Wedge Management Plan.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Environmental protection needs to be central to the vision.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

A greater emphasis on care for and reinvigoration of the natural environment needs to be represented in each of the key moves.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The principles are too broad and general to be of any use.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

More emphasis on stewardship required.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

A healthy and biodiverse environment provides the platform for people to be active and creative.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

There is no tradeoff or balance between the environment and safety. The health of the environment is of paramount importance. People need to be careful in their interactions with it.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Economics is underpinned by the idea that growth is king. I would much prefer to see Candlebark and box trees grow old and develop hollows so badly needed as nesting habitat by our native birds and animals.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Your responsibility is to protect the environment, stop species going extinct, eradicate feral animals, create and maintain wildlife corridors. Lead by doing this.

Other comments

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Green wedge is about preserving the environment for the people of Melbourne, not about turning it into a whole other community.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

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Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The moves focus on people. Why aren't you talking about preserving the environment?

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

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Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly disagree

Social equity - Strongly disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Lovely principles, but they are not necessarily relevant in this context. One principle only needed - Preserve the environment - i.e the Green Wedge!

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

I understand the need to manage the people and infrastructure that exist, but all your statements imply further development of an area I moved into believing that our government intended to preserve the area - not exploit it through further development.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Once again, lovely ideas but off topic.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

If taken in their best sense, there are some admirable onjectives.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

There is no economy on a dead world!

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Pity your consultation process has not actually followed these objectives. Your proposed plan demonstrates little recognition of the input of local residents that you have solicited.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

It's called a Green Wedge because it's mean to be Green. No amount of spin and mother statements make your proposed Managed Plan sound like it actually intends to protect the Green Wedge.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I feel the vision needs to be more strident in its protection of the Green Wedge, and be clearer in its intention to do so. The Appendix 1 attached to your draft plan states that the priority for the Green Wedge is to "Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation". This statement could be included in the vision. The existing GWMP vision includes the statement that "bush and rural landscapes are conserved and enhanced". I feel the existing vision better aims to protect our Green Wedge. Council's community engagement process, and the randomly selected community panel, showed that most residents feel strongly about the importance of protecting our Green Wedge's environment and biodiversity and the vision should more strongly reflect that.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

I feel the key moves need more specific detail about what actions are to be taken to protect the environment. The key moves are umbrella statements with inadequate detail.

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan

Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Again, more specific detail is required about how these principles will guide the implementation of the GWMP. Saying "We have much to learn from our first peoples, particularly about caring for country." does nothing to outline the intention to respect and engage with our local indigenous population, and explore their cultural heritage and knowledge. "Change will be managed to conserve its values" needs to be more specific about conserving and expanding biodiversity within the shire Rather than making a commitment to "build collective capability to plan for, respond to and better manage and adapt to shocks and stresses such as climate change", surely the Council could be putting in place specific actions to mitigate climate change, becoming a carbon neutral council, educating the residents in doing the same.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Whilst I feel the basic aim of these objectives and actions is positive, I feel there needs to be more emphasis on the fact that we are a conservation shire and need to focus on maintaining and enhancing the environment. This section should also be focusing on what we as a community can be doing at home and locally to reduce our carbon emissions and mitigate climate change.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Active living and enhanced well being is encouraged by fierce protection of the environment in which we live. It has been shown that being outdoors in nature, in the presence of trees and flowers, birds, animals and insects, has a positive impact on our physical and mental health, so this needs to be clearly incorporated into the actions.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

I feel these objectives and actions are reasonable but need to be stronger and more directive with regard to protection of the environment. For example, O3.1, the definition of "valuable biodiversity" may vary depending on who is doing the assessing. Surely protecting and enhancing all indigenous vegetation, on both private and public land is essential to increase habitat for wildlife. A3.3 and/or 3.6 should include community education to mitigate climate change (reduce greenhouse gas emissions through reduced car use, greater use of renewable energy, more recycling, less waste, grow or buy local produce, etc)

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

I have grave concerns about A4.8, advocating to the Victorian Government that planning and other controls be altered to allow landholders a right to farm on pre-existing cleared agricultural land. I feel current restrictions and permits need to be maintained to prevent inappropriate farming and development in the Rural Conservation Zone, where I have lived and owned land for over twenty years.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

I feel there could be much stronger leadership in ensuring both private and public land is maintained and cared for appropriately. Improved education programs on the importance of biodiversity for the sake of our own properties, as well as the shire and planet is surely a responsibility of a strong Council. The Rural Conservation Zones must be maintained and not diluted and exposed to detrimental development. Responsible leadership should ensure the Council operates to mitigate climate change as much as possible, and educates and encourages residents to do the same, by choosing renewable energy, reducing reliance on cars, reducing meat consumption, etc as previously discussed. Importantly responsible leadership needs to maintain the urban growth boundary and not allow erode the values of the Green Wedge

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I feel the existing Green Wedge Management Plan does a good job and would encourage you to use it as a base, rather than rewriting it, exactly as the community panel recommended. It is a sound document with a clear vision, aims, guiding principles and areas for action.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Council has an obligation to consider all of the factors ...ensuring the future of a healthy robust landscape

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

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Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Safety and well-being

Not to lock up the land .. thus will lead directly to the next bush fire disaster.

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Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Landowners must be valued , recognised and included. They contribute a huge contribution to the landscape and receive no assistance.

Rural properties should be able to undertake bushfire preparation work on the own land and along road verges adjacent to their own land .. without need of permits.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

All facets that make a healthy landscape are important to community wellbeing

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

A proper balance approach to vegetation needs to combine the importance of environmental significant areas with existing rural landscape... to give us the greenwedge which we enjoy

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

GWMP will not be successful unless there is a prosperous economy supporting the community that lives within the green wedge

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

I feel that current zoning RCZ across the green wedge is not fit for purpose

Other comments

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

It is not strong enough about protecting the biodiversity, flora and fauna of Nillumbik. This could be a vision for any type of management plan not a Green Wedge Management Plan.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

There is no mention of climate change here which is a major factor influencing all the above. This needs to be understood and acted on Should be spelled out. What townships are in no 4? Do not want township (Hurstbridge, Panton Hill and St Andrews) boundaries increased.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Yes, again some principles could be part of any strategic plan and not targetted enough for a Green Wedge Management Plan. Too motherhood like statements.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Insufficient documentation on active sporting activities and possibilities. Nillumbik has one of the highest participation rates for organised sport but no mention here. How to connect/benefit this plan?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Generic.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Generic again.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

We live here because of the open space, the bush, the land we own and look after We want to better protect this shire and strongly support a Green Wedge Management Plan that is stronger in principles, goals and objectives than this one. It is very generic as a strategic plan - and does not protect tree and vegetation loss, weed management, invasive species, non- compliance of current plan. And there was no need to do this before 2025. We want to see more protection of the environment.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Particularly the section "living in the landscape". Unfortunately up until now the council staff seem to be obsessed with eliminating the ratepayers who own, maintain and actually live in the 'green' part of the wedge.

We are the only ones that are enhancing the environment and its sustainability.

Five Key Moves

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2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Key3- any conversation needs to be with and for landowners not a directive.

Key 4- this is a state government decision as to boundary of towns and not up to council to dictate. But I can see the multi dwelling on single blocks of land scenario as in the urban growth boundary being a state government requirement sometime in the future.

Principles

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- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree
Social equity - Strongly agree
Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Leadership not dictatorship

Whole of shire that includes the rural residents in the discussions not the urban community controlling the outcomes that only they consider important or relevant.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal1- good idea but will probably be hijacked by green activists

RCZ is not fit for purpose and should be changed to a Green Wedge Zone that more closely reflects the current landscape and uses.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 3 - A safe environment needs a bushfire mitigation strategy and fuel reduction on a regular basis (every 5 years) . A healthy environment is not mutually exclusive of bushfire prevention.

Council needs to work with CFA and other government agencies and landowners to reduce fire fuel on all roadsides and reserves to minimise bushfire threats. Not just make a plan for after the fire has destroyed the bush and assets of residents.

How many times does the council need to be told this is a priority?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 4 - As 80% of Nillumbik shire is privately owned. Rural landowners are vital to the prosperity of the shire. If in fact the rural holdings were only maintained by council , council could not cope and urban ratepayers would have their rates substantially increased to pay for the extra costs.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Goal 5-The council needs to change the current model of leadership from punitive action to encouraging cooperation by example and inclusion. The wedge is not a state park, it is private land and the current Rural Conservation Zone implies it is a wilderness park with the residents squatting on the land.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The current council narrative and use of the term 'small block' or 'small lot' needs to be removed from any GWMP as the council was the responsible authority that allowed the subdivision of the land in history past and are now still quite happy to receive substantial rates and charges from these blocks. In the event of a bushfire damaging or destroying a house or shed on the small block council needs to enshrine in the GWMP a right to rebuild on that land in the location of the original dwelling if the landowner wants it there,

not in some other obscure location on the block or refuse the rebuilding at the whim of a planner.

Council or any other entity should not have the right to deny someone the right to rebuild their house just because they live in the green wedge on a smaller than 20acre rural block.

. No 'red tape, or green tape' or assessments to deny building approval should be allowed and to prevent this the GWMP needs to spell out clearly a right to rebuild, not a vague motherhood statement that can have multiple meanings and can have varied interpretations that can be applied.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

It should not give rise to the potential for any further attempts to resurrect planning scheme amendments C81 and C101

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Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Strongly agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

They should be implemented in such a way as to deliver:•fit for purpose zoning,•simplification of requirements,•reduction in Applicant costs and time frames,•reduction in the number and complexity of overlays,•formalizing“as of right”provisions to existing enterprises and rebuilding of dwellings and infrastructure following destruction by fire

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

That all views should be considered is essential to establishing a sense of community which can only be achieved with realistic goals and community inclusion. The urban community should not control what rural residents do on their land. Rural landowners are responsible stewards of the landscape and this must be acknowledged.

Remove the lazy Precautionary Principle fall back. There are a great number of highly qualified experts, Agencies and consultants that can provide detailed and methodical analysis for any given situation. Let the experts determine what is acceptable.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

A successful GWMP balances differing views as long as those views are relevant, factual, truthful and not based on emotive or misleading information. •An improved GWMP places green activist views in their proper perspective, being of no greater relevance or importance than the views of landowners who wish to deliver good outcomes. The GWMP should advocate and pursue a planning scheme amendment to change the current RCZ to the fit for purpose Green Wedge Zone (GWZ). A GWZ still satisfies all of the requirements that currently exist in relation to a successful green wedge and a healthy landscape, but properly incorporates a more realistic understanding that people should and do legitimately live within the green wedge and within the landscape. Landowners make a huge contribution to the living landscape and receive no assistance in delivering the face of the Nillumbik green wedge to the community. We need a fair say in what happens on our properties.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Improved mobile coverage and elimination of black spots would enhance communication, creativity and activity. Landowners must be valued, included and recognized if you wish them to be active and creative in improving the green wedge

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

A healthy environment requires realistic fire mitigation and the importance of the Nillumbik Bushfire Mitigation Strategy is crucial to the success of the GWMP. The BMS should take precedence over the GWMP and this needs to be defined in the GWMP

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

A prosperous economy should not just be built on tourism and increased through traffic. Local agriculture, crafts and produce should be encouraged, with produce such as wine, craft goods, fleeces etc being exported from the district

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Responsible Leadership, unlike that shown by past CEOs, would provide a balanced approach inclusive of all of the individual components that combine to foster a vibrant, cooperative green wedge community by balancing and engaging differing viewpoints as long as these are relevant, factual, truthful and not based on emotive or misleading information

It should deliver good outcomes to landowners and the community generally, as well as the environment, as long as it is properly managed, assessed against bench marks and delivered with honesty and integrity

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The current zoning of RCZ across the green wedge is not fit for purpose. The GWMP should advocate strongly to rezone the green wedge as a GWZ –as is the situation with every other green wedge in the State. Land zoned GWZ retains the ability to properly protect environmentally sensitive areas, whilst being more realistic in relation to existing dwellings and infrastructure as well as enterprise. A GWZ is fit for purpose, but does not involve any change to the existing controls in relation minimum lot sizes for subdivision. However, a GWZ recognizes and acknowledges a greater range of uses befitting the rural part of the Nillumbik Shire being the land within the green wedge

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The Vision is really the 'thin end of the Green Wedge' in as far as it significantly waters down a number of important protections for land use in an LGA that is widely known as the 'Lungs of Melbourne'. As someone who grew up in the Shire of Eltham (North Riding)/Nillumbik I feel the Vision is absolutely unacceptable. Victoria has very little bushland left, especially so close to Melbourne, and if these changes are made the removal of native vegetation will only accelerate. Is there anyone left on Council/Shire administration that cares about the aims of the original Green Wedge? Please go back and try again!

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

4 and 5 appear to be weasel words for a pro-development agenda. Since when has hobby farming been under threat? Is that code for 'horse lovers are having trouble clearing their land'? Why does agriculture need to be 'preserved' in a green wedge? Surely there is ample, cleared, farming land in the other 90% of Victoria! Similarly, having a green wedge is by definition a constraint on population growth, but it greatly assists tourism and the greater environment. I'm sure you have heard of anthropomorphic climate change.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of

the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Again, they all sound very nice in summary, all very 'nothing to see here', but there are real problems with the detail.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

This concerns me: A3.2 Subject to the findings of the data base described by A3.1, review the Environmental Significance Overlay in the Nillumbik Planning Scheme.

I would strongly object to any watering down of this overlay. I believe the Council should be strengthening and widening environmental overlays. Is this not what makes Nilumbik great?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

I'm sorry, it doesn't matter how it is spun, when the environment comes up against a 'growth' agenda, the environment loses every time. This Goal is taking Nilumbik in the wrong direction. We can't have sustained growth within a limited environment, surely there is enough evidence for that. It seems that you aren't being very forward thinking.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Here is is again: A5.6 Consider reviewing the current application of zoning controls in the green wedge to better reflect the actual use of land.

Surely the use of the land should reflect the zoning controls and not the other way around?!! Who's dictating to who?

I hope I am wrong, but as it refers to "use of the land" is this a weasely way of saying that if land is being hobby farmed or horse stocked it should be subject to watered down environmental controls? If you don't like the bush, don't buy a property in the green wedge!

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Whilst much of the Plan makes the 'right noises' and seems positive, there are some very worrying hints of what it really means for the green wedge legacy. We need to think bigger/longer term: more trees, not less; less development, not more, less silt and farm effluent in the Diamond Creek etc., not more; less cars, not more.

Nilumbik is a precious gem that must not go the way of other pro-development LGA's.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Managing the Green Wedge for future generations is vital, particularly to protect the liveability of the area.

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Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

I support the Councils direction in this plan - it is much better than the previous version which appeared to be trying to turn Nillumbik into a National Park and the landowners as park keepers.

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Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Not sure about the precautionary principle - it could be used as a Trojan Horse for environmental zealots (of which Nillumbik has many). Definitely need to conserve the rural lifestyle and heritage of the area and recognise the landowners who look after it.

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Neutral

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Nillumbik is a divided community and will always be - the landowners feel under attack from green political activists.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Good idea

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

We love the lifestyle here and want to preserve it and we don't want to turn it back to bush so it can burn us all.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

We need to create jobs and opportunities - we cannot avoid the fact that Victoria is growing its population.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

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Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The vision appears to cater to the extreme green element. As a land holder i am constantly being threatened with more unrealistic restrictions on my land. I want to keep it green and i want to keep it natural but also want to live safely.

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Please give precedence to the ideas of those who live in this area.

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Subject: Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission
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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

My absolute main concern is that the integrity of the Green Wedge is not been seen as the primary focus of the plan.

This green wedge is one of the most beautiful places in the greater Melbourne area. I have lived in the bend of Islands for almost 20 years because of it's uniqueness and incredible biodiversity.

Many people drive out this way especially for this reason, to experience it's tranquility and beauty and biodiversity.

Your plan is way to open and is not specific enough for the expansion of business and growth surrounding our small towns.

Unless specific guidelines are included in your plan I can see an uncontrolled expansion of Research, Eltham, Hurstbridge and Diamond Creek. No doubt major growth in these areas will decrease open land , reduce biodiversity and increase traffic that our green wedge would be unrecognisable.

I am quite aware that those who have substantial parcels of land should have the right to manage their land, however it must be regulated. It cannot be utilised at the very detriment of our green wedge.

Please, please do not let economics and the pressure from certain groups allow our green wedge to be watered down to the point that in 20 years time it has become unrecognisable.

We are the stewards of our environment, let us not look back one day and realise that what we now treasure so much has become something unrecognisable. People live here and visit here for the very reason of open spaces, blue sky, clean air and biodiversity of our fauna and flora.

Let us not give that away or indeed sell it away for short term gains. Keep the reigns on the wedge!

Five Key Moves

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2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Strongly agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The 5 moves seem appropriate on paper. However, specifics on how this is done is my concern. For example, certain agricultural practices can be devastating to the land and to biodiversity.

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Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Safe well maintained property's in the green wedge is a priority.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

People who actually live in the Green Wedge on rural properties should have their thoughts given more value than the extreme greens .

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Agree

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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Support

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Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Flora and fauna is important but we know whats here lets concentrate on the weeds and cleaning up before the next bushfire.

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Time to support the real green wedge protectors who live and work in the Green wedge on a daily basis . The rural landowners.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

You're imposing far too many restrictions on land owners.

There are non owners, people living in different shires etc, all telling us how we can or can't use our land. It's a joke.

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Let's talk about sub division. People living on small blocks, renters, non property owners, even living in different shires preventing land holders from sub dividing their land. Fair? No.

Meanwhile the council & green wedge plans prevents owners from running their properties how they have in years gone by that helped them afford their properties. Want to do that, apply for a permit? Not sure if you need a permit? Apply for a 'do I need a permit?' Application. All money lining the councils pockets. Fair? No.

Couple that with increased rates that land owners can no longer afford because they can't sub divide, they can't farm how they used to. Fair? No

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree

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Social equity - Strongly disagree
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Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly disagree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Trust the land owners to manage their properties without being so controlling. This area is beautiful because they love their spaces. Period. Stop trying to control them.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

When I hear about meetings that seek feedback & then someone disagrees & physically puts a line through other people's comments, suggestions, feedback, this is not about an engaged & connected community it is completely disrespectful.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Do this without controlling land owners.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Do this without controlling land owners. Use your own govt spaces.

Work with & support owners but stop trying to control their land.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

How can the economy prosper when land owners are struggling & council keep taking?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

This is not about being inclusive, it's about leading owners to obey to the expectations imposed on them.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Listen to land owners. Those that have properties greater than 15 acres. These are the owners directly impacted.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

A TOO WORDY MOTHERHOOD STATEMENT DRAFTED BY A COMMITTEE. TRYS TO SAY TOO MUCH.

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Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Agree

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NO

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

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NO

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

NO

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

NO

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?
PROSPERITY LEADS TO POSITIVE OUTCOMES FOR PEOPLE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?
Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?
NO

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

1.THERE NEEDS TO BE A SENSIBLE BALANCE BETWEEN PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND USE. 2.ENVIRONMENTAL EXTREMISTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL VANDALS NEED TO BE SIDELINED.
3.REBUILDING OF DESTROYED DWELLINGS IN SAME LOCATION MUST BE "AS OF RIGHT" WITH NO COUNCIL VETO.
4.NILLUMBIK DOES NOT HAVE THE FINANCIAL CAPACITY TO PROPERLY MANAGE THE GREEN WEDGE, SO MUST GET STATE GOVERNMENT FUNDING. RATES ARE TOO HIGH AS RATE REVENUE BASE IS TOO LOW.
5.DEER ERADICATION PROGRAM IS URGENT TO PROTECT GREEN WEDGE.
6.EXTENT OF GREEN WEDGE TO BE REVIEWED. HOW CAN SHIRE BE ECONOMICALLY VIABLE WITH OVER 90% OF LAND AREA GREEN WEDGE ?

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Our local Green Wedge is of critical importance to our shire and on a wider scale, the whole of Melbourne. It acts as the lungs of Melbourne and a place for residents and tourists to be at one with nature. The protection and reinvigoration of the environment needs to be a central part of the vision for our Green Wedge and this is not stated clearly enough in the draft. For example, saying that "Environment or nature based opportunities will also be encouraged where they demonstrate environmental, social and economic benefits" makes the environment sound like an afterthought and the lowest priority. It needs to be the first priority and we should be actively finding ways to achieve social and economic benefit from the environment, not using them as factors to decide whether we protect the environment or not. The vision seems to be at odds with the State Government's Plan Melbourne 2017-2050, which states that the first priority for Green Wedges is to "Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation." After Council spent a huge amount of rate-payers' money to run a community panel to inform this plan, the result demonstrated clearly that the majority of residents in the shire love and cherish the environment in our Green Wedge. They want

Nillumbik to continue to be the Green Wedge Shire, where the Green Wedge is protected and enhanced through Council policy. The vision does not reflect this and references to “Living in the Landscape” are a clear erasure of these values. The plan needs to reflect that our Green Wedge is still the most intact of all of the Green Wedges in Melbourne and is a vital part of the wider system of Green Wedges. Its presence here is for the benefit of the whole of Melbourne, whether they live in Nillumbik or not. The plan is not strong enough on mitigation of the Climate Emergency. It is good to see that Council wants to adapt to the impacts of Climate Change but this seems to be the only focus and mitigation of the threat is forgotten. There is a lot that Council can do to mitigate Climate Change and Council must play its part. Declaring a state of Climate Emergency should be central to this and should go hand in hand with protection and enhancement of the Green Wedge. The traditional owners of our land are not mentioned enough throughout the plan despite having been the best custodians this land has ever had. They maintained the biodiversity of this area for thousands of years and we owe it to them to continue to protect that biodiversity and to recognise and celebrate their success in this area.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The five key moves could all be used well to protect the Green Wedge if they are applied correctly and to ensure that this happens, they need to have a much stronger focus on looking after the natural environment. In particular, the actions that must be taken to protect the environment must be stated in the document, with best environmental practice a priority to protect all native flora and fauna in our precious

Green Wedge. I have said in the web form that I disagree with them because there is a worrying lack of detail and lack of focus on environmental protection. 1 - Providing information to landowners can be very beneficial but it needs to be clearly stated how this will be done and what will be in the information. The information should remind landowners about their responsibilities to be good custodians of the local environment and why this is important. It should also contain advice on how to best maintain and enhance the natural environment and what landowners can and cannot do in the Green Wedge. It could also be used very beneficially in helping potential buyers practice due diligence so as they are aware of what they can and can't do before they buy land and nobody is left with a stranded asset. 2 – It is good to focus on community resilience but the description of this move is vague and seems like a long list of buzz words with no real action. In particular, Climate Change should be a priority and Council should have a strong plan to address and mitigate this threat. 4 – This move has no mention of the environment at all. This is very worrying in a plan which should have been written with the environment in mind. The first priority of this move must be to strengthen and enhance the natural environment across the Green Wedge. I note that as part of this draft, Council has not established a Policy Steering Group with stakeholder representatives, even though this is a requirement under Note 31 of the State Government's Planning Practice policy. This is very concerning. The draft does not articulate an Implementation Plan to the kind of standard that is acceptable to this community. The strong detail in the current plan is lost in the new draft. Planning Practice Note 31 requires that Council sets out actions and measures which need to be undertaken and this is not done in the draft. Council should use the previous plan as a basis for the new plan and build on it rather than weakening it and throwing out all of the elements that make it strong. Our current Green Wedge Management plan has very strong detail on how we should ensure protection of the Green Wedge and yet we are still losing vegetation in the area. This is an indicator that the plan, while good, is not strong enough and needs to be strengthened to reverse the decline. The draft does not achieve this and in fact winds back that detail and puts local vegetation at an even greater threat.

Principles

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- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

These principles are full of buzz words with no real action or meaning. 350 words are used and nothing is actually said. Although I agree in principle with many of the principles, the lack of detail and clarity mean that I cannot agree with Council's version of them. I am concerned about the lack of clarity about how they may be interpreted and applied in caring for the environment. The principles need to reflect the commitment to protecting the environment that was shown by the community in Council's recent expensive panel consultation processes. There is no principle in the plan which has a focus on the preservation and enhancement of the environment and biodiversity or which recognises the need to urgently reverse the decline of biodiversity and Climate Change. This needs to be added to the plan and treated as a priority. I think it's good that Council recognises Aboriginal Voice in its principles but the description of this principle is vague, short and does not do justice to the thousands of years of protection and good stewardship afforded to this land by its traditional owners. Managing Change for Future Benefit recognises that the Green Wedge is constantly changing but doesn't focus enough on protecting the environment and biodiversity through future change or dealing with and mitigating the effects of Climate Change on our Green Wedge. These are both things which need to be tackled by the plan. Social Equity is something that Council should have a very strong focus on but seems out of place in a plan that is meant to address the local environment. Its presence in the draft feels like a distraction from the real issue at hand, which is the environment.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

I am glad to see that Council is considering how the community can best be connected throughout the shire but this goal completely misses the point that this is a Green Wedge Management Plan. The plan should be about how the Green Wedge can best be managed to protect and enhance the local environment and to provide the best possible outcomes for the local community and the wider Melbourne. The wording of this goal is entirely about people and does not belong in a Green Wedge Management Plan. It would be very welcome in another Council document but this document is about conserving the Green Wedge, something which the Local Government Review Board declared as the strategic focus of our shire in 1994. If this goal were to be made relevant to the Green Wedge Management Plan, it would need to be reworded to express the differing needs between those living in urban areas and those living in the Green Wedge and it would need to have a plan to use community connectedness to assist and encourage people to be good custodians of the land and the natural environment. It should be about how we can protect and enhance the local environment – "What can we do for the land?", not "What can the land do for us?". It would also be worth mentioning under this goal that the whole community needs to come together to take serious action on Climate Change. If Council were to declare a Climate Emergency, this would fit in well with protection of the local environment and Council would have an opportunity to educate and work with the local community to help tackle the Climate Crisis.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Again, this is a good thing for Council to be pursuing but with the current level of detail, it does not belong in a Green Wedge Management Plan. There is not enough detail on how this relates to preserving and enhancing the local environment. As a cyclist, I'm glad to see it mentioned that the Green Wedge helps promote cycling. It does and this is

a huge benefit to our community, allowing locals to stay fit and healthy and encouraging tourists to pass through and spend money here. To ensure that we continue to reap the benefits of “active and creative people” from our Green Wedge, we need to preserve biodiversity as our top priority. The draft is right in saying that green spaces help promote health through encouraging exercise and improving mental wellbeing and social connectedness but none of the objectives or key actions talk about preserving biodiversity to achieve this. It is good that the draft aims to encourage more people to connect with the Green Wedge and learn about its value and beauty but there is no point doing this if the Green Wedge is going to be destroyed. The plan must aim to preserve and enhance biodiversity. This goal is once again about what the Green Wedge can do for us and not about what we can do for the Green Wedge. Our relationship with the Green Wedge must work both ways or we will quickly lose everything that we value about it. It is vital for the health of the whole community that we work with the Traditional Custodians of our land and have greater dialogue with them about how they loved and protected this land for thousands of years so we can continue to carry the torch on this - together. Goal 2 needs to make strong reference to this in its objectives and key actions.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Like other goals, this goal could be meritorious if applied correctly but I cannot support it with the current detail. The opening statement sums it up well: "Healthy and safe communities enjoy living in our iconic green wedge environment". This statement alludes to the benefits of the Green Wedge and what it can do for us but makes no reference to conserving and enhancing it. If we don't have a two-way relationship with our Green Wedge, we will lose it. The plan mentions bushfires and managing the related risks to environment and human life but does not include details on how the risk can be managed while still ensuring environmental protection. The Traditional Owners of our land managed the risk of bushfires for thousands of years without harming biodiversity and this plan should aim to do the same. It needs to be clearly stated that cutting trees down has an adverse affect on bushfire prevention because it encourages undergrowth and small vegetation to flourish and this vegetation burns more easily. Large, established trees can, in fact, provide a shield against bushfires. Bushfires can be managed through sustainable management of the land with biodiversity at the centre of everything we do. The plan must focus on this and make sustainable, environmentally friendly bushfire mitigation a top priority. This part of the plan consistently mentions adapting to Climate Change but this is not enough. Council must declare a Climate Emergency and take immediate action to mitigate the threat because we will not be able to adapt quickly enough and local residents, along with the rest of the world, will suffer greatly from the impacts of Climate Change. Part of creating safe and healthy

environments is preserving and enhancing all indigenous vegetation. The plan needs to focus on doing this throughout the shire – both on public and private land. We need to take a systems view of our Green Wedge. All parts of the Green Wedge are interdependent on each other. What we do on private lots can have a profound effect on both public land and other private lots in the area. With the repeated use of the word “balance”, Goal 3 creates the impression that environmental concerns require a trade off with other considerations. This is not the case at all and strong environmental protection can go hand in hand with positive social and economic advancement. The plan seems to allude to some areas of vegetation being more valuable than others. This discriminatory way of thinking will lead to further degradation of an environment which is already under pressure. Due to mismanagement of the Green Wedge, a lot of our ecosystems have been disturbed and this is a problem. By differentiating between different areas of vegetation, the plan creates the risk that small cuts to vegetation that is considered less important than other vegetation could eventually lead to the destruction of the whole Green Wedge. As I mentioned above, we need to have a systems view of this issue and acknowledge that all flora and fauna in our Green Wedge is equally valuable in ensuring the ongoing biodiversity of the land. In creating safe and healthy environments, it is important to educate the public about the importance and value of the environment and how to help protect and enhance it. This goal needs an additional action to run a massive public education campaign to help the public learn about biodiversity, the value and fragility of ecosystems, how to enjoy and preserve natural landscapes, how to manage bushfire risk sustainably, Climate Change and the significance of our Green Wedge.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Council does need to have a focus on the local economy and the Green Wedge can be a big part of this but I do not agree with this goal because there is a worrying lack of detail about how the Green Wedge will be protected while forming a central part of our Shire's economy. Again, we need a two way relationship with the Green Wedge – what can we do for the Green Wedge; not just what can the Green Wedge do for us. Economic activities must be constantly re-evaluated to keep up to date with the latest science to ensure that the environment is always protected and enhanced. The draft plan states that a major part of Nillumbik's economy is its proximity to Melbourne City. I agree with this but the plan needs to state much more clearly that the Green Wedge is a huge part of why our proximity to Melbourne helps us. The Green Wedge encourages tourism and as the most pristine of all of Melbourne's Green Wedges, it has the opportunity to be a very popular tourist attraction for our Shire. This opportunity is largely untapped and the plan needs to find ways of taking full advantage of the opportunity and also needs to acknowledge that it is only the strong biodiversity of our Green Wedge

that makes this opportunity viable. We must preserve and enhance biodiversity in the Green Wedge to retain the edge we currently have over other shires and we must link tourism in with educating the wider Melbourne community about the importance and the benefits of the Green Wedge, the challenges it faces and how we can all come together to protect it. The plan has a focus on internet and mobile access and refers to the impact of poor connectivity on businesses. There is also an impact on residents and this should be noted in the plan. There is no question that connectivity must be improved across our shire, namely in the Green Wedge. Not only will this help improve our economy but it will create an important network of communication in the case of an emergency such as a bushfire. With new technologies arriving such as the rollout of the NBN and the eventual rollout of 5G, Council has the opportunity to work with telco providers and the local community to improve connectivity and to ensure that new network infrastructure is appropriate in terms of environmental sustainability and local character. New network infrastructure must not threaten biodiversity and it must not create an eyesore for local residents and tourists. Under Objectives 4.3 and 4.4, the plan recognises and plans to support the contribution of hobby farmers and the equine community. I find it strange that the equine community is mentioned specifically here. This very narrow objective seems to focus on a very small minority of our community without acknowledging the contribution of others. There are horse riders on Council and it seems that they have inserted this into the plan for their own means, without considering the wider community and this is troubling. Furthermore, Objectives 4.3 and 4.4 need to have a bigger focus on how hobby farmers and members of the equine community can be better custodians of our land. It is not enough to acknowledge their contribution. We must be constantly striving for improvement and there needs to be a solid plan to help hobby farmers and people in the equine community to improve their knowledge and understanding of the importance of the Green Wedge and how they can better contribute to preserving and enhancing local biodiversity. Namely, we must promote regenerative farming and water conservation and tie this in with indigenous knowledge. Sustainable agriculture is strongly linked to climate change mitigation and a healthy Green Wedge and the plan needs to recognise this. Under the State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, when preparing a Green Wedge Management Plan, a framework is needed to encourage sustainable land management practices. This is not present in the current draft, even under this goal, which talks a lot about agriculture and the use of the land. The plan suggests that residents shouldn't need a permit to farm in the Rural Conservation Zone if the land has already been cleared. There needs to be more detail here. A lot of Nillumbik has been cleared at some point but the land regrows and can remain environmentally significant. Permits need to be used to ensure that the environmental significance of the land is respected and that residents are made aware in advance if someone plans to start farming next door. Animals with hard hoofs, such as horses, are not native to Australia and our environment has not evolved to cope with them. Their presence here, if not managed properly, can cause erosion, threaten water quality, damage flora and fauna and cause weeds to spread. The plan mentions agriculture and equine presence but does not have a method of limiting the impact that hard-hoofed animals have on our Green Wedge. Actions must be taken including preventing animals with hard hoofs from entering waterways and grazing in the bush. I am glad to see that

the plan discourages the further fragmentation of rural properties. I would like to see this point made stronger. Until recently, the planning scheme had a clause which made it very difficult to subdivide small lots and the plan should look into reinstating and strengthening this clause. Cycle tourism is a very important part of our economy and it is good that the plan recognises this. It would be beneficial for the plan to have a focus on making the area safer for cyclists. The difference between the issues faced by road riders and trail riders needs to be acknowledged. Road riders face danger from cars and this can be improved by creating better signage to remind drivers that there are riders around and by creating and improving bike lanes where this can be done without having a negative impact on local flora and fauna. For trail riders, there needs to be a focus on making trails safer by improving the surface and by creating a better structure to allow cyclists and pedestrians to share the trail. The current situation puts both riders and pedestrians at risk because they are not reminded to pay attention to each other. The plan should also focus on creating and advertising natural attractions to draw cyclists in. Cyclists love to see biodiversity and natural wonders around them as they roll around and the plan should focus on enhancing this within our Green Wedge.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Again, I cannot support this goal due to the lack of detail about how it relates to the Green Wedge. None of the objectives or actions relate to protecting the Green Wedge or protecting and enhancing biodiversity. There is also worrying vagueness, for example, Action 5.2, which proposes a whole of organisation approach to certain specific things and a “range of other matters”. This vagueness leaves the plan open to interpretation which will cause confusion and prevent it from achieving its purpose of protecting the Green Wedge. The very few parts of this goal which do mention the Green Wedge have a focus on sharing and building knowledge. For example, creating community education and discussion programs and doing stock takes. It is important to build knowledge and it is important to share knowledge but the plan doesn’t suggest any action to come from this. What will we do with the knowledge once we have it? Will we harness it to protect and enhance biodiversity or will it be wasted? Without strong action points, it will be the latter. Actions 5.6 and 5.7 are very concerning. They threaten to whittle away at our Green Wedge and further increase urban sprawl within the area. The Urban Growth Boundary should be treated as a hard boundary. It does not move and it is not lenient. One metre across the boundary is still across the boundary and outside the Urban Growth Boundary, the priority is to preserve vegetation and biodiversity. The draft plan would put the boundary under pressure, which beats the purpose of having it in the first place. There are some worrying open statements under this goal, namely Actions 5.7 and 5.8. It is not enough to say “better manage rural land that abuts the Urban Growth Boundary”; we actually need to define what better management is. Likewise, it is not

enough to say we'll "advocate Council's position" to government. We actually need a statement about what that position is and what our core values are. Both of these actions need to come back to a key value of environmental protection - protecting the Green Wedge, protecting local flora and fauna, revegetating and preserving and enhancing biodiversity. The draft plan mentions stewardship of the land but this needs to be referred to and expanded on under this goal, which it currently is not. All residents of this shire have an obligation to care for the land and protect, not degrade it. The land and its many ecosystems and waterways must be passed on in a better state than when we got them. Council should be educating the community about this and leading the way on revegetating and preserving and enhancing biodiversity. Single trees in large paddocks and small areas of remnant bush are environmentally significant. All green areas in our shire are currently under threat and this plan needs to give them more care and protection, not less. It is concerning that the plan wants to dial back on Rural Conservation Zones, suggesting they're restrictive on farming practices. Farming can co-exist with conservation and many farmers take stewardship of the land very seriously. Farmers want to work sustainably and protect the environment but this plan seems to misrepresent them. Rural Conservation Zones are crucial in Nillumbik, the Green Wedge Shire. The community wants them to stay and many farmers do too. Council can do a lot of things to support farmers and rezoning Rural Conservation Zones is not one of them. Part of responsible leadership is responding to and dealing with threats to people and the environment. The Climate Emergency is a big issue right now and this goal needs an action to tackle it. Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 speaks of the need to "Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation." Council has a responsibility to do this through not only educating residents but also enforcing policy to ensure that this is achieved and allocating appropriate resources to the issue. Nillumbik's Biodiversity Report points to inadequate enforcement as a contributing factor to the shire's loss of vegetation and the plan should deal with this.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The single strongest message from the community panel when council did their first consultation on this issue was that the whole of Nillumbik and wider Melbourne love the environment and biodiversity of the Nillumbik Green Wedge and want it to be protected, maintained, enhanced and reinvigorated. The draft almost completely ignores this and goes off in a wildly different direction. This is undemocratic and makes the expensive consultation process useless. Nillumbik Council was established with the purpose of being the Green Wedge Shire. Nillumbik Council's role is to have a strategic focus on maintaining and enhancing the Green Wedge. The plan fails to reaffirm this. There is nowhere near enough detail to sufficiently protect the local environment and the objectives, actions, goals and accountability measures are completely lacking in their

ability to promote the health and the purpose of the Green Wedge in the long term. According to the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, “the health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever.” The existence of Green Wedges is crucial in preventing and reversing this trend and Nillumbik Council has the power to make a huge difference and save these ecosystems for the good of locals, humanity and the whole world. If only there was the political will. The draft does not sufficiently address the impact of invasive flora and fauna on the Green Wedge. Council should use this plan to lead the way on eradicating weeds and finding humane and non-lethal ways of controlling feral species. This can be achieved through mechanisms such as trap, spay, neuter, release schemes, relocation of pests, barriers to keep pests out of sensitive areas and more innovative solutions such as the PZP vaccine, which can be used to vaccinate deer against pregnancy. I have grave concerns with this plan. It has the potential to do irreparable damage to the area that we love. As a review, this process should build upon the existing Green Wedge Management Plan but instead, Council has all but erased it and replaced it with a much vaguer, weaker plan, which will not sufficiently protect the local environment and which does not represent the clear message that residents sent to council through the community panel consultation process. The plan puts people’s greed first and fails to acknowledge that the environment is important for all of us. The plan must acknowledge that environmental protection can go hand-in-hand with what is good for people. There must be a two-way relationship between us and the environment. We must give back what we take out or the environment will suffer and so will we. It is my opinion that this draft plan misses the mark on a wide range of issues. It is written in a fashion which prevents it from being effective in achieving the fundamental goals of Green Wedges. It needs to undergo substantial change to the extent of a full rewrite if it is to achieve what a Green Wedge Management Plan should achieve. If Council is not prepared to make substantial changes to the draft as I have outlined in my submission, I ask that this draft is dumped and we continue to use the current Green Wedge Management Plan, which is valid until 2025 and which, while still not fully adequate, meets the requirements of a Green Wedge Management Plan to a much greater extent than this draft.

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Yes

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I object to the new draft GWMP because it does not reflect strongly enough the wishes of the community. The community has clearly expressed the view, both through the very expensive community engagement process and also the community panel, that they highly value the Green Wedge and, by and large, want it protected and strengthened. The motherhood statements and lack of detail in the draft management plan leave residents feeling that the Council is hell bent on weakening the green wedge protections and opening up previously protected area to development. The Council has demonstrated over and over again that they value profits over green spaces. I cite the attempted sale of 17 reserves. It is only community outrage that has had any check on their proposals.

Nillumbik Green Wedge is very important as it is the most environmentally intact of all of Melbournes Green Wedges. We have a responsibility to protect it for all the people of Melbourne, not just those in our Shire. We should be showing leadership in this area, not attempting to diminish the green wedge.

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

You can see more details about the [five key moves here](#).

1. A comprehensive landowners' information and support service.
2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
3. A "Green Wedge Conversations" program.
4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The lack of detail regarding what actions will be undertaken and how they will contribute to the protection of native flora and fauna across the shire is a real concern. The proposed draft contains much less detail than the current GWMP 2010-2025. Even with the current plan we have seen significant loss of vegetation across the shire. The proposed GWMP would seem therefore to be totally inadequate as a basis for preventing further loss of Nillumbik's native vegetation.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

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Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The principles are very broad and lack specific detail as to how they relate to the environment. They are basically a list of platitudes that are open to interpretation. The principle relating to aboriginal voice is laughable in its vagueness. What? How Why? are the fundamental questions that need to be applied to each principle. These are fundamentally lacking and therefore give the draft plan no teeth.

There is no mention of maintaining and promoting biodiversity.

The wording needs to be much more specific than "Change will be managed to conserve its values and with a focus on long term stewardship". In reality what does this mean? It is far too broad- and is therefore open to interpretation.

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Do not support

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While I commend community engagement, the point needs to be more forcefully made that the Shire of Nillumbik was set up in 1994 to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus. As the shire comes under increasing pressure from developers, this point must not be lost.

Community engagement to mitigate, not just manage the effects of climate change, and emission reductions, is of vital importance.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

No mention made of ensuring biodiversity.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

A lack of detail is a concern. The draft plan does not demonstrate a framework that encourages sustainable land management practices as outlined in the State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, as is required.

I am especially concerned about the mention of farming in RCZ areas not requiring a permit if the land has been previously cleared for farming. This definition of cleared land would appear to be far too broad. Permits should always be required as a check on inappropriate use of the land which could severely impact on both the environment and the amenity of neighbours.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Of real concern is key Action A5.6 and A5.7 of the draft which proposes changes to land use in the Green Wedge. This could lead to residential and commercial development beyond the Urban Growth Boundary and lead to a destruction of the value of the Green Wedge. This is entirely unacceptable. The urban Growth Boundary must remain fixed.

The suggestion of lessening the restrictions on farming in Rural Conservation Zones is a retrograde step and will lead, little by little to the diminution of the Green Wedge.

Responsible Leadership should include a section dealing with climate change mitigation. This and inappropriate developments are the two biggest threats to the Green Wedge.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

It is vital that the GWMP reaffirms the Shire's conservation role with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus. I cannot support the draft GWMP because it consistently fails to do this. It lacks detail, omits significant objectives and relevant actions.

The residents have made their position clear throughout 2018, in community consultations and the Panel Report, that they value the Green Wedge and want it enhanced, not diminished. The gall of this Council in continuing to ignore the stated wishes of the residents is breathtaking.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Move 1 seems a bit vague. I want to hear more emphasis on council engagement with community. And improved relationship and engagement with council from community.

Move 5 I'd like to make a suggestion that could be included in move 5. that council should have the power to fine property owners (after a warning) who deliberately do nothing about weed infestation on their property which effects neighbours or/and the local environment.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

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Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Focus must be on Protection of the people who live in the environment. (protection of life) this has to be number 1 priority.

Also long standing land use needs to be respected and conserved. Allowing the residents who actually live in environment to have "Quiet Enjoyment " without having the views of suburban groups push onto us.

We all live in the environment because of the way it is, so major development isn't what anyone wants, but at the same time the shire needs to grow and develop new opportunities for its residents and small businesses. The GWMP should be used as a guiding tool for that purpose. IT should be focused on the needs and wants of the community that actually lives in the environment rather than outside voices.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Again the key focus needs to be on local communities that actually live in the wedge and their needs, wants and desires.

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

In principle I support many of the key goals and actions. There needs to be more details spelled out for each area.

I firmly believe council should not allow itself to be distracted by groups for the all green agenda and that the focus should be on the people who live and make up the communities affected directly by the GWMP , whilst obviously balancing the significant challenges that come from climate change and the development around us.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

It is so important that Nillumbik supports and respects its indigenous people as well as their knowledge, history and cultural heritage. This has hardly been mentioned in the GWMP even though indigenous people have looked after our lands for thousands of years! I also think that environmental protection should be a primary vision of the Green Wedge. I feel that this is not stated strongly enough in the GWMP.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The current GWMP 2010-2025 has much more detail about the different ways our council will protect the green wedge. The current plan does not go into as much detail at all.

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Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Each of these statements are far too broad and need to have much more detail to allow for comment. It is hard to know how each of these statements will be applied. It would be great to have another statement about preserving our environment - this should be our priority.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

It would be great if the plan stated more clearly that our shire and the Green Wedge has different needs compared to those areas not as established as our Green Wedge.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

If we want to better manage our environment of the shire, we must create better dialogue with the Traditional Custodians of the land.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

An additional action to better educate our community and the general public about biodiversity, bush fire risks, caring for and maintaining our lands as well as climate change. These key issues all interlink and must be made a primary goal for the shire.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This goal lacks detail. The draft MUST mention that tourism developments within the Green Wedge need to be made in conjunction with agricultural uses - as stated in section 55 of the planning scheme.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Responsible Leadership needs to have a section about dealing with climate change.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

There is not a lot of detail in the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity. Please use more detail so that Green Wedge and Nillumbik Shire residents are aware of the the plans. We should really be looking after and protecting the Green Wedge - rather than thinking about what we can get out of the land. Having lived in these area for 27 years, I hold it dear to my heart.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Please find attached submission

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

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Other comments

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SUBMISSION ABOUT THE DRAFT GREEN WEDGE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Liezl Shnookal 4/08/2019

No. Our Green Wedge Shire does not deserve this Green Wedge Management Plan. Nillumbik's residents do not deserve this plan. And I, a proactive landholder of acreage and proud ratepayer of many years within Nillumbik, do not deserve this plan. No.

For this Plan does not safeguard the integrity of our Green Wedge; neither does it provide a solid plan for its protection.

This is of little surprise. For one of the Plan's key drivers is Nillumbik's Mayor, Cr Karen Egan. Cr Egan does not appear to have a good understanding of the history of Nillumbik's Green Wedge or in fact, about Green Wedges in general. Only a year ago (1/8/2018) Cr Egan posted this on the Friends of Nillumbik's facebook page:

"I'm so over history being rewritten about the Green Wedge. It was started in the 70's by 3 farmers to stop large land holdings from being broken up and sold off. Eric Butler was one of them. Another from Strathewen and one from Kangaroo Ground. Later on, other green wedges were set up BUT NOT as insurance against urban sprawl. That is a myth that some like to perpetuate."

Cr Egan has since deleted her post but screenshots are still available.

To correct Cr Egan, and to remind Liberal party member Cr Clarke, it was the far-sighted Liberal premier, Sir Rupert Hamer, who initiated the concept of Green Wedges. In 1971 there was initial recognition of green wedge areas within Melbourne metropolitan planning documents (Planning Policies for the Melbourne Metropolitan Region (1971) Report). In 2003 Green Wedges were enshrined in legislation (*Planning and Environment (Metropolitan Green Wedge Protection) Act 2003*) and in Victorian Planning Provisions. The Urban Growth Boundary was designed, in part, to protect the integrity of the green wedges.

Population increase and dramatic escalation of land prices over the past two decades have resulted in people moving further out of the city. Significant new developments have occurred on the fringes of the existing Green Wedges. As a result, there has been pressure to change the planning conditions currently protecting Green Wedges. This pressure has inevitably come from developers and individuals who stand to make windfall gains from rezoning.

The concept of Green Wedge refers to non-urban areas surrounding Melbourne that contain a mix of agriculture and low-density activities. About one third of the total green wedge area is public land, including national parks, other parks, reserves, and closed protected water catchments.

Green Wedges are environmentally significant areas and have enormous value as such. They have long been described as the lungs of Melbourne. With their wide open spaces, they provide an escape from the more confined spaces of the suburbs, both inner and outer, enabling a different form of relaxation and opportunities for recreational pursuits not available in built up areas. In this regard, suburban and green wedge areas complement each other. Green Wedges also preserve a high degree of bio-diversity in a way not possible in built up areas. Victoria has experienced extensive biodiversity loss over the past two centuries due to land clearing, pests, land development, water pollution and climate change, making the retaining of the integrity of our Green Wedges even more paramount.

Green Wedges also function as carbon sinks and are vital in storing carbon that would be otherwise released into the atmosphere. This is especially important at a time when carbon is increasing to dangerous levels and warming the planet. Built up areas can be regarded as “heating up” spaces, whereas open land is a “cooling down” space.

Green Wedges also constitute our food bowl and includes highly productive agricultural land producing up to 41% of Melbourne’s food needs.

As economic entities, the Green Wedges contain small farms and orchards, tourist attractions and other various small businesses. However, the rationale for their existence has never been primarily an economic one.

Green Wedges are instruments that provide for the health and wellbeing of communities, for stimulating the imagination, and demonstrating how economic use of the land can be combined with its aesthetic and recreational use.

There are many of us who love our particular Green Wedge. The Nillumbik Green Wedge Management Plan Community Engagement Report prepared by Wayfarer Consulting and published in August 2018, found that people enjoy the space and the sense of peace and wellbeing that comes from living on a Green Wedge. They also appreciate the environment, biodiversity, plants and animals that are sustained in Green Wedge environments. Further, many responses emphasised the need to maintain the protection of the Green Wedge, adding such warnings as “don’t mess it up”!

Yet here we have a Council which is trying to do exactly that: - “mess it up”. For this plan proposes to:

- Rezone farmland from RCZ to Green Wedge Zone, so the protection of biodiversity values is not required. This will also allow commercial ventures such as pig farming back into the area which would be an enormous travesty for this area. (I clearly remember the stench coming from the effluent of a nearby intensive piggery when I lived in Kangaroo Ground and the piggery trucks constantly squeezing through Hurstbridge’s township.)
- Allow for more development on rural land next to the Urban Growth Boundary and around township boundaries.
- Only protect pockets of ‘valuable’ biodiversity in the Green Wedge, but not where there’s farming activity.

Also the Plan will not:

- Confront general biodiversity and habitat loss across our Green Wedge.
- Protect remnant native vegetation to help mitigate climate change or restore wildlife corridors to help species survive.
- Ensure sustainable land management.
- Protect Green Wedge landscape values or reduce development pressure in our Green Wedge.

As the St Andrews Landcare representative, **I was part of the initial committee which helped shape the Green Wedge Management Plan that was adopted in 2010.** Unlike our current Mayor and many of Nillumbik's current sitting Councillors, Nillumbik Council at that time had a solid knowledge base and understanding of the value of our Green Wedge and were committed to its protection. Councillors ensured that the process of developing that Green Wedge Management Plan was thorough, and included extensive consultation with the Nillumbik community and with local experts in the field. Assistance too was provided by long-term staff members and managers at Council who had built up strong expertise and knowledge in this area, yet these people have mainly all gone now and have not had a hand in the current process. **The years of collaborative input and hard work resulted in a comprehensive and strategic Green Wedge Management Plan 2010 – 2025. It did not need to be reviewed only eight years after its implementation, and I strongly recommend that this Plan is reinstated.**

Unlike its predecessor, Nillumbik cannot be proud of this current draft Green Wedge Management Plan. I strongly oppose its adoption, because it does not provide adequate environmental protection for Nillumbik's Green Wedge. I remind Council that it is of paramount importance that we preserve the integrity of our Green Wedge for our own generation, and for those who come after us. We need a Green Wedge Management Plan which will do this; this one does not.

Yours sincerely,
Liezl Shnookal

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Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The statement does not fully cover the detail in the draft document. In particular, the activities of the majority of residents and landowners in the Green Wedge who farm on any scale. I cannot see how that fits into '.. living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability ..' There needs to be explicit mention in the statement that covers all agriculture, farming and animal husbandry.

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Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Key Move 2 - Our right to farm needs to be protected and enshrined so that we have certainty into the future. We live on land that has been farmed by five generations of our family since the 1870's. We have loved, maintained, managed and protected it for all that time through various agricultural activities. For much of the past four decades we have been impacted, often adversely, by local activists who seem intent on controlling use of property and the lives of people around them. They don't like what we do and seem to spend an inordinate amount of time subverting what many of the hard working people of this Shire do. This must stop, we need to know we are supported by Council and in particular their officers. Bush fire risk reduction and mitigation should also be in the forefront. Environmental considerations are important but should not take precedence over risk to people, their livestock and property. If a resident loses their house or other infrastructure due to fire, regardless of the size of their property, should have the right to build set in stone.

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Aboriginal voice - Neutral

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Support

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Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge

'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Changes as follows to the above statement.

Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the "natural" environment, "social and sustainability" of the Shire

There is no reference to the significant and threatened species that live here and require protection. There is a heavy view on human elements but not the protection of the environment- we are the caretakers of this land and this is being dismissed in view of global urbanisation.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The green wedge programs eg. education regarding management of sustainability has been reduced, not replaced and is under threat (Edendale farm). Current building rules have been eroded where environmental habitats and fire mitigation has been not fully endorsed. On view of current council decisions where by significant landclearing in real where threatened species have been undermined and allowed to build where previous post bushfire they have denied building permits due to fire risk eg. limited fire access (single road access)

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- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

There is no reference to the significant threatened species that dwell and rely on our protection of the environment in which they live.

We have just witnessed an major event in which the community and the environment is just recovering from (Black saturday) we need to nurture the future protection of this fragile environment. Principally - do no harm.

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Horse riding - can have impacts with weed invasion and erosion of fragile environment and should be only considered with strict risk management advise.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Under current Bushfire mitigation strategies, with increased burning ever 10 yr rather 20-50 yrs depending landscape - they are creating an environment that promotes growth of fire dependant plants eg. bergan, and on northern slopes scorching the soil and thus repelling water and changing the landscape to be more fire prone which is against all current research papers. This is event in all major bushfire events around the world. We are creating an environment where fire, major weather events etc will be more frequent, more devastating.

A3.2 Should be reworded to ensure the protection of significant site, species and habitats within the shire, in a collaborative, cost effective approach involving all agencies.

A3.9 - As current policies and overlays are under question this statement cannot be clarified.

There should be greater research and solutions to the declining water in the creek/rivers- active mangement of the stream management programs

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

The Green Wedge is largely about the environment, not farming. Currently there are recommendations for small scale farms, but these are not monitored or enforced in relation to environmental concerns, waste, erosion, sustainable creeks and runoff.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

>>Consider reviewing the current application of zoning controls in the green wedge to better reflect the actual use of land.

The previous councils had undertaken extensive engagement with expertise/experienced leaders in the field which has now been undervalued and current view is about reducing rates, expertise eg, removal of relevant positions in the council and reduced community engagement eg. landcare network

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

- Why spend over \$300,000 for something that doesn't require change? There was a lot of mis-information regarding the previous plan and money would have been better spent on educating re existing plan and programs.
- What's with so many of these questions being just motherhood statements? There is no substance in this process. None.

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

(a) I like the phrase "will lead the way", but the main motherhood statement seems to miss the point of what green wedges are for. We need to "lead the way" in environmental protection and reinvigoration. We do seem already to "lead the way" in that Nillumbik's green wedge has kept to that identity better than others in Melbourne, but we need to maintain that example. We also need that opening paragraph to reflect what Plan Melbourne 2017-2015 tells us is our top priority. For example: "Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in maintaining and enhancing the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species whilst at the same time supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community." (b) "Continued application of the urban growth boundary" doesn't show enough spine. It sounds like the Council just has to apply it wherever happens to be. We need Council to be really clear that the boundary is be immutable, it is to stay where it is. The paragraph about rural townships also needs a clear statement that they are not to encroach on surrounding landscapes. I'm all for them being the "primary focus for local economic activity in the green wedge" and I support "sensitive" moves to give them "economic vitality" but a clear statement needs to be made that they will not actually grow outwards. (c) Why is

climate change mitigation not mentioned in the Vision? This is the biggest issue of our time and it must inform all objectives and actions PLEASE. And I don't mean "coping with it". I use the word mitigation intentionally, because now is the hour when there are things we can, and must, do.

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Key Move 1 - Disagree

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Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

(a) To be honest, I have no idea how this section sits in relation to the rest of the plan. Some of it even reads like a script from the ABC's Utopia. I mean really, #2 - "whole of organisation approach to community resilience" – whole of what organisation? The whole of the Council? As if maybe not all the Council would otherwise have to follow through on the Plan? And "robust conversations on ..."? I see that double-speak for bringing the more unwilling members of the community on board, but that's covered already, sort of, in key move #3? (b) If the 5 Key Moves are meant to be an introduction to an Implementation Plan, there needs to be a proper interconnection between them and the Objectives and Key Actions that follow. Some of what's here is reflected there, but not consistently. I'd also expect to see Timelines, and other details like required Outcomes and Evaluations. (c) Could an improved version please say something about biodiversity or about reversing the current trend we have which is a net loss of vegetation generally.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

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Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

(a) Aboriginal voice – it sounds good to put this here, but I don't see any follow-up conversations being suggested, just that literature already written be taken notice of, so this one looks like just a bit of lip-service. (b) Relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne – there is phrasing here that really worries me. First, I would prefer something like "Nillumbik's importance to Metropolitan Melbourne and to generations both present and future" But second, the paragraph that follows is somewhat sanctimonious? self-righteous? spoilt brat-like? I interpret it to mean "Sorry guys but we are a bit stuck with rules we have no control over. Basically we are forced to live uncomfortably so that others can be happier than we'll ever be – but hopefully we can make a few sub-rules that benefit ourselves in all this." We are custodians of this area and yes, other people benefit from our looking after it well but we will too, and so will the generations that follow us if we do a good enough job of it. PLEASE rework this one. (c) Please also add a principle about the preservation of the environment and biodiversity. We need to do

something about the loss of vegetation and decline in biodiversity. Something about climate change mitigation could be part of this principle also.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

I read somewhere that the Shire of Nillumbik was meant to be a “conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus”? I have no issue with the idea of “engaged connected communities”, but most of this section could apply just as easily to Box Hill or Essendon. I’d like to think that our “engaged connected community” would be brought together in this task of looking after our green wedge, and in mitigating climate change by planting trees, installing solar panels, reducing our carbon emissions etc – but none of that gets a mention. Could you add it in please.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Could you add climate change mitigation efforts in here too please, and actions that support biodiversity. This is also a place where NEW conversations could be had with the “aboriginal voice”. Thank you for the section on the Trails Strategy 2011; my goodness what an example of how the slowly it is that wheels of government can turn.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

p29-32: lots of good things said here, specially objective O3.5 “Conserve the bush and rural landscapes to maintain the natural beauty of the green wedge” and generally the “Key actions” (pp32-33) look worthy. But - (a) Please here address the climate change crisis. Don’t talk about “adapting”; talk first about what we can do to mitigate it – there’s a whole raft of things that are ignored here. (b) Please give the health of the environment priority. For example A3.12 (p33) is too soft. It says “balance amenity use of our waterways with environmental considerations and balance demand for private use of water flows ...” . In fact we need to PRIORITISE the environmental considerations or in the long run we all suffer. (c) Please add an Action to promote advocacy with the state government to re-think the 10/30, 10/50, and fence-line rules for bushfire protection when it comes to towns and built up areas. (d) And please add an Action for a public education campaign. There’s a lot that could go on the agenda, about which we all need to become wiser, for example - biodiversity - value of ecosystems - bushfire risk reduction (and the ancient role of fire?) - why the green wedge is so important - climate change mitigation - caring for our natural landscape

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

What happened to environment protection? It MUST be mentioned in the intro!! The local economy inside the green wedge MUST be eco-friendly. Surely agriculture in a green wedge MUST provide for the health of the environment, water conservation, and biodiversity.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

(a) Please add a map that shows the zonings across the shire – RCZ, GWZ, etc. There are so many maps already that not having this one is a strange exclusion, and it's not easy to find online. (b) I do NOT support the re-zoning of farmland from RCZ to GWZ, and I believe the second last paragraph on page 40 gives a false impression. From this government website: <http://agriculture.vic.gov.au/agriculture/farm-management/business-management/planning-applications-in-rural-areas/rural-zones-explained> ... I understand that RCZ is the main zone for rural areas of environmental significance. That applies to Nillumbik’s green wedge area. It goes on to say that “Agriculture is allowed in the RCZ provided it is consistent with the environmental and

landscape values of the area. Agriculture (other than animal keeping, apiculture, intensive animal husbandry and timber production) and a single dwelling require approval in the RCZ, whereas animal boarding and intensive animal husbandry are prohibited." I support all of this for our green wedge. A landholder having to apply for a permit is not the same as not being able to get one. Maybe they don't want to have to apply, but the process helps ensure that the green wedge will be looked after. I think it is important that the status quo is maintained. We have had a net loss of vegetation already. Permits need to be enforced more, not less.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

(a) Somehow completely missing is a statement summarising the purpose of green wedges. I fear it has been forgotten (except in terms of "the state government is making us do x and y"). The environmental and biodiversity aspects have thereby disappeared, and the need to maintain these areas as un-developed as possible. I acknowledge that landowners in Nillumbik may have been feeling undervalued, but if so, that's a pity. But I'm left with a worry about how un-firm the UGB is going to be, about the potential for expansion of townships within the green wedge. I fear that Council is becoming seduced by the vision of the tourism dollar and forgetting what the green wedge is for. (b) Oh, and did I mention climate change mitigation? Six times? Well let's make it seven. I don't mean bushfires. I'm not talking about adaptation either. You've covered both of those fine. I mean positive actions that will mitigate climate change, draw down our carbon emissions. Climate change mitigation. Now. While we still can. Climate change mitigation? Yep, that's the one. Thanks.

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The plan needs to address issues more holistically - people, flora, fauna as an ecosystem, not just focusing on the people and the Shire.

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Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Neutral

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It is important to provide sufficient detail for people to an informed judgement about the key moves. This is currently not the case.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

A principles-based approach is commended but it is not clear enough how these principles will be put into practice and how it will be monitored that we have indeed adhered to the principles. There is no focus on biodiversity and a sustainable ecosystem preserving the indigenous nature of the environment.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

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While it is important to look at diverse use of the green wedge, priorities for conservation need to be set. For example, A1.5 seems solely about 'people' not 'people and how they need to behave to preserve what is left of our environment'. For example, A1.6 - the intent is not clear - will this result in more building? will this result in more pressure on the already fragile environment?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Again, there is not enough specificity provided here that would allow me to answer this question positively - such as in A2.7 - I would like to see clear prioritization in favor of flora and fauna, The principle should always be 'first do no harm'.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

I am opposed to A3.2 a review of the Environmental Significance Overlay, particularly in relation to agricultural practices. It is time we protect the little we have left of the ecosystem and change human behavior accordingly.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Again, priorities need to be towards the ecosystem not the economy. We cannot afford to lose any more for the sake of our children and beyond.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

I would like to see the leadership take a clear stand for a green and environmentally sustainable Shire, not further develop it into an agricultural or peri-urban area.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The draft plan worries me in terms of its intended focus which seems to be more about serving the needs of people regardless of the impact on the ecosystem. We cannot afford to do this.

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No

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Environmental protection and reinvigoration must be central to the vision for the Green Wedge. The vast majority of residents cherish the high environmental values of the GW; they want it not only maintained but protected and enhanced. Reflection that Nillumbik's GW is the most environmentally intact of all Melbourne's GWs and is for the benefit of ALL Melbournians. Climate change mitigation must be included. Be respectful of indigenous people, their culture and knowledge. We can learn from them. The above points are either missing altogether or not stated strongly enough

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They all lack detail. Apparently Council has not followed State Government policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP as an implementation plan, based on objectives and actions. There needs to be much greater emphasis on the care of the natural environment, especially actions to ensure the protection of ALL native flora and fauna. Whilst the current GWMP 2010-2025 has much greater detail than the draft document - and should thus be used as a basis for improvement - it still needs to be much stronger and clearer, as there has so far been consistent vegetation loss. This vegetation loss must be stopped/reversed.

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Again, where are the details? Each principle statement is too broad and it is thus unclear as to how they will be interpreted and applied. Preservation of environment and biodiversity must be included as a principle. Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge, the decline of native plants and animals, and improving the natural environment in line with state government policies, e.g. Plan Melbourne 2017-2050. Principles contain potentially useful ideas but there must be greater emphasis on protecting the environment.

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Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Lacks details Engaging the community is important but must be framed in the context of environmental protection. The Shire was set up to be a Conversation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus. "How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?" must be the focus rather than "What can we get out of the land?" The latter question sounds like 'mining the land' rather than cultivating it. Working together to mitigate climate change is vital. Green Wedge areas have different needs to normal rural

land - this must be made clear.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Lack of detail Green space is vital to health. The Shire's biodiversity is an important feature here and must be given high priority. Dialogue with traditional custodians is important.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Lack of detail The importance of conserving all indigenous vegetation, both on public and private land, must be stressed. "Balance" is used widely, but if environmental values are not uppermost then other activities will inevitably suffer in the long term. Bit-by-bit land clearing and grazing leaves plants and animals vulnerable to ever increasing stress and disappearance. Most land is already under severe stress and must not be allowed to degrade further. On the contrary: it needs re-generation. An extensive public education campaign regarding biodiversity, ecosystems, bushfire reduction strategies climate change et al, and their interdependence, must be included here.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Lack of detail Overall environmental protection must be the clear focus. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protection. Goal 4 should be renamed "A prosperous Green Wedge economy". Whilst support for local agriculture is important, the obvious link between sustainable agricultural practices, climate change mitigation and a healthy Green Wedge must be central to the GWMP. This draft does not clearly outline how sustainable land management practices will be encouraged as is required by State Planning. This draft suggests that no permit would be required to start farming in the Rural Conversation Zone if the land has been previously cleared and farmed.

Terminology is unclear. Permits MUST be required. The draft must state that tourism developments must be in conjunction with agricultural uses. This is stated in the Planning Scheme and is necessary to lessen the likelihood for inappropriate development. Horses and other hooved animals have a strong negative effect on the environment. Actions, including education of those involved with those animals must be implemented.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Responsible stewardship requires that the land, its diverse ecosystems and waterways are passed on in a better state. Council must educate residents and lead the way. This draft suggests that the Rural Conservation Zone be re-defined to only cover areas of higher conservation values putting at risk scattered pockets of remnant bush or sole trees which are actually in greater need of protection. Climate change mitigation to be included. Council must provide education on a range of sustainable, environmentally friendly living practices. It is Council's role to significantly contribute to educating residents regarding the protection and care of biodiversity and to provide the resources to enforce policy standards. The draft proposes changes to land users in the GW which could erode the values of the GW and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside the Urban Growth Boundary. the UGB must remain as a hard line. The draft must recognize the role Nillumbik can play locally in attacking global problems.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

In summary I want to say this: The strongest message from the initial community consultation and the panel report was that Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the GW and want it to be maintained, protected and re-invigorated. This message must lay the foundation for any GWMP. This draft clearly does not meet that goal. The GWMP must reaffirm the Shire's Conservation role with the GW as its strategic focus. This draft consistently fails to do this. It lacks significant detail and omits significant objectives, relevant actions and accountability measures that would ensure the long term health and purpose of the GW. There is a worrying lack of detail throughout the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms and varying quality. Clearly defined actions need to be included to ensure the long-term health of the GW. Invasive

species of both fauna and floral must be better addressed. It is imperative that discussion be backed by current science, particularly with regard to the need for environmental repair and preservation and urgent climate change mitigation. And finally: It is necessary that we uphold the highest of professional standards throughout the Shire and its Leadership.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Climate change mitigation must be an overarching Goal for the GWMP and therefore must be addressed in the Vision. It must inform all objectives and actions such as regenerative agriculture, fire management, waste management, bush regeneration, education, and economic strategy. Throughout the draft, the repeated mention of just adapting to climate change leaves the reader with the impression that Council has basically thrown their hands up in the air suggesting there is nothing that they nor Nillumbik residents can do to tackle climate change. This is not true and must be part of every day action.

Five Key Moves

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Principles

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

An additional Principle that focuses on Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity, and describes the urgent need to reverse the decline of biodiversity and effects of climate change should be added to the GWMP. Biodiversity Protection should be given the status of a Goal in the Plan As with the 'Five Key Moves', the outlined Principles contain potentially useful ideas but there needs to be greater emphasis on the protection of the environment. For example, the principle that says, 'The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its values and with a focus on long-term stewardship.' could read, "The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its biodiversity and environmental values and with a focus on long-term stewardship."

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

The community as a whole must come together to ensure serious action is taken to mitigate climate change and draw down carbon emissions. This is a top priority for how we live together as a community – our collective wellbeing depends on it, as does the environment.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

In order to better manage the natural environment of the Shire, greater dialogue must be generated and maintained with the Traditional Custodians of the area. This is vital for the health of the whole community and the environment in which we live. A Key Action of Goal 2 must focus on this.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 3 repeatedly uses the language of 'balance', and this needs to be amended as it indicates that our thinking is oppositional. It implies that there is a need to trade-off environmental health against other considerations, while international, national, and state government reports indicate that we must prioritise the health of our environment. For example, A3.12, p 33, speaks of balancing amenity, environmental considerations, private water extraction and community considerations. What needs to take place is a prioritisation of environmental considerations, as without optimal environmental health, all other activity and considerations will be constrained. An additional Action must be to undertake a massive public education campaign about biodiversity, the value of ecosystems, care for natural landscapes, bushfire risk reduction through understanding the ancient role of fire in the landscape, the significance of the Green Wedge, climate change and their interdependence.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This section must clearly focus on overall environmental protection. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. This must be reflected in the title of the Goal, the Actions, and throughout the plan, for example, 'A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy'. • Support for local agriculture is important but must always provide for the continuing health of the environment. New systems that respect and promote regenerative farming including water conservation, Indigenous knowledge, and indigenous flora and fauna must be encouraged. The obvious link between sustainable agricultural practices, climate change mitigation and a healthy Green Wedge, must be central to the GWMP.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Stewardship of the land is mentioned in the draft plan, and its role must be better defined in Goal 5, Responsible Leadership. It needs to explain that Nillumbik residents have an obligation to care for the land, not degrade it, and this must be for the entirety of their tenure. Responsible stewardship also asks that the land, its diverse ecosystems and waterways, are passed on in a better state. Council must educate residents about these matters, and lead the way by increasing revegetation of indigenous flora throughout the Shire. • This draft plan suggests the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) is too restrictive of farming practices and this zoning should only be applied to land with higher conservation values. This suggestion puts at serious risk flora and fauna across a significant proportion of the Shire, whether as single trees in paddocks or scattered pockets of remnant bush. These are all vital and in need of greater care and protection, not less. • Responsible Leadership should have a section dealing with climate change mitigation in accordance with the precautionary principle. • Council ought to provide education and free, easily accessible advice to residents on a range of topics such as 'avoid - reduce - reuse - recycle', reducing meat-consumption, buying local produce and growing your own, responsible waste disposal, reduction of car-dependence, benefits of native vegetation etc. • This Goal in its entirety must place much greater emphasis on the need to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.' (Refer 1st item in Appendix 1 of draft GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050). It is Council's responsibility to make significant contributions to the education of residents for the protection and care of biodiversity. Alongside education, it is essential that appropriate resources are allocated to the enforcement of policy standards. Nillumbik's Biodiversity Report outlines the ongoing loss of native vegetation and part of the problem is inadequate enforcement. The GWMP needs to recognise the leading role that Nillumbik can play; that we can be part of the solution, acting locally to address global problems. We're a relatively affluent population. Nillumbik is the perfect place to start turning things around. If not here and now, where and when?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

THIS IS A CLIMATE EMERGENCY, we are in the midst of the 6 great EXTINCTION LEVEL EVENT of this earth. We are not separate from nature, we are nature trying to protect itself. WE need to act in accordance to this. Declines in biodiversity are at critical

levels, and there is urgent need for action by all levels of government and society. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) states that, "The health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide. It is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global"

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

No

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

No

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

No

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 1 Engaged connected communities Suggest add Environmental Action 1.7 from page 43 of Nillumbik Green Wedge Management Plan 2010-2015 Delivering the Vision –“Investigate whether there are other settled areas suitable for application of the Environmental Living Zone (SU22) and assess the value of planning scheme amendments”.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 2 Active and creative people Suggest add from page 40: GWMP 2010-2025 Actions: 8.3 re expansion of bicycle routes and walking paths; and Action 10.4 re regional trails network. Suggest add from page 50: Action 11.1 production of interpretation strategy: Action 11.6 re production of a guide to the Green Wedge; and Action 1.7 re investigation of a visitor centre for the Green Wedge.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 4 A prosperous economy Suggest add from page 45 GWMP 2010-2025 Action 3.1 re development of a sustainable tourism plan for the Green Wedge; and from page 46 Action 5.1 assessment of tourism related accommodation and pursue opportunities to increase accommodation (there is at present no camping facility in the Green Wedge).

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Goal 5 Responsible leadership Suggest Actions from page 52 1.2 establish expert committee to advise on Green Wedge funding; 1.6 research into community awareness of green wedges; 1.7 Victorian Government promotion of the Green Wedges; and 1.8 lobby for increased funding of the rural sectors of the Shire.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The new plan needs to put more emphasis on cooperation with the three adjacent Green Wedges (Whittlesea, Manningham and Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges). Although a minor point the draft plan fails to mention that there are two small parts of the Nillumbik Green Wedge outside the Shire of Nillumbik (an area south of the Yarra in the City of Manningham and area west of the Plenty River in the City of Whittlesea). It is important that a major effort be put into gaining State Government funding for all Green Wedges and Nillumbik could lead the way. In Britain similar protected areas (IUCN category V – protected landscapes) are fully funded by central Government - for planning, management and staff.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I do not trust what council is up to. It is noted that you have savaged the environment team, removed the CEO etc. There is nothing wrong with the current GWMP.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

1. Land use and management sounds like 'do what you like'. 2. Bushfire risk reduction sounds like 'control burns and vegetation reduction'. 'Economic development' sounds like, 'more land use' which ultimately ends up in flora and fauna destruction. 3. What is to be done about the protection and creation of remnant vegetation and native animal species. I don't really care too much for farming etc. 4. This scares me. It sounds like 'lets build more house and businesses etc'; that ultimately equals flora/fauna loss. Plus, the traffic is terrible with all these extra people in the shire and the edges of Whittlesea. 5. Neutral with the possibility of 'agree'. I still don't trust what council is up to.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

1. Leadership. You got rid of the CEO and most of the environment team. Sounds like fluff words. 2. Whatever, are you just ticking the indigenous box? 3. Maybe, let's see. 4. Change Management is another fluff terminology used by verbose people to disguise already determined outcomes. I haven't seen anything to define the 'Green Wedge Values' as yet. 5. Sounds like more fluff. 6. Maybe, let's see. 7. Whatever, sounds like being nice to people. 8. As long as the natural environment does not suffer. 9. Is the 'Green Wedge Environment' the natural environment that does not include human interference? If so, sure, but I don't see more than a cursory mention of the natural environment from time to time. It does not seem that important to council. 10. What comes first? People or the environment? Everyone that lives in Nillumbik exempt minors, chose to live where they are. So, no-one is imprisoned here. Everyone that purchased land here knew what they were getting themselves into when they checked the section 32 etc. So I have no sympathy for people who are land speculators, developers etc. Bad luck, this is a green area, not an area that you can have a sook to council or go to vcat, or lobby for as zone change. I bought a big block of mostly forest in this shire for a reason, I don't to see it stuffed up and degraded.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Some of these points sound ok, but, none of these proposals are supported if the natural environment is jeopardised. I dont care for the amenity and productivity aspects, if someone bought land that is zoned a certain way, tough luck, you bought it. Still sounds

a little suspect.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Sure, as long as remnant flora/fauna areas are as a minimum maintained or extended.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

O3.1. What is 'valuable biodiversity'? O3.3. Fact, District 14 of the CFA responsibilities of the state has fire callouts at more than double in grassland (paddocks for cows, horses etc) than in native vegetation. So be very careful about thinking that cleared land is your new best friend. So, how are you going to manage this point? O3.5 and O3.6, good. The rest, good. But I am still sceptical.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

A4.5. Why does a primary producer get a rate reduction when they are using the land to make money? I bought my forested block to preserve it, to help with the lungs of Melbourne and the planet. Can I have a rebate too? I don't use the library, pool, and any of the other stuff, you empty my bins basically. A4.9. I look forward to seeing an equine strategy. I don't care either way about horses. I'm concerned about feed for horses and other grass eating animals and where it is sourced from and the introduction of weeds into the shire.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

The proof will be in the pudding, lets see. I need to read/see more detail to re-gain the trust I dont have.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I am deeply concerned about the apparent stripping back of natural environment controls in the shire. This place is about humans living within the natural environment for enormous parts of the shire. It seems to be a bit of an inconvenience that native animals and plants are trying to survive here too. Some of them at National and significance. As stated in points above. Why has the environment team been slashed to a skeleton of its former self? What happened to the previous CEO? Where they too green, note that this has not gone un-noticed. I had no issues with the RCZ and ESO overlays. Leave well enough alone. I dont want to see this place bustling with tourists, if I want that I'll go to Yarra Glen. I dont support any removal of any vegetation, the 10-30 rule post black saturday was the greatest thing ever for people getting past 'annoying' veg to allow for all sorts of development. Tree's removed in the hundreds and thousands. And I have heard the stories from Eltham. There are some glimmers of hope, but I am far from convinced. Why have you rejected half of your own panels recommendations? That sounds very dodgy.

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Principles

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- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
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- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

[Goal 5: Responsible leadership](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Not sure

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Leave green wedge area alone

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Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

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A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

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Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The State Government's Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 gives the first priority for the Green Wedge as maintaining and enhancing the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species, in order to achieve a net gain in both quantity and quality of native vegetation. So environmental protection and reinvigoration need to be front and centre in the Council's vision for the Green Wedge. They do not seem to be so. Along with the majority of Nillumbik residents, I greatly value and cherish the Green Wedge's high environmental values, and want it protected, maintained and enhanced. This is not reflected in the draft GWMP. Further, because of demonstrable climate change, mitigation must be not only a key goal in the Draft GWMP, but must inform all plans and actions in Council's strategies.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

They seem to be full of fine-sounding words and 'motherhood statements', but considerably lacking in detail. Has the Council followed the State Government's policy requirements in the production of this draft GWMP? It appears not, since it does not articulate an implementation plan based on clearly stated objectives and actions together with specifying the Council Department responsible for implementing each action. The State Government's Planning Practice Note 31 states, 'Each GWMP will set out a series of actions and measures that need to be undertaken, and identify resource requirements, roles and responsibilities, timelines, outcomes and evaluation.' This draft GWMP is lacking in the detail contained in the current GWMP which it seeks to replace. The draft GWMP needs to be much stronger, giving much greater detail about ways the Council and community will ensure the protection of the green wedge, which is consistently losing vegetation, and hence exacerbating the effects of climate change.

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- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

These principles are broad statements without clear indication about how they will be interpreted and applied while ensuring care for the environment. They should reflect the community's strong commitment to maintaining and protecting the Green Wedge. The principles sound fine on the surface, but it needs to be more clearly stated how each one will be understood and acted on while protecting and enhancing the environment.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

It is good to engage and involve the community, but the GWMP needs to acknowledge

that the Green Wedge has particular needs that are different from those of adjoining areas. And the community as a whole, together with Council, needs to come together to ensure serious action is taken to mitigate climate change.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

It is important to put a strong focus on protecting Nillumbik's biodiversity. More detail is needed here. Green space is a vital contributor to health and well-being of the community. And communication with traditional custodians of this area is vital for our health and the area's health.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

All indigenous vegetation in the Shire should be conserved on private and public land. Judging some areas of vegetation as more significant or valuable than others could lead to suggestions that it be stripped of its vegetation and used commercially, thus further degrading the environment. All need to cooperate to increase habitat for wildlife, so our Mayor does not need to feature in the daily news because our wildlife has lost so much habitat the animals are encroaching on private land. "Balance" implies trading environmental health for more commercial or recreational opportunities. Without health, wealth is valueless. The Council should initiate mass public education in our Shire about the value of biodiversity, ecosystems, care for natural landscapes and bushfire prevention.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

It would be much better if this goal were headed "A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy, where the commercial activities proposed would be assessed and altered in response to the latest science re environmental protection. Support for such activities should always be accompanied by actions to provide for the continuing health

and biodiversity of the area. Regenerative farming practices should be encouraged thus providing one means to mitigate climate change. The State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, entitled 'Preparing a Green Wedge Management Plan', requires a framework that encourages sustainable land management practices. This has to be clearly demonstrated in any GWMP. This current draft does not achieve this requirement. What exactly is meant by 'cleared land'? Land that was once cleared but is in the process of regeneration, should not be treated in the same way as land that has been continuously maintained free of vegetation. Permits to commence farming are an important safeguard. And agricultural use of the Shire's land should always be in conjunction with tourism development for the area, since so much tourism is linked to, if not founded on, the 'green' nature of the Shire's environment. Appropriate and responsible ownership of hard-hoofed animals in the Shire needs to be taught and maintained, for the sake of waterways and environmental care.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

The draft GWMP does mention stewardship of the land, but this needs to be better defined under this goal. All Nillumbik residents are responsible for caring for the land - not degrading it - for the whole of their tenure here. The suggestion that the Rural Conservation Zone should be less restrictive of farming practices, will put at risk flora and fauna across a significant area of the Shire. Even single trees in a paddock and isolated pockets of shrubs contribute towards mitigating climate change. On the whole this goal needs to put greater emphasis on maintaining and enhancing biodiversity, and achieving a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation. As well, sufficient resources should be allocated to enforcing policy standards. This has been inadequate, resulting in ongoing loss of native vegetation. Key Action A5.6 and A5.7 [page 40 of the draft] propose changes to how land within the Green Wedge can be used. This has the potential to erode the values of the Green Wedge and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside the Urban Growth Boundary. The UGB must be treated as a hard boundary. The GWMP needs to recognise the leading role that Nillumbik can play; that we can be part of the solution, acting locally to address global problems. We're a relatively affluent population. Nillumbik is the perfect place to start turning things around. If not here and now, where and when?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

We moved into Nillumbik nearly fifteen years ago because we were attracted to its 'green' character. As we have lived here, contributing as we are able to the life of the local community, we have come to value this quality more and more. Nillumbik has a wonderful opportunity in the GWMP to set the tone for other shires and communities, reaffirming our conservation role with the Green Wedge as its Strategic Focus. As biodiversity decreases, and climate change increases, there is urgent need to stem this tide before it is too late. The Draft GWMP needs more detail and clearly defined actions to address the problems of the long-term health of the Green Wedge.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Environmental protection should be the central focus of the plan given that the green wedge is a finite space. Slow continual development will erode the overall character. Residents cherish the high environmental values of the Green wedge and want it maintained, protected and enhanced. The draft does not reflect the community's position regarding these values.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

It appears the Council has failed to follow the State Policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP. This raises doubts about the validity of the entire document and associated processes. There needs to be a greater emphasis on the care of the natural environment. The document needs to describe in greater details the ACTIONS to be taken with guidelines to ensure the protection of all native flora and fauna across the shire. There needs to be an emphasis on reinvigoration and biodiversity for the long term.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The principles lack clarity making them liable to interpretations that are not in the interests of Green Wedge protection.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Engagement of the community is extremely important if we are all to work together for the same common goal. Unfortunately, Goal 1 fails to adequately stipulate that conservation is the priority of a shire pronouncing itself as ' Green Wedge '. This is of the utmost importance given the challenges faced by a world facing unfavourable climate change.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

The objectives and key actions must state a strong focus on ensuring Nillumbik's

biodiversity.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

There is a need to preserve the biodiversity of the area and the current habitats of flora and fauna, and to prioritise environmental considerations.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

There needs to be more detail in regard to striking a balance between a prosperous economy and environmental protection as the two ideals often conflict.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

There is a need to maintain and enhance diversity of indigenous flora and fauna, habitats and species. The UGB must remain a firm boundary as the danger is for the Green Wedge to become an abstract philosophy rather than a fixed geographical space with long term protection.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Residents and the wider population of Melbourne love and cherish the Green Wedge of Nillumbik Shire . We seek to protect the status of the current Urban Growth Boundary indefinitely. Protection of green open spaces, flora and fauna is of utmost importance. A sensitive approach to the ongoing management and use of these landscapes is required to prevent gradual degradation through encroaching urban sprawl.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

It is vital that the biodiversity and existing bush land has stronger protection. There is very little mention of indigenous representation.

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Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

There needs to be much more detail in these. The current rate of vegetation loss is very concerning and must not increase.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

There is worrying lack of detail. There is not enough focus on biodiversity of flora and fauna

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Number 1. It must reflect the community desire to protect the environment

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Number 2. Lack of detail. There must be more education relating to the first nations people and how they cared for the land and had connection to it

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Number 3. lack of detail. Healthy environment is healthy in tact bush land that supports all species. Use of low intensity cool burns guided by indigenous people and not chainsaws and bulldozers.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Number 4. Lack of detail. A prosperous economy can mean a wide range of options but in our shire that focus must be on the natural assets and strengthening of biodiversity to attract nature based economy and less on agricultural damaging economy.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Number 5. The leadership must show that the protection of biodiversity is priority. Lead the way in education of our first nations people. Lead the way in showing the benefits of indigenous flora for a drier climate and poor soils

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The initial response to the GWMP was strong in favour of protection of the green wedge and that is not reflected in this draft. There is worrying lack of detail around the protection of biodiversity. I have grave concerns that protection laws will be watered down. Lack of representation of first nations people.

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'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

FOR YOUR USE when responding to Council's Draft Green Wedge Management Plan [GWMP] The points below relate directly to the layout of Council's online form. This link will take you to Council's webpage <https://participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/gwmp>. Scroll down on the page and find the button that says 'Click here to give your feedback'. You will then SIGN UP, and you're away. Do it through July! For other ways to make a submission, please scroll to the bottom of this document. We STRONGLY URGE YOU to make at least ONE comment on each question BECAUSE only ticking the boxes leaves it up to Council to interpret your response. Two people might both answer 'NO' when asked if they agree with the Vision, but one might want much stronger environmental protections, while the other might want an increase in urban growth. This will only be clear if they make comment. We encourage you to use your own words, rather than just cut and paste. If you have limited time, you can consider just one or two of the dot points below each heading, and move on to the next heading. In this way you can quickly build a submission. The more Council receives from the community, the clearer the message. NOTE: Please use this structured information as you see fit. The aim is to help you make a submission quickly, as reading

a 45 page document and preparing your response is a big ask! The suggested responses have been drafted by a group of locals who have studied the draft plan, and taken into account the overwhelming community support for protection of the Green Wedge. FOR EXCELLENT BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON GREEN WEDGES AND THIS PROCESS, VISIT <http://www.loveyourgreenwedge.com/Question 1: A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge> Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge? NO [because there is a worrying lack of detail] Do you have any comments about the Vision? • Environmental protection and reinvigoration must be central to the Vision for the Green Wedge. The draft does not state this strongly enough, despite it being a Strategic Focus for the Shire. Appendix 1 of Council's draft quotes the State Government's 'Plan Melbourne 2017-2050', where the first priority for the Green Wedge is to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.' • Council's initial community engagement clearly demonstrated that the large majority of Nillumbik residents cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it maintained, protected and enhanced. This view was also expressed by the majority report of the Community Panel. Council's draft does not reflect strong enough support for the Community's position. • The GWMP must reflect the fact that Nillumbik's Green Wedge is the most environmentally intact of Melbourne's Green Wedges, is a significant part of the wider Green Wedge system, and is for the benefit of everyone, whether they live in the area or not. • Climate change mitigation must be an overarching goal for the GWMP and therefore must be addressed in the Vision. It must inform all objectives and actions such as regenerative agriculture, fire management, waste management, bush regeneration, education, and economic strategy. Throughout the draft, the repeated mention of just adapting to climate change leaves the reader with the impression that Council has basically thrown their hands up in the air suggesting there is nothing that they nor Nillumbik residents can do to tackle climate change. This is not true and must be part of every day action. • It is vital that Nillumbik demonstrates its respect for Indigenous people, their cultural heritage and knowledge. This barely gets a mention in the GWMP despite the fact that Indigenous people have ensured the vitality of the area's biodiversity for tens of thousands of years.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

- It appears that Council has failed to follow State Government policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP. This throws into question the entire document and associated processes. Planning Practice Note 31 describes specific requirements for the development of a GWMP, including the establishment of a Project Steering Group chaired by Council with key stakeholder representatives. This did not occur.

- This draft fails to clearly articulate an Implementation Plan based on clearly stated Objectives and Actions and the Council Department responsible for implementation. As stated in the State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, 'Each GWMP will set out a series of actions and measures that need to be undertaken, and identify resource requirements, roles and responsibilities, timelines, outcomes and evaluation.' The current GWMP has much greater detail than this new draft, and should be used as a basis for improvement. [Click here for Planning Practice Note 31.](#) For a comparison to the draft GWMP, [Click here for the current GWMP.](#)
- Each of the 'Five Key Moves' contain potentially useful ideas depending on how they are applied, and there needs to be much greater emphasis on the care of the natural environment.

- The document needs to describe in much greater detail the ACTIONS to be taken, and each of these must prioritise best environmental practice, ensuring the protection of ALL native vegetation and fauna across the Shire.
- Every descriptor needs to clearly indicate how it will contribute to the protection and reinvigoration of biodiversity for the long term.

- The current GWMP 2010 -2025 describes in much greater detail (than the new draft) the ways Council and community will ensure the protection of the green wedge. However there has been consistent net loss of vegetation. This demonstrates that any new plan must be stronger and clearer about the actions which will be taken to reverse this ongoing decline. The draft GWMP does not achieve this.

Principles

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

•Each Principle is a very broad statement and it is unclear how they will be interpreted and applied while ensuring care for the environment.

•The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge. The GWMP must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping with the State Government's policies Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 and Protecting Victoria's Environment –Biodiversity 2037, which is 'Victoria's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.'

•An additional Principle that focuses on Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity, and describes the urgent need to reverse the decline of biodiversity and effects of climate change should be added to the GWMP. Biodiversity Protection should be given the status of a Goal in the Plan.

•As with the 'Five Key Moves', the outlined Principles contain potentially useful ideas but there needs to be greater emphasis on the protection of the environment. For example, the principle that says, 'The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its values and with a focus on long-term stewardship.' could read, "The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its biodiversity and environmental values and with a focus on long-term stewardship."

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

The thrust of Goal 1, to engage the community, is important but must be framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus.

- The plan must state more clearly that the Shire and Green Wedge areas have particular needs that are different to those in an area not established as a Green Wedge. The new plan presents an opportunity to highlight and expand the role of the whole community in stewardship of the land. This needs to be clearly stated and emphasised, as we ask ourselves, 'How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?', rather than 'What can we get out of the land?'.
- The community as a whole must come together to ensure serious action is taken to mitigate climate change and draw down carbon emissions. This is a top priority for how we live together as a community –our collective wellbeing depends on it, as does the environment.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Agree
Key Move 3 - Neutral
Key Move 4 - Agree
Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

New owners of land in the green wedge including non green wedge town ships should not be able to take possession until they attend, complete and formally sign to agree to abide by council regulations regarding green wedge preservation eg tree clearing, weed control planting restrictions, animal husbandry. It is a privilege to live in a green wedge and a lot people dont understand how to look after it and abuse it.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

They are very broad and not one mentions environment.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Not enough detail of what it means.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Active people doing what? Actively destroying the environment?

Yes creativity is a key feature of nillumbik residents and should be a major focus.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Define healthy environment. council presently takes no responsibility for its position as a custodian of the yarra river. Street rubbish is not picked up by council so apart from what local residents pick up voluntarily it all ends up in the creeks, then rivers then the sea. Council should introduce permanent teams to keep streets clean, like city councils do with street sweepers.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

This should be “ a given”; its what ratepayers pay council to do. Council seems to act only on complaint regarding things like tree clearing or weed infestation or rubbish dumping etc and is not pro active in maintaining green wedge principals.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Comments:

The area and populations in non green wedge areas should be restricted and limited
Population of the shire should be limited. The impact on the green wedge areas of encroaching adjacent councils should be minimised and nillumbik should work closely with these to minimise disruption and destruction of nillumbik eg traffic pollution, rubbish. Nillumbik should work more closely with state bodies such as vicriads to ensure protection of the green wedge environment. Eg vicroads removed large old trees on wattle glen Kg road and nillumbik council didnt even know!

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The vision makes claims the current Council will carry out meaningful collaboration. I don't trust this Council to do so. In my experience the Councillors are opposed to collaboration, for example dismissing the existing Consultative Committees when first voted into Council and in the process trashing relationships between Council and community that had taken years to establish. My perception from this document is Councillors have a greater interest in their own business needs and a desire to erode the protections that underpin the green wedge. Collaboration in the community occurs despite the Council, not because of it. What is presented in the Vision section reads as hollow rhetoric, it lacks detail and fails to identify the actual practices and processes the Council intends to utilise. This is not good enough. Where is the discussion of climate change? Why is there no modelling to show how the green wedge is likely to be impacted by climate change? This is a concerning oversight and suggests the draft plan has been poorly conceived.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

KM1: Council officers should already be able to provide relevant information to landowners and in my experience already does so. This seems to be an attempt to duplicate or modify what currently exists. It's unnecessary and as the first Key Move it gives the impression of a Council lacking inspiration. KM2: The natural environment needs greater protections, it's a key reason for living in Nillumbik, this KM seems to undermine it. Residents could be educated about the planning regulations associated with living in the shire and how they may impact and place limitations on their decisions. KM3: Nice idea, however if it appears forced it will be perceived as insincere and suffer as a result. Perhaps link to education as discussed above. KM 4: The townships have sufficient and distinct identities, this KM doesn't sound necessary. Rather, it comes across as somebody deciding a marketing project would be a great idea, when part of the charm and character associated with our townships is that they are (and are full of) nicely kept secrets. This KM would jeopardise that. KM5: The Council would be far better served to make a major push to get behind Landcare, CFA, sports clubs and other other community based organisations that are the beating heart of the shire. A hobby farm inventory is unlikely to persuade or convince State govt for a funding investment in the shire. Environmental assets should be known and it's surprising to read that this is not the case.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

There is a lack of detail in the principles, I would like to see reference to Water for Victoria (are there any relevant Actions?), Biodiversity 2037, and the Climate Change Act (2017) for starters. How does the Council plan to protect the biodiversity and natural environment of the GW, particularly given the pressure it faces from development?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Climate change represents an opportunity for communities to come together and work to improve resilience, this document should account for that. Intergenerational equity is also an important goal, as the current stewards of the GW we need to be working to ensure we are leaving the GW in better condition than in what we found it. The Council could have a central role in this. Provision of education and appropriate services and fostering the values held by the community.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

More detail is required, trails need to be sympathetic to natural environments. Asphalt kept to a minimum. One concern I have is the lack of integration in planning around Hurstbridge. This should be fairly simple, but the council is doing a poor job of it. Perhaps the Council should demonstrate to the community that it can carry out integrated planning and delivery of projects around Hurstbridge prior to embarking on such an ambitious plan like this. Back to basics please.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

There needs to be far more detail in this, for example, supporting Melb Water and the CMA, what does this entail? Are septic tanks going to be removed in target areas? Are take and use licences going to be reviewed? What exactly can the council do regarding the identified improvements to hydrological systems? It's done very little in recent times. The environment in the GW is under constant pressure from development and is being gradually eroded. Greater protections are critical, biodiversity needs to be enhanced, not diminished.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

More attention to environmental protections are required. I mentioned earlier that attempts to market the shire and townships are misdirected: marketing leads to development pressure, and that can spoil characteristics of the shire that residents love.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Key actions are a regurgitation of earlier parts of the draft plan. What exactly is leadership going to be responsible for? Please explain.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The long-term sustainable management of the GW is the critical element and is meant to be the central focus of the GWMPs. I feel the draft plan fails in this aspect. The plan must articulate how environmental qualities will be managed, facilitated and implemented. It needs to identify who is responsible for what actions, there are many agencies with responsibility in the GW, roles and responsibilities need to be defined and articulated. Has the purpose of the GW been defined? I don't believe this has been identified, yet this is important because key values can then be negotiated with the community, as can the actions that will enable the community and Council to protect and enhance these agreed values. Given the centrality of conservation within the GW, it would be useful if there was a method presented which could be used to better understand abstract ideas, such as the purpose of the GW and the values of the GW. A useful means of analysis is presented here: In his writings on the need for a land ethic Aldo Leopold presented a simple process for analysis, suggesting to "examine each question in terms of what is ethically and aesthetically right, as well as what is economically expedient. A thing is right when it tends to preserve the integrity, stability and beauty of the biotic community. It is wrong when it tends otherwise" (Leopold, A. 1949 pp 224-225). My recommendation would be to work through the draft plan and apply this to each section whilst also identifying roles and responsibilities.

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The existing Plan and Vision is just fine - this new Vision is just camouflage for "More Development" to help certain Councillors and their friends on acreages to subdivide or develop. I do not believe the Councillors' call for a new plan is based on concern for the Green Wedge at all. The Council has already rejected many of the Panel's environmental recommendations in favor of the Minority report produced by these self same landowners with vested interests in development.

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Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

There is no need to alter the existing Management Plan unless Council wants to allow more development in and around the Green Wedge.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I worry that the proposed changes will reduce protections on our environment and habitats. I think that the most important vision we can have for our green wedge is protecting our planet and community from climate change.

Climate change should be the most important issue and we should have detailed information regarding how it is being taken into account and actions being taken

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

It appears that Council has failed to follow State Government policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP. This throws into question the entire document and associated processes. Planning Practice Note 31 describes specific requirements for the development of a GWMP, including the establishment of a Project Steering Group chaired by Council with key stakeholder representatives. This did not occur.

- This draft fails to clearly articulate an Implementation Plan based on clearly stated Objectives and Actions and the Council Department responsible for implementation. As stated in the State Government’s Planning Practice Note 31, ‘Each GWMP will set out a series of actions and measures that need to be undertaken, and identify resource requirements, roles and responsibilities, timelines, outcomes and evaluation.’ The current GWMP has much greater detail than this new draft, and should be used as a basis for improvement. [Click here for Planning Practice Note 31](#) .

For a comparison to the draft GWMP, [Click here for the current GWMP](#) . •

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Each of the ‘Five Key Moves’ contain potentially useful ideas depending on how they are applied, and

there needs to be much greater emphasis on the care of the natural environment.

The document needs to describe in much greater detail the ACTIONS to be taken, and each of these

must prioritise best environmental practice, ensuring the protection of ALL native vegetation and fauna across the Shire.

Every descriptor needs to clearly indicate how it will contribute to the protection and reinvigoration of biodiversity for the long term.

The current GWMP 2010 - 2025 describes in much greater detail (than the new draft) the ways Council

and community will ensure the protection of the green wedge. However there has been consistent net loss of

vegetation. This demonstrates that any new plan must be stronger and clearer about the actions which will be taken to reverse this ongoing decline. The draft GWMP does not achieve this.

Principles

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Each Principle is a very broad statement and it is unclear how they will be interpreted and applied

while ensuring care for the environment.

The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge. The

GWMP must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping

with the State Government's policies Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 and Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037, which is 'Victoria's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.'

An additional Principle that focuses on Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity, and describes the urgent need to reverse the decline of biodiversity and effects of climate change should be added to the GWMP. Biodiversity Protection should be given the status of a Goal in the Plan.

As with the 'Five Key Moves', the outlined Principles contain potentially useful ideas but there needs to be greater emphasis on the protection of the environment. For example, the principle that says, 'The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its values and with a focus on long-term stewardship.' could read, "The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its biodiversity and environmental values and with a focus on long-term stewardship."

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

- The thrust of Goal 1, to engage the community, is important but must be framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus.
- The plan must state more clearly that the Shire and Green Wedge areas have

particular needs that are different to those in an area not established as a Green Wedge. The new plan presents an opportunity to highlight and expand the role of the whole community in stewardship of the land. This needs to be clearly stated and emphasised, as we ask ourselves, 'How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?', rather than 'What can we get out of the land?'

- The community as a whole must come together to ensure serious action is taken to mitigate climate change and draw down carbon emissions. This is a top priority for how we live together as a community – our collective wellbeing depends on it, as does the environment.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

- The Objectives and Key Actions for Goal 2 must clearly and strongly focus on ensuring Nillumbik's biodiversity is top priority. As stated in the draft plan, green space is an important determinant of health, not just because it enables physical activity but also because it has been shown to promote higher levels of mental wellbeing and social connectedness.
- In order to better manage the natural environment of the Shire, greater dialogue must be generated and maintained with the Traditional Custodians of the area. This is vital for the health of the whole community and the environment in which we live. A Key Action of Goal 2 must focus on this.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

The GWMP needs to more strongly acknowledge the importance of ALL indigenous vegetation and address the urgent need to conserve it THROUGHOUT the Shire, on private and public land. The community must work together to focus on increasing habitat for wildlife and connectivity; preserving biodiversity; valuing what ecosystems provide; developing a 'systems view' (that ALL is interdependent); address the climate change and extinction crises, and the need to transform to an ecologically sustainable society. This must become the underpinning ethos that guides the Actions and all other aspects of the plan, without compromise.

- Goal 3 repeatedly uses the language of 'balance', and this needs to be amended as it indicates that our thinking is oppositional. It implies that there is a need to trade-off environmental health against other considerations, while international, national, and

state government reports indicate that we must prioritise the health of our environment. For example, A3.12, p 33, speaks of balancing amenity, environmental considerations, private water extraction and community considerations. What needs to take place is a prioritisation of environmental considerations, as without optimal environmental health, all other activity and considerations will be constrained.

- The use of stocktakes and studies [see A3.1, p32] that describe some areas of vegetation as more significant or valuable than others is alarming as it can lead to greater degradation of the environment which is already under pressure. The majority of the Shire's ecosystems are already 'disturbed' because of mismanagement, and this means we must change our ways. Every Objective and Action ought to aim for preservation and reinvigoration of the environment. One of the greatest threats to the Shire is 'death by a thousand cuts', where bit by bit land clearing and grazing leave our flora and fauna vulnerable to ever-increasing stress and disappearance. In turn this also places greater pressure on our community's overall well being.
- An additional Action must be to undertake a massive public education campaign about biodiversity, the value of ecosystems, care for natural landscapes, bushfire risk reduction through understanding the ancient role of fire in the landscape, the significance of the Green Wedge, climate change and their interdependence.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This section must clearly focus on overall environmental protection. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. This must be reflected in the title of the Goal, the Actions, and throughout the plan, for example, 'A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy'.

- Support for local agriculture is important but must always provide for the continuing health of the environment. New systems that respect and promote regenerative farming including water conservation, Indigenous knowledge, and indigenous flora and fauna must be encouraged. The obvious link between sustainable agricultural practices, climate change mitigation and a healthy Green Wedge, must be central to the GWMP.
- The need for a framework that encourages sustainable land management practices is described in the State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, entitled 'Preparing a Green Wedge Management Plan', and so this has to be clearly demonstrated in any GWMP. This current draft does not achieve this requirement.
- The draft suggests that to start farming in the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) no permit should be required if the land has been previously cleared and used for farming. This definition of 'cleared land' needs greater detail – much of Nillumbik has been cleared at some stage, but thanks to regeneration it holds significant environmental qualities. Permits are essential as they can ensure any agricultural activities respect the

land. It also means that residents will be informed about the piggery etc proposed for next door.

- This draft must mention the fact that tourism developments in the Green Wedge need to be “in conjunction” with agricultural uses, as stated in Section 55 of the planning scheme. This clause of the planning scheme decreases the likelihood of inappropriate development.
- Horses and other hard-hoofed animals have a negative impact on the environment – none of Australia’s native animals have hard hooves. Impacts on habitats include erosion, water quality degradation, damage to flora, and spreading of weeds. Actions must be implemented to prevent these impacts. These must include education of the equine sector and other graziers. There needs to be greater understanding and responsible ownership of animals, ensuring that animals do not enter waterways and are not allowed to graze in the bush. This focus on environmental care must also be reflected in the proposed Nillumbik Equine Strategy.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Stewardship of the land is mentioned in the draft plan, and its role must be better defined in Goal 5, Responsible Leadership. It needs to explain that Nillumbik residents have an obligation to care for the land, not degrade it, and this must be for the entirety of their tenure. Responsible stewardship also asks that the land, its diverse ecosystems and waterways, are passed on in a better state. Council must educate residents about these matters, and lead the way by increasing revegetation of indigenous flora throughout the Shire.

- This draft plan suggests the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) is too restrictive of farming practices and this zoning should only be applied to land with higher conservation values. This suggestion puts at serious risk flora and fauna across a significant proportion of the Shire, whether as single trees in paddocks or scattered pockets of remnant bush. These are all vital and in need of greater care and protection, not less.
- Responsible Leadership should have a section dealing with climate change mitigation in accordance with the precautionary principle.
- Council ought to provide education and free, easily accessible advice to residents on a range of topics such as ‘avoid - reduce - reuse - recycle’, reducing meat-consumption, buying local produce and growing your own, responsible waste disposal, reduction of car-dependence, benefits of native vegetation etc.
- This Goal in its entirety must place much greater emphasis on the need to ‘Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.’ (Refer 1st item in Appendix 1 of draft GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050). It is Council’s responsibility to

make significant contributions to the education of residents for the protection and care of biodiversity. Alongside education, it is essential that appropriate resources are allocated to the enforcement of policy standards. Nillumbik's Biodiversity Report outlines the ongoing loss of native vegetation and part of the problem is inadequate enforcement.

- Key Action A5.6 and A5.7 [page 40 of the draft] propose changes to how land within the Green Wedge can be used. This has the potential to erode the values of the Green Wedge and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside the Urban Growth Boundary. The UGB must be treated as a hard boundary.
- The GWMP needs to recognise the leading role that Nillumbik can play; that we can be part of the solution, acting locally to address global problems. We're a relatively affluent population. Nillumbik is the perfect place to start turning things around. If not here and now, where and when?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The strongest message from the initial community consultation and the Panel Report is that Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it to be maintained, protected and reinvigorated. This message must lay the foundation for any new GWMP. The current draft does not achieve this.

- The Green Wedge Management Plan must reaffirm the Shire's conservation role with the Green Wedge as its Strategic Focus. This draft consistently fails to do this. It lacks detail and omits significant objectives, relevant actions, and accountability measures that would ensure the long-term health and purpose of the Green Wedge.
- Declines in biodiversity are at critical levels, and there is urgent need for action by all levels of government and society. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) states that, "The health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide. It is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global".
- There is a worrying lack of detail throughout the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms and varying quality. Clearly defined actions need to be included which will address this problem to ensure the long term health of the Green Wedge.
- The impact of invasive species – flora and fauna – is significant and this must be better addressed.
- The draft speaks of polarised and diverse views and how conversations must be respectful and robust. It is vital that this is the case, and is supported by current science, particularly in relation to the need for environmental repair and preservation, and urgent climate change mitigation.

- It is necessary that we uphold the highest of professional standards throughout the Shire and its Leadership.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

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Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

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The Council's vision does not reflect the community's priority for the Green Wedge, which is to protect the environmental values of the Shire ABOVE ALL ELSE. This is a motherhood statement that is effectively meaningless!

Use this vision to provide leadership about environmental protection and climate change mitigation in accordance with what your ratepayers require and in recognition of the Aboriginal value given to this region.

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If the draft GWMP provided a clear and detailed management framework, with objectives, actions, timelines and measures for enforcement, these five key moves could be useful. In the absence of a detailed management plan, they are just motherhood statements. This draft GWMP has sacrificed the detail of the current GWMP, so it is difficult to comment on the purpose of the key moves. Does the "comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships" provide for protection against the current inappropriate densification underway in Eltham? What is the purpose of the "stocktake of environmental assets and agricultural practices"? It is impossible to comment on these key moves in the absence of a detailed management framework.

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A major principle is missing in line with the community priority - we suggest "Conservation and enhancement of the shire's biodiversity and environmental values".

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The focus of the draft GWMP must align with the community's priority, which is to protect and enhance the Shire's biodiversity and environmental values so that this asset can be preserved for future Victorians.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge

'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Lack of clarity on the below issues: 1) Environmental protection and reinvigoration must be central to the vision for the Green Wedge. 2) The large majority of residents, as shown in council's initial community engagement, cherish the high environmental values of the GW and want it maintained, protected and enhanced. 2) It must reflect that Nillumbik's GW is the most environmentally intact of all Melbourne's GWs and is for the benefit of all Melbournians. 3) Climate change mitigation must be included. 4) Respect must be given to indigenous people and their culture and knowledge

Five Key Moves

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4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

It appears Council has not followed State Government policy requirements in preparing the GWMP as an Implementation Plan based on Objectives and Actions has not been clearly stated as required by the State Government. A) There needs to be greater emphasis on care of the natural environment. The Actions to achieve this must ensure protection of All native vegetation and fauna. B) The current GWMP 2010-2025 has much greater detail than the draft document and should be used as a basis for improvement. There has still been consistent vegetation loss so this plan should be stronger and clearer. But it is not.

Principles

The following principles informed the creation of the Green Wedge Management Plan and will inform how the goals, objectives and key actions are to be implemented.

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- Leadership
- Aboriginal voice
- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
- Manage change for future benefit
- Collaboration and connectedness
- Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape
- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of

the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Strongly disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Each principle statement is very broad so it is unclear as to how they will be interpreted and applied. Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity should be included as a principle. Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge, the decline of native plants and animals and improving the natural environment in line with state government policies like Plan Melbourne 2017-2050. Principles contain potentially useful ideas but there should be a greater emphasis on protecting the environment.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Engaging the community is important but should be framed in the context of environment protection. The shire was set up to be a conservation shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus. 'How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?' should be the focus rather than 'What can we get out of the land?' Working together to mitigate climate change is important. Green Wedge areas have specific needs different to land in a normal rural shire and this must be made clear.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Green space is an important determinant of health. The shire's biodiversity is an important feature of this and should be given high priority. Dialogue with traditional custodians is important.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

The importance of conserving all indigenous vegetation, both on public and private land, should be stressed. 'Balance' is used widely, however if environmental values are not uppermost other activities will inevitably suffer in the longer term. Bit by bit land clearing and grazing leaves plants and animals vulnerable to ever increasing stress and disappearance. Most land is 'disturbed' which does not mean it should be allowed to further degrade. An extensive public education campaign regarding biodiversity, ecosystems, bushfire reduction strategies, climate change etc and their interdependence should be included here

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Overall environmental protection must be the clear focus. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. Goal 4 should be renamed A prosperous Green Wedge economy. Support for local agriculture is important but the obvious link between sustainable agricultural practices, climate change mitigation and a healthy Green Wedge must be central to the GWMP. This draft does not clearly show how sustainable land management practices will be encouraged as is required by State Planning. This draft suggests that no permit would be required to start farming in the Rural Conservation Zone if the land has been previously cleared and farmed. Terminology needs to be clearer defined. Permits should be required. The draft must state that tourism developments must be 'in conjunction' with agricultural uses. This is stated in the

Planning Scheme and is necessary to lessen the likelihood for inappropriate development. Horses and other hard hooved animals have a negative effect on the environment. Actions, including education of those involved with those animals must be implemented.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Responsible stewardship requires that the land, its diverse ecosystems and waterways are passed on in a better state. Council must educate residents and lead the way. This draft suggests that the Rural Conservation Zone be redefined to only cover areas of higher conservation values putting at risk scattered pockets of remnant bush or sole trees which are actually in greater need of protection. Climate change mitigation should be included. Council should provide education on a range of sustainable, environmentally friendly living practices. It is council's role to significantly contribute to educating residents regarding the protection and care of biodiversity and to provide the resources to enforce policy standards. The draft proposes changes to land uses in the GW which could erode the values of the GW and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside the urban Growth Boundary. The UGB should remain as a hard line. The draft should recognize the role Nillumbik can play locally in attacking global problems.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I'm unclear on the need for a review of the existing Green Wedge Management Plan, despite it still having a considerable period to run. During the 2018 review, the community was surveyed on attitudes to our Green Wedge and a forty-person community panel met over several weeks. Both came up with similar results: the natural environment of the Green Wedge, including flora and fauna, were highly valued and must be protected. Recommendations on this went to Council - half were rejected - why? I'm concerned that this draft Green Wedge Management Plan will take us in the wrong direction. The existing one should be kept because it's much better. We don't need more tourism development. I am also against allowing more development on rural land next to the Urban Growth Boundary and around township boundaries. I'm in favour of stopping general biodiversity and habitat loss across our Green Wedge, including protecting remnant native vegetation to help mitigate climate change or restore wildlife corridors to help species survive. I strongly believe that we should protect our Green

Wedge landscape values and reduce development pressure in our Green Wedge to ensure a sustainable future of the environment. That is why I chose to live here.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Very worried regarding changing the zoning

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

1. Dont we have this already? 2. Thought we had this but not sure what this means. 3. I interpret this to mean support of minorities interests over the majority. 4. Sounds like a grab of urban land surrounding rural townships. 5. Seems like a lot of work for what outcome? After plowing through the 'motherhood statements' I can't see what is wrong with the current GWMP that should last until 2030. I understand there is a need for reviewing the current plan but this not just a review is it? You are calling it a new GWMP what is the need for a NEW plan i.e. what is not working now?

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The principles all sound fine as presented above but are presented quite differently in the new plan.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

I support most of these goals but see no reason to change in A3.2 the Environmental Significance Overlay. Seems like a stepping stone to subdivision. I know that you say the Victorian state government needs to approve any subdivision in our green wedge

but that can happen very easily if we have a council that is pushing to develop and a state government that is also wanting more development.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

A4.1 good luck with that and keeping the green wedge in tact. A4.3 I have seen no current interest by council in controlling pests i.e. rabbits and deer in particular. It doesn't need a whole new GWMP council should be doing this now. A4.4 How is consolidating smaller landholdings helping the equine community and what will that do to smaller hobby farmers? Just realised the goals don't match the actions I give up on this one and therefore cannot support it.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Objectives all sound great but the Actions all seem to point to special interest groups pushing their own interests. Why do you think most people surveyed in our shire say they love living here? I understand that Nillumbik has the highest rate of happiness in where they live in Victoria. So, why do you what to change it?

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The draft Green Wedge Management Plan is vague in terms of protecting and enhancing Nillumbik's biodiversity. Clearly defined actions need to be included to ensure the long term health of the GW. Climate change mitigation must be measurable.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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Do not support

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Goal 2: Active and creative people

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Do not Support

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Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

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Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

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Do not Support

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Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I think the council should revisit its management policies.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

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Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Agree

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

council need to provide more services to their rate payers and in order to this they need

to relax the management plan

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

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listen to everyone not just the loudest voice-pro green wedge people

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

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better service are needed for all, young and old. Nillumbik lets so many people down in this regard

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?
in order to get better services we need to have a bigger net to capture revenue from

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?
Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?
good leader ship needs to listen to all involved not just the green groups. Land holders needs too be listened to

Other comments

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Key Move 1 - Strongly agree
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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

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Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

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Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

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A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge

'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Cramming more houses and apartments into our shire and clearing land to make it feel as barren and dense as Mernda is contrary to the vision. Preserving the rural feel of our shire should be paramount to the management of the green wedge.

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

You can see more details about the [five key moves here](#).

1. A comprehensive landowners' information and support service.
2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
3. A "Green Wedge Conversations" program.
4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Principles

The following principles informed the creation of the Green Wedge Management Plan and will inform how the goals, objectives and key actions are to be implemented.

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- Leadership
- Aboriginal voice
- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
- Manage change for future benefit
- Collaboration and connectedness
- Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape
- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

They need to be enacted in good faith and in the spirit in which they're written. Turning beautiful open spaces into development zones does not preserve the way of life in the shire.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

recognising the limits of housing can be a good thing in parts of our shire where houses are spaced appropriately and there are large open paddocks contributing to our rural feel and form the homes of many of our native animals. Just because there is land doesn't mean it should be built on - that is the appeal and purpose of our green wedge.

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

More walking trails and paths across our great shire is a good thing. Reaching further across the towns in the shire, or just deeper within our own spaces, there's so much more that can be done to capitalise on our unique part of the world.

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This is critical to ensure that cramming more people in through development is not the way to grow the economy. We have an incredibly valuable lifestyle proposition in our shire and it is incredibly important that we preserve that.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Largely support this, but the review of zoning concerns me. As a resident who backs onto beautiful bush land, the notion of losing that to turn into Mernda style dense housing horrifies me. Rural Conservation Zones should stay that way, they provide a home for wildlife and are a natural sight to behold.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I quite honestly love living in the Shire of Nillumbik. The green wedge is one of the greatest decisions in planning I've seen. It must be preserved. My first home was in Mernda, with more houses crammed in than seem feasible. I now live with space around me, native wildlife up to the back fence, rolling hills of trees from my balcony. The area is quiet, relaxing and peaceful and is the reason I choose to raise my family here.

Our shire is worth protecting, the feel of it is worth protecting, and I am in favour of the endeavours writ large but I am incredibly concerned about the development of our areas and packing more people in. The system works now because the services, roads etc are appropriate for the population. If we rezone everything, clear land, pack more people in - it will ruin the feel, the lifestyle, the appeal, the value, the quality of life and services in our area.

I implore council to retain these thoughts front of mind when making any decisions with regard to our green wedge.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Climate change mitigation must be an overarching Goal for the GWMP and therefore must be addressed in the Vision. It must inform all objectives and actions such as regenerative agriculture, fire management, waste management, bush regeneration, education, and economic strategy. Throughout the draft, the repeated mention of just adapting to climate change leaves the reader with the impression that Council has basically thrown their hands up in the air suggesting there is nothing that they nor Nillumbik residents can do to tackle climate change. This is not true and must be part of everyday action.

Five Key Moves

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

This draft fails to clearly articulate an Implementation Plan based on clearly stated Objectives and Actions and the Council Department responsible for implementation.

Principles

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- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree
Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree
Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly disagree
Social equity - Disagree
Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Very broadly stated with no sense of climate emergency and no exact actions listed to ensure care for the environment

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I want safe and protected corridors for the remaining wildlife. There are many other denuded areas that can be developed. Want the development off from our green wedge.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

are vert concerned that proper environmental protection is continued and there is no building development allowed in green wedge sites, like wattle glen

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

i wish that Council does not allow developers to have any say in planning decisions or allow any development in green wedge sites

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

leave the green wedge areas alone!

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

do not make this a euphemism for further development.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

would be nice; dont think council provided 'leadership' to me.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

- Environmental protection and reinvigoration must be central to the Vision for the Green Wedge. The draft does not state this strongly enough, despite it being a Strategic Focus for the Shire. Appendix 1 of Council's draft quotes the State Government's 'Plan Melbourne 2017-2050', where the first priority for the Green Wedge is to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.'
- Council's initial community engagement clearly demonstrated that the large majority of Nillumbik residents cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it maintained, protected and enhanced. This view was also expressed by the majority report of the Community Panel. Council's draft does not reflect strong enough support for the Community's position.
- The GWMP must reflect the fact that Nillumbik's Green Wedge is the most environmentally intact of Melbourne's Green Wedges, is a significant part of the wider Green Wedge system, and is for the benefit of everyone, whether they live in the area or not.
- Climate change mitigation must be an overarching Goal for the GWMP and therefore must be addressed in the Vision. It must inform all objectives and actions such as regenerative agriculture, fire management, waste management, bush regeneration,

education, and economic strategy. Throughout the draft, the repeated mention of just adapting to climate change leaves the reader with the impression that Council has basically thrown their hands up in the air suggesting there is nothing that they nor Nillumbik residents can do to tackle climate change. This is not true and must be part of everyday action. • It is vital that Nillumbik demonstrates its respect of Indigenous people, their cultural heritage and knowledge. This barely gets a mention in the GWMP despite the fact that Indigenous people have ensured the vitality of the area's biodiversity for tens of thousands of years.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

It appears that Council has failed to follow State Government policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP. This throws into question the entire document and associated processes. Planning Practice Note 31 describes specific requirements for the development of a GWMP, including the establishment of a Project Steering Group chaired by Council with key stakeholder representatives. This did not occur. • This draft fails to clearly articulate an Implementation Plan based on clearly stated Objectives and Actions and the Council Department responsible for implementation. As stated in the State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, 'Each GWMP will set out a series of actions and measures that need to be undertaken, and identify resource requirements, roles and responsibilities, timelines, outcomes and evaluation.' The current GWMP has much greater detail than this new draft, and should be used as a basis for improvement. • Each of the 'Five Key Moves' contain potentially useful ideas depending on how they are applied, and there needs to be much greater emphasis on the care of the natural

environment. • The document needs to describe in much greater detail the ACTIONS to be taken, and each of these must prioritise best environmental practice, ensuring the protection of ALL native vegetation and fauna across the Shire. • Every descriptor needs to clearly indicate how it will contribute to the protection and reinvigoration of biodiversity for the long term. • The current GWMP 2010 - 2025 describes in much greater detail (than the new draft) the ways Council and community will ensure the protection of the green wedge. However there has been consistent net loss of vegetation. This demonstrates that any new plan must be stronger and clearer about the actions which will be taken to reverse this ongoing decline. The draft GWMP does not achieve this.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly disagree

Social equity - Strongly disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Each Principle is a very broad statement and it is unclear how they will be interpreted and applied while ensuring care for the environment. • The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge. The GWMP must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping with the State Government's policies Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 and Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037, which is 'Victoria's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.' • An additional Principle that focuses on Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity, and describes the urgent need to reverse the decline of biodiversity and effects of climate change should be added to the GWMP. Biodiversity Protection should be given the status of a Goal in the Plan. • As with the 'Five Key Moves', the outlined Principles contain potentially useful ideas but there needs to be greater emphasis on the protection of the environment. For example, the principle that says, 'The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its values and with a focus on long-term stewardship.' could read, "The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its biodiversity and environmental values and with a focus on long-term stewardship."

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

The thrust of Goal 1, to engage the community, is important but must be framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus. • The plan must state more clearly that the Shire and Green Wedge areas have particular needs that are different to those in an area not established as a Green Wedge. The new plan presents an opportunity to highlight and expand the role of the whole community in stewardship of the land. This needs to be clearly stated and emphasised, as we ask ourselves, 'How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?', rather than 'What can we get out of

the land?'. • The community as a whole must come together to ensure serious action is taken to mitigate climate change and draw down carbon emissions. This is a top priority for how we live together as a community – our collective wellbeing depends on it, as does the environment.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

The Objectives and Key Actions for Goal 2 must clearly and strongly focus on ensuring Nillumbik's biodiversity is top priority. As stated in the draft plan, green space is an important determinant of health, not just because it enables physical activity but also because it has been shown to promote higher levels of mental wellbeing and social connectedness. • In order to better manage the natural environment of the Shire, greater dialogue must be generated and maintained with the Traditional Custodians of the area. This is vital for the health of the whole community and the environment in which we live. A Key Action of Goal 2 must focus on this.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

The GWMP needs to more strongly acknowledge the importance of ALL indigenous vegetation and address the urgent need to conserve it THROUGHOUT the Shire, on private and public land. The community must work together to focus on increasing habitat for wildlife and connectivity; preserving biodiversity; valuing what ecosystems provide; developing a 'systems view' (that ALL is interdependent); address the climate change and extinction crises, and the need to transform to an ecologically sustainable society. This must become the underpinning ethos that guides the Actions and all other aspects of the plan, without compromise. • Goal 3 repeatedly uses the language of 'balance', and this needs to be amended as it indicates that our thinking is oppositional. It implies that there is a need to trade-off environmental health against other considerations, while international, national, and state government reports indicate that we must prioritise the health of our environment. For example, A3.12, p 33, speaks of balancing amenity, environmental considerations, private water extraction and community considerations. What needs to take place is a prioritisation of environmental considerations, as without optimal environmental health, all other activity and considerations will be constrained. • The use of stocktakes and studies [see A3.1, p32] that describe some areas of vegetation as more significant or valuable than others is

alarming as it can lead to greater degradation of the environment which is already under pressure. The majority of the Shire's ecosystems are already 'disturbed' because of mismanagement, and this means we must change our ways. Every Objective and Action ought to aim for preservation and reinvigoration of the environment. One of the greatest threats to the Shire is 'death by a thousand cuts', where bit by bit land clearing and grazing leave our flora and fauna vulnerable to ever increasing stress and disappearance. In turn this also places greater pressure on our community's overall well being. • An additional Action must be to undertake a massive public education campaign about biodiversity, the value of ecosystems, care for natural landscapes, bushfire risk reduction through understanding the ancient role of fire in the landscape, the significance of the Green Wedge, climate change and their interdependence.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

There should be no focus on economics in the lungs of Melbourne. We cannot use economics and profitability as a measure of the health and well being of a community living in a rich biodiversity of flora and fauna which is priceless and without it we would not be alive as a human species. What is the value of each human life? This section must clearly focus on overall environmental protection. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. This must be reflected in the title of the Goal, the Actions, and throughout the plan, for example, 'A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy'. • Support for local agriculture is important but must always provide for the continuing health of the environment. New systems that respect and promote regenerative farming including water conservation, Indigenous knowledge, and indigenous flora and fauna must be encouraged. The obvious link between sustainable agricultural practices, climate change mitigation and a healthy Green Wedge, must be central to the GWMP. • The need for a framework that encourages sustainable land management practices is described in the State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, entitled 'Preparing a Green Wedge Management Plan', and so this has to be clearly demonstrated in any GWMP. This current draft does not achieve this requirement. • The draft suggests that to start farming in the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) no permit should be required if the land has been previously cleared and used for farming. This definition of 'cleared land' needs greater detail – much of Nillumbik has been cleared at some stage, but thanks to regeneration it holds significant environmental qualities. Permits are essential as they can ensure any agricultural activities respect the land. It also means that residents will be informed about the piggery etc proposed for next door. • This draft must mention the fact that tourism developments in the Green Wedge need to be "in conjunction" with agricultural uses, as stated in Section 55 of the planning scheme. This clause of the planning scheme decreases the likelihood of inappropriate

development. • Horses and other hard-hoofed animals have a negative impact on the environment – none of Australia's native animals have hard hooves. Impacts on habitats include erosion, water quality degradation, damage to flora, and spreading of weeds. Actions must be implemented to prevent these impacts. These must include education of the equine sector and other graziers. There needs to be greater understanding and responsible ownership of animals, ensuring that animals do not enter waterways and are not allowed to graze in the bush. This focus on environmental care must also be reflected in the proposed Nillumbik Equine Strategy

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Stewardship of the land is mentioned in the draft plan, and its role must be better defined in Goal 5, Responsible Leadership. It needs to explain that Nillumbik residents have an obligation to care for the land, not degrade it, and this must be for the entirety of their tenure. Responsible stewardship also asks that the land, its diverse ecosystems and waterways, are passed on in a better state. Council must educate residents about these matters, and lead the way by increasing revegetation of indigenous flora throughout the Shire. • This draft plan suggests the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) is too restrictive of farming practices and this zoning should only be applied to land with higher conservation values. This suggestion puts at serious risk flora and fauna across a significant proportion of the Shire, whether as single trees in paddocks or scattered pockets of remnant bush. These are all vital and in need of greater care and protection, not less. • Responsible Leadership should have a section dealing with climate change mitigation in accordance with the precautionary principle. • Council ought to provide education and free, easily accessible advice to residents on a range of topics such as 'avoid - reduce - reuse - recycle', reducing meat-consumption, buying local produce and growing your own, responsible waste disposal, reduction of car-dependence, benefits of native vegetation etc. • This Goal in its entirety must place much greater emphasis on the need to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.' (Refer 1st item in Appendix 1 of draft GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050). It is Council's responsibility to make significant contributions to the education of residents for the protection and care of biodiversity. Alongside education, it is essential that appropriate resources are allocated to the enforcement of policy standards. Nillumbik's Biodiversity Report outlines the ongoing loss of native vegetation and part of the problem is inadequate enforcement. • Key Action A5.6 and A5.7 [page 40 of the draft] propose changes to how land within the Green Wedge can be used. This has the potential to erode the values of the Green Wedge and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside the Urban Growth Boundary. The UGB must be treated as a hard boundary. • The GWMP needs to recognise the leading role

that Nillumbik can play; that we can be part of the solution, acting locally to address global problems. We're a relatively affluent population. Nillumbik is the perfect place to start turning things around. If not here and now, where and when?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

- The strongest message from the initial community consultation and the Panel Report is that Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it to be maintained, protected and reinvigorated. This message must lay the foundation for any new GWMP. The current draft does not achieve this.
- The Green Wedge Management Plan must reaffirm the Shire's conservation role with the Green Wedge as its Strategic Focus. This draft consistently fails to do this. It lacks detail and omits significant objectives, relevant actions, and accountability measures that would ensure the long-term health and purpose of the Green Wedge.
- Declines in biodiversity are at critical levels, and there is urgent need for action by all levels of government and society. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) states that, "The health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide. It is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global".
- There is a worrying lack of detail throughout the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms and varying quality. Clearly defined actions need to be included which will address this problem to ensure the long term health of the Green Wedge.
- The impact of invasive species – flora and fauna – is significant and this must be better addressed.
- The draft speaks of polarised and diverse views and how conversations must be respectful and robust. It is vital that this is the case, and is supported by current science, particularly in relation to the need for environmental repair and preservation, and urgent climate change mitigation.
- It is necessary that we uphold the highest of professional standards throughout the Shire and its Leadership

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

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1. A comprehensive landowners' information and support service.
2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
3. A "Green Wedge Conversations" program.
4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree
Key Move 2 - Neutral
Key Move 3 - Disagree
Key Move 4 - Neutral
Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Principles

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- Leadership
- Aboriginal voice
- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
- Manage change for future benefit
- Collaboration and connectedness
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- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

There was no need to review the Green Wedge Management plan

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Neutral

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Key Move 3 - this would be fine if the community was actually listened to - only half recommendations were adopted from previous community consultation so I have no faith in council listening to residents Key Move 5 - suggests changing current agricultural practices to the detriment of the environment

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly disagree

Social equity - Strongly disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

the report is so bad it need rewriting

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Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Managing the Green Wedge is what its all about - it about the people living here and looking after it - well done to Council this is a much improved document than the previous eco warrior edition.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

They are sensible and much more balanced than previous plan.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Again very sensible balanced and thought out approach.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Some sections of this community would benefit from reducing their marijuana consumption, particularly in areas where green activism reigns (eg Eltham). Excessive marijuana consumption affects people mental wellbeing and as can be seen in the previous GWMP - we end up with flawed policies.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Good to see this plan recognising hardworking landowners as the key to ongoing sustainability of the GW - this plan is doomed unless the people that own it are engaged in it.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Again - reducing the substance abuse in some areas will increase the tone of

community conversation.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

People and activity are the key to ongoing viability of the Shire - well done Council.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Keep up the good work Nillumbik Council - still some way to go but a good strong direction being set.

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Strong supporter of a vision that promotes environmental sustainability of the shire but not concerned about economic sustainability. Large numbers of people live in Nillumbik because it is the green wedge and commute to work in higher density areas/hubs so local economy is less important than environment

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

That conversations program lists agriculture ahead of the environment is ridiculous. Agriculture at our shire level, on nutrient poor soils that are mudstone (excepting some drainage flats and northern fringes of the shire) has no place relative to environmental protection of the green wedge.

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree
Social equity - Agree
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Environment must rank more highly than economic priorities.

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Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Too many individual and vested interests. Good management of the environment requires a top down approach. We already see this problem in both the rural and urban areas of the shire with steady and progressive loss of remnant trees as new landholders remove remnant trees (because they can) that ultimately lead to a poorer environment and shire. Just in our local area in north Eltham all of our neighbours have removed remnant grey box or red box growing in urban backyards (that were otherwise retained during during subdivision ~30 years ago) in the past 5 years.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Have genuine concerns regarding the definition of 'valuable biodiversity' All native biodiversity should be protected in the shire. If we 'fallback' to conserving only those pockets of land that protect the best biodiversity we will over future decades degrade the entire biodiversity of the shire as movement capacity of fauna, loss of connectivity, increasing industrialisation, more intensive agriculture and urbanisation squeeze out those elements that contribute to the integrity of the green wedge.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

There is good evidence that small scale farming degrades biodiversity values, especially where for example trees are removed to improve pasture etc. This is not only not a priority for the Green Wedge it is a backward step that will do considerable damage.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

We moved to the Green Wedge over a decade ago so that we could raise a family in a biodiverse region with strong environmental protection policies. Since we have been here the policies to protect the Green Wedge have steadily been degraded and in my opinion this ongoing degradation will occur at an increasing rate under this Plan should it be implemented.

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

it focuses upon the destruction of the wedge in favour of housing and economic development - it sucks!

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

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see above

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree

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Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

[Goal 5: Responsible leadership](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

its pretty simple ... do NOT ENCOURAGE URBAN SPRAWL INTO THE WEDGE FOR THE PROFIT OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AND DEVELOPERS

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree
Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree
Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree
Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree
Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

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- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly disagree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

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Neutral

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Neutral

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Strongly do not support

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Goal 5: Responsible leadership

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Strongly do not support

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Other comments

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

We need to protect the Green Wedge at all costs. The draft doesn't adequately protect the Wedge. Current residents reside here because of the Wedge, community sentiment is against the poor protection of the draft. It needs a much stronger protection focus.

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Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

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The new plan needs to protect the environment more than the current plan. The is too little detail here and real actions outlined.

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Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

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Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

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Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

There is not enough detail here to understand how it will be interpreted, they are just top level dot points.

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Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Not enough detail provided The Green Wedge should be the focus of the act. Engaging the community is important but environmental leadership is key.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Not enough detail provided. Environment needs to be the focus.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Not enough detail. All indigenous vegetation is important and needs to be clear on both private and public land that it will be maintained and improved. This is imperative to a good environment for fauna also.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

I am very disturbed about this and the environment must override economic wealth.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Not enough depth. Too restrictive farming practices - couldn't disagree any more strongly. We need to protect all areas in the shire, not reduce protection.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

We must maintain the Green Wedge. We have an obligation to our future health and happiness as the lungs of Melbourne, to preserve this area for generations. We need a much better, more defined plan that will protect the Green Wedge more rather than water it down.

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Partially

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Neutral
Key Move 2 - Agree
Key Move 3 - Strongly agree
Key Move 4 - Disagree
Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

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Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

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Support

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Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

But not at the expense of the Green wedge.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Responsible leaders need to listen to the community.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

We need to keep our outer townships as township and not like the Whittlesey shire and it's urban sprawl. "Artisan Hill" won't work if you can't see the hill because of roofs!

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

There is not enough priority placed on the health and guaranteed longevity of this vital component of our Shires identity. The draft does not recognise, let alone demonstrate, the way that it intends to preserve and enhance the natural resources and biodiversity of our Green Wedge.

The draft fiddles around the edges, catering to lobbyists demand sheets instead of concentrating on the need to secure the viability of our waterways, bush lands and open spaces.

A poorly conceived Vision

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Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

These key moves appear to "fight" the stated purpose of the GWMP. It is clear to me that the authors are trying to weasel around the current Planning Scheme and set the management plan off into a new, undisclosed direction.

The alarming lack of clear actions, detailed descriptors and intended outcomes will allow a underhanded, backroom Plan.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

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Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Meaningless airy fairy principles. Who wrote this? One person answering Strongly Agree to these Principles may actually be giving wholehearted support to something that they do not intend. One persons "Manage Change for Future Benefit" could be polar opposite to anothers.

This is so misleading that an enquiry should be set up into its inception. Charlatans.

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Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 1 The management goals of this high quality GW Shire must state, ad nauseum, that conservation and preservation and intactness is the ultimate core forming objective of this Plan.

It is abundantly clear that a team of prodevelopment, ignorant-to-environment Town Planners wrote this draft. Why weren't Ecologists given a seat at this table?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Active and creative people do not want to be pitted against each other.

Bring the Community of Nillumbik together by encouraging us to treasure our wild environments and disengage from the built environment in our leisure time in a healthy GW.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

It is clear that this is included to address bushfire mitigation ONLY.

A safe and healthy environment to me is one where other species are given the resources they need to build their futures too.

Hacking down everything because people are fear-mongered instead of informed and prepared about bushfires is a complete mind f*#k

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

The economy will create itself due to sheer population size.

This Plan should, instead, concentrate on how the economy will not ruin the lungs of Melbourne.

We must avoid clearing more land. Our areas of agricultural land are already wasted on horses and alfresco follies. These areas should be producing food and not just providing vistas.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

If the calibre of Leadership on show here is an example of what is meant for Goal 5, then I do not want anymore of it. The limited timeline of vision that is demonstrated throughout this overall Plan is typical of people with contempt for our land. Has anyone

engaged our Aboriginal elders on how they would look after Country?
They would not lobby State Government for changes to the RCZ and creation of micro zones and buffer zones to further short term monetary objectives. They would not prioritise an Equine Industry over the production of food. They would not concur that preserving islands of "high quality biodiversity" at the expense of other areas is a strategic plan.
None of this is Responsible Leadership. It's a one way ticket to an Urban Shire.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Go back to the drawing board.
Draw from the 2015 ABZECO document instead of denying it exists.
Use the C101 land data for understanding of the important areas of bush in this Shire.
Do not give a 5 person Minority Report more credence than the Majority Report.
And get out of your Planning bubble and govern for future health and future generations not just your mates.

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I believe the preservation of fauna and flora is of the utmost importance and inappropriate development should be prevented at all costs

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- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The preservation of our environment should override development considerations

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

I think the legacy of the green wedges principle needs to be more important than the prosperity of business and in appropriate development

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I believe the green wedges and the environment that we live in is of the utmost importance for the future of native fauna and flora and also for the liveability of Melbourne and believe that inappropriate green wedge development should be avoided at all costs

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Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

We don't want to see Hurstbridge and surrounding suburbs built up and start turning into places like Doreen. We love this area. We love the vast nature reserves & public land. We love the country feel without being too far from the city. It's what makes the green wedge what it is. We don't want to see it ruined & built up. It will destroy the environment.

I personally think there are bigger issues to look at like climate change. Waste & recycling is also concerning. We need to go plastic free.

Some of the major roads out of Hurstbridge are littered so badly it's disgrace. It could be from road workers or drivers throwing rubbish out the window. Whichever it is it needs to be cleaned up.

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

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1. A comprehensive landowners' information and support service.
2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
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4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

I disagree with the whole plan.

Principles

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- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree
Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree
Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly disagree
Social equity - Strongly disagree
Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly disagree
Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly disagree
Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Disagree with the whole proposal & plan.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Disagree with proposal & plan

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Disagree with proposal & plan

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Disagree with proposal & plan

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Disagree with proposal & plan

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Disagree with proposal & plan

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Disagree with proposal & plan.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The council's initial community engagement clearly demonstrated that a large majority of Nillumbik residents cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it maintained, protected and enhanced. The majority report of the Community Panel showed this too. Council's draft does not reflect strong enough support for the Community's position. The GWMP must reflect the fact that Nillumbik's Green Wedge is the most environmentally intact of Melbourne's Green Wedges, is a significant part of the wider Green Wedge system, and is for the benefit of everyone, whether they live in the area or not. To tear down trees and parks for more development would ruin the attractiveness of the area and ultimately lead to a reduction in property values. There's also the little issue of global warming, which kinda requires us to not chop down every bloody tree that isn't pruned to perfection.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

It appears that Council has failed to follow State Government policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP. This throws into question the entire document and associated processes. Planning Practice Note 31 describes specific requirements for the development of a GWMP, including the establishment of a Project Steering Group chaired by Council with key stakeholder representatives. This did not occur. This could lead to legal action against the council, which I highly doubt it could afford. The current GWMP 2010 - 2025 describes in much greater detail (than the new draft) the ways Council and community will ensure the protection of the green wedge. However there has been consistent net loss of vegetation. This demonstrates that any new plan must be stronger and clearer about the actions which will be taken to reverse this ongoing decline. The draft GWMP does not achieve this.

Principles

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge. The GWMP must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping with the State Government's policies Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 and Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037, which is 'Victoria's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.' An additional Principle that focuses on Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity, and describes the urgent need to reverse the decline of biodiversity and effects of climate change should be added to the GWMP. Biodiversity Protection should be given the status of a Goal in the Plan.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

To engage the community is important, but must be framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus. The plan must state more clearly that the Shire and Green Wedge areas have particular needs that are different to those in an area not established as a Green Wedge. The new plan presents an opportunity to highlight and expand the role of the whole community in stewardship of the land. This needs to be clearly stated and emphasised, as we ask ourselves, 'How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?', rather than 'What can we get out of the land?'.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

The Objectives and Key Actions must clearly and strongly focus on ensuring Nillumbik's biodiversity is top priority. As stated in the draft plan, green space is an important determinant of health, not just because it enables physical activity but also because it has been shown to promote higher levels of mental wellbeing and social connectedness.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 3 repeatedly uses the language of 'balance', and this needs to be amended as it indicates that our thinking is oppositional. It implies that there is a need to trade-off environmental health against other considerations, while international, national, and state government reports indicate that we must prioritise the health of our environment. For example, A3.12, p 33, speaks of balancing amenity, environmental considerations, private water extraction and community considerations. What needs to take place is a prioritisation of environmental considerations, as without optimal environmental health, all other activity and considerations will be constrained. The use of stocktakes and studies [see A3.1, p32] that describe some areas of vegetation as more significant or valuable than others is alarming as it can lead to greater degradation of the environment which is already under pressure. The majority of the Shire's ecosystems are already 'disturbed' because of mismanagement, and this means we must change our ways. Every Objective and Action ought to aim for preservation and reinvigoration of the

environment. One of the greatest threats to the Shire is 'death by a thousand cuts', where bit by bit land clearing and grazing leave our flora and fauna vulnerable to ever-increasing stress and disappearance. In turn this also places greater pressure on our community's overall well being.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Excessive development will give only a sugar rush to the local economy, and will not help in the long term. Nillumbik is a green area that people love to move to, chopping down half the green to fit more people in will not help with any potential tourism projects. More housing leads to more run off and contamination of waterways.

Local agriculture is important but must always provide for the continuing health of the environment. New systems that respect and promote regenerative farming including water conservation, Indigenous knowledge, and indigenous flora and fauna must be encouraged. The obvious link between sustainable agricultural practices, climate change mitigation and a healthy Green Wedge, must be central to the GWMP. The need for a framework that encourages sustainable land management practices is described in the State Government's Planning Practice Note 31, entitled 'Preparing a Green Wedge Management Plan', and so this has to be clearly demonstrated in any GWMP. This current draft does not achieve this requirement.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

This Goal in its entirety must place much greater emphasis on the need to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.' (Refer 1st item in Appendix 1 of draft GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050). It is Council's responsibility to make significant contributions to the education of residents for the protection and care of biodiversity. Alongside education, it is essential that appropriate resources are allocated to the enforcement of policy standards. Nillumbik's Biodiversity Report outlines the ongoing loss of native vegetation and part of the problem is inadequate enforcement. Key Action A5.6 and A5.7 [page 40 of the draft] propose changes to how land within the Green Wedge can be used. This has the potential to erode the values of the Green Wedge and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development

outside the Urban Growth Boundary. The UGB must be treated as a hard boundary. Stewardship of the land is mentioned in the draft plan, and its role must be better defined in Goal 5, Responsible Leadership. It needs to explain that Nillumbik residents have an obligation to care for the land, not degrade it, and this must be for the entirety of their tenure. Responsible stewardship also asks that the land, its diverse ecosystems and waterways, are passed on in a better state. Council must educate residents about these matters, and lead the way by increasing revegetation of indigenous flora throughout the Shire.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The strongest message from the initial community consultation and the Panel Report is that Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it to be maintained, protected and reinvigorated. This message must lay the foundation for any new GWMP. The current draft does not achieve this.

The Green Wedge Management Plan must reaffirm the Shire's conservation role with the Green Wedge as its Strategic Focus. This draft consistently fails to do this. It lacks detail and omits significant objectives, relevant actions, and accountability measures that would ensure the long-term health and purpose of the Green Wedge.

Declines in biodiversity are at critical levels, and there is urgent need for action by all levels of government and society. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) states that, "The health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide. It is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global".

There is a worrying lack of detail throughout the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms and varying quality. Clearly defined actions need to be included which will address this problem to ensure the long term health of the Green Wedge. The impact of invasive species – flora and fauna – is significant and this must be better addressed.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The Vision looks great at first however it's quite vague in certain areas. In particular the key focus of the Green Wedge should be environmental protection and regeneration. I'd like to see a strong focus on regeneration and reinvigoration of the area otherwise it will no longer be a Green Wedge.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

The document needs to describe in much greater detail the actions to be taken, and each of these must prioritise best environmental practice, ensuring the protection of ALL native vegetation and fauna across the Shire. Also every descriptor needs to clearly indicate how it will contribute to the protection and reinvigoration of biodiversity for the long term.

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Each Principle is a very broad statement and it is unclear how they will be interpreted and applied while ensuring care for the environment.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

The community as a whole must come together to ensure serious action is taken to mitigate climate change and draw down carbon emissions. This is a top priority for how we live together as a community – our collective wellbeing depends on it, as does the environment.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

In order to better manage the natural environment of the Shire, greater dialogue must be generated and maintained with the Traditional Custodians of the area. This is vital for the health of the whole community and the environment in which we live. A Key Action of Goal 2 must focus on this.

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Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This section must clearly focus on overall environmental protection. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. This must be reflected in the title of the Goal, the Actions, and throughout the plan, for example, 'A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy'

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

This draft plan suggests the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) is too restrictive of farming practices and this zoning should only be applied to land with higher conservation values. This suggestion puts at serious risk flora and fauna across a significant proportion of the Shire, whether as single trees in paddocks or scattered pockets of remnant bush. These are all vital and in need of greater care and protection, not less.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Too much development - not enough protection of the green wedge.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the

Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

It sounds to me you are looking at the most efficient way to dilute the green wedge and all this is an attempt to hoodwink residents with politic speak for a council that appears to have significant conflicts of interest and is pro development. This is just another way around our protections.

Principles

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

These principles are only valuable if you actually use them to protect the green wedge and not just some way to pay lip service and run around saying we are doing all this good stuff when the only thing you are doing is sabotaging the green wedge. I don't want a pro development council to have leadership of anything.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

It appears that the bigger the land holding the more sway one will have and we know the vested interests in the community and council will use this as a way to water down the green wedge.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

No - just more dilution of the green wedge - the bush burns - don't like it move to Thomastown or some other suburban nightmare. Don't use this as a way to start chopping down and burning vegetation and overdeveloping the area in the name of economic growth - which is a fundamentally flawed economic ideal but you all buy into the pyramid scheme rather than a sustainability scheme .

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

If you leave things the way they are in the green wedge don't need all this stuff to whitewash your pro development/economic growth agenda.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Keep going at this rate and we wont have an identity worthwhile keeping - already this council has ruined a lot of the appeal of Eltham - the skyline is awful, the apartment blocks are destroying the environment, the amount of traffic is a major issue, there is no longer any parking in the village, air quality is an issue as is noise - we don't need to grow, we need to go slow!

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I agree somewhat, however, this statement is very open to interpretation to support multiple scenarios.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

I am extremely concerned about the "economic development".

Principles

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- Aboriginal voice
- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
- Manage change for future benefit
- Collaboration and connectedness
- Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape
- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The Green Wedge is a completely unique area. It is prestigious and renowned. Protecting this should be of utmost importance and come above all else.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

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Key Move 1 - Agree
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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

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Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Concerns about urban development. It is not an urban area and I feel this is not reflected. Green wedge land should not be released. Businesses should be attracted to empty offices and shops. Road infrastructure does not reflect the amount of apartments/ townhouses being built. More businesses/ houses will attract more traffic. Exits out of Eltham are limited and there are
Many concerns about leaving during a bush fire which would only be enhanced.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Strongly agree

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Neutral

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik’s relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Neutral

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Social equity - Agree

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Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Nillumbik is not part of metropolitan Melbourne and should instead be proud to be the green wedge and attract tourists away from the city, not to be part of it. Celebrate its greenery, not remove it to become more urban!

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Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

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In the sense of supporting the people who live in Eltham. Niche services should be explored, shops, cafes, art.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Leadership has been poor- land has been given ill thought planning consents. Council seems to be more concerned with building multiple housing and not concerned with parking issues, maintaining the green wedge and the views of the community.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Nillumbik should focus on maintaining and enhancing the green wedge to attract visitors who spend money, not industrialising the area.

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Do you have any comments about the Vision?

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

More equitable weight should be given to public opinion based on age. Those who are aging and living in the past (who may indeed have the most time on their hands and loudest voices). What does the future generation look like, want and need? We should be building for futures, not pasts.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Again, I think we need to be careful to plan for a future that responds to the present and future population trends, lifestyle preferences and ideals that make for an appealing place to reside. People are not just looking for good schools and sporting facilities. They want good recreation, dining, shopping experiences that are close to home. People do not want to travel far for these things. Planning for future facilities needs to be tuned in much more to the growth potential and opportunities in our community. Families, newcomers to the area and the youth as it is from these demographics that communities grow, develop and prosper.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

If we don't support local business employing local people the very core base of opportunity starts to erode and ultimately implode. If local business is not nurtured, protected from outdated laws and decisions allowed to be made on emotion and personal grudges, then those creative risk takers will be forever deterred from investing in this shire. You cannot make a community flourish when economic opportunity is blocked. We are in need of a total rework and shake up of policy. It is driving opportunity away from the area.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

By all means keep Eltham beautiful and green but allow development to take place that will endure a Future of viability.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I am concerned that the draft wording is NOT strong enough when it comes to 'Environmental protection & reinvigoration', this needs to be central to the vision of the Green Wedge even though it talks about it being a Strategic Focus for the Shire. Council's draft on one hand quotes the State Government's 'PLAN MELBOURNE 2017-2050' prioritizing the following for the Green Wedge, this being; "Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation" - so why is council wanting to change this responsible way of managing our Green Wedge? Council would be well aware the majority of our community cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it maintained & protected, so everyone can benefit, whether they live in the Shire or not. Other issues that are of concern are that Climate Change mitigation must be an overarching Goal for the GWMP & importantly must therefore be addressed in this vision. Respect of our Indigenous people, their cultural heritage and knowledge barely gets a mention and they have ensured the vitality of the area's biodiversity for tens of thousands of years, they deserve better.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

It appears that Council have not followed State Government's policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP. This raises the question of how relevant is this entire document and associated process's? The current GWMP 2010-2025 describes in greater detail the ways Council & Community will ensure the protection of the green wedge,(not like the new draft). However, there continues to be a great loss of vegetation which demonstrates that any new plan has to be STRONGER & CLEARER about the actions which will be taken to reverse the ongoing decline. The draft needs to be specific with wording.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Broad statements for Principals is not sufficient. There must be very CLEAR wording that will ensure the care for the environment. More needs to be included regarding Biodiversity and the effects of Climate Change should be added to the GWMP.

Biodiversity Protection if a high priority and needs to be given the status of a 'Goal in the Plan'.

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

It needs to be stated that the Shire and Green Wedge areas have different/separate needs than those in an area not established as a Green Wedge. It is important to STOP the ideas of 'What can we get out of the land' eg. for Shire Tourism developments & instead place the emphasis on ' How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment in our Shire - The Green Wedge'.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

The Green Wedge as we know is important for our health, promotes higher levels of mental well being, open spaces and social connectedness. We also need greater dialogue with the Traditional Custodians of this area. This is also important for health of the whole community and environment in which we live.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 3 - by consistently using the word 'balanced' it implies the alternative must be oppositional. Public Education campaign is urgently required for ALL to learn about the importance of Biodiversity and the value of ecosystems, care for natural landscapes, bush-fire risk, the impacts of clearing & tree removal and how ALL of this has a very serious impact on Climate Change. Everyone of us need to understand the impact of some of these proposed changes on Climate Change. PUBLIC EDUCATION is the Key!

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This must reflect the latest Science and the urgent need for environment protection. This draft needs to state the facts that Tourism developments in the Green Wedge need to be "in conjunction" with agricultural uses, as stated in Section 55 of the planning scheme. This clause of the planning scheme decreases the likelihood of inappropriate development.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Council could provide free Leadership, easily assessable advice & education to engage residents in the many ways we can all make changes to help with Climate Change & how it is effecting our environment. eg. Recycle - re-use, buying/growing local produce, responsible waste disposal, car-pooling rosters/ideas/connection points, the benefits of native gardens for the environment..... Reward people who participate!

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

It is vitally important that the Green Wedge Management Plan must reaffirm the Shire's conservation role with the Green Wedge as its Strategic Focus. This draft fails to do this. Lack of detail throughout the document is worrying for the Protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms. An increase of invasive species - flora & fauna, is significant and needs to be addressed in a pro-active manner.

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Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

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A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge

'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I feel more emphasis on the protection of environment. I would like tighter control over cutting down of trees and the approval of multi dwellings on pieces of land

Five Key Moves

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2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
3. A "Green Wedge Conversations" program.
4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

More focus on preserving the natural aspect that we love in Nillumbik and less focus on chopping trees down

Principles

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- Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape
- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Strongly disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly disagree

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Social equity - Strongly disagree

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Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

More free activities for local families such as play groups

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The focus should be on maintaining and enhancing the Green Wedge. It is slowly being eroded with rampant development. Trees are being cut down but not replaced. We need to look at protecting much more the space, land and trees which make this a beautiful place to live.

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Neutral

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Strongly agree

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Neutral

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

There really doesn't seem to be a focus on preserving the Green Wedge itself.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Council does not need to have a vision. Just keep the Green wedge as it is and the job is done. Council has not demonstrated to me they have heeded previous concerns by rate payers. I've lived in the Diamond Creek / Wattle Glen area for 20 years and all I see is a gradual creep of residential estates which tells me Nillumbik Council has no intention of keeping the green wedge.

The Urban Growth Boundary is allegedly supported. However, the Council's draft presses the state government to change the zone, or the zone's uses, on the rural side of the UGB and around our rural townships. (Land Use Planning page 40 and A5.7)

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Neutral

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Neutral

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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[Goal 1: Engaged connected communities](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Nillumbik Council has over the years not demonstrated to me via their actions they want to keep a Green Wedge. If they were serious they would not allow any further real estate developments to occur in the Diamond Creek / Wattle Glen and Hurstbridge area. To approach the State Government in your plan to move the boundaries is evidence of this.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

It is not clear that enough environmental protection will be provided. Nillumbik's environmental integrity is dear to the heart of most of its residents.

Nillumbik's Green Wedge is the most environmentally intact of the Green Wedges and we have a responsibility, not just to local residents but to the Melbourne population as a whole, to maintain this standard.

Not enough attention is paid to climate change mitigation.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Council has not followed State Government's policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP. A Project Steering Group chaired by Council with key stake holders participating is required but was not established. This casts doubt on the validity of the whole process.

There is no clearly articulated Implementation Plan based on clearly stated Objectives and Actions. The current GWMP is better and more detailed than this draft.

There is insufficient emphasis on care of the natural environment.

There is insufficient detail regarding actual actions to be taken to ensure best environmental practice and the protection of all native vegetation and fauna.

Every descriptor needs to indicate clearly how it will contribute to the long term protection and improvement of biodiversity.

Nillumbik has experienced a steady decline in native vegetation in recent years. The GWMP should show what steps will be taken to reverse this trend but it does not.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

They seem to be broad "motherhood" statements with no clear indication of how they will be implemented or how they will enhance environmental protection.

It is not clear how the Principles reflect the community's desire to protect the Green Wedge. There needs to be an additional Principle that specifies Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity. Biodiversity Protection needs to be given the status of Goal in the Plan.

More focus on responsible, long term stewardship of the environment is required.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Engagement of the community is important but it needs to be framed in the context of the environmental protection aim (1994) that "the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a

conservation shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus". Community has the privilege of being the stewards of this special area and its natural values and should be united in the challenges and joys that this presents.

Responding to the challenges of climate change must be a priority for how we live together as a community.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 2 must focus more clearly on prioritising Nillumbik's natural environment and biodiversity. These are what inspire the people of Nillumbik to enjoy the outdoors and to be creative in response to the environment.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

The GWMP needs to emphasise more strongly the importance of all native vegetation and provide for its urgent conservation on both public and private land. Lost habitat and wildlife corridors need to be restored to enhance the survival of wildlife. Climate collapse and the extinction crisis must be taken seriously and addressed. The use of the word "balance" in this context is concerning. It usually means that the environment will suffer for the sake of economic or other short term considerations. Long term preservation of the natural environment is our responsibility and is non-negotiable.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

In the long term, only an eco-friendly economy will perform well. Economic pressures must not be used as an excuse to allow practices that are detrimental to the environment.

Best practice sustainable agricultural methods should be encouraged wherever farming is done.

It is not appropriate that a permit would not be required to start farming in a previously

cleared area in the RCZ. Much previously cleared land has subsequently developed important habitat values. The need for a permit can help to ensure that the more important of these are preserved and that the land is respected. It is also fair and reasonable that neighbours should be aware and able to object if there are plans to start a piggery or other confronting farming operation nearby.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Stewardship of the land is an important aspect of living in a Green Wedge. Although this is mentioned in Goal 5 it is not given sufficient weight. It should be spelled out that Nillumbik residents have a responsibility to care for the land and pass it on in at least as good condition. The suggestion that the RCZ is too restrictive of farming practices is not in keeping with the aims of a Green Wedge. Flora and fauna must be protected across the Shire, including isolated trees in paddocks and patches of remnant bush. As these are whittled away we lose the character of the Green Wedge along with the integrity of its ecosystems which are often fragile and hanging on locally by the skin of their teeth. Responsible leadership demands educating residents on how best to care for the land they live on and helping them to put this into practice.

There must be no question of allowing "development" outside the UGB.

As a relatively prosperous region, Nillumbik has the opportunity to show leadership in acting locally to set the example in how to tackle global problems like climate change and species loss.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I grew up in Nillumbik but have lived most of my life elsewhere. I have come back here to live because, 30 years after my departure, it is still almost as beautiful as when I left. It has clearly been well served by its Green Wedge status. However I fear that this new GWMP, as it currently stands, is going to be less kind to this lovely area. I would hate to see Nillumbik lose its unique qualities.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The focus of this report seems to be "How can we profit and use the Green Wedge" Rather than This is a precious and important area that needs to have its resources protected and looked after for future generations. How can we best achieve this and nurture its uniqueness.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

There needs to be more focus on the protection of our native plants and animals. This is the green wedge and what it is about. The concept of the Green wedge was about providing the "lungs for Melbourne". We seem to be going backwards with this current council with a shift of focus on "the consumer" rather than the environment. Once it is gone. It is gone.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Strongly agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

1. There is already information in the community – eg, CERAP, Landcare & Department of the Environment publications; and existing Council publications. If you are serious about this you need to reemploy high quality informed environmental officers. Also stop using Bushfires as an excuse to clear valuable bush.

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

I do not see the connection between this and honouring the Greenwedge. The focus again seems to be more on it as a wealth asset rather than a fragile area needing protection.

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

3. Any health benefits in the plan would be achieved through protecting our bio diversity. We live in a recognised unique area "the lungs of Melbourne" This should be nurtured and protected at all costs. What has happened to our informed and valuable environmental staff?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

I have grave concerns about how this is to be determined. I do not support animal agriculture in the shire due to the obvious impact on the environment. the 'right' to farm? On an established farm yes, however the right also comes with responsibilities. The right to farm is not the right to clear land. what 'new type of visitor experience' is envisaged. home business – only if this does not impact on neighbours – and bearing in mind that neighbours in rural living zones can share a street too. There should be no adverse aesthetic impact, no noise, no increased parking, mass storage of materials etc – all this affects the environment as a whole (eg soil compression, tree damage, animal disturbance). I am very concerned with the current councils push towards economics via tourism at the expense of our beautiful bush and wildlife.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

I do not feel 'further examination' is needed. Instead of further examination, we need to consolidate the excellent work already being undertaken by Landcare, Friends Groups, Melbourne Water and other agencies as well as building on, and in some cases reactivating, projects that have stalled. Accepting the Zoning as it stands gives certainty for the future, for the community, for future Councils and their Officers and for our landscape as a whole – otherwise known as our environment*. Moving leadership towards the "empowering end of the spectrum" does not sound like a robust plan for environmental protection? This sounds as though we are going to let people do as they see fit, the environment rarely comes out well with a framework like

this.

Other comments

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Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

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A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge

'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The GWMP must specifically address the unique environmental characteristics of the area and prioritize them as it's primary concern and strategic focus.

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

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1. A comprehensive landowners' information and support service.
2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
3. A "Green Wedge Conversations" program.
4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

These Key 1-4 Moves are devoid of meaningful and SMART goals... they do not have enough information or measurable actions on which to base approval and are totally subjective in their interpretation. Unacceptable.

Principles

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- Aboriginal voice
- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
- Manage change for future benefit
- Collaboration and connectedness
- Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape
- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Strongly agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Those principles listed as Disagree fail to describe in enough detail to make an informed decision. They do not have enough information or measurable actions on which to base approval and are totally subjective in their interpretation. Unacceptable.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

I agree only if this question is framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

I agree only if this question is framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

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Goal 4: A prosperous economy

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Neutral

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Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

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Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it to be maintained, protected and reinvigorated. This message must lay the foundation for any new GWMP. The current draft does not achieve this.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Environmental protection and reinvigoration must be central to the Vision for the Green Wedge. The draft does not state this strongly enough, despite it being a Strategic Focus for the Shire. Appendix 1 of Council's draft quotes the State Government's 'Plan Melbourne 2017-2050', where the first priority for the Green Wedge is to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.' The GWMP must reflect the fact that Nillumbik's Green Wedge is the most environmentally intact of Melbourne's Green Wedges, is a significant part of the wider Green Wedge system, and is for the benefit of everyone, whether they live in the area or not. • Climate change mitigation must be an overarching Goal for the GWMP and therefore must be addressed in the Vision. It must inform all objectives and actions such as regenerative agriculture, fire management, waste management, bush regeneration, education, and economic strategy. Throughout the draft, the repeated mention of just adapting to climate change leaves the reader with the impression that Council has basically thrown their hands up in the air suggesting there is nothing that they nor Nillumbik residents can do to tackle climate change. The current GWMP 2010 - 2025 describes in much greater detail (than the new draft) the

ways Council and community will ensure the protection of the green wedge. However there has been consistent net loss of vegetation. This demonstrates that any new plan must be stronger and clearer about the actions which will be taken to reverse this ongoing decline. The draft GWMP does not achieve this. The GWMP must reflect the fact that Nillumbik's Green Wedge is the most environmentally intact of Melbourne's Green Wedges, is a significant part of the wider Green Wedge system, and is for the benefit of everyone, whether they live in the area or not. • Climate change mitigation must be an overarching Goal for the GWMP and therefore must be addressed in the Vision. It must inform all objectives and actions such as regenerative agriculture, fire management, waste management, bush regeneration, education, and economic strategy. Throughout the draft, the repeated mention of just adapting to climate change leaves the reader with the impression that Council has basically thrown their hands up in the air suggesting there is nothing that they nor Nillumbik residents can do to tackle climate change. This is not true and must be part of every day action.

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Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

It appears that Council has failed to follow State Government policy requirements in the preparation of the GWMP. This throws into question the entire document and associated processes. Planning Practice Note 31 describes specific requirements for the development of a GWMP, including the establishment of a Project Steering Group chaired by Council with key stakeholder representatives. This did not occur

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- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Each Principle is a very broad statement and it is unclear how they will be interpreted and applied while ensuring care for the environment. • The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge. The GWMP must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping with the State Government's policies Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 and Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037, which is 'Victoria's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.' • An additional Principle that focuses on Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity, and describes the urgent need to reverse the decline of biodiversity and effects of climate change should be added to the GWMP. Biodiversity Protection should be given the status of a Goal in the Plan

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

- The thrust of Goal 1, to engage the community, is important but must be framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus.
- The plan must state more clearly that the Shire and Green Wedge areas have particular needs that are different to those in an area not established as a Green Wedge. The new plan presents an opportunity to highlight and expand the role of the whole community in stewardship of the land. This needs to be clearly stated and emphasised, as we ask ourselves, 'How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?', rather than 'What can we get out of the land?'.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

The Objectives and Key Actions for Goal 2 must clearly and strongly focus on ensuring Nillumbik's biodiversity is top priority. As stated in the draft plan, green space is an important determinant of health, not just because it enables physical activity but also because it has been shown to promote higher levels of mental wellbeing and social connectedness.

- In order to better manage the natural environment of the Shire, greater dialogue must be generated and maintained with the Traditional Custodians of the area.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

The GWMP needs to more strongly acknowledge the importance of ALL indigenous vegetation and address the urgent need to conserve it THROUGHOUT the Shire, on private and public land. The community must work together to focus on increasing habitat for wildlife and connectivity; preserving biodiversity; valuing what ecosystems provide; We must address the climate change and extinction crises, and the need to transform to an ecologically sustainable society.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This section must clearly focus on overall environmental protection. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. This must be reflected in the title of the Goal, the Actions, and throughout the plan, for example, 'A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy' The draft suggests that to start farming in the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) no permit should be required if the land has been previously cleared and used for farming. This definition of 'cleared land' needs greater detail – much of Nillumbik has been cleared at some stage, but thanks to regeneration it holds significant environmental qualities. Horses and other hard-hoofed animals have a negative impact on the environment – none of Australia's native animals have hard hooves. Impacts on habitats include erosion, water quality degradation, damage to flora, and spreading of weeds. Actions must be implemented to prevent these impacts. These must include education of the equine sector and other graziers. There needs to be greater understanding and responsible ownership of animals, ensuring that animals do not enter waterways and are not allowed to graze in the bush.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

- Stewardship of the land is mentioned in the draft plan, and its role must be better defined in Goal 5, Responsible Leadership. It needs to explain that Nillumbik residents have an obligation to care for the land, not degrade it, and this must be for the entirety of their tenure. Responsible stewardship also asks that the land, its diverse ecosystems

and waterways, are passed on in a better state. Council must educate residents about these matters, and lead the way by increasing revegetation of indigenous flora throughout the Shire. • This draft plan suggests the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) is too restrictive of farming practices and this zoning should only be applied to land with higher conservation values. This suggestion puts at serious risk flora and fauna across a significant proportion of the Shire, whether as single trees in paddocks or scattered pockets of remnant bush. These are all vital and in need of greater care and protection, not less y. Alongside education, it is essential that appropriate resources are allocated to the enforcement of policy standards. Nillumbik's Biodiversity Report outlines the ongoing loss of native vegetation and part of the problem is inadequate enforcement

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The strongest message from the initial community consultation and the Panel Report is that Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it to be maintained, protected and reinvigorated. This message must lay the foundation for any new GWMP. The current draft does not achieve this. Green Wedge. • Declines in biodiversity are at critical levels, and there is urgent need for action by all levels of government and society. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) states that, "The health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide. It is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global" There is a worrying lack of detail throughout the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms and varying quality. Clearly defined actions need to be included which will address this problem to ensure the long term health of the Green Wedge. • The impact of invasive species – flora and fauna – is significant and this must be better addressed. • The draft speaks of polarised and diverse views and how conversations must be respectful and robust. It is vital that this is the case, and is supported by current science, particularly in relation to the need for environmental repair and preservation, and urgent climate change mitigation. • It is necessary that we uphold the highest of professional standards throughout the Shire and its Leadership.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

We need to look at the biodiversity in this area, to make sure that we keep open spaces for future generation and be very mindful of climate change and global warming. As well as the importance of trees that are the manufactureres of oxygen.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Agree

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Strongly agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Strongly agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Strongly agree

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Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Council's initial community engagement clearly demonstrated that the large majority of Nillumbik residents cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it maintained, protected and enhanced. This view was also expressed by the majority report of the Community Panel. Council's draft does not reflect strong enough support for the Community's position.

Environmental protection and reinvigoration must be central to the Vision for the Green Wedge. The draft does not state this strongly enough, despite it being a Strategic Focus for the Shire.

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Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

What are the actions and measures that need to be undertaken? The current GWMP has much greater detail than this new draft, and should be used as a basis for improvement.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik’s relationship to Metropolitan

Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge. The GWMP must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping with the State Government's policies Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 and Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037, which is 'Victoria's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.'

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Agree with Key Action A1.1.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Draft Actions should also clearly and strongly focus on ensuring Nillumbik's biodiversity is top priority.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

The GWMP needs to more strongly acknowledge the importance of ALL indigenous vegetation and address the urgent need to conserve it THROUGHOUT the Shire, on private and public land. The community must work together to focus on increasing habitat for wildlife and connectivity; preserving biodiversity; valuing what ecosystems provide; developing a 'systems view' (that ALL is interdependent); address the climate change and extinction crises, and the need to transform to an ecologically sustainable society.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

This section must clearly focus on overall environmental protection. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. This must be reflected in the title of the Goal, the Actions, and throughout the plan, for example, 'A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy'.

Support for local agriculture is important but must always provide for the continuing health of the environment. New systems that respect and promote regenerative farming including water conservation, Indigenous knowledge, and indigenous flora and fauna must be encouraged. The obvious link between sustainable agricultural practices, climate change mitigation and a healthy Green Wedge, must be central to the GWMP.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Stewardship of the land is mentioned in the draft plan, and its role must be better defined in Goal 5, Responsible Leadership. It needs to explain that Nillumbik residents have an obligation to care for the land, not degrade it, and this must be for the entirety of their tenure. Responsible stewardship also asks that the land, its diverse ecosystems

and waterways, are passed on in a better state. Council must educate residents about these matters, and lead the way by increasing revegetation of indigenous flora throughout the Shire.

Responsible Leadership should have a section dealing with climate change mitigation. Council ought to provide education and free, easily accessible advice to residents on a range of topics such as 'avoid - reduce - reuse - recycle', reducing meat-consumption, buying local produce and growing your own, responsible waste disposal, reduction of car-dependence, benefits of native vegetation etc.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The draft speaks of polarised and diverse views and how conversations must be respectful and robust. It is vital that this is the case, and is supported by current science, particularly in relation to the need for environmental repair and preservation, and urgent climate change mitigation.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

i am horrified at the amount of development that i am seeing around eltham. it is very sad. eltham was a lovely little town, a quiet and friendly place, but with all the new housing, it is becoming busy. i'd much rather see more nature spaces. more parks, more habitat for our native species. a botanical garden to enjoy spending time in. i wish eltham could have a ceres type community.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

this is not clear enough. i want to protect our green wedge. STOP THE DEVELOPMENT! keep eltham as a quiet friendly little town. plant more indigenous species.

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

again, it is not clear as to what exactly is being planned. we need to stop development. protect our native wildlife and provide increased habitats. celebrate our green wedge by adding to it. we have some great local groups doing wonderful things - monty sugar glider project, the Eltham copper butterfly project. we could work to provide improved habitat for these species. everywhere i go, i see lots of superb fairy-wrens.... except here in Eltham! ? we need to work on our greenwedge to proved habitat for small local bird species. aswell as the possums and gliders, butterflies, blue tongue lizards, geckos. there are so many shires now with a "gardens for wildlife" program. why do we not have one? i have written to nillumbik many times enquiring about this, but as yet, i do not think that any steps have been taken to set up this program. this is exactly what we should be doing. more habitat for local species.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

again, we can work better to protect and improve on our environment.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

we need more green spaces. the area above the library could be made into a lovely garden to enjoy and to attract local bird species. a habitat for small birds. a place to enjoy being in a green wedge. a nice area for a picnic. our parks can be made much more inviting to native species where they can be celebrated and enjoyed.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

we can do better. much better. more education about native species and habitats. a "gardens for wildlife" program would be a great start. plant indigenous species from edendale farm in our public areas and encourage families to plant indigenous species at home. we need to be bringing more birds, butterflies and lizards into eltham rather than building homes for humans. we have enough humans. we have enough buildings. lets now work on our environment. edendale farm could be made bigger and better. eltham needs a space like ceres. it is brilliant. it would suit eltham well.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

we need to protect our environment. nillumbik needs to be a prosperous, but eco friendly community. a place to be proud of. a leader in environment. right now, it is ridiculous that this is called a "green wedge". it is being ruined.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

we need leaders who will protect and add to our current wildlife habitats. let's be leaders in environment and sustainability. let's show how it is done. let's do our best to improve our wildlife habitats. lets earn the title of "green wedge" . we have the potential to do something wonderful here.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

we can do better! so much better! halt development. no more buildings. no more housing. improve on habitat for local wildlife. encourage people to plant local. and please lets get rid of cats! no more cats wandering outside. i know we have a curfew, but it is clearly not followed. and cats kill birds and lizards in the day time anyway. lets not have cats outside at all. and we could do a big program to eradicate foxes. more education about our local species, things that families can do at home. - not have cats, plant local. plus there is an abundance of dog poop around Eltham. it is truly horrifying. make it easy for local businesses to not use plastic or straws. we have an opportunity to lead the way. we are called the green wedge! start up the "gardens for wildlife" program. encourage locals to do "habitat gardening". lead the way by improving our public spaces. add more local plant species to encourage local wildlife. particularly the small birds. i am disappointed with the way that eltham is going at the moment. please turn this thing around. be proud and celebrate our green wedge.

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Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I want the Green Wedge to be protected, not 'managed'! And it's not just about the Shire & the people. What about the biodiversity? What about the flora and fauna?

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Insufficient detail in the draft plan to be able to respond to these key moves in any other way.

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Conserve and enhance our heritage - Neutral

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

As above, a) there is not enough detail provided on what these principles could mean in practice; and b) there is nothing here about supporting biodiversity and protecting indigenous flora and fauna.

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Do not support

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While I appreciate actions A1.9-A1.11, I am deeply concerned about several of the other actions proposed (primarily due to lack of detail provided). For example, A1.5: 'Create a comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships to strengthen their identities and attractiveness as service, population, tourism, community and cultural centres'. Why? So we can attract more visitors? No thank you. So we can attract more residents? No thank you. So we can attract bigger businesses? No, that you.

A1.6: 'Investigate options for consolidation and amalgamation of small rural lots that are not capable of supporting a dwelling in their current configuration. Where appropriate and with owner consent, consider government purchase of such lots where they are adjacent to public land'. Again, why? In order to do what? There are two inferences that can be drawn from this, 1) so more dwellings can be built (which I would strongly oppose) or 2) to expand the amount of public land (which I would support, but with caveats regarding protection of biodiversity & of indigenous flora and fauna & regarding land usage. I want the bush to be protected because of its importance in our ecosystem, not because it can then become a product for 'consumption'.)

A1.7 'Review the impacts of proximity to urban communities on rural land adjoining the urban area and investigate options to maintain the amenity and productivity of those areas.' Again, why? With what aim in mind? This smacks to me of backdoor introduction of 'buffer' zones, that simply serve to nibble away at the Green Wedge.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

The proposed action that concerns me, here, is A2.7: 'Use the Nillumbik Planning Scheme as a positive means to encourage heritage conservation and management, including support of adaptive reuse of heritage places and allowing prohibited uses, if they help support the conservation of a heritage place and are in line with planning policy objectives.' There is insufficient detail provided, which rings alarm bells for me. If conserving a heritage place means over-riding environmental protections (regardless of whether or not this is in line with planning policy objectives), then I would be opposed to such conservation.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

I am delighted to see reference, here, to a) feral animal and pest plan specifies reduction (A3.4); b) biodiversity conservation and working with Landcare groups (A3.5); c) renewable energy solutions (A3.11).

However I am strongly opposed to any review of the Environmental Significance Overlay (A3.2), particularly when this is linked to 'agricultural activity and practices'. I am far less concerned about protecting agriculture than I am about protecting biodiversity and the environment.

I also object to the wording of A3.12: 'Promote water sensitive design, balance amenity uses of our waterways with environmental considerations and balance demand for private use of water flows through extraction and diversion with broader community and environmental considerations.' I want broader community and environmental considerations to be prioritised over 'private use of water flows'. We have already seen how badly affected our local waterways are by extraction of water for profit-making enterprises.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

It is humanity's constant obsession with economic growth that has brought us to the brink of climate disaster. Tourism is one part of this. By all means keep attracting people to Eltham and other peri-urban areas; leave townships such as St Andrews out of it, please!

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Several of the actions listed here (A5.1, A5.2, A5.3, A5.4, A5.5, A5.7) have appeared elsewhere in the Draft Plan (albeit with slightly different wording; I will not repeat comments made earlier regarding some of these.

I am extremely concerned by A5.6: 'Consider reviewing the current application of zoning controls in the green wedge to better reflect the actual use of land.' I want a Green Wedge zoning policy that better reflects the optimal use of land from a biodiversity and environmental perspective. No agricultural/peri-urban development creep, thank you.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I - and everyone else I know who lives in St Andrews - chooses to live here because of the natural beauty of the surroundings. We are happy to live on tank water, with no sewage service and with unpaved roads. While I object strongly to Nillumbik Council's Eltham-centric resource distribution, my primary desire of the Council is that it works to protect and promote this natural beauty: not for economic benefit, but because of its importance to the ecosystem. This Draft Plan leaves me with serious concern as to the Council's intentions in this regard.

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Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The emphases in this "vision" are all wrong and go backwards from the previous "vision" which should be reinstated. The new one seems bereft of any real vision and little more than a long political slogan/motherhood statement that leaves wiggle room to UNDERMINE the Green Wedge by making it secondary to "economic sustainability". This is an egregious betrayal of the process set up by Council allegedly to allow the community to have its views on the subject heard. The Community Survey of August 2018 found widespread support for preserving the Green Wedge, as did the Community Panel, whose conclusions have not been reflected in the draft GWMP - rather the minority report has taken over. How can a viewpoint determined by the Council's own processes as being a minority opinion come to dominate the outcome? The whole point of Green Wedges, from their inception in the 1970s, is to PRESERVE the natural environment, not MANAGE it, or, bend it to suit "economic sustainability". This is made even clearer in the draft GWMP's own appendix 1, when it quotes the priority of Plan Melbourne 2017-2050: "Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation." The alleged "vision" will not achieve this, as it is just another fool's paradise

attempt to have one's cake and eat it too, doomed to fail. The "vision" needs to emphasise and make clear the true goals of the Green Wedge, consistent with the Victorian Biodiversity Strategy, namely to conserve and enhance the natural environment of Nillumbik. Council's draft will not only not achieve this but runs a very real risk of doing the opposite.

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Key Move 1 - Disagree

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Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Again, the emphases are wrong. While potentially useful, the moves seem to put the interests of landowners, community and townships ahead of the environment, which again betrays the Community Panel's recommendations. It's not clear how the moves would actually preserve and enhance the Green Wedge any better than is being done (still inadequately) using the current GWMP 2010 - 2025, which has much more detail than the new draft about how to achieve protection of the Green Wedge. The new plan, let alone these suspicious key moves, does not achieve what it should be aiming at: to make the GWMP stronger.

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

These principles only raise the level of the alarm bells ringing. They are mostly vague but also all too prone to too much interpretation eg. whose "leadership"? The community's? Council's? The landowners with the biggest bribes?! Whose "future benefit"? What type of "sustainability" - the environment's or the economy's? And why the emphasis on "Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne" in a plan for the Green Wedge? Too many obvious Green Wedge principles are missing: "preservation and enhancement of the natural environment and its biodiversity (especially indigenous vegetation and wildlife habitat)" should be at the very top of the list, ideally followed by "recognition of the need to change to an ecologically sustainable society". The absence of the obvious principles helps cement the view formed as per previous comments that this new GWMP has too much potential to undermine the Green Wedge and will be a major backwards step in what should be its principal goal: preservation and enhancement of the Green Wedge.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

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The goal makes some sense and some of its objectives and actions have some merit, but it all puts the cart before the horse... Nillumbik was formed in 1994 with the intent of being a "conservation Shire" with the Green Wedge its strategic focus - communities therefore must accept that restraint to ensure they act as responsible stewards. That objective should be the very first one - but as it is not included, the other objectives and key actions leave themselves open to dealing with the wrong priorities and belong better in an economic plan not a Green Wedge plan. In fact, that seems to be the overarching fault with the entire draft GWMP - it fails to deal properly with its own subject and tries to transform the environmental questions of concern into economic issues. As such, I can only be suspicious that the objectives and actions will effectively work to undermine what should be the real goal of preserving and enhancing the Green Wedge. In particular, I have concerns about O1.2's reliance on "landowners and volunteers" and A1.8's intent for the "location of aged care services within the townships".

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

On the surface, this seems reasonable, but the proof of the pudding is in the detail which is not made clear. The objectives as stated could easily translate to the Shire being inundated with tourists which would work against preserving and enhancing the Green Wedge. Again, these are economic goals that belong elsewhere not in a GWMP.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Back to front again. Healthy environments first, safe second. Bushfire concerns dominate the objectives but better belong in a Bushfire policy, not the GWMP. 03.5 seems worthy but 03.1 misses the point by its inclusion of the word "valuable" - who determines the value? Government? Landowners? Banks? This and the associated A3.1 could lead to the majority of "biodiversity and habitats" being deemed not "valuable" enough to "protect and enhance", being further degraded, and putting pressure on the more "valuable" remainder. Another back door to undermine the Green Wedge.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

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Trying to prioritise the economy in a GMWP completely misses the point. You can't have your cake and eat it too. The GWMP must work to preserve and enhance the Green Wedge - that is its fundamental purpose, and everything else secondary and subservient to that purpose. Without a sustainable environment, there can be no economy (ask the Easter Islanders). As such, economic goals belong elsewhere. O4.4 highlights the fundamental dilemma: "sustainable management of the equine community" cannot preserve or enhance the Green Wedge, it can only erode it due to horses' hard hooves eroding land and thus helping to spread weeds and degrade water quality. A4.5 is the only action that makes any sense - it is blank. Of particular concern is the draft GWMP's suggestion that farming should be allowed to start in RCZ zones without permits if the land has already been "cleared" or used for farming - would this mean land farmed half a century ago for crops but left idle since and now full of recovered biodiversity could suddenly be home to a herd of goats? Don't tell the neighbours, maybe they won't notice. Similarly, the draft plan suggests RCZ should only be applied to land with higher conservation values so as to not overly restrict farming practices, an idea that would undoubtedly lead to further degradation in much of the Shire with remnant bush, as is particularly the case in my local area.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

No, no, no. The GWMP's principles, if properly and consistently framed, should provide all the leadership that is necessary. If we could rely on leadership from landowners and the community, there would be no need for a GWMP. Especially A5.6 and A5.7 are

objectionable: the existing zoning controls and land uses near the UGB need to be reinforced not weakened, otherwise there will be continued nibbling at the edges and the Green Wedge will not be preserved and enhanced as the true intention of a GMWP requires but instead undermined. The Planning Scheme's current minimum subdivision size for RCZ of 8ha must be retained WITHOUT EXCEPTION, with only one dwelling on each block.

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Why has the GWMP even been reviewed (well ahead of schedule, as it was meant to run until 2025)? Apparently, not to better meet its goals of preserving and enhancing the environment, as those goals do not figure in any of the above. Indeed, given that the Green Wedge is meant to be Nillumbik's strategic focus, it is remarkable that the draft GWMP consistently fails to have the Green Wedge as its focus. Council promoted the review process as allowing the community to have its say, but then took on board not the findings of a long consultation and panel process which only affirmed a widespread community desire to preserve and enhance the Green Wedge and thus fulfil Nillumbik's role as a conservation Shire, but instead a minority report from disgruntled panel members. The result is a poorly framed draft policy far inferior to its predecessor, bereft of the obvious foundation of environmental protection, and capable only of eroding the Green Wedge. If the (majority) Panel recommendations cannot be acted upon to actually IMPROVE on the current GWMP, it would be best to allow the current one to run until its conclusion in 2025, and abandon the new draft in its entirety.

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You don't listen to the people you just want to build more houses and don't care about the environment

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Engaged with the community, the first we know about anything is when the builders move in to start digging up the green wedge

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Won't have any natural areas left, near the townships

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

How long has it taken you to build the Diamond Creek trail to Hurstbridge. O you still haven't started it

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The vision is not clearly articulated, but vague and non-specific - open to interpretation. Environmental protection and reinvigoration must be central to the Vision for the Green Wedge. The draft does not state this clearly enough.

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Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 4 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 5 - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Each of the ‘Five Key Moves’ contain potentially useful ideas depending on how they are applied, but there needs to be much greater emphasis on the care of the natural environment.

The document needs to describe in much greater detail the ACTIONS to be taken, and each of these must prioritise best environmental practice, ensuring the protection of ALL native vegetation and fauna across the Shire.

Every descriptor needs to clearly indicate how it will contribute to the protection and reinvigoration of biodiversity for the long term.

The current GWMP 2010 - 2025 describes in much greater detail (than the new draft) the ways Council and community will ensure the protection of the green wedge.

However there has been consistent net loss of vegetation. This demonstrates that any new plan must be stronger and clearer about the actions which will be taken to reverse this ongoing decline. The draft GWMP does not achieve this.

Principles

The following principles informed the creation of the Green Wedge Management Plan and will inform how the goals, objectives and key actions are to be implemented.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Strongly disagree

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Each Principle is a very broad statement and it is unclear how they will be interpreted and applied, and that enough care will be taken for the environment.

The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge, which it doesn't in this draft. The GWMP plan must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping with the State Government's policies Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 and Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037, which is 'Victoria's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.'

An additional Principle that focuses on Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity, and describes the urgent need to reverse the decline of biodiversity and effects of climate change should be added to the GWMP.

As with the 'Five Key Moves', the outlined Principles contain potentially useful ideas but there needs to be greater emphasis on the protection of the environment. For example, the principle that says, 'The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its values and with a focus on long-term stewardship.' could read, "The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its *biodiversity and environmental* values and with a focus on long-term stewardship." This draft is clearly a weak document which fails to make a strong enough commitment to environmental protections.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

. The thrust of Goal 1, to engage the community, is important but must be framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

The Objectives and Key Actions for Goal 2 do not clearly and strongly focus on ensuring Nillumbik's biodiversity is top priority. They are too vague and open to interpretation. As stated in the draft plan, green space is an important determinant of health, not just because it enables physical activity but also because it has been shown to promote higher levels of mental wellbeing and social connectedness.

In order to better manage the natural environment of the Shire, greater dialogue must be generated and maintained with the Traditional Custodians of the area. This is vital for the health of the whole community and the environment in which we live. A Key Action of Goal 2 must focus on this.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

goal 3 - The GWMP needs to more strongly acknowledge the importance of ALL indigenous vegetation and address the urgent need to conserve it THROUGHOUT the Shire, on private and public land. The community must work together to focus on

increasing habitat for wildlife and connectivity; preserving biodiversity; valuing what ecosystems provide; developing a 'systems view' (acknowledging the fact that ALL is interdependent); address the climate change and extinction crises, and the need to transform to an ecologically sustainable society. This must become the underpinning ethos that guides the Actions and all other aspects of the plan, without compromise. Goal 3 repeatedly uses the language of 'balance', and this needs to be amended as it indicates that our thinking is oppositional. It implies that there is a need to trade-off environmental health against other considerations, which is wrong - and creates divisiveness. In fact, international, national, and state government reports indicate that we must prioritise the health of our environment and human health and well-being will only benefit as a result.

For example, A3.12, p 33, speaks of balancing amenity, environmental considerations, private water extraction and community considerations. What needs to take place is a prioritisation of environmental considerations, as without optimal environmental health, all other activity and considerations will be constrained.

- The use of stocktakes and studies [see A3.1, p32] that describe some areas of vegetation as more significant or valuable than others is alarming as it can lead to greater degradation of the environment which is already under pressure. The majority of the Shire's ecosystems are already 'disturbed' because of mismanagement, and this means we must change our ways. Every Objective and Action ought to aim for preservation and reinvigoration of the environment. One of the greatest threats to the Shire is 'death by a thousand cuts', where bit by bit land clearing and grazing leave our flora and fauna vulnerable to ever-increasing stress and disappearance. In turn this also places greater pressure on our community's overall well being.
- An additional Action must be to undertake a massive public education campaign about biodiversity, the value of ecosystems, care for natural landscapes, bushfire risk reduction through understanding the ancient role of fire in the landscape, the significance of the Green Wedge, climate change and their interdependence.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

The plan takes a very short term view - we cannot gain true prosperity by destroying the land on which we live, no matter how gradual the destruction.

The plan must state more clearly that the Shire and Green Wedge areas have particular needs that are different to those in an area not established as a Green Wedge. The new plan presents an opportunity to highlight and expand the role of the whole community in stewardship of the land. This needs to be clearly stated and emphasised, as we ask ourselves, 'How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?', rather than 'What can we get out of the land?'

The true value, including the economic value of the land and the real estate built on it,

will rise if we protect and enhance the trees and all native vegetation- people want and need nature. This is why people choose to live in Eltham - because it doesn't look like Richmond or Balwyn!! There is insufficient detail in the plan and the proposed actions to show real understanding that short term economic goals won't undermine long term real value and prosperity for residents and for the land on which we live.

This section must clearly focus on overall environmental protection. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. This must be reflected in the title of the Goal, the Actions, and throughout the plan, for example, 'A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy'.

- Support for local agriculture is important but must always provide for the continuing health of the environment. New systems that respect and promote regenerative farming, Indigenous knowledge, and value indigenous flora and fauna must be encouraged.
- The draft suggests that to start farming in the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) no permit should be required if the land has been previously cleared and used for farming. This definition of 'cleared land' needs greater detail – much of Nillumbik has been cleared at some stage, but thanks to regeneration it holds significant environmental qualities. Permits are essential as they can ensure any agricultural activities respect the land. It also means that residents will be informed about the piggery etc proposed for next door.
- This draft must mention the fact that tourism developments in the Green Wedge need to be "in conjunction" with agricultural uses, as stated in Section 55 of the planning scheme. This clause of the planning scheme decreases the likelihood of inappropriate development.
- Horses and other hard-hoofed animals have a negative impact on the environment – none of Australia's native animals have hard hooves. Impacts on habitats include erosion, water quality degradation, damage to flora, and spreading of weeds. Actions must be implemented to prevent these impacts. These must include education of the equine sector and other graziers. There needs to be greater understanding and responsible ownership of animals, ensuring that animals do not enter waterways and are not allowed to graze in the bush. This focus on environmental care must also be reflected in the proposed Nillumbik Equine Strategy.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Stewardship of the land is mentioned in the draft plan, and its role must be better defined in Goal 5, Responsible Leadership. It needs to explain that Nillumbik residents have an obligation to care for the land, not degrade it, and this must be for the entirety of their tenure. Responsible stewardship also asks that the land, its diverse ecosystems and waterways, are passed on in a better state.

- This draft plan suggests the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) is too restrictive of farming practices and this zoning should only be applied to land with higher conservation values. This suggestion puts at serious risk flora and fauna across a significant proportion of the Shire, whether as single trees in paddocks or scattered pockets of remnant bush. These are all vital and in need of greater care and protection, not less.
- Responsible Leadership should have a section dealing with climate change mitigation in accordance with the precautionary principle.
- This Goal in its entirety must place much greater emphasis on the need to ‘Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.’ (Refer 1st item in Appendix 1 of draft GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050).
- Key Action A5.6 and A5.7 [page 40 of the draft] propose changes to how land within the Green Wedge can be used. This has the potential to erode the values of the Green Wedge and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside the Urban Growth Boundary. The UGB must be treated as a hard boundary.
- The GWMP needs to recognise the leading role that Nillumbik can play; there is a real opportunity now that we can be part of the solution, acting locally to address global problems. We're a relatively affluent population. Nillumbik is the perfect place to start turning things around. If not here and now, where and when?

Other comments

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The strongest message which came from the initial community consultation and the Panel Report is that Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it to be maintained, protected and reinvigorated. This must lay the foundation for any new GWMP. The current draft does not achieve this, but appears to be deliberately weakening the commitment to protect and manage our natural environment and allow greater development for short term economic gain.

- There is a worrying lack of detail throughout the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms and varying quality. Clearly defined actions need to be included which will clearly state a genuine commitment to the long term health of the Green Wedge.
- Declines in biodiversity are at critical levels, and there is urgent need for action by all levels of government and society. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) states that, “The health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide. It is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global”. We need the Shire to get their heads out of the sand

and accept this reality and the need for genuine leadership.

- The impact of invasive species – flora and fauna – is significant and this must be better addressed.
- The Green Wedge Management Plan must reaffirm the Shire's true conservation role - this must be central, not peripheral.
- The draft speaks of polarised and diverse views, and how conversations must be respectful and robust. Yes as it stands it perpetuates this fallacy that environmental and [true sustainable] economic values are at odds - the former will contribute to the latter - they are inextricably connected.

. Leadership must take into account the current science, particularly in relation to the need for environmental repair and preservation. There is no room for antiquated arguments - the science is unequivocal. Both elected and employed Shire leaders have a moral responsibility to act in the best interests of all current and future residents, informed by science.

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Key Move 2 - Disagree

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All you want to do is build houses and don't have any consideration for the environment

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Aboriginal voice - Neutral

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and dug up the last paddock. Then you realised that you have stuffed it all up for every one

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Strongly do not support

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Other comments

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Green Wedge Management Plan, all you want to do is manage the destruction of the natural environment. With mass house building and an other nursing home

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Lack of detail!!

The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge.

The GWMP must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping with the State Government's policies 'Plan Melbourne 2017-2050' and 'Protecting Victoria's Environment - Biodiversity 2037'. This is Victoria's Plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.'

Change needs to be managed to conserve its biodiversity and environmental values and with a focus on long term stewardship.

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Need to ask 'how can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?', rather than 'what can we get out of the land?'

In 1994 the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a 'conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus. This somehow seems to be forgotten by this Council draft.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Once again the focus must be on ensuring biodiversity is top priority. Green space is an important determinant of health, not just physical activity but mental well-being and social connectedness.

To better manage the natural environment of the Shire, greater dialogue must be generated and maintained with the Traditional Custodians of the area.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

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The GWMP needs to more strongly acknowledge the importance of ALL indigenous vegetation and address the urgent need to conserve it THROUGHOUT the Shire, on private and public land.

The community must work together to focus on increasing habitat for wildlife and connectivity; preserving biodiversity; valuing what ecosystems provide; developing a 'systems view'(that ALL is interdependent - reference Fritjof Capra 'The Systems view of Life'.); address the climate change and extinction crises, and the need to transform to an ecologically sustainable society.

This MUST become the underpinning ethos that guides the Actions and all other aspects of the plan, without compromise.

The majority of the Shire's ecosystems are already 'disturbed' because of mismanagement, so we must change our ways. Every Objective and Action ought to aim for preservation and reinvigoration of the environment. One of the greatest threats to the Shire is 'death by a thousand cuts', where bit by bit land clearing and grazing leave our flora and fauna vulnerable to ever increasing stress and disappearance.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Should read 'a prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy'! Economic activities

must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environment protection.

Support for local agriculture is important but must always provide for the continuing health of the environment. New systems that respect and promote regenerative farming, Indigenous knowledge, and value indigenous flora and fauna must be encouraged.

The draft suggests that to start farming in the RCZ no permit should be required if the land has been previously cleared and used for farming. This definition of 'cleared land' needs greater detail - much of Nillumbik has been cleared at some stage, but thanks to regeneration it holds significant environmental qualities. Permits are essential as they can ensure any agricultural activities respect the land - want to be notified of a proposed piggery next door??

Horses and other hoofed animals have a negative impact on the environment - non of Australia's native animals have hard hooves. Impacts on habitats include erosion, water quality degradation, damage to flora, and spreading weeds. Actions must be implemented to prevent these impacts. These must include education of the equine sector and other graziers. There needs to be greater understanding and responsible ownership of animals, ensuring that animals do not enter waterways and are not allowed to graze in the bush. This focus on environmental care must also be reflected in the proposed Nillumbik Equine Strategy.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

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This draft plan suggests RCZ is too restrictive of farming practices and this zoning should only be applied to land with higher conservation values. This suggestion puts at serious risk flora and fauna across a significant proportion of the Shire, whether as a single tree in a paddock or scattered pockets of remnant bush. These are all vital and in need of greater care and protection, not less.

This Goal in its entirety must place much greater emphasis on the need to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net5 gaining the quantity and quality of native vegetation.' (Refer GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050).

Key Action A5.6 and A5.7 propose changes to how land within the Green Wedge can be used. This has potential to erode the values of the Green Wedge and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside of the Urban Growth Boundary. The UGB must be treated as a hard boundary.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The strongest message from the initial community consultation and the Panel Report is that Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it to be maintained, protected and reinvigorated. This message must lay the foundation for a new GWMP. The current draft DOES NOT achieve this.

There is @ worrying lack of detail throughout the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms and varying quality. Clearly defined actions need to be included which will address this problem to ensure the long term health of the Green Wedge.

Declines in biodiversity are at critical levels, and there is urgent need for action and all levels of government and society. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) states that, "The health of ecosystems on which we all and other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide. It is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global."

- The impact of invasive species, flora and fauna, is significant and this must be better addressed.
- The GWMP must reaffirm the Shire's conservation role.
- The draft speaks of polarised and diverse views and how conversations must be respectful and robust.

It is vital that this is the case, and is supported by current science, particularly in relation to the need for environmental repair and preservation. It is necessary that we uphold the highest professional standards throughout the Shire and it's Leadership.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

It seems a sensible and broad minded approach to managing the green wedge for the long term and for everyone.

Five Key Moves

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

I agree with most of the key moves

Principles

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- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
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- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

As long as landowners are effectively engaged in the process of implementing this plan it will work well as they are the actual custodians of the wedge. Alienate the landowners and the plan is doomed (like C81 and 101).

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

The population is growing and Nillumbik is not immune from the impacts of this - we must accommodate more people and allow people more flexibility in what they can do with their properties - this does not mean high density development but a sensible approach to dealing with a reality of life in Victoria. Very sensible to look at land abutting the hard urban edge - a transitional buffer zone makes sense and would improve peoples lives with out changing the rural character of the green wedge. I think people should as a matter of principle be able to re-build after a fire on the same footprint - the alternative is being ties up in council red and green tape - not fair. On this point the plan doesn't go far enough.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Art and culture are a good part of the wedge.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Recognising the landowners is a great thing in this plan and the fact most of the land is privately owned and not a national park - it is open rural land used for hobby farming and lifestyle pursuits and other human activity - always has been and always will be - fantastic this is finally recognized. Well done.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Yes we need more activity in the wedge - and good to see the equine culture of Nillumbik is recognized - hopefully this will grow into the future.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Council most definitely need to look at zoning and make it more consistent to land use patterns across the shire - for too long zoning has been used by council as a blunt tool to stop all development. A more sensible and balanced approach should be taken that will better position the shire for a brighter future.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Well done to Council getting to this point - this draft plan is so much better than the previous plan as it is much more holistic and includes more people and more ideas - much more diverse and sensible.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

It seems to be a sensible and balanced vision - accommodating a broad section of the community and not just one loud minority.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Agree

Key Move 2 - Agree

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The key will be implementation - that's the hard bit.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Neutral

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Agree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

I like conserving our rural heritage - this is not just about the environment - it is about people interacting with the landscape - hobby farming, agriculture, trail riding, hunting, fishing - all perfectly natural rural pursuits that's should be enjoyed.

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Nillumbik is a divided community so anything that brings people together is a good thing - in the past local policies have been developed solely by a green cabal (FONS and others) - many of these people do not even live in the Green Wedge or understand how to manage it so it is good to see actual landowners being embraced as part of the solution.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Creativity is a part of the culture of Nillumbik and should form part of the plan.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Good in principle - implementation is the challenge.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

We must do much more to reduce green/red tape and enable people to do more with their properties and attract people to the area - Melbourne's population is growing and Nillumbik cannot avoid dealing with the impact - we must be part of Victoria's growing economy.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

This Council is the first to try and embrace broad sections of the community in policy design - well done to this Council and hopefully the direction will continue beyond 2020 so this plan can be delivered. All power to you! Well done!

Other comments

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No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

• Environmental protection and reinvigoration must be central to the Vision for the Green Wedge. The draft does not state this clearly enough. Appendix 1 of Council's draft quotes the State Government's 'Plan Melbourne 2017-2050', where the first priority for the Green Wedge is to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.' • Council's initial community engagement clearly demonstrated that the large majority of Nillumbik residents cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it maintained, protected and enhanced. This view was also expressed by the majority report of the Community Panel. Council's draft does not reflect strong enough support for the Community's position.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Disagree

Key Move 3 - Disagree

Key Move 4 - Disagree

Key Move 5 - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

• Each of the 'Five Key Moves' contain potentially useful ideas depending on how they are applied, and there needs to be much greater emphasis on the care of the natural environment. • The document needs to describe in much greater detail the ACTIONS to be taken, and each of these must prioritise best environmental practice, ensuring the protection of ALL native vegetation and fauna across the Shire. • Every descriptor needs to clearly indicate how it will contribute to the protection and reinvigoration of biodiversity for the long term. • The current GWMP 2010 - 2025 describes in much greater detail (than the new draft) the ways Council and community will ensure the protection of the green wedge. However there has been consistent net loss of vegetation. This demonstrates that any new plan must be stronger and clearer about the actions which will be taken to reverse this ongoing decline. The draft GWMP does not achieve this.

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To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Disagree

Aboriginal voice - Disagree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Disagree

Manage change for future benefit - Disagree

Collaboration and connectedness - Disagree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Disagree

Social equity - Disagree

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Disagree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Disagree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

• Each Principle is a very broad statement and it is unclear how they will be interpreted and applied while ensuring care for the environment. • The Principles need to reflect the community's commitment to protecting the Green Wedge. The GWMP plan must describe how the values of the Green Wedge will be prioritised in keeping with the State Government's policies Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 and Protecting Victoria's Environment – Biodiversity 2037, which is 'Victoria's plan to stop the decline of our native plants and animals and improve our natural environment so it is healthy, valued and actively cared for.' • An additional Principle that focuses on Preservation of Environment and Biodiversity, and describes the urgent need to reverse the decline of biodiversity and effects of climate change should be added to the GWMP. • As with the 'Five Key Moves', the outlined Principles contain potentially useful ideas but there needs to be greater emphasis on the protection of the environment. For example, the principle that says, 'The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its values and with a focus on long-term stewardship.' could read, "The green wedge is a changing environment and home to many people. Change will be managed to conserve its biodiversity and environmental values and with a focus on long-term stewardship."

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

• The thrust of Goal 1, to engage the community, is important but must be framed in the context of the environmental protection aim as stated in 1994 when the Local Government Review Board declared that the new Shire of Nillumbik was to be a conservation Shire with the Green Wedge as its strategic focus. • The plan must state more clearly that the Shire and Green Wedge areas have particular needs that are different to those in an area not established as a Green Wedge. The new plan presents an opportunity to highlight and expand the role of the whole community in stewardship of the land. This needs to be clearly stated and emphasised, as we ask ourselves, 'How can we maintain and reinvigorate the environment?', rather than 'What can we get out of the land?'.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

• The Objectives and Key Actions for Goal 2 must clearly and strongly focus on ensuring Nillumbik's biodiversity is top priority. As stated in the draft plan, green space is an important determinant of health, not just because it enables physical activity but also because it has been shown to promote higher levels of mental wellbeing and social connectedness. • In order to better manage the natural environment of the Shire, greater dialogue must be generated and maintained with the Traditional Custodians of the area. This is vital for the health of the whole community and the environment in which we live. A Key Action of Goal 2 must focus on this.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

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private and public land. The community must work together to focus on increasing habitat for wildlife and connectivity; preserving biodiversity; valuing what ecosystems provide; developing a 'systems view' (that ALL is interdependent); address the climate change and extinction crises, and the need to transform to an ecologically sustainable society. This must become the underpinning ethos that guides the Actions and all other aspects of the plan, without compromise. • Goal 3 repeatedly uses the language of 'balance', and this needs to be amended as it indicates that our thinking is oppositional. It implies that there is a need to trade-off environmental health against other considerations, while international, national, and state government reports indicate that we must prioritise the health of our environment. For example, A3.12, p 33, speaks of balancing amenity, environmental considerations, private water extraction and community considerations. What needs to take place is a prioritisation of environmental considerations, as without optimal environmental health, all other activity and considerations will be constrained. • The use of stocktakes and studies [see A3.1, p32] that describe some areas of vegetation as more significant or valuable than others is alarming as it can lead to greater degradation of the environment which is already under pressure. The majority of the Shire's ecosystems are already 'disturbed' because of mismanagement, and this means we must change our ways. Every Objective and Action ought to aim for preservation and reinvigoration of the environment. One of the greatest threats to the Shire is 'death by a thousand cuts', where bit by bit land clearing and grazing leave our flora and fauna vulnerable to ever-increasing stress and disappearance. In turn this also places greater pressure on our community's overall well being. • An additional Action must be to undertake a massive public education campaign about biodiversity, the value of ecosystems, care for natural landscapes, bushfire risk reduction through understanding the ancient role of fire in the landscape, the significance of the Green Wedge, climate change and their interdependence.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

• This section must clearly focus on overall environmental protection. Economic activities must be assessed and altered in response to latest science and the urgent need for environmental protections. This must be reflected in the title of the Goal, the Actions, and throughout the plan, for example, 'A prosperous eco-friendly Green Wedge economy'. • Support for local agriculture is important but must always provide for the continuing health of the environment. New systems that respect and promote regenerative farming, Indigenous knowledge, and value indigenous flora and fauna must be encouraged. • The draft suggests that to start farming in the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) no permit should be required if the land has been previously cleared and used for farming. This definition of 'cleared land' needs greater detail – much of Nillumbik has been cleared at some stage, but thanks to regeneration it holds significant

environmental qualities. Permits are essential as they can ensure any agricultural activities respect the land. It also means that residents will be informed about the piggery etc proposed for next door. • This draft must mention the fact that tourism developments in the Green Wedge need to be “in conjunction” with agricultural uses, as stated in Section 55 of the planning scheme. This clause of the planning scheme decreases the likelihood of inappropriate development. • Horses and other hard-hoofed animals have a negative impact on the environment – none of Australia’s native animals have hard hooves. Impacts on habitats include erosion, water quality degradation, damage to flora, and spreading of weeds. Actions must be implemented to prevent these impacts. These must include education of the equine sector and other graziers. There needs to be greater understanding and responsible ownership of animals, ensuring that animals do not enter waterways and are not allowed to graze in the bush. This focus on environmental care must also be reflected in the proposed Nillumbik Equine Strategy.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

• Stewardship of the land is mentioned in the draft plan, and its role must be better defined in Goal 5, Responsible Leadership. It needs to explain that Nillumbik residents have an obligation to care for the land, not degrade it, and this must be for the entirety of their tenure. Responsible stewardship also asks that the land, its diverse ecosystems and waterways, are passed on in a better state. • This draft plan suggests the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) is too restrictive of farming practices and this zoning should only be applied to land with higher conservation values. This suggestion puts at serious risk flora and fauna across a significant proportion of the Shire, whether as single trees in paddocks or scattered pockets of remnant bush. These are all vital and in need of greater care and protection, not less. • Responsible Leadership should have a section dealing with climate change mitigation in accordance with the precautionary principle. • This Goal in its entirety must place much greater emphasis on the need to ‘Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.’ (Refer 1st item in Appendix 1 of draft GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050). • Key Action A5.6 and A5.7 [page 40 of the draft] propose changes to how land within the Green Wedge can be used. This has the potential to erode the values of the Green Wedge and effectively increase the spread of residential and commercial development outside the Urban Growth Boundary. The UGB must be treated as a hard boundary. • The GWMP needs to recognise the leading role that Nillumbik can play; that we can be part of the solution, acting locally to address global problems. We’re a relatively affluent population. Nillumbik is the perfect place to start turning things around. If not here and now, where and when?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

• The strongest message from the initial community consultation and the Panel Report is that Nillumbik residents and the population of wider Melbourne cherish the high environmental values of the Green Wedge and want it to be maintained, protected and reinvigorated. This message must lay the foundation for any new GWMP. The current draft does not achieve this. • There is a worrying lack of detail throughout the document regarding the protection and enhancement of the Shire's biodiversity in all its forms and varying quality. Clearly defined actions need to be included which will address this problem to ensure the long term health of the Green Wedge. • Declines in biodiversity are at critical levels, and there is urgent need for action by all levels of government and society. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) states that, "The health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide. It is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global". • The impact of invasive species – flora and fauna – is significant and this must be better addressed. • The Green Wedge Management Plan must reaffirm the Shire's conservation role. • The draft speaks of polarised and diverse views and how conversations must be respectful and robust. It is vital that this is the case, and is supported by current science, particularly in relation to the need for environmental repair and preservation. It is necessary that we uphold the highest of professional standards throughout the Shire and its Leadership.

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Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

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A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge

'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

No

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I don't think it goes far enough to recognise the current environmental issues we are facing and special actions that may need to be taken. It takes a very "business as usual" tone at a time where it really isn't. Many of those goals are contradictory to each other so to give them all equal weighting will make decisions impossible to make using this vision statement. If you had to pit an environmental issue against an economic one - how would this statement be useful? You have to get off the fence and state values clearly and in priority order. This only vaguely ties back to the values that were given in the "extensive community engagement process" which was well being, environment and community.

Five Key Moves

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5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly disagree

Key Move 3 - Agree

Key Move 4 - Neutral

Key Move 5 - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Key move 1 - a landowners support service - to what end, protection or other of the shire or the landholder? I would need to know a lot more about this before supporting this with tax dollars. Where did that come in the engagement survey - oh yes just from the three workshops that had double, triple counting and were allowed to submit surveys too? This wasn't a major issue in the survey it's just been shoe horned in to keep a minority happy. Key move 2 - community resilience - what is the definition of success for that? I don't want to be resilient to climate change, I want actions to prevent it. It sounds like you want to talk about trade off's - yet again this is a fence sitting statement that cannot be supported without stating your actual priorities.

Principles

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- Social equity
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- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Agree

Social equity - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

I still find these principles a little hard to relate back to the community survey of wanting to preserve the peace and environment of the area - every dot point that mentions it seems to come with a caveat that would enable it to be traded off. I don't see that as any form of protection for the voiceless.

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

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Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Objective 01.1 and 01.2 - without having a clear set of priorities from Council I could not support this goal. I would need to understand if the overall aim was to enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation - or to trade it off at any opportunity. DO NOT SUPPORT

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Still no mention, in this section of the GWMP of maintaining and enhancing the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation. Studies show that the natural environment, “the bush”, has a positive influence on the mental and physical health for regular visitors to, and residents of, the bush. This needs (with the evidence) to be reflected in the Key Actions.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

I think this is where most survey respondents would expect to see their issues addressed. To that end I think it would be good to reference directly Plan Melbourne 2017-2050, which provides the desired planning outcomes for Green Wedges and peri-urban areas and has the directive to “Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species, and achieve a Net Gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation.” This draft plan does not provide sufficient emphasis on biodiversity protection, which should be the primary Objective of this Draft Plan. • (O3.1) While it is important to protect our “valuable” biodiversity and habitats, this skirts around the importance of “less valuable” or, more accurately, “less intact or disturbed” habitats that make up the entire biodiversity map for the shire. For example, the “vulnerable” Ecological Vegetation Class - Valley Grassy Forest is often degraded within Nillumbik due to its grassy understory lending itself to being readily-available grazing land. This does NOT negate the importance of these otherwise “less valuable” habitats. • It is important to consider vital faunal corridors, which may or may not be currently vegetated OR may support less “valuable” (read: less intact or degraded) habitats. We need to acknowledge that our natural environment is already highly fragmented, so these important corridors may exist, or need to be created, across landscapes that do not contain so-called “valuable” biodiversity and habitats. Dealing with injured wildlife should also be referenced as this is also very stressful for many residents.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

It would be nice to see the title being "a prosperous Green Wedge economy? COULD we also add: • Economic activities must have a net positive impact on the Green Wedge natural environment. • The GWMP supports economic activity suited to the Green Wedge: activity that does not have a negative impact on its environmental values and

characteristic landscapes. • The draft suggests that to start farming in the Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) no permit should be required. The “right to farm” should be supported, but with a permit, so that current landowners know about the piggery etc that may want to start up next door.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

I feel extremely uncomfortable with the the statement "this plan envisages putting more emphasis towards the empowering end of the spectrum" when we have no overriding guiding principles. I would support this approach if the vision was to have "maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation" added to it. • This Council draft plan suggests Rural Conservation Zone (RCZ) is too restrictive of farming practices (“the right to farm”) and that its coverage should be reduced to land primarily with vegetation deserving of conservation. This puts at risk scattered areas of bushland and tree cover (e.g. the threatened paddock trees) not covered by the broad brush mapping of zones. Responsible leadership would address this obvious problem. • Nillumbik leaders should explain that “the right to farm” comes with an obligation on the owner to not degrade the land during his/her brief period of stewardship. Stewardship simply means that after an owner’s (brief) tenure the land and its waterways will be passed on in a better state. For agricultural land this means with soil erosion and pest invasion controlled; for bush properties, biodiversity has been improved. Nillumbik Landcare Network have produced a document on the Culture of Community Custodianship of Land which explains this concept. • Council should call on advice of experts in related fields and the requirements of relevant state policies such as Practice Note 31 and the recent DELWP report on Protecting Melbourne’s strategic agricultural land. • Responsible Leadership would have a separate section dealing with climate change mitigation in accordance with the precautionary principle. • The UGB is a hard boundary and should be kept that way as. A5.7 may lead to a push for a buffer zone on the rural side of the UGB. This should be rejected. • The Victorian Green Wedge Planning Zones are aimed at conserving the natural environment of the Green Wedge and this GWMP draft should be supporting the zones not trying to undermine the RCZ and its conservation responsibilities as this draft does. (A5.6 and A5.7)

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

The main overriding message from the community engagement exercise and Panel Report is that Nillumbik residents cherish the high environmental values of the GW and they want it to be maintained, protected and enhanced. This strong message is not carried through in any way in the current GWMP draft - almost every statement allows a trade off to be taken. Trading between the self serving and the voiceless is never going to end well for the latter, the voiceless MUST be given more protection. There is a worrying lack of emphasis on the protection and enhancement of the environmental and biodiversity assets in the current Draft GWMP and a major rewrite is required to ensure that this outcome is clearly articulated, emphasised and supported. The current declines in biodiversity to critical levels, and the need for strong environmental action by all levels of government and society, has recently come to the fore on many fronts: - o The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) “The health of ecosystems on which we and all other species depend is deteriorating more rapidly than ever. We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health and quality of life worldwide.” “it is not too late to make a difference, but only if we start now at every level from local to global”. o The 2018 State of the Environment report for Victoria 26% of Biodiversity indicators are in poor condition and will remain so without intervention. The Plan Melbourne 2017-2050 defines its 1st desired outcome as Environmental and biodiversity assets, including forests and grasslands and clearly calls for the protection and enhancement of these. This is obviously the highest priority of Plan Melbourne 2017-2050, and shows that the green wedges have strong environmental protection to preserve and enhance their natural environments for the benefit of all Melbournians into the future. I think we should adopt best practice on a local basis to address climate change and pursue the protection and restoration of significant sites and wildlife corridors. The current Draft GWMP dos not clearly prioritise climate change, species extinction and the enhancement of our natural environment. Without this clear message we are doomed to failure.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I am reviewing the Green Plan to let you know that I do not consent to 5G in the Nillumbik council and that is be halted until independent safety testing can guarantee that it is safe long term.

I believe that in order to protect the long term health and safety of the local environment, birds, bees and people of Nillimbuk, the Nillumbuk council needs to ensure that 5G technologies are not out rolled in the area.

There is an escalating movement of Australians (and global citizens) calling for an immediate halt to 5G rollout which HASN'T been independently safety tested. An Australian petition insisting upon this, started a few weeks back already has over 50K signatures.

https://www.change.org/p/stop-the-5g-rollout-in-australia-until-we-have-truly-independent-testing-to-prove-biological-safety?fbclid=IwAR04jzgenQMY2IaE2BDSD9exn_PzK-JV1W9yGYciJW_INqqYvyHv6MxXg9Q

There is significant scientific research showing the Electromagnetic Frequencies (EMFs) such as those emitted from Wifi, 3G, 4G and now 5G technologies cause harm to all biological life.

The 5G network will be using millimetre microwave frequencies, which means that these towers (emitting frequencies of up to 50-100 times stronger than current Wifi levels) will need to be placed close to schools, houses, parks, community centres etc. They will always be active, meaning that you, your children and family will be exposed to 24/7 radiation.

I am aware of the fact that local governments are being told by the Australian regulator (ARPANSA) of electromagnetic fields that these towers are safe, however their research is deliberately misleading the public about wireless technology health effects and 5G. Please read the article below:

<https://www.orsaa.org/latest-news/arpansa-who-is-misleading-who?fbclid=IwAR1VFRw51W2smRioDilt4-hKto-TwqM-PopliF1bQYvKDaT3AdNu3ojuUu8>

The following study gives peer - reviewed evidence that EMFs cause oxidative stress, sperm/testicular damage, neuropsychiatric effects including EEG changes, apoptosis, cellular DNA damage, endocrine changes, and calcium overload.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/29573716>

Another study showed that the correspondence of species disappeared from a World Heritage Site with the application of an increasing amount of electromagnetic technology designated as EMR and EMF (specifically looking at millimetre waves).

<https://ehtrust.org/wp-content/uploads/Mt-Nardi-Wildlife-Report-to-UNESCO-FINAL.pdf>

This means that our bees, our birds, insects and all other endangered life forms are going to be driven further out, or die off due to the powerful EMFs that towers will be emitting.

Furthermore, there is also evidence to show that EMFs produce widespread neuropsychiatric effects including depression.

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0891061815000599>

I am aware of the fact that there are already many recent towers that have gone up in areas close to primary schools ([REDACTED]), shopping centers and food markets ([REDACTED]), and two new towers that are close to houses and farms in Kangaroo Grounds ([REDACTED]).

The towers mentioned above are currently emitting 4G+ frequencies, however Telstra has stated that all 4G towers will eventually be converted into 5G towers. From there, they will use "Smart towers" to bring the frequencies closer to our homes, schools, shopping centers etc.

I ask that the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge takes further precautions principles to protect our people and environment by calling for an immediate halt or Moratorium of 5G rollout until independent, non-industry funded, longitudinal (long term) clinical trials demonstrate its absolute safety.

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To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

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Key Move 3 - Agree

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- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Neutral

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Neutral

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

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To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Neutral

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Other comments

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Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

the green wedge is both an asset and financial liability, extra funding from the state government should be requested for the ongoing management and lack of developed properties in this area.

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Strongly support

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Strongly support

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Goal 5: Responsible leadership

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Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

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Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I am a very strong believer in Public Transport and Nillumbik should be doing everything within it powers to influent the community to use of trains and buses. Motor vehicles are extremely hazardous to heath and the environment and are not sustainable. To this end all the railway stations in the shire should have a 3km radius overlay to allow development of land to minimum 1000m2 and a 1km radius overlay to allow development to 350m2 or multi unit developments. The people of Nillumbik need to be housed close to the rail stations to ensure maximum use of rail. Areas outside these development overlays should remain as is.

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Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Not sure

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I have read the entire document but found it lacking in detail of actions. While I appreciate that a plan needs to have goals and underlying principles, there did not appear to be anything other than what the existing mandate for Councils already includes. I went looking for some draft actions in the document to fully understand what is being proposed in each of the sections but there were none. The general statements I agree with but I would also like to assume that the Council has already been applying these through its current and immediate past work. Otherwise, what has been guiding the Council's work? I find it a bit disingenuous for Council to go through this process and still not have any actions that are recommended from it. This document would have been better received by myself had there been some details included as to the what and how. Therefore, I am not sure if I can agree with the statement of the vision as it is all too vague and generalised.

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What can I say? Of course, the five areas are important work but they have been the work of the Council for the past 20+ years haven't they? What is different? What is changing? staying the same? improving? These are not evident in the document.

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Again, of course I agree with the principles stated here but once again, HOW are these going to be applied? What are the PLANS of the Council to implement? Some details

are required.

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Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

An action that is, of course, supported. Why would anyone not accept this? This almost makes the question rhetorical.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

I live in Nillumbik and of, course, I support this statement. My issue is with the lack of detail on which to base my comments.

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Questions are raised regarding the application of and the implementation of the Water Plan and the fire risk overlay? Once again, the lack of detail does not assist in making any real assessment of this goal either.

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Of course, this will be supported. I found it interesting that there were positive comments made about the local agricultural and farming economy and yet Farmgates are not generally supported by Council. The other issue with this one is the suggestion of amalgamating smaller holdings into larger ones. I would like to see the proposal first before accepting this as a general idea.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Of course and once again, why would this not be supported? As someone who works with surveys and 'adjusting the truth' to fit the circumstance, I appreciate that this survey is designed to seek 'approval' but, without the details, approval can only be gained for broad principles. The details of the plan will be what approval should be sought for. Otherwise, this is consultation by stealth and is not acceptable.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I truly wanted to open the document and be impressed with what was being proposed. However, the document is little more than window dressing and is very disappointing. I can't endorse the questions being asked because there is insufficient detail on which to base my assessment. Please do not treat us as fools. Share the detail and invite feedback on that-not on generalities.

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Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

The aim to conserve as much as possible of the current environment is admirable and should be strongly pursued.

However, recent developments in the Plenty area suggest that the community (and shire) is unable to converse in any meaningful way with state planning authorities. Nillumbik must find a way to promote community wishes when confronted by proposed major redevelopments.

Look at the stage 1 redevelopment of Yan Yean Road and weep! Where are the trees that once exemplified the local community, why is the road development so urban, where are the features that assist in 'connecting' the community? How can the development (soon going to move on towards Doreen) reflect in any way rural values and characteristics? What did the local community get after its long attempts at meaningful discussion?

Similarly, perhaps, is the role of the shire in local planning. How is it possible to grant a permit (for the CFA) to build in an area already classified as a public reserve, a permit which allows the destruction of a further 138 trees to add to the 2800 already killed in the Plenty area? Where does this fit in with environmental conservation, a theme of the

GWMP?.

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Leadership - Strongly agree

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Much of this depends on the relationship between shire and state planning/planners.

This area requires considerable investigation.

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Strongly support

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Goal 4: A prosperous economy

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Support

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Goal 5: Responsible leadership

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Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

The leadership must take notice of community wishes.

Other comments

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Partially

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The draft GWMP downplays the need for protection of the environment, and to an extent, minimises or ignores the environmental protection and actions of the last GWMP. At the same time, it proposes undermining of the current conservation zones. Nillumbik needs and deserves a Green Wedge Management Plan which prioritises our environment (biodiversity, and ecosystem) and its restoration and preservation. I think it is important that Council incorporate the recommendations from the panel in their entirety, and until you do, the existing GWMP 2010-25 with all its objectives and actions should stand. Since the last GWMP was written Climate Change and Biodiversity issues have become more critical, not less, and there is ample evidence for my claim. The Victorian Green Wedge Planning Zones are aimed at conserving the natural environment of the Green Wedge and this plan should be supporting the zones not trying to undermine the RCZ and its conservation responsibilities as this draft does.

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These Principles substantially ignore what should be the major objective of the GWMP – to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation. (Refer 1st item in Appendix 1 of draft GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050)

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Motherhood statement

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

What does this actually mean? Safe for whom? Healthy for whom? In what context(s)?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Why has the economy taken precedence over biodiversity and environment in these goals?

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Leadership is required in the right area for this exercise. Leadership to achieve the major objective of the GWMP – to 'Maintain and enhance the diversity of indigenous flora and fauna habitats and species and achieve a net gain in the quantity and quality of native vegetation'. (Refer 1st item in Appendix 1 of draft GWMP - Plan Melbourne 2017-2050)

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Council are not honouring the majority outcomes of the Panel. One wonders why Council bothered with the community consultation and expensive establishment of the panel in the first place. If Council pushes through this version of the Plan, the community backlash (from the majority of the community who value our environment, biodiversity and the gift of living in this beautiful and fragile part of the world) will be heard in the corridors of State Parliament. Other shires engaged with the Green Wedge have done a much better job. Nillumbik has an opportunity to lead us all into a sustainable environmentally focussed future for ourselves and our descendants - don't waste this opportunity by favouring shortsighted economic priorities

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Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback Form Submission

There has been a submission of the form Draft Green Wedge Management Plan feedback through your Participate Nillumbik website.

A Vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge

'Management of the Nillumbik green wedge will lead the way in supporting a vibrant, resilient, connected and diverse community; living in the landscape to enhance the environmental, social and economic sustainability of the Shire.'

Do you agree with the vision for Nillumbik's Green Wedge?

Partially

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

Needs more emphasis on protecting the natural flora and fauna. Vision currently focuses on a thriving human economy and social outcomes rather than focusing on the sustainability and protection of the green wedge itself.

Five Key Moves

The five Key Moves below outline organisational changes for the long-term to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan.

You can see more details about the [five key moves here](#).

1. A comprehensive landowners' information and support service.
2. A whole of organisation approach to community resilience.
3. A "Green Wedge Conversations" program.
4. A comprehensive planning and place management service for the townships.
5. Stocktakes of environmental assets and agricultural practices.

To what extent do you agree with the Five Key Moves to support delivery of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Key Move 1 - Disagree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Strongly agree

Key Move 4 - Agree

Key Move 5 - Neutral

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

Why are you trying to manipulate the green wedge to support land development and horse grazing etc. you're meant to protect the wedge.

Principles

The following principles informed the creation of the Green Wedge Management Plan and will inform how the goals, objectives and key actions are to be implemented.

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- Leadership
- Aboriginal voice
- A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne
- Manage change for future benefit
- Collaboration and connectedness
- Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape
- Social equity
- Safety, wellbeing and resilience
- Conserve and enhance our heritage
- Sustainability and the precautionary principle

To what extent do you agree with the Principles to guide the implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan?

Leadership - Agree

Aboriginal voice - Strongly agree

A whole of shire approach and recognition of Nillumbik's relationship to Metropolitan Melbourne - Agree

Manage change for future benefit - Agree

Collaboration and connectedness - Agree

Celebrate, appreciate and enjoy local identity and the landscape - Agree

Social equity - Neutral

Safety, wellbeing and resilience - Agree

Conserve and enhance our heritage - Agree

Sustainability and the precautionary principle - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Principles?

Need to be clear that the future benefit in the principles is for the green wedge not for landowners and the greedy pals members

Goals, Objectives and Key Actions

The Plan includes five goals which describe the desired overall outcomes for the community.

Click on each goal to see the list of Objectives that describe what is to be achieved in support of the goals, as well as a list of Key Actions which will work towards achieving the objectives.

Goal 1: Engaged connected communities

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 1?

Do not support further residential development in the green wedge.

Goal 2: Active and creative people

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Neutral

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Goal 4: A prosperous economy

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Do not Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

Remove reference to equine industry. Shouldn't be listed as most important.

Goal 5: Responsible leadership

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Be sure to protect the wedge. The habitat is more important to the biodiversity of species and is the lungs of Melbourne. There must be no more development or land clearing in any green wedge area.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

Yes. I am outraged that the pals group had their submission included in the report. The whole concept that this was a community report has been diluted by councillors and council staff with their own interests and opinions rather than listening to the broad community and its strong voice that demands the green wedge be protected. Stop putting individuals interests above the protection and enhancement of our beautiful, life supporting green wedge. We are in a climate emergency.

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Yes

Do you have any comments about the Vision?

I wish to express my admiration for the work in putting this comprehensive document together. The issues covered are almost our last chance to protect the precious Green Wedge in Nillumbik. Once gone forever lost.

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Key Move 1 - Strongly agree

Key Move 2 - Strongly agree

Key Move 3 - Strongly agree

Key Move 4 - Strongly agree

Key Move 5 - Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the Five Key Moves?

By organising the Green Wedge management plan under these headings all stake holders will have access to a forum. It has to cover a very broad range of interests and by breaking it into these Key Moves actions and progress can be monitored and measured.

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Do you have any comments about the Principles?

All these principles are vital to our society. They give a well rounded and all encompassing guide to the GW Plan.

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Strongly support

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Number 1 . We need to feel a strong connection to our community so that we can protect it and use it to create even better outcomes.

[Goal 2: Active and creative people](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 2?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 2?

Nillumbik has had a strong history of creative and imaginative people from artist to builders to writers and more.

[Goal 3: Safe and healthy environments](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 3?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 3?

Healthy environments mean healthy communities. This is a goal for most people; to be healthy and strong both mentally and physically. Nillumbik, with it's beautiful environment, is an important contributor to feelings of well-being.

[Goal 4: A prosperous economy](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 4?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 4?

It makes sense to have a prosperous economy to support all the things we need in a community and to work towards the things we would like to have.

[Goal 5: Responsible leadership](#)

To what extent do you support the objectives and key actions for Goal 5?

Strongly support

Do you have any comments about the objectives or key actions for Goal 5?

Leadership is the key to any successful program. Strong, responsible and fair.

Other comments

Do you have any other comments about the Draft Green Wedge Management Plan?

I am very impressed with the work put into this document and commend all those who worked to create it. It is very positive and gives me hope that the direction Nillumbik is heading in will allow my grandchildren and great grandchildren to enjoy this wonderful area of Nillumbik long after I've become compost.

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