

Community Directions

Nyora Community Plan



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Introduction

The Community Plan is a document, which can be used as a reference for any individuals or organisations wishing to understand more about the aspirations of the Nyora Community.

The Community Plan, which reflects the view of a wide cross-section of the community, contains a Vision for Nyora for the next five years. Contained in the Plan is a list of projects and priorities, which the community believes should be focussed on to fulfil the Vision. In addition, suggested action plans, which may be undertaken to fulfil the Vision, are included.

Essentially, the Community Plan looks at what we value in Nyora and what we want to become.

Nyora is the gateway from urban Victoria to the South Gippsland Shire and strives to reflect the Shire motto 'Come for the beauty, stay for the lifestyle'.

Our Plan

Nyora's rich history and unique lifestyle is the product of more than 150 years of community endeavour. Our early settlers cleared the land and built a successful farming community. As far back as 1877 our first football club was formed.

For many years Nyora was the centre of railway operations servicing the rapidly growing agricultural and coal mining industries of South Gippsland. Today we have modern farms and rural living areas seamlessly operating in a unique blend of lifestyle and rural endeavour.

Our business operators, sporting clubs, school and community groups underpin the fabric of a vibrant and progressive community.

This is our plan, we have contributed to it and we will ensure that the projects and visions are progressed into the future.

Purpose of Plan

The purpose of the Nyora Community Plan is to provide the opportunity for the Community to discuss and decide the future it sees for itself.

The plan will provide residents with a vision in regard to growth and development in the town, the types of services that can realistically be provided, the opportunities that are available now and into the future. It will set priorities in areas such as infrastructure, health, sporting facilities, roads and the development of land.

This plan is owned by the community and will form the basis of discussion with other interested groups such as government and business. It is not a static plan but an evolving one which will provide us with much needed direction into what is otherwise an uncertain future. It will be a way of mapping the future for ourselves and our children and setting a good foundation for our grandchildren.

Mission Statement

GROWING TOGETHER

into a unique and harmonious rural living experience.

Our Vision is:

- To be supportive of people of all ages; providing quality health, education, recreation, leisure and social facilities and opportunities for personal development.
- To retain Nyora's rural lifestyle by protecting valuable farming land and the natural environment, providing for sensitive and appropriate development at the interface with rural land.
- To provide residential accommodation for all age groups, family types and lifestyles.
- To develop a compact and attractive Town Centre in which retail and small business can thrive and visitors are welcomed.
- To provide a unique series of walking paths, bike paths and horse trails connecting the Town Centre with local amenities, recreational facilities, and residential areas and to ultimately connect with neighbouring towns.
- To respect Nyora's agricultural origins and heritage assets while supporting energy reduction and environmentally sustainable development.
- To have comprehensive transport options for both public and business use linking nearby towns and larger towns and cities.
- To manage Nyora's population to such a level as will guarantee the retention of the rural lifestyle valued by its residents.
- To ensure provision of infrastructure such as sewerage, drainage, water, electricity, gas, access roads, etc. to support Nyora's growth and prosperity



Where we are

Lifestyle



History



Recreation



Natural Beauty



Statistical Snapshot

This statistical snapshot is taken from the Australian Bureau of Statistics from the 2006 Census, for the postal area of Nyora 3987. The postal area of 3987 omits certain parts of Nyora, hence this simply provides a general picture of the Nyora community today.

Population by Age and Sex

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL	
TOTAL	498	49.4%	510	50.6%	1008	
UNDER 19	162	16.1%	155	15.4%	317	31.5%
20 – 54	223	22.1%	259	25.8%	482	47.9%
OVER 55	113	11.2%	94	9.4%	207	20.6%

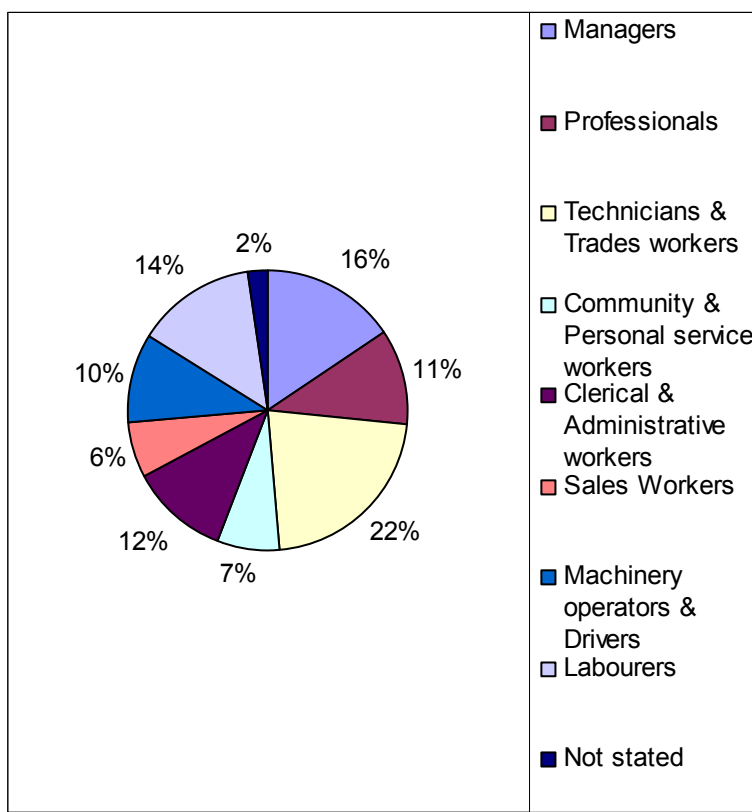
In the 2006 Census, there were 295 families in the postal area of Nyora, 131 Couple families with children, 122 Couple families without children, 38 One Parent families and 4 stated as other.

There were a total of 342 occupied private dwellings, of which 97.4% were separate houses. These dwellings included 110 fully owned properties, 186 being purchased and 34 that were rented. In the postal area of Nyora, 83.3% of these occupied dwellings were family households, 14.6% were lone person households and 1.5% were group households.

Income

(\$ Weekly)	NYORA	AUSTRALIA
Median Individual income	406	466
Median Household Income	1,004	1,027
Median Family Income	1,049	1,171

Occupation: Labour Force by participation



Employment Participation:

During the week prior to the 2006 Census, 486 people aged 15 years and over in Nyora were in the labour force. Of these 63.8% were employed full-time, 26.1% were employed part-time and 4.3% were unemployed.

Of those employed people who travelled to work, 330 of them stated that they drove a car to work.

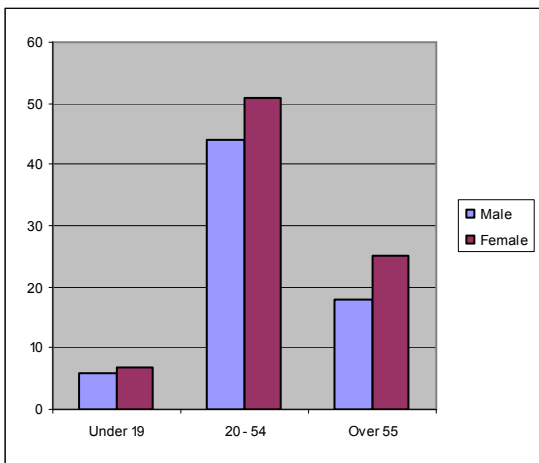
Internet Connections:

Of the 342 private dwellings, 116 stated there was no internet connection, 124 had broadband connection and 89 had dial-up connection.

Statistical Snapshot

Nyora has a variety of community groups (approximately 21). Some are directly represented on the Towns Association known as the Nyora and District Development Association, and all groups work cooperatively in developing community projects. NADDA continues to work toward providing a broader appeal to community groups and organisations, encouraging all to be part of NADDA. This has seen NADDA becoming more representative and as such not only responsive to community concerns but also proactive in developing well planned community infrastructure (such as the Footpaths Strategy 2009). NADDA acts as a communication conduit to South Gippsland Shire Council.

Voluntary Work by Age and Sex



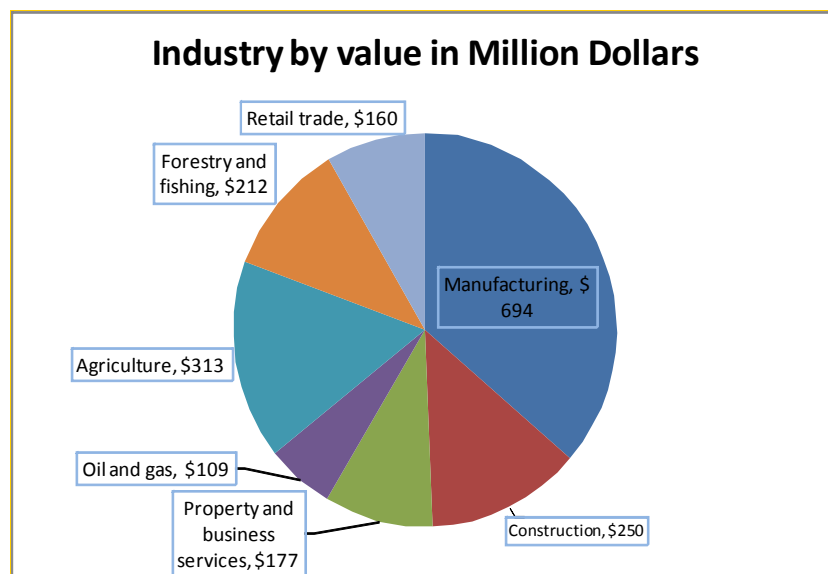
South Gippsland Shire-wide statistics

South Gippsland has a thriving economy with over 7,000 businesses contributing to an annual output of over \$2.8 billion

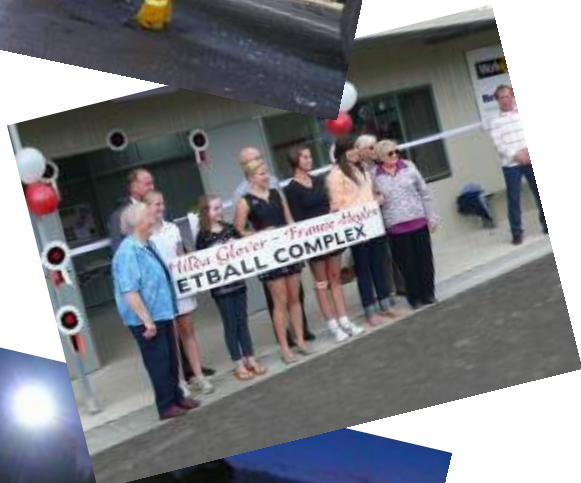
South Gippsland has one of the lowest unemployment rates in Australia

The latest population estimate is 27,165 people as at June 2008. This is 872 more people in the five years from 2003 and represents an average annual growth rate of 0.7%. It is projected that the population of South Gippsland will rise to 32,000 by 2031.

South Gippsland industry statistics



Nyora



Community Groups serving Nyora

Invitation

Nyora's future is dependent on the support of its residents. If you would like to join any of the listed Nyora Community Groups—or would like to be involved in any of the identified Priority Project teams, there are various ways to get in touch!

- Contact the Nyora & District Development Association (NADDA), meetings first Tuesday each month, 7.30pm Nyora Community Centre
- Pick up a 'New Resident' kit — available at the Nyora Post Office containing all group contact details.
- Log on to South Gippsland Shire Council website www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au and go to the community directory.

Communication

- Nyora & District Community News
- Nyora New Resident Welcome Pack
- Nyora community noticeboard at the General Store
- Nyora Primary School newsletter
- Loch Express

Community Facilities

- Bell Park Scout Camp
- Community Centre/Public Hall
- Fire Station
- Football & Cricket Oval
- Former Uniting Church
- Henry Littledyke Reserve
- Hookers Rd Reserve
- Netball Courts
- Nyora Baptist Church
- Pony Club Reserve
- Railway Station/track/turntable
- Recreation Reserve/Speedway
- Tennis Courts
- Toby's Paddock
- Village Green
- Wuchatsch Reserve

Community Groups/Clubs

- CWA Loch Branch
- CWA Woodleigh Vale Branch
- Greenhills Benevolent Society
- Guides & Pixie Guides—Korumburra
- Henley Street Playgroup
- Lang Lang Golf Club
- Loch/Nyora CFA
- Loch/Nyora Landcare Group
- Loch/Nyora Patchwork Group
- Loch/Nyora Pony Club
- Milpara Community house (Food Bank, Centrelink, Family Services in Korumburra)
- Mt Lyall Landcare Group
- Nyora & District Adult Trail Riding Club
- Nyora & District Development Association
- Nyora Baptist Church Playgroup
- Nyora Cemetery Trust
- Nyora Cricket Club
- Nyora Football Club
- Nyora Garden Club
- Nyora Netball Club
- Nyora PS Playgroup
- Nyora Public Hall Committee
- Nyora Recreation Reserve Committee
- Nyora Speedway
- Nyora Tennis Club
- Nyora Walking Group
- Poowong & District Apex
- Rotary Club of KooWeeRup/Lang Lang
- Scout Group—1st Lang Lang
- South Gippsland Tourist Railway
- Strzelecki Lions

Community Events

- Speedway
- Swap Meet
- Carols on the Green
- Football/Netball/Cricket

Transport

- V/Line Bus Service
- Shire Community Bus (on request)

Education

- Nyora Primary School
- Secondary Education in the region

Community Plan Process

COMMUNITY PLAN DEVELOPMENT AND DISTRIBUTION THE PROCESS

PROMOTION AND COMMUNICATION OF THE COMMUNITY PLAN PROCESS

1. Pre Community Promotion and Communication

The major objective of the Community Plan development process has been to ensure that all members of the community have had the opportunity to contribute to the creation of the community plan for Nyora.

The Integrated Community Plan development process for Nyora commenced with South Gippsland Shire Council Project Officers gathering all existing information, reports and previous community consultations that had occurred over the past 5 years. This information was then formed into a Community Plan Working Document and introduced at the Nyora & District Development Association (NADDA) meeting to invite the community to participate in the Integrated Community Planning process.

NADDA put forward their community to undergo the process, as a partnership project with the South Gippsland Shire Council. Key representatives from the community were nominated to form a Community Planning Working Group to work with Project Officers throughout the process to ensure the Community Planning process met the needs of the community.

The process then included communication and involvement of the broader community of Nyora for the development of the Integrated Community Plan. This involved:

- Individual presentation by South Gippsland Shire Council to the Nyora community
- Establishment of a Community Planning Working Group
- Fortnightly Working Group Meetings over a 3 month period leading up to the Community Plan Workshop
- Fortnightly revised Working Document versions to reflect community consultation and feedback
- Advertising and promotion to the community of the Community Workshops through the delivery of notices to householders, community notices, newspaper articles and newspaper advertisements
- Distribution of final version Working Document to all Community Groups and Organisations and copies available from several local points
- Updated versions of the Working Document distributed to all Working Group members
- Community workshop held and facilitated by the South Gippsland Shire Council to identify priority projects and Community Project Teams
- Development of the Vision for Nyora and the Draft Nyora Community Plan
- Presentation of the Draft Nyora Community Plan to community members and other key stakeholders for comment
- Distribution of the Nyora Community Plan

Community Plan Process

2. Post Community Plan Promotion and Communication

Once the Draft Community Plan was developed, the plan was distributed to members of the community to allow for review and feedback. After an agreed review period, any changes were incorporated and the finalised version of the Community Plan made available to the broad community of Nyora.

3. Community Plan Distribution and Action

The completed Community Plan will be available for all members of the Nyora community. South Gippsland Shire Council is committed to support the community of Nyora and the project teams to action their Priority Projects outlined in the Community Plan. The community will be regularly informed of progress in relation to the Community Plan.

WHO WAS INVOLVED IN DEVELOPING THE COMMUNITY PLAN?

4. Community Organisation and Working Group Team

The Community Plan process began with the presentation of the Integrated Community Planning Process to the Nyora community in November 2009, to confirm involvement of the Nyora community in the Integrated Community Planning project. The Community Planning Working Group was the contact organisation for the process. The Working Group consisted of 6 representatives from the community and South Gippsland Shire Council staff members. The Community Planning Working Group members were as follows:

Community Representatives:

Robyn Mills	Mary Lewis
Tricia Fleming	John Fleming
Brett Hume	Sharon Bradley

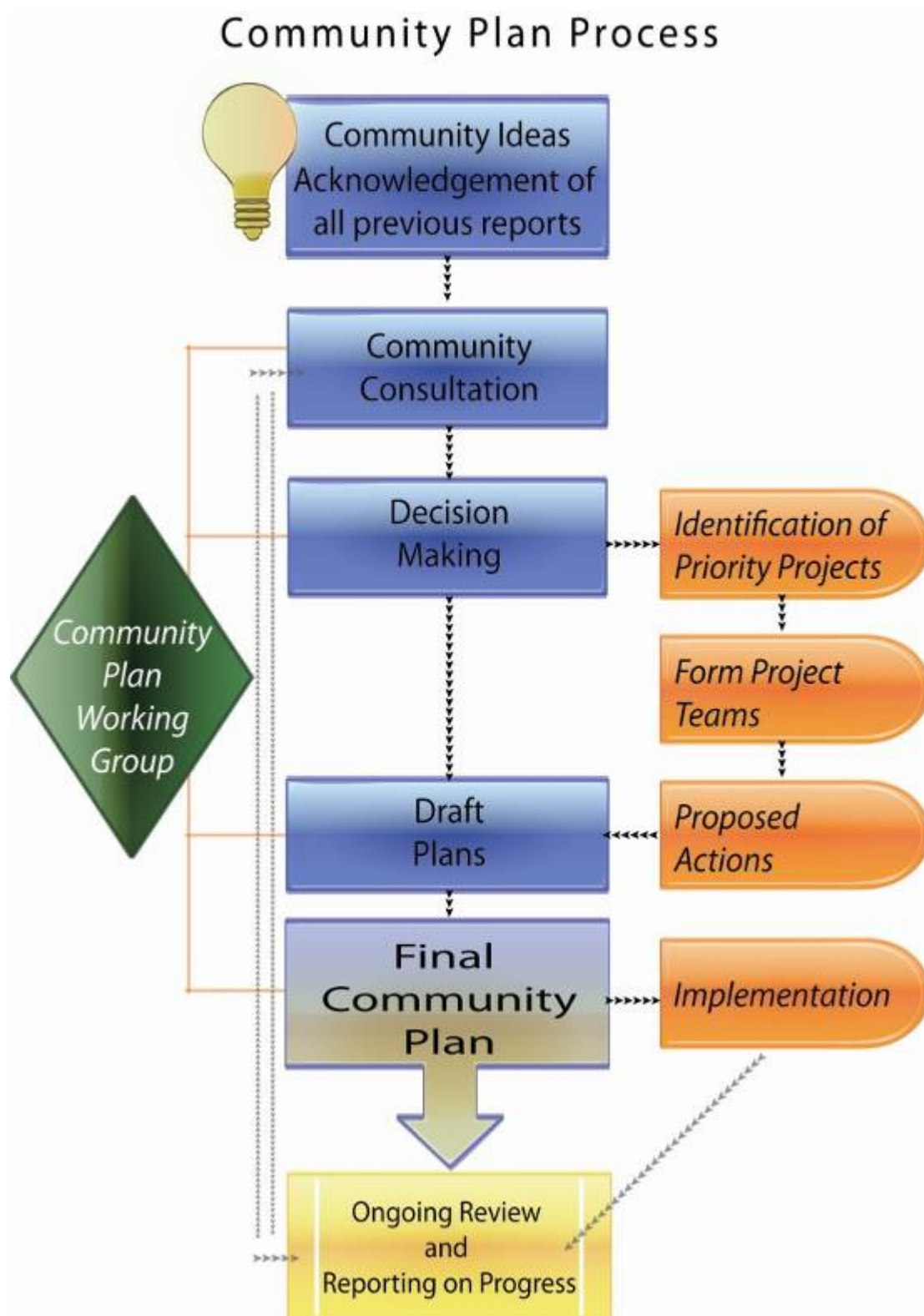
Council Staff Members

Barbara Look	- Project Officer
Marzia Maurilli	- Project Officer
John Ernst	- Project Officer

5. The Community

The Community Plan has been developed with those members of the community who have an interest in the future of Nyora. People involved in the community meetings and workshop session included permanent, part-time and previous residents of the community and surrounding areas.

Community Plan Process



Approximately 35 community members attended the Nyora Community Planning Workshop held on 26th May 2010. All previously identified community ideas collected during the consultation process of the community planning were on display during the workshop. Each community participant was given five dots to place next to the projects that they considered to be community priorities. All dots were then added and the projects receiving the most dots were identified as the priority projects. The results are as follows:

Priority Projects

These projects were identified as priorities by the Nyora Community at the Community Planning Workshop Saturday 26th May 2010.

“HeartScape” — the Town Heart
Community Parks Group
Railway Precinct/Tourist Rail Group

Nyora Paths and Trails Strategy

Nyora Public Hall Redevelopment
Nyora Community Centre

Recreation Reserve

Rural Urban Land Group

Town Development / Adequate Local Shopping

(These are not in any priority order)

Two further projects were identified as priorities for Nyora

Nyora website
Online links to relevant sites eg tourism etc

Development and distribution of New Residents’ Kit

Although these were not identified as projects at the Community Planning Workshop, they have since been adopted as priorities that will be addressed by NADDA in the future.

COMMUNITY PROJECT ACTION PLANS

PRIORITY AREAS AND ACTION PLANS TO DELIVER

The following tables outline the initial action plans developed for each of the priority areas as a starting point for projects.

The Community Action Plans are developed to provide the community with a broad guideline toward achieving its objectives and overall goals for an initial five year period. The Community Actions Plans are developed and owned by the community, for the community, as a shared vision for the future and are the responsibility of the community and shared partnerships with Local, State and Federal Government.

For each priority project the Nyora Community Plan Project Teams in consultation with South Gippsland Shire Council, District Community Groups and other Key Stakeholders as required, will manage and initiate implementation of projects as agreed. The following action plans will be reviewed by the Nyora Community Plan Project Teams and also by the community on an annual basis.



Project Name: "Heartscape" - the Town Heart				
Aim: Beautify and Maintain the Village Green and park.				
Actions	Timeline	Status	Partnerships	Responsible
1. Develop working party and friends group. (Community Parks and Railway Precinct as separate groups)	14/9/2010	Beginnings of 2 Teams	Local Individuals, South Gippsland Tourist Railway, South Gippsland Shire Council	
2. a) Develop works program and timeline. b) Develop submission to Structure Plan re role of Village Green / Toby's Paddock in land town Structure of Central Nyora				
3. Negotiate tenure with land owners/manager				
4. Develop financial plan for implementation of works project				
5. Community Reporting				

Project Name: Nyora Paths and Trails Strategy				
Aim: To implement the Nyora Pathways Strategy				
Actions	Timeline	Status	Partnerships	Responsible
1. Consult current plans review as required and modify if necessary. Stage 1 at council is included in 2010/11 Budget. (Current plan 2004).	Current	Stage 1 at council funding in 2010/11 budget		Council to provide current plan, group to view/comment.
2. Share current plan with school committee	July 2010 after school holidays	On going	School Council	
3. Team to organise next meeting on pathways.	On going	On going		

* Priority of this group will be to develop local paths before rail trails.

Project Name: Nyora Public Hall Redevelopment				
Aim: To develop Hall in accordance with Feasibility Study				
Actions	Timeline	Status	Partnerships	Responsible
1. Feasibility Study	Completed 2008	Current	Hall Committee SGSC	D. Mills
2. Form Working group	2010	Current	Hall Committee SGSC Community	D. Mills
3. Seek formal acceptance by SGSC	2010	Current	Working Group Hall Committee SGSC	
4. Seek Funding	2011		SGSC DPCD Strzelecki Lions Bendigo Bank	



Project Name: Recreation Reserve				
Aim: To implement the Master Plan and Club Rooms upgrade				
Actions	Timeline	Status	Partnerships	Responsible
1. Rec Reserve Committee to action	Ongoing	Ongoing	Football Netball Club Cricket Club Tennis club Sports groups	
2. Broader consultation with community on plan/proposal	End 2010		Rec Reserve Committee	
3. Determine growth potential post sewerage installation	End 2010			
4. Seek funding and contributions from community	2010-2012			

Project Name: Rural Urban Land Group				
Aim: To identify urban/lifestyle and farming precincts				
Actions	Timeline	Status	Partnerships	Responsible
1. To reconsider South Gippsland Water's choice of site for Sewerage Treatment Plant.	Urgent			
2. Identify urban growth areas				
3. Protect the farms save the rural land productive farms.				
4. State of some private houses is a concern. Discourage relocation of houses into town/community.				
5. New residents to be encouraged to preserve native bush/ discourage conifers.				
6. Identify rural lifestyle precincts & buffers between farming & residential precincts				

* Please note above stated 'actions' are actually objectives/ desired outcomes, the project team will need to state and plan how it will achieve these.

Project Name: Town Development / Adequate Local Shopping				
Aim: To encourage the development of a shopping precinct and provide investors with certainty in relation to location for the development of retail businesses in Nyora.				
Actions	Timeline	Status	Partnerships	Responsible
1. Decide on where Commercial Development will be.	Now	Decided	Planning Department South Gippsland Shire Council	B. Horsburgh
2. Talk to community with suggested area.	30 Days from information going to the community	Planned	Planning Department South Gippsland Shire Council	B. Horsburgh
3. To have included in Structure Plan overlay			Planning Department South Gippsland Shire Council	B. Horsburgh
4. Acquire maps for working party to work from to discuss at next meeting	Now	Decided	Planning Department South Gippsland Shire Council	B. Horsburgh
5. Next meeting of working party to invite Planning Dept South Gippsland Shire Council representative	7.30 pm 16 th June at Community meeting room Nyora Hall	Booked	Planning Department South Gippsland Shire Council	B. Horsburgh



All Projects

Liveability

Key Projects we <u>need!</u>	Community Comments
1. Upgrade of children's playground to age specific options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a social space for small children and parents • Link to Village Green and Toby's Paddock groups • New playground for littlies, easy access steps, fenced
2. Establish a Men's Shed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage community participation in activities. • Activity centre for men—clarify what a Men's Shed involves • Seek suitable location
3. Provision of appropriate and adequate medical and social services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of local Health Care including a Town Doctor (for Nyora/Poowong/Loch) • Community Nurse and Maternal & Community Health Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town now has many young families and babies • The need for transport to medical services—important for those without cars • Link to Pre-School and Playgroup • Get interest of Health Care group • Maternal Health Nurse needs to come back to town • Maybe later establish new Kinder at school
4. Form Historical Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pressure on the heritage of the town • Promoting and preserving the local history • Railway History and Railway Station Museum
5. Childcare/PreSchool service required for Loch / Nyora.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in number of young people in the area requires need for early years services • Link to Kinder, Playgroup, maternal health, school • Before and after school care also needed
6. Increase in population will add pressure on remote policing from Loch—may need Police Station in town as population increases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve safety and sense of security • Address growing safety concerns • Make Nyora a safe family town • Should be located at Nyora, as population grows.
7. School bus for Primary school children in outlying areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very high need as many children need to go to schools outside the Nyora area • Safe bus stops/develop routes
8. Community Bus for the Cluster towns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the interested parties? • Very important as there are now fewer bus services in Nyora and travel between Cluster towns would be enhanced.
9. Arts Festival celebrating village green involving community painting bollards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to Village Green and local Primary School • See also Environment #1, Environment #4, Youth #4

* order of listed projects in no way reflects order of priority

All Projects

Natural & Built Environment

Key Projects we <u>need!</u>	Community Comments
1. Develop VicTrack Reserve known as Toby's Paddock into a permanent community park (need to establish a strong 'Friends of' group to see this project through)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide public open space in the middle of town to allow for passive recreation Need for feature train/icon for park etc Link with rail trail and museum
2. Implementation of the Nyora Pathways & Trails Strategy (Pre-existing Group—needs updating)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pedestrians and horses should not share paths Dangerous to walk/ride along main road Plenty of room Overgrown with shrubs and fallen trees Involvement of locals with council Supports healthy living
3. Implementation of a rural/urban land group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keeping rural lifestyle aspect of town and surrounding outskirts compatible—protection of valuable farmland
4. Need for a 'Friends of' group for cleaning/maintenance of village green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council looks after Loch, why not Nyora? Links to Toby's Paddock 'Friend's Group' and Rec Reserve Master Plan

Engaging our Youth

Key Projects we <u>need!</u>	Community Comments
1. Development of stage 2 of Skate Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further consultation needed on Stage 2 More sporting facilities—maybe soccer or half basket ball court needed Link to playground and Toby's Paddock
2. Supervised meeting space for young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mentoring program linked to Men's Shed? Other activities—art, drama, music, dance, karate School holiday program Youth worker in medium term
3. Actively support local members of Council's Youth Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reps in Youth Council from Nyora Need to set up Nyora Precinct Committee
4. Art project at the Skate park to engage youth eg painting walls and bollards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By whom? The above group could drive this and again support ideas.

* order of listed projects in no way reflects order of priority

All Projects

Town Infrastructure

Key Projects we <u>need!</u>	Community Comments
1. Nyora Public Footpaths (See also Environment #2 and Tourism #1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe off-road access to public & community infrastructure • Recreation pursuits and tourist access • Priority for Davis St as it is also main truck route and currently has no paths • Safe egress to school/pathways
2. Develop the Nyora Hall in accordance with the Feasibility Study outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote the outcomes of the Feasibility Study • For use as a Community gathering place • Enable broader use of facility to incorporate the needs of current community groups • Expand to cater for the growing needs of the community • Facility to be used as a multi purpose complex until new facility is built including adult education, child and maternal health • Possible location for Men's Shed—further consultation required
3. Indoor Recreation Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No facilities to meet projected population growth • Develop indoor activities centre featuring: Basketball/Squash, Space for contact sports –Boxing/judo
4. Self Care Units—High density housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased ageing population—need to use data to identify need and support with evidence before going further • Ensure new infrastructure is in place prior to population growth—what scale, who is responsible, sponsors? • Aging population implications for health needs, housing and transport
5. Nyora Recreation Reserve in accordance with the Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure facilities at reserve are of standard appropriate to meet current & future sports requirements • Community to be able to participate in sport to improve and maintain good health
6. Traffic management plan to manage traffic around key town infrastructure and to manage heavy traffic movement around the town	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urgently needed. Busiest road in town, Grundy Avenue, is very narrow, has open drains and footpath on only one side. • Davis Street needs widening, CFA have major concerns with access. Grundy Avenue needs widening. • Need for School Crossing in Davis Street • Pedestrian protection at Watts Rd/Forster Rd./Lang Lang Poowong Rd./Davis Street • Seal Henrys Rd from Grundy Ave. to existing pavement. • Safe Crossing at Pub, Hatches Rd, Watts Rd.
7. Town development encouraged within the boundaries of the four roads (Mitchell, Henley, Hewson and Davis but not exclusive)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Along railway track and behind Hall should also be included. • Will attract families and aged home owners • Needs to be linked to commercial precinct • Proposal for commercial development of block opposite Toby's Paddock, with potential for retail shops
Additional Projects:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CFA Station upgrade needed to house new style bigger tankers. • Underground drainage in Grundy Ave and Town Centre. • Parking Area to serve new Bus Stop • Complete sewerage works in accordance with SG Water's Project Plan

All Projects

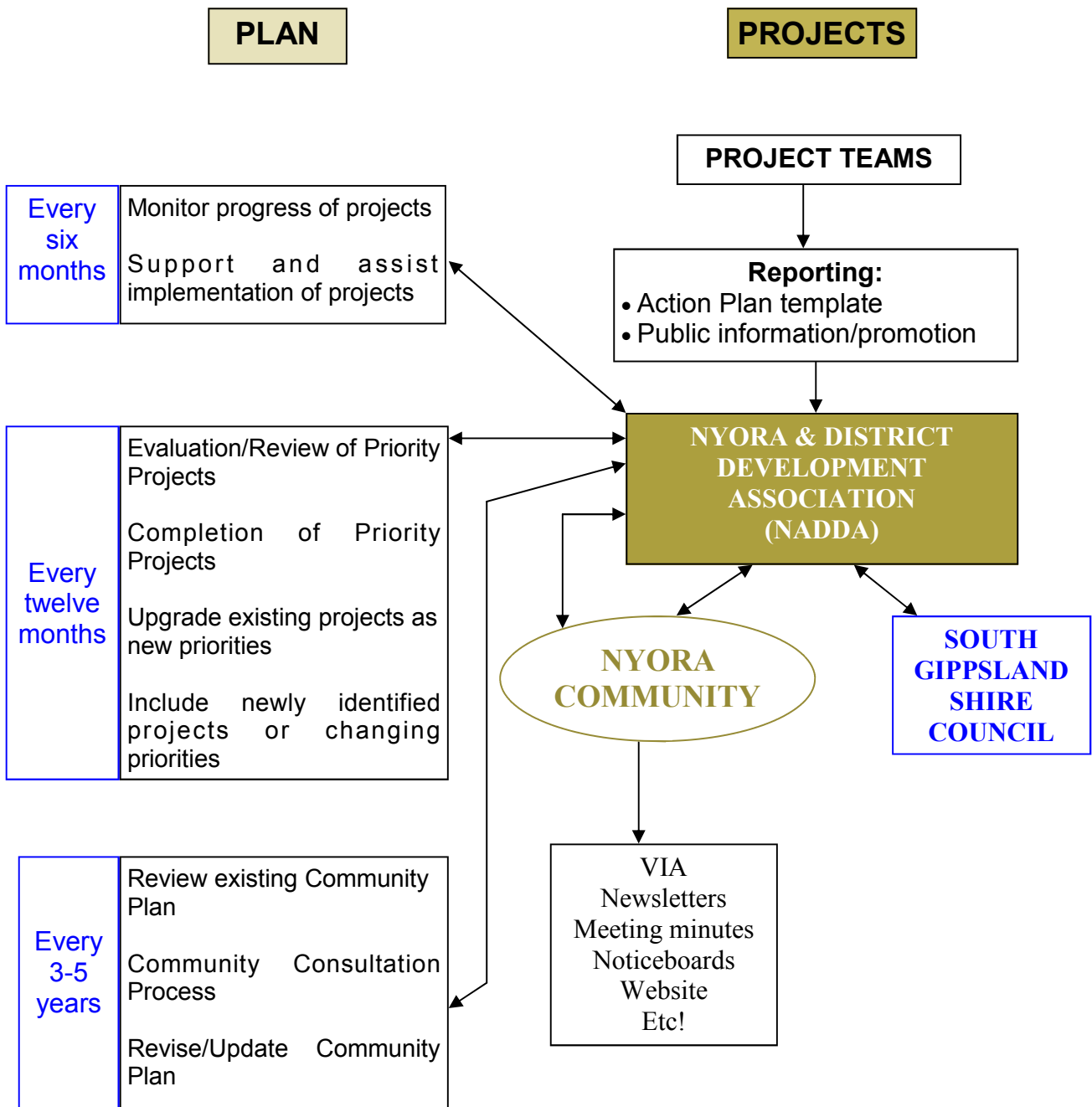
Tourism

Key Projects we <u>need!</u>	Community Comments
1. Walking / riding trail (Poowong / Lang Lang /Anderson) needed for both recreation and tourism as well as future access (See Environment #2/Infrastructure #1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide tourist facilities as town continues to become a tourist destination State Government involvement required. This is considered a high priority
2. Restoration of railway historic turntable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preservation & development of historical local infrastructure & heritage walk To develop places of interest to attract tourism Increased tourism to create local employment opportunities Railway group or project for Men's Shed. Vic Track, Tourist Rail & Historical Soc need to be consulted
3. Sand Mine Railway Sidings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Run trolley rides to siding for tourists - Nyora to Koala Siding rail trail or motorised rail buggies To preserve and develop/restore Nyora's history as a rail town as a tourist promotion Access to the site—more consultation required
Additional Projects:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overnight Accommodation/Caravan Park Grow tourist railway to give people a reason to visit Nyora. Develop Tourism Strategy—with Regional Tourism Strategy

Business Growth

Key Projects we <u>need!</u>	Community Comments
1. Adequate local shopping in order to mitigate additional travel to large centres.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Needs to be kept to one area for accessibility by elderly and families without cars. Detailed commercial/retail footprint required
2. Pharmacy services needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Included in a doctors surgery Very high priority for aging population and very young families Population growth/numbers will drive this
3. Preservation of Railway Station	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide an opportunity for a new business to encourage tourism and employment opportunities Preserve the local heritage of the area Railway group and Men's Shed May need a heritage overlay or would this be too restrictive?
4. Maintain Uniting Church Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main building to be used as possible venue for community projects such as opportunity shop Support the retention of this building. Responsibility of the Uniting Church
5. Heritage appearance of the central town precinct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawcard in Toby's Paddock - Train or Military hardware/statue/icon Not in village green.
Additional Projects:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify an area for future expansion of light industry & services. Pub needs to be fixed as it is a focal point for the town

Plan Review Process



References

The Nyora Community has developed many planning documents and these are acknowledged below:

Nyora and District Draft Business Plan	November 1995
Nyora Business Plan Research Findings	November 1995
Nyora Business Plan	December 1995
Nyora Strategy Plan 2000 and Beyond (incomplete)	December 1999
StreetScape Plan	2001
Urban Design Framework	2005
Nyora Community Opportunity Workshop Outcomes	2007
Urban Design Framework Review	July 2007
Nyora Public Hall Feasibility Study	2008
Shared Paths Feasibility Study	March 2009
Nyora Recreation Reserve Development Plans	

Grants to the community

This shows some of the successful grant applications made by the community over the past 5 years - these are grants received with council assistance and may not necessarily include other local grant applications

2004-2005

Nyora Public Hall Committee of Management	Lighting upgrade & paint ceiling	\$ 3,062
Nyora Rec Reserve Committee of Management	Tennis court resurfacing	\$ 4,870

2005-2006

Nyora Public Hall Committee of Management	Kitchen Renovations	\$ 5,000
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2006-2007

Nyora Public Hall Committee	Scrubber/ Polisher and Bollards	\$1,043.60
Nyora Recreation Reserve Committee	Nyora Rec Reserve Strategic Plan	\$8,000
Nyora Recreation Reserve Committee	Ride-on Mower	\$5,000

2007-2008

Nyora Public Hall Committee of Management	Development Plan - Nyora Public Hall	\$ 10,000
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2008-2009

Nyora & District Development Assoc	Nyora Pathway Development Plan Feasibility Study	\$9,000
Nyora Recreation Reserve Committee	Feasibility Study - to upgrade or replace existing Pavilion for the Nyora Reserve	\$15,000

2009-2010

Nyora Football Netball Club	Refurbishment of furniture and fixtures of the Nyora Rec Reserve Social Clubrooms	\$880
Nyora Recreation Reserve	Feasibility study for the replacement/upgrade of the social/sports pavilion & change rooms.	\$10,000
Nyora Recreation Reserve	Building of new netball courts	\$127,500
Nyora Football Club	Disability access & refurbishment of change rooms and showers	\$25,000

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Nyora Railway Park

In 2004, some local residents saw a need to clean up and develop the piece of land called Toby's Paddock, adjacent to the Village Green. First an open drain needed to be filled. A very small band of men worked a miracle and the drain was no more. Up till then, 25 years of requests to the Shire had not achieved any result.

In 2008, after Poowong Apex cleared the site of derelict fences and rubbish, a concept drawing was completed and gravel was laid for the path through the park.

In 2009, advanced trees were planted with 25 attending a working bee including members of Poowong Apex; a memorial lone pine garden was developed; and in 2010, native trees have been planted on the eastern end of the park.

A small team has planted the gardens and placed newspaper and mulch. Two loads of mulch have been donated and it is hoped to have it all spread before the worst of the winter after weeding the garden beds. Three members of the community have maintained the lawns, supplying their own time, mowers and fuel.

So far donations received for the

construction and planting of the park total \$4,800. Further donations and/or ideas for raising funds would be gratefully received.

This land is owned by Vic Track and leased to the South Gippsland Tourist Rail on a temporary basis. In the current planning scheme held by the South Gippsland Shire, the land is designated for a supermarket, a community center and strip shops. As the population of Nyora and district grows, we feel the Park will add a great deal to the amenity of the town. There is plenty of other Vic Track land

available for development within the town.

And so, what do you think?

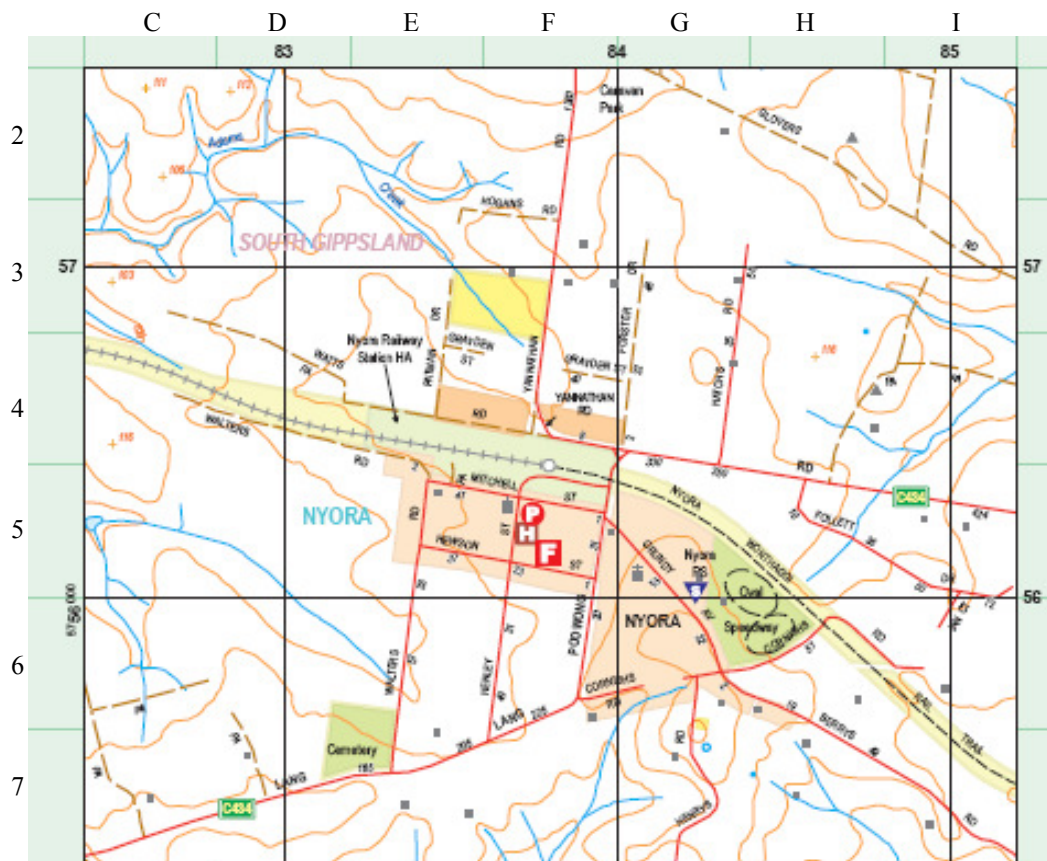
We need your support, to retain the park, donations of money, and help in maintenance, and most importantly, representations to the Shire to request change of the zoning to Public Purposes Open Space.

Enquiries to John and Tricia Fleming, 56 590254, Denis & Sylvia Casey, 56 590089, and Mary Lewis 56 590052.



The Nyora Railway Park as it is today, thanks to many local residents.

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