

Foster Community Plan 2011









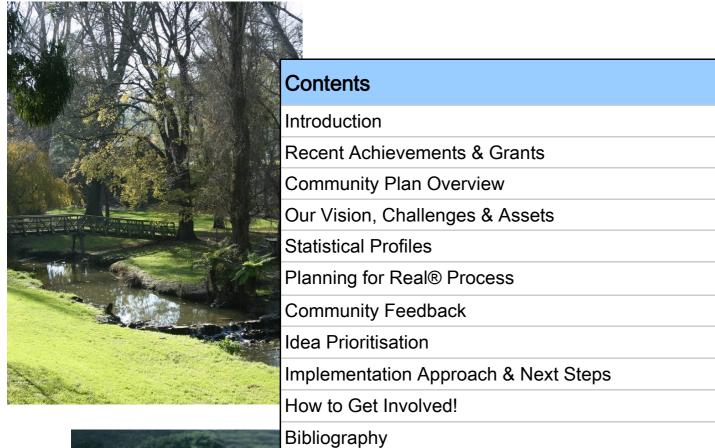








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Introduction

Foster and its surrounds are a thriving and diverse community of over 2000 people. Located within the "Corner Inlet" area it is 170kms south-east of Melbourne.

Foster's history dates back to the 1800s. With its early beginnings as a stopover for drovers, the 1860s saw Foster come into prominence with the discovery of gold. Over time, the rich and fertile soil in the area also drove the development of a significant dairy and grazing industry which was serviced by the Foster township.

To this day, Foster continues to support the **local dairy and grazing industry** for which the area is renowned.

In addition, Foster has become a **destination for retirees** who value the diverse recreational activities, country lifestyle and excellent medical facilities available in the town.

Foster's proximity to the renowned Gippsland coastline and Wilsons Promontory have also made it a **popular tourist destination**. Foster and its surrounding areas offer a broad range of accommodation, places of interest, activities and facilities for visitors.

With excellent childcare, primary and secondary schools and a diverse range of sporting clubs and activities, Foster is also an attractive town for young families.



In summary, its wide range of lifestyle options make Foster attractive to both local-born, "tree change" residents and visitors alike, providing excellent facilities while retaining its "small town" charm.

Recent Achievements

Over the years, the Foster Community Association has championed dozens of initiatives that now enrich the daily lives of its residents and visitors.

The **Foster Community Association** was established in 1998 to help make Foster and the Corner Inlet district a better place to live, work and play. It is comprised of, and works with, local community members to identify and progress initiatives of benefit to the community.

Sample of Recently Delivered Initiatives

- A staffed Visitor Information Centre
- Footpaths extended to the Hospital and Rail Trail
- Longer Library hours
- Installation of the Children's Playground at the Foster Showgrounds
- Expanded network of walking, cycling and riding tracks around Foster
- Introduction of the Prom Country Farmers' Market
- Rebuilding of the bridge over Stockyard Creek
- Speed limit in town reduced from 60 to 50
-and much more!

In addition, a key recent achievement in the community was the development of the *Prom Coast Centre for Children* which was championed by a specifically formed community group and is now operational.



Recent Grants

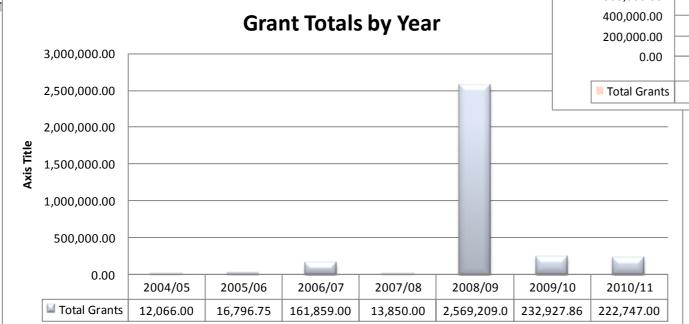
The Foster community has been supported in its progress by the South Gippsland Shire and State and Federal governments with 75 grants worth over \$3.2m from 2004 - 2011.

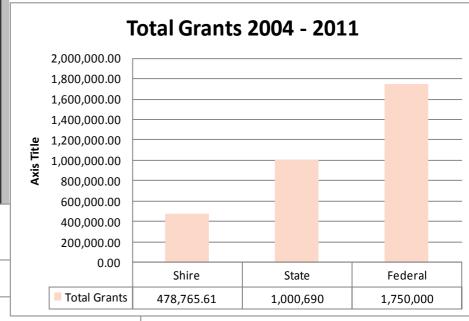
Sample of Recent Shire Grants - 2011

- Stockyard Gallery -Stockyard Gallery Community Prized Event- Life Aquatic -\$4,000
- Foster Community Association Completion of Management Plan, Contour and Feature Surveying for Foster Station Park- \$8,602
- Foster Cricket Club- Practice Cricket Nets \$5,000
- Foster Photography Club -Purchase of equipment \$1,295
- Foster Showgrounds Committee Foster Basketball Stadium Floor Resurfacing \$5,000

Sample of Other Funding Areas - 2010/2011

- 2010 Foster RSL Sub-Branch Restoration of Cenotaph State \$2790
- 2010 FWMAC Refurbishment and Upgrade State \$165,000, Council \$40,000
- 2011 Foster Football Club Lighting Project State \$60,000, Council \$25,000
- 2011 Foster Recreation Reserve Tennis Courts Resurfacing State \$22,000, Council \$5500
 - 2011 Corner Inlet Lookout Federal \$50,000, State \$30,000, Council \$4,500





Community Plan Overview

The purpose of the Foster Community Plan is to document the aspirations and vision of the community for Foster over the coming 5 years.

The Foster Community Plan seeks to:

- Outline how the community wants to shape its town—what is the vision?
- Identify which priority areas need to be addressed to help fulfil that vision.
- Describe how priority items will be progressed.



The Foster Community Plan has:

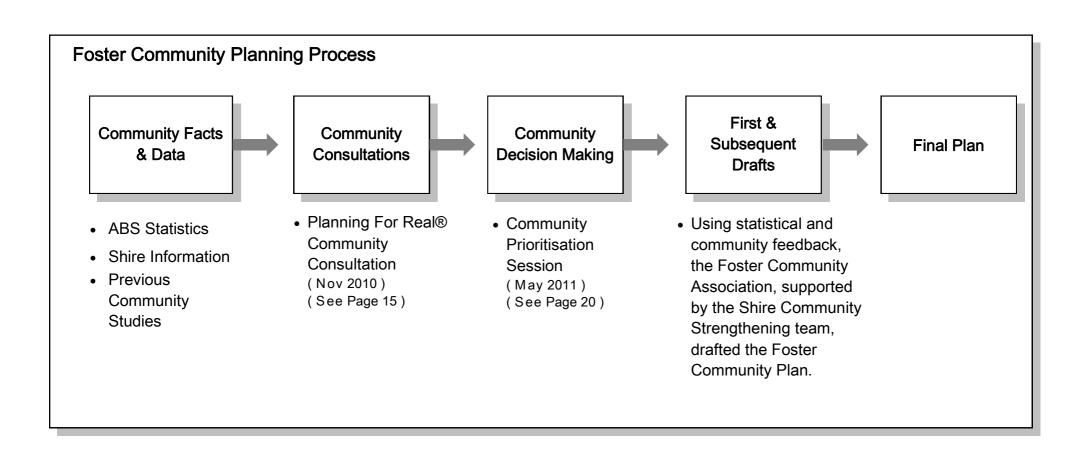
- been championed by the Foster Community Association.
- used the "Planning for Real ®" process of community consultation
- sought to reflect the views of a large cross-section of the community as to how they want their town to evolve
- documented the community aspirations and their relative priorities and defined a path forward to allow these
 aspirations to be realised.

It is intended that this document will:

- Allow individuals and organisations to understand the aspirations and proposed future direction for Foster.
- Identify how community members can get involved in helping to realise this vision.
- Be available for use with government and industry representatives to explain where their assistance/support can be helpful to the community and how the community can be supportive of them.

Foster Community Planning Process

The Foster Community Plan has been developed using a variety of inputs including government and shire information, previous community studies and community feedback.



Our Vision

The Foster community continues to envisage a town which supports a diverse range of residents, visitors, industries and activities.

The <u>Vision of the Foster Community</u> is to evolve a township which:

- Provides a **safe**, **healthy and stimulating environment** which allows community members to grow up, be educated, work, play, create and retire in Foster
- Is a **desirable residential environment** for people of all age groups and from all walks of life
- Has managed growth but *retains a small town feel* with the *beauty and amenities of its* rural setting
- **Encourages its citizens to reach their potential** and provides support for these endeavours
- Is an attractive, interesting, vibrant and enjoyable *destination for visitors*.











Key Challenges

• Continuing to Attract Visitors to the Area &

encouraging them to stay longer

A number of challenges are expected to face Foster over the coming 5 years which could impact the town's ability to achieve its vision.

Key Challenges Cause · Ageing town infrastructure and facilities • Retaining / Enhancing Existing Services Shire budgetary pressures · Breadth of the Foster township area • Providing Cost Effective Services to Remote · Cost of providing remote services Residents Shire budgetary pressures · Attracting more older residents Changing Demographics Younger residents leaving for Uni or jobs Lack of investment in commercial infrastructure • Retaining / Creating *Employment Opportunities* · Limited entrepreneurial spirit Reduced youth interest in agricultural pursuits • Foster not identified by state or local governments as an area of priority Attracting New Industries Lack of skilled workforce Competition from other regional towns Limited breadth of opportunities Attracting Professionals to Existing Businesses & • No critical mass of industry to support partners **Facilities** · Distance from Melbourne Not a priority for State & Regional tourism bodies due to lack of tourism infrastructure

Dependency on Wilsons Prom

Competing attractions in other regions

Lack of tourism operators

Key Assets

Foster has a diverse array of assets available to the community.

Recreational Facilities
Great Southern Rail Trail
Foster Station Park
Pearl Park / BBQ Facilities
Foster Show Grounds / Playground
Stockyard Gallery, Library, Museum
Visitor Information Centre
Community Garden
Swimming Pool, Skate Park

Local Attractions Wilsons Promontory Corner Inlet Green Rolling Hills Stockyard Creek Foster Beach, Foster Landing Sandy Point & Waratah Bay Agnes Falls Strzelecki Ranges

Accommodation
Motels, B&Bs, Backpackers
Caravan Park

Shopping/Services
Markets (Farmers & Craft)
Supermarkets, Pharmacy
Post Office, Banks, Newsagent, Gifts
Hotel, Cafes, Bakeries, Butchers
Hairdressers/Beauty Salon, Florists
Clothes, Shoes, Books, Furniture
V-Line Buses, Taxi Services
Solicitors, Accountants, Centrelink

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Corner Inlet Motorcycle Club	Corner Inlet Motorcycle Club
Foster Basketball Association	Foster Basketball Association

Infrastructure
War Memorial Hall
Water Board HQ, Parks Vic HQ
Established Industrial Area
Good Water Supply / Town Sewerage
Education
Prom Coast Centre for Children
Foster Primary School
South Gippsland Secondary College
University of the 3rd Age (U3A)
Foster Community House

Clubs & Associations Foster Amateur Music & Drama Association (FAMDA) Men 's Shed Foster Community Association Foster Chamber of Commerce
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Foster Community Association
Foster Chamber of Commerce
Foster Historical Society
First Foster Cub Scout Group
Rotary, Probus, RSL
Prom Coast Tourism



Medical Services
South Gippsland Hospital
Foster Community Health Centre
Foster Medical Centre
Pathology Services
Dentists, Physiotherapy

Aged Care
Linton Court Retirement Living
Prom Country Aged Care

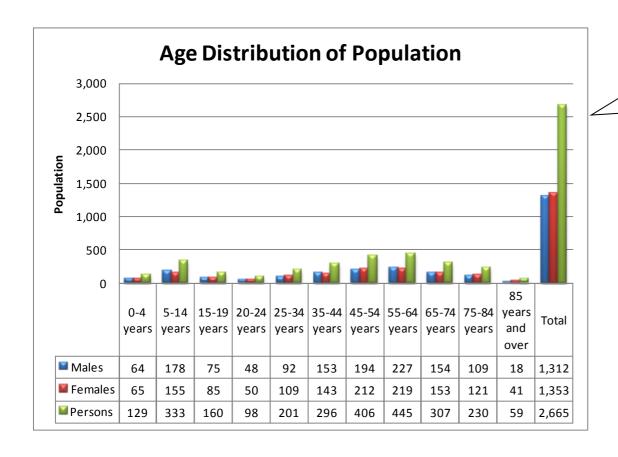
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Christ Church Anglican Church
Prom Coast Community Church
St. Joseph 's Catholic Church
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Communications	
Foster Mirror Newspaper	
Foster Community Website	
Community Noticeboard	(10
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Population Profile

The South Gippsland shire had an estimated population of over 27,000 people, as at June 2008. The annual growth rate was 0.7% in the 5 years since 2003 but is projected to increase to 3.5% p.a. through 2031 when the population is projected to be ~32,000.

According to the 2006 Census, the Foster postcode (3960) had a population of 2,665 persons.

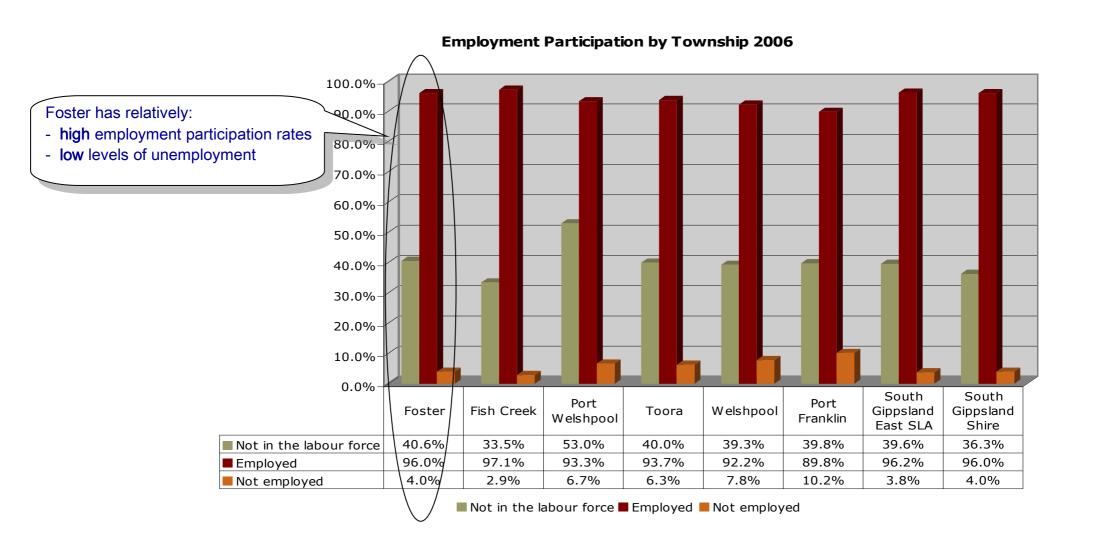


The Foster postcode 3960 has a relatively even sex and age distribution of its population, except for persons in the 15-34 year ranges. Students leaving for study and to get their first jobs may, in part, account for this.

Foster (3960) - Medians & Averages		
Median age of persons	48	
Median individual income (\$/w eekly)	362	
Median family income (\$/w eekly)	911	
Median household income (\$/w eekly)	641	
Median housing loan repayment (\$/monthly)	904	
Median rent (\$/w eekly)	110	
Average number of persons per bedroom	1.1	
Average household size	2.3	

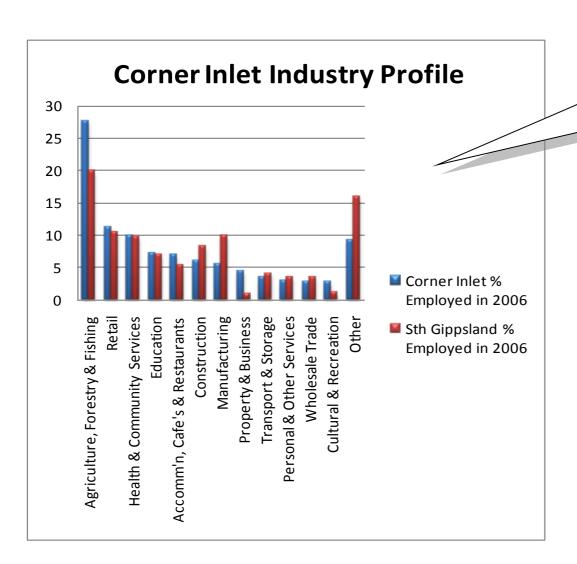
Employment Profile

Within that district, Foster boasts a low unemployment rate.



Industry Profile

Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing form the largest industry in the Corner Inlet District.



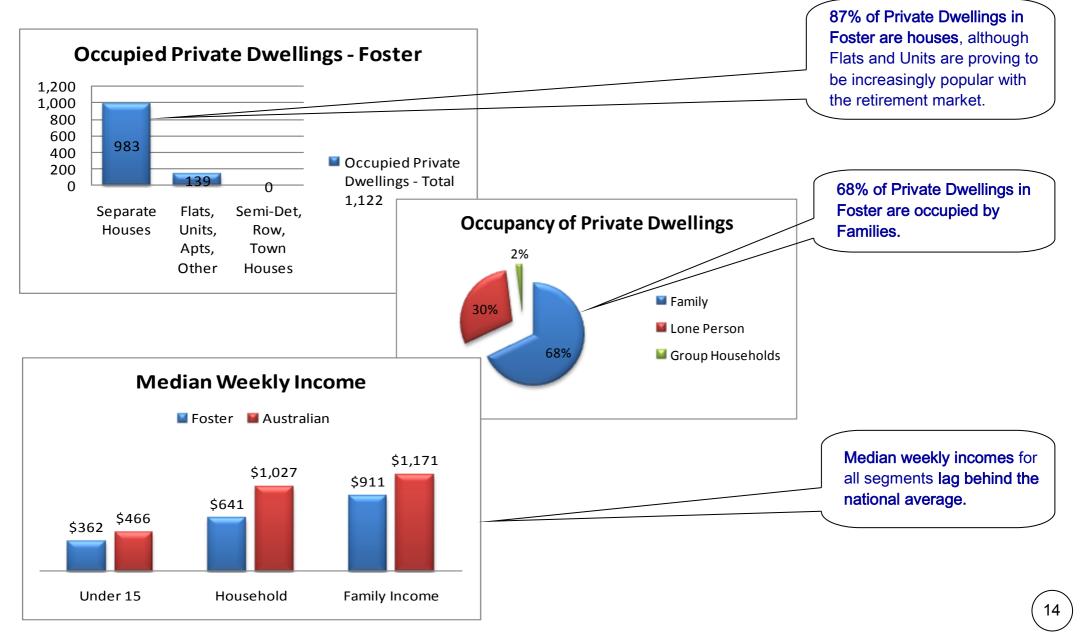
The Corner Inlet area has:

- more "Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing"; and
- less "Manufacturing", "Construction" & "Other"
- ...industries than the South Gippsland Shire average.



Housing Profile

The 2006 Census identified that there were 1,122 occupied private dwellings in the Foster postal area with some 731 families.



Planning for Real® Process

"Planning for Real®" is a community consultation process which has been used by the Foster community to collect community ideas about the desired future of their town.

The <u>3 Key Objectives</u> of the Planning for Real® process were to:

- Develop a Community Plan that provides a vision for people to focus their efforts on over time
- Give people a sense of ownership about the way their town is developed
- Inform state and local governments of the community's priorities and to collaborate to achieve mutual goals.

PfR® Event (November 2010)

A PfR Event was **held in conjunction with the Nov 2010 Federal Election** to collect community ideas

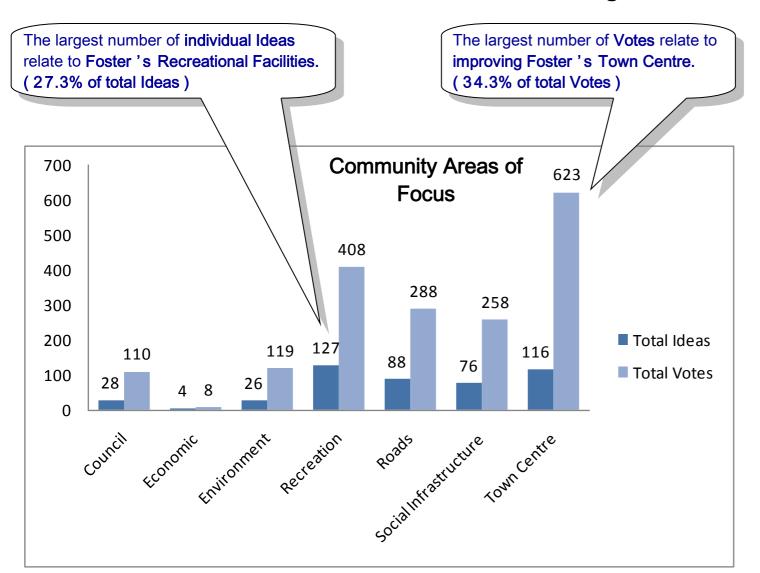
20 community groups stimulated people 's thinking by providing posters with their priorities for the future

Who Participated?

- Grade 5 students at Foster Primary School
- Year 10 students at South Gippsland Secondary College
- Voters on Election Day

Community Feedback

The "Planning for Real®" Event in November 2010 collected 465 unique Ideas which attracted 1,814 Votes. These ideas have been categorised into 7 key areas.

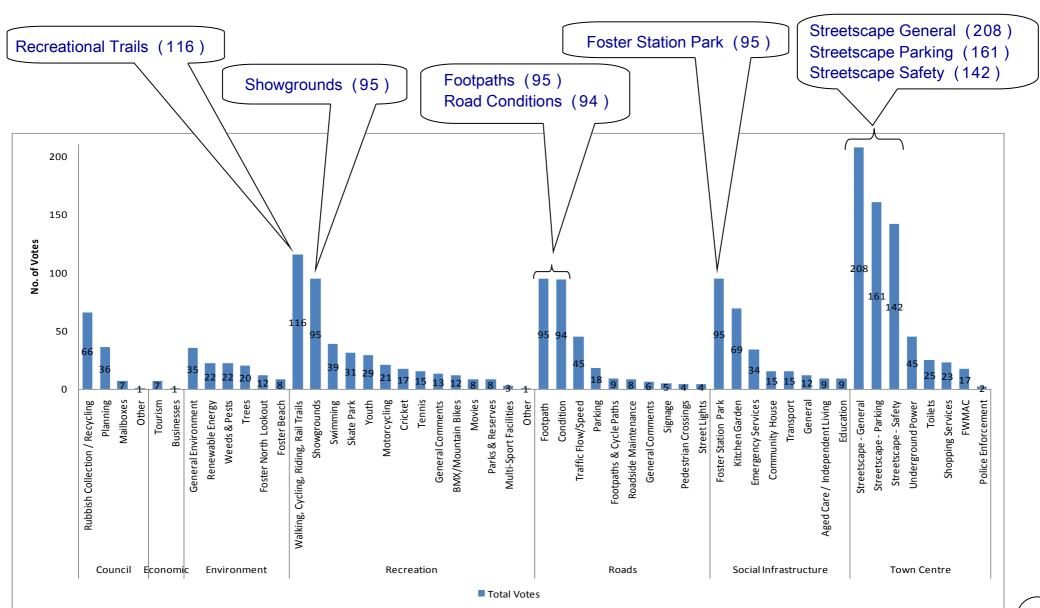


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	of Votes
	to Ideas
Council	3.9
Economic	2.0
Environment	4.6
Recreation	3.2
Roads	3.3
Social Infrastructure	3.4
Town Centre	₄ 5.4

Town Centre Ideas were proportionally the most favoured (ie. averaged the largest number of Votes.)

Community Areas of Focus

Across the 7 areas of Community Focus, 8 topics received the most Votes:



Detailed Areas of Feedback

The list below shows those <u>areas</u> of feedback receiving 20 or more Votes. As mentioned, Town Centre Streetscape ideas are very important to the community.

Category	Sub-Category	Туре	# of Ideas	Votes
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Town Centre	Streetscape - Parking	Parking	20	161
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Beautification	28	141
Roads		Footpaths	17	95
Social Infrastructure		Foster Station Park	26	95
Roads		Condition	28	94
Town Centre	Streetscape - Safety	Pedestrian Crossings	11	89
Social Infrastructure		Kitchen Garden	4	69
Council		Rubbish Collection / Recycling	10	66
Recreation		Walking Tracks	21	63
Town Centre	Streetscape - Safety	Traffic Flow/Speed	7	53
Recreation		Rail Trail	13	48
Recreation	Showgrounds	Oval	6	46
Roads		Traffic Flow/Speed	13	45
Town Centre		Underground Power	1	45
Recreation		Swimming	12	39
Council		Planning	15	36
Environment		General Environment	10	35
Social Infrastructure		Emergency Services	7	34
Recreation		Skate Park	8	31
Recreation		Youth	9	29
Town Centre		Toilets	6	25
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Pedestrian Mall	4	25
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Other	7	24
Town Centre		Shopping Services	15	23
Environment		Renewable Energy	4	22
Environment		Weeds & Pests		22
Recreation		Motorcycling		21
Environment		Trees	3	20
Recreation	Showgrounds	General	5	20

Town Parking & Town Beautification were the top issues



Note:

- Ideas have been grouped into "Categories" and "Types" to assist in understanding themes and areas of concern.
- These groupings are also useful to help identify which ideas should be considered or progressed together.

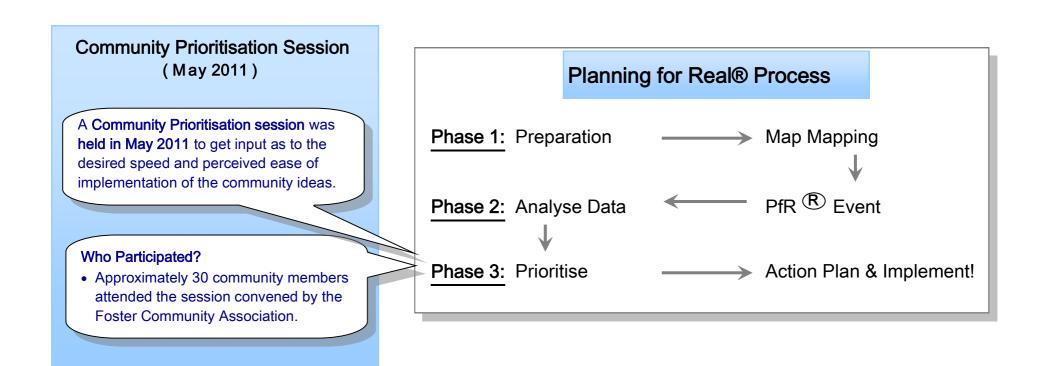
Most Popular Ideas

The list below shows the <u>individual Ideas</u> receiving the most support.

Category	Sub-Category	Туре	ldea#	Community Ideas	Votes
Town Centre	Streetscape - Parking	Parking	161	More/Improved Parking + landscape carparks	89
Town Centre	Streetscape - Safety	Pedestrian Crossings	146	Pedestrian Crossing in Main Street	64
Town Centre	Underground Power	Underground Power	97	Put the wires underground	45
Town Contro	Chacigicana i ewe.	Chacigicana i evici	0,	Invest in the children's vegetable garden - food & the know how for the future = less	10
Social Infrastructure	Kitchen Garden	Kitchen Garden	428	reliance on supermarket veg - a proven need for children's health	42
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Beautification	109	Improve streetscape (Chamber ideas)	40
Roads	Condition	Condition	55	Improve roads/ road maintenance	34
Roads	Footpath	Footpath	20	More safe footpaths	29
Recreation	Walking, Cycling, Riding, Rail Trails	Rail Trail	323	Continue Rail Trail to Toora/Yarram	27
Social Infrastructure	Kitchen Garden	Kitchen Garden	426	Save our Kitchen Garden	25
Council	Rubbish Collection / Recycling	Rubbish Collection / Recycling	386	Hard rubbish collection	24
Roads	Footpath	Footpath	19	Footpath to Aherns (& from Aherns to Motel)	24
				Improve highway into Foster/make road junction safer (80/60 km, improved lighting,	
Roads	Traffic Flow/Speed	Traffic Flow/Speed	6	roundabout)	24
Social Infrastructure	Emergency Services	Emergency Services	431	New fire station	23
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Beautification	120	Pave & beautify walkway between fish shop & IGA (with table/seating)	22
Town Centre	Streetscape - Parking	Parking	162	More disabled parking in Main Street + at FoodWorks & IGA	22
Town Centre	Streetscape - Safety	Traffic Flow/Speed	156	40/30/20 km in town	22
Social Infrastructure	Foster Station Park	Foster Station Park	444	Permanent Men's Shed venue	21
Recreation	Showgrounds	Oval	290	Better/new football oval lighting	20
Environment	Trees	Trees	220	Maintain / protect green belt / bush / landscape around Foster	18
Environment	Weeds & Pests	Weeds & Pests	219	Clean up weeds at Stockyard Creek	17
Recreation	Motorcycling	Motorcycling	247	Save/support the Yanakie track	17
Recreation	Skate Park	Skate Park	249	Upgrade / new skateboard park	17
Environment	Renewable Energy	Renewable Energy	237	NO more wind farms	16
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Beautification	110	Enclosed rubbish bins	16
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Pedestrian Mall	132	Mall in Main Street	15
Environment	General Environment	General Environment	227	Strzelecki National Park - increase biodiversity (7,000 signatures collected)	14
Recreation	Showgrounds	Netball	303	Netball Club rooms incl scorer, shelter & storage	13
Recreation	Showgrounds	Oval	293	Seal around the Oval	13
Recreation	Cricket	Cricket	284	Cricket nets needed	12
Recreation	Swimming	Swimming	268	Indoor/ under cover pool to allow swimming /lessons year round	12
Town Centre	Streetscape - Safety	Traffic Flow/Speed	183	Traffic management plan (reduce truck traffic in Main St)	12
Environment	Foster North Lookout	Foster North Lookout	233	Improve lookout	11
Environment	General Environment	General Environment	226	Maintain / increase protection of environment	11
				Support & maintain Foster pool: asset to town & a focal point for kids - keeps teenagers off	
Recreation	Swimming	Swimming	269	streets	11
Roads	Condition	Condition	47	Seal (& white line) Ameys Track to the end	11
Council	Rubbish Collection / Recycling	Rubbish Collection / Recycling	394	Recycling bins in town	10

Idea Prioritisation

Ideas provided by the community were then assessed for desired speed of implementation and perceived level of difficulty to fund, develop and implement.



The following two pages show the most popular idea areas with indications of their priority and ease of implementation. (Note: Prioritisations relate primarily to the most popular individual ideas within each area.)

Idea Prioritisation

Priorities - "Now", "Soon" or "Later" Ease - "Quick" or "Longer"

Category	Sub-Category	Туре	# of Ideas	Votes	Priority	Ease	P & E Comments
Town Centre	Streetscape - Parking	Parking	20	161	Now	Quick/Longer	Barriers near creek "Later"
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Beautification	28	141	Now/Soon	Longer	Palm/Stately trees & Town Entrance "Later"
Roads		Footpaths	17	95	Now/Soon	Longer	Footpath to Ahern's & Surface at Med Ctr were "Now"
Social Infrastructure		Foster Station Park	26	95	Soon	Longer	
Roads		Condition	28	94	Soon	Longer	Reduce cambering "Later"
Town Centre	Streetscape - Safety	Pedestrian Crossings	11	89	Now	Longer	
Social Infrastructure		Kitchen Garden	4	69	Now	Quick	
Council		Rubbish Collection / Recycling	10	66	Now	Quick	Beyond current boundaries "Soon" "Longer"
Recreation		Walking Tracks	21	63	Now	Longer	Stockyard Crk path "Later"
Town Centre	Streetscape - Safety	Traffic Flow/Speed	7	53	Now	Quick/Longer	
Recreation		Rail Trail	13	48	Now	Longer	
Recreation	Showgrounds	Oval	6	46	Now	Longer	Seal track around Oval "Later"
Roads		Traffic Flow/Speed	13	45	Now	Quick/Longer	Reduce speed on minor roads "Later"
Town Centre		Underground Power	1	45	Soon	Longer	
Recreation		Swimming	12	39	Now	Quick/Longer	
Council		Planning	15	36	Now	Longer	
Environment		General Environment	10	35	Now	Longer	Strzelecki Nat Park "Later"
Social Infrastructure		Emergency Services	7	34	Later	Longer	
Recreation		Skate Park	8	31	Now	Longer	
Recreation		Youth	9	29			
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Pedestrian Mall	4	25	Later	Longer	
Town Centre		Toilets	6	25	Soon	Quick	
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Other	7	24	Now/Soon	Longer	
Town Centre		Shopping Services	15	23	Soon	Longer	
Environment		Renewable Energy	4	22			
Environment		Weeds & Pests	5	22	Now	Quick/Longer	
Recreation		Motorcycling	3	21	Soon	Longer	
Environment		Trees	3	20	Now	Soon	
Recreation	Showgrounds	General	5	20	Now	Longer	BBQ at Showground "Quick"
Roads		Parking	4	18	Now	Longer	
Recreation		Cricket	5	17	Now	Quick	
Town Centre		FWMAC	6	17	Later	Longer	

Idea Prioritisation - continued

Priorities - "Now", "Soon" or "Later" Ease - "Quick" or "Longer"

Category	Sub-Category	Type	# of Ideas	Votes	Priority	Ease	P & E Comments
Recreation	Showgrounds	Netball	2	15	Now	Longer	
Recreation		Tennis	7	15	Now	Quick/Longer	
Social Infrastructure		Community House	8	15	Now	Quick	
Social Infrastructure		Transport	9	15	Now	Longer	
Recreation	Showgrounds	Basketball Stadium	5	14	Now	Longer	
Recreation		General Comments	10	13			
Environment		Foster North Lookout	2	12			
Recreation		BMX/Mountain Bikes	5	12	Now	Quick/Longer	
Social Infrastructure		General	10	12			
Roads		Footpaths/Cycle Paths	6	9			
Social Infrastructure		Aged Care / Independent Living	8	9	Soon	Longer	
Social Infrastructure		Education	4	9	Soon	Quick	Library hours
Environment		Foster Beach	2	8			
Recreation		Movies	2	8			
Recreation		Parks & Reserves	7	8			
Roads		Roadside Maintenance	3	8	Now	Quick	
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Seating	4	8	Now/Soon	Quick/Longer	
Council		Mailboxes	2	7			
Economic		Tourism	3	7			
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Lighting	2	7	Later	Longer	
Roads	·	General Comments	4	6			
Recreation		Bike Trail	3	5	Now	Quick	
Roads		Signage	5	5			
Roads		Pedestrian Crossings	4	4			
Roads		Street Lights	4	4	Later	Longer	
Recreation		Multi-Sport Facilities	3	3			
Town Centre	Streetscape - General	Signage	3	3	Now/Soon	Longer	
Town Centre		Police Enforcement	2	2			
Council		Golf Course Fencing	1	1			
Economic		Businesses	1	1			
Recreation		Other	1	1			

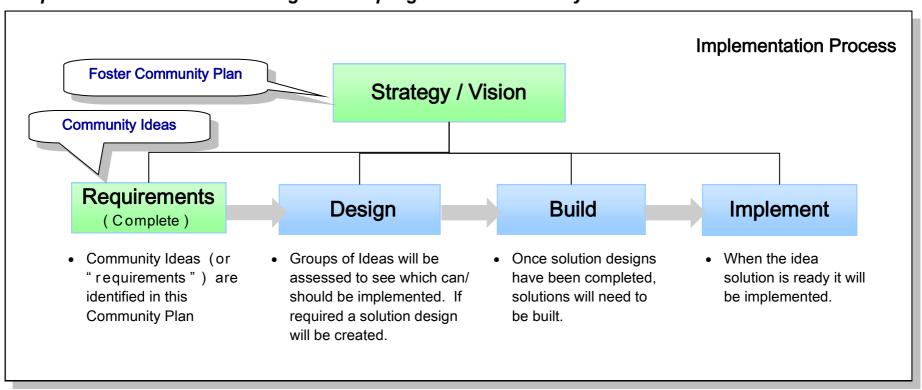
Implementation Approach

This Community Plan has identified the community <u>vision</u> and the <u>ideas</u> to realise that vision. These ideas now need to be assessed, designed and implemented.

It should be noted that:

- Not all ideas will be progressed (eg. if cost is known to be prohibitive, if they conflict with other ideas, if they have low levels of support).
- Some ideas may be able to be implemented immediately (ie. do not require design or build phases) as the idea "defines" the solution (eg. Clean up weeds).
- Other ideas may need to go through a design &/or build phase to specify what the solution should look like (eg. create BMX track).

The process outlined below will guide the progress of community ideas.



Community Project Teams

Community Project Teams (CPTs) will be formed to help realise our community vision.

CPTs will:

- Own groups of Ideas from design through to implementation.
- **Determine which individual Ideas will be in their "scope"**. Ideas which received the most Votes will be the top focus. CPTs will decide where to "draw the line" in terms of which Ideas will be addressed (eg. Ideas with >10 votes). Less popular ideas may also be addressed if they can be done in conjunction with other ideas or initiatives.
- Assess those ideas "in scope" to determine if they can sensibly and feasibly be implemented.
- **Develop the design of the solution** (eg. for Streetscape Ideas what is the picture/specification of what the town streetscape will look like).
- **Determine the build and/or implementation plan** (ie. Who will have responsibility for developing and implementing the solution? How will it be funded? What are the target timeframes?)

The following Community Project Teams will be established:

CPT#	Team Name	Leader
1	Town Centre - Streetscape	Lloyd Morcom
2	Town Center - Other	To be determined
3	Roads	To be determined
4	Social Infrastructure	To be determined
5	Council	To be determined
6	Recreation	To be determined
7	Environment	To be determined

^{*}Note: The Streetscape "Community Project Team" has been formed to start progressing the Integrated Streetscape Design which will be an input to Shire engineering plans.

Next Steps

The following are the planned next steps to address the Community Ideas.

Actions	Owners	Due Date
1. Launch the Community Plan with the community	Foster Community Association Shire Community Strengthening Team	Nov 2011
Form Community Project Teams (Request members at the Community Plan launch)	Foster Community Association	Oct/Nov 2011
3. Present Community Plan to Council	Foster Community Association	Nov 2011
 4. Start Community Projects Define Scope – identify which requirements will be addressed by the group Develop Action Plans - actions and interim milestones Design Solutions - where required Gain Design Approval – where required Define Build & Implementation Plan 	Community Project Teams	Oct - Dec 2011
Define Monitoring & Reporting Arrangements (For Community Project Teams)	Foster Community Association	Oct/Nov 2011

The lists of ideas to be used by the Community Project Teams can be found in a separate document titled "Foster Community Plan - Appendices".

How to get Involved!

Getting involved in the local community is easy!

Contact the Foster Community Association (FCA)

Email: fostercommunityassociation@dcsi.net.au

Mail: P.O. Box 109, Foster, 3960



....or come along to one of their meetings held at 7:30pm on the third Tuesday of each month at the Foster Community Health Centre.

- Join a community group or sporting club log on to the Foster Website <u>www.foster.vic.au</u> for details.
- Log on to South Gippsland Shire council website www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au and go to the community directory.

If you are interested in participating in a Community Project Team to help us realise our vision, please contact the Foster Community Association as indicated above.

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