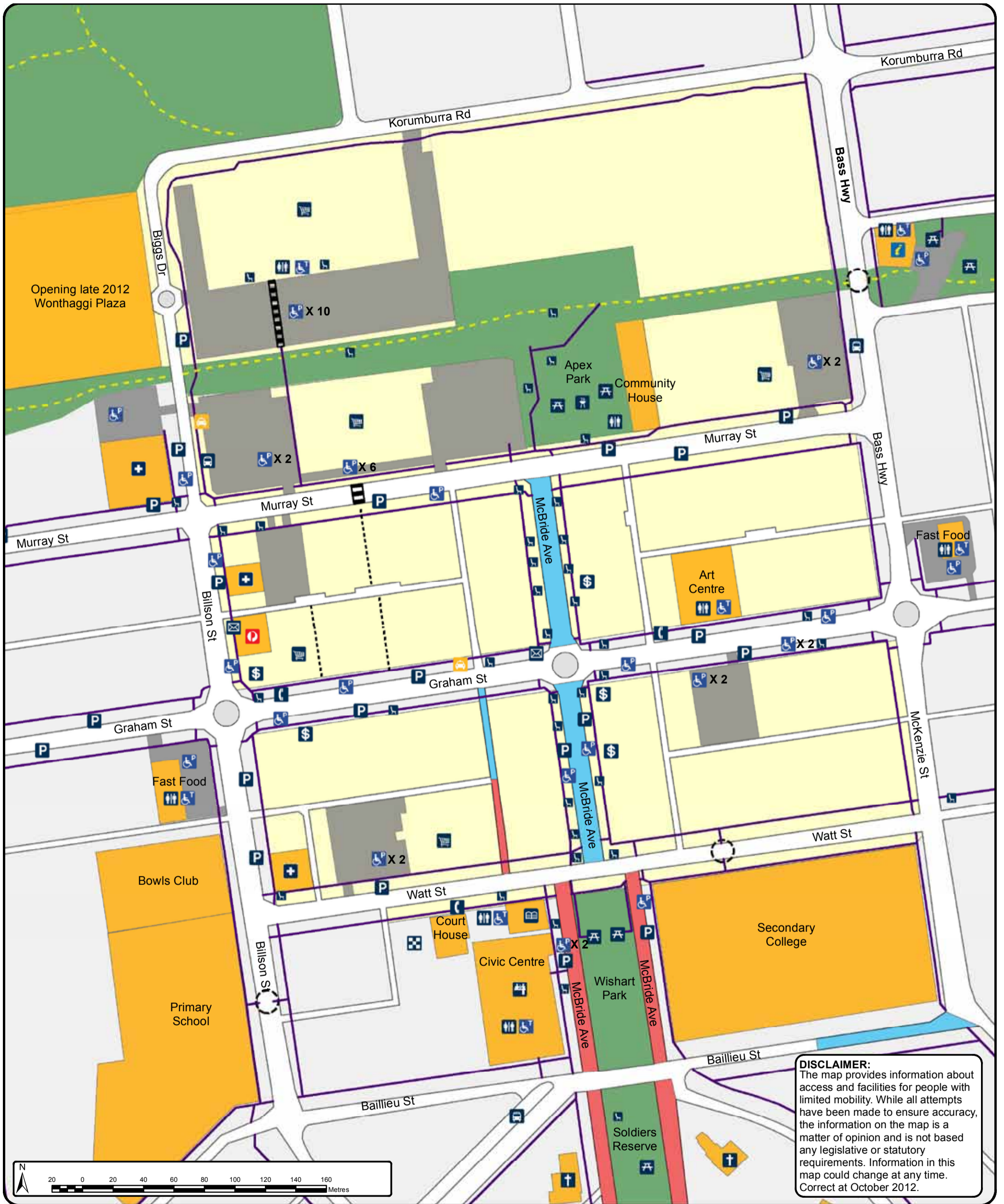


# Wonthaggi Mobility Map



**DISCLAIMER:**  
 The map provides information about access and facilities for people with limited mobility. While all attempts have been made to ensure accuracy, the information on the map is a matter of opinion and is not based on any legislative or statutory requirements. Information in this map could change at any time. Correct at October 2012.

## LEGEND

- |                               |              |                          |  |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--|
| Designated Accessible Parking | Picnic Bench | Place of Worship         | Prominent Building   |
| Designated Accessible Toilet  | Bus Stop     | Police Station           | Off-Street Parking   |
| Council Customer Service      | Supermarket  | ATM                      | Commercial Area  |
| Information Centre            | Parking      | BBQ                      | Ascending gradient up to 1 in 20 manual wheelchair limit   |
| Medical Services              | Telephone    | Suggested Crossing Point | Ascending gradient up to 1 in 14 assisted wheelchair limit |
| Post Box                      | Toilet       | Reserve                  | Arcade open business hours                                 |
| Post Office                   | Taxi Rank    | Pedestrian Crossing      | Walking Track  |
| Library                       | Seat         | Footpath                 |  |

# Wonthaggi Mobility Map

Wonthaggi is the main business town in Bass Coast and provides a range of shopping and services within the central shopping area.

Guide Park is the nearest playground to the shopping strips and is located further along Graham Street to the west. The park offers BBQ, seating and play equipment with clear paths of travel between features.

The Walking Track connecting to the Visitor Information Centre is part of the Bass Coast Rail Trail which links Wonthaggi to Anderson, via Kilcunda. The track from Wonthaggi to the Mouth of the Powlett Road is gently undulating and can have wet areas in the winter months. There is a steep gradient from Mouth of the Powlett Road to Kilcunda which may limit most users, depending on ability.

The Wonthaggi State Coal Mine is located in Garden Street, which is further south along Billson Street. It provides accessible parking, toilets, Visitor Centre and an underground tour which can be accessed by wheelchair users where prior notice is given. Contact Parks Victoria on 13 1963 for more information.

## Map Notes

Please be aware of the following items identified on the map:

- toilets and arcades are subject to various opening times.
- public telephones and ATMs may not comply with the most recent Australian Standards for access and mobility.
- walking track surfaces vary from firm, fine gravel to softer sand and can be affected by weather conditions.

## Further Access Information

Below is a list of information available regarding accessibility in Bass Coast Shire. For more information on any of these topics you can:

- Visit our Accessibility page on [www.basscoast.vic.gov.au](http://www.basscoast.vic.gov.au)
- Contact our Community Facilitator – Rural Access on 1300 BCOAST (226 278) or via the National Relay Service on 13 36 77 (for people with communication difficulties)
- Email [ruralaccess@basscoast.vic.gov.au](mailto:ruralaccess@basscoast.vic.gov.au)

## Beach Wheelchairs

Bass Coast Shire Council has two beach wheelchairs available for loan. These specially made wheelchairs are designed to navigate sandy beaches and many of our walking tracks. The wheelchairs can be dismantled for transporting.



**Contact Inverloch Visitor Information Centre on 1300 762 433 to book the Hippocampe Wheelchair**



**Contact Focus on Lifestyle in Cowes on (03) 5952 3352 to book the All Terrain Wheelchair**

## Easy Access Beaches Guide

The Easy Access Beaches guide is available with information on our most accessible beaches, including the availability of designated accessible parking and toilets.

## Designated Accessible Parking and Toilets Guide

Information sheets on designated accessible toilets and parking bay locations are available.

## Easy Access Eateries Guides

Eateries in Inverloch and Cowes have supplied information on access to their premises as a guide for residents and guests with limited mobility.

## Mobility Maps

A range of mobility maps are available to help you move more freely in and around our beautiful towns, regardless of age or physical ability. Our maps show the most accessible pedestrian routes and accessible facilities in the central shopping areas of Cowes, Wonthaggi and Inverloch.

## Access Improvements

Bass Coast Shire Council is committed to improving access for residents and visitors alike. To alert us of any areas in our shire where you believe access could be improved please contact us.

## Public Transport Guides by Town

Bass Coast Transport Connections has put together town transport guides, providing information on transport options available from your town.

## Tips for Mobility Scooter Users

- People using mobility scooters and electric wheelchairs are considered to be pedestrians and therefore must obey the same road rules as pedestrians.
- Footpaths are safer than roads. However where footpaths are unavailable, plan your trip to using quieter roads, where possible. When travelling on the road, you must travel facing the oncoming traffic if practicable to do so.
- Slow down near other people, especially pedestrians, cyclists, older people and children.
- Keep to the left where possible when passing other mobility users or pedestrians.
- Pedestrian crossings and traffic islands are the safest places to cross roads. Use our Mobility Maps to help plan your travel. Otherwise cross at a well-lit, quiet, straight section of the road.
- Mobility scooter users and other pedestrians must give way to motor vehicles at roundabouts.
- Avoid crossing at roundabouts as motorists have to look in many directions and therefore it may be more difficult to see you.
- Be aware of people exiting buildings in shopping strips. When parking or stopping keep clear of doorways, gateways or driveways.
- Other people use footpaths as well. Drive and park your vehicle so that other people can move along the footpath freely.

The Wonthaggi Mobility Map has been supported by the following project partners:

