

Designs underway for Korumburra streetscape

Specialist urban design and engineering consultants, Hansen and Ratio have been appointed to undertake the Korumburra Streetscape Master Plan.

The Master Plan will be broadly based on the extensive community consultation work already undertaken for the Korumburra Town Centre Framework Plan, but will also consider any new possibilities that are revealed through the design process. The Framework Plan recommended a number of actions to improve the town's main street area, traffic conditions and the pedestrian and shopping environments.

Bryan Sword, Council's Director Development Services, says the Plan will be an important tool for improving Commercial Street and the surrounding areas.

"By having an attractive streetscape, Korumburra will present as an inviting and convenient stop for travellers exploring the region," he said. "While improvements will be dependent on available funding and are likely to take a number of years to implement, the Master Plan will allow them to be coordinated and support Council to pursue additional grant funding."

Options for the Master Plan and the style of footpath, furniture, landscaping and other improvements will be placed on public exhibition for comment later in the year. Key stakeholders will also be directly engaged in the course of the project. Once all the comments have been received and reviewed, a final Streetscape Master Plan will be completed and presented to the Council for consideration.

"A key aim is to seek a balance between the needs of road users, local businesses, pedestrians and parking demands so that a good overall design can be achieved to present Korumburra with a distinct appearance and image," Mr Sword added.

The project is expected to be completed early in the New Year.

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