



Our Wollongong Our Future 2032

Our plan for our community

Easy English version



About this Plan



Wollongong City Council wrote this plan.



When you see the word **we** it means Wollongong City Council and our community.



This Easy English plan is a summary of another plan.

This plan only has the most important ideas.



You can find the other plan on our website at wollongong.nsw.gov.au/your-council/plans-and-reports



You can ask a support person to help you read this document.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are the Traditional Owners of Australia.



They were the first people to live on and use the

- Land
- Rivers
- Seas.

Our area is Dharawal Country.

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About a Community Strategic Plan



This is our Community Strategic Plan.

Our Community Strategic Plan is called **Our Wollongong Our Future 2032**.

It is our plan for the next 10 years.



It talks about

- Our goals for Wollongong



- How we will reach our goals.

Talking to our community



We talked to our community about what should be in this plan.



Lots of people shared their ideas with us.

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- Filled out surveys



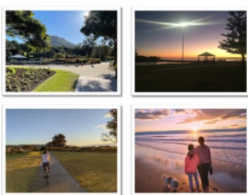
422 people

- Came to workshops



462 people

- Wrote postcards and letters



172 photos

- Sent photos.

Our vision for Wollongong



This part talks about our vision for Wollongong.

A **vision** means our hopes and dreams.



Our vision is for Wollongong to be a place where

- We care for the land, rivers and sea



- People learn new things and skills



- People find good jobs



- We can enjoy the culture and history of all our people



- We support people to live good lives



- Everyone is included.

Our Wollongong community



In 2020 there was about 220 thousand people living in our community.



By 2032 there should be about 253 thousand people living in our community.



A small number of people who live in our community are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.



Lots of people who live in our community were born outside Australia.



Some people who live in our community speak a language other than English at home.

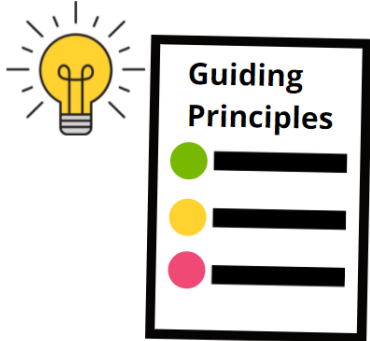


There are many people who live in our community aged over 65.



Most households have internet.

Important ideas in our Plan



There are some important ideas in our plan.

We call these our **guiding principles**.



Our guiding principles are to

- Understand that different people have different needs



- Be fair



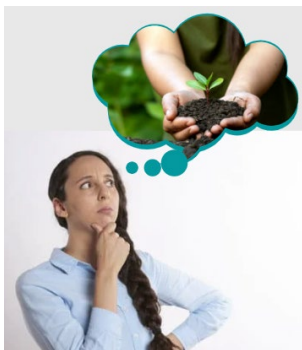
- Make sure everyone can take part



- Respect people's rights



- Think and plan about the people who will live in our community in the future



- Think about how to look after the environment.

Our goals



We have goals for making Wollongong happy and healthy.



In 2015 the United Nations wrote some goals for making the world happier and healthier.



We used some of these goals to help us make this plan.



We also have our six of our own goals that we talk about next.

Goal 1 - We look after the environment

The environment around us is important.

We will



- Work hard to look after our environment so it will last for a long time



- Do things to help make climate change less



- Make less emissions

Emissions are the chemicals we create through the work we do that go into the environment.



- Talk to the community about making buildings that are good for the environment



- Do things to look after our heritage.

Heritage is the history of people and places.

Goal 2 - Find new ways to do things

- businesses can get bigger



We want our community to

- Come up with new ways to do things



- Start new businesses that can get bigger



- Find good jobs



- Learn new things

Goal 3 - Have great spaces and things to do



We want our community to be a place where everyone



- Is seen as important



- Shows respect for our First Nations peoples



- Likes how different people in our community are



- Can do lots of different activities.

Goal 4 - We can all have a say in decisions that affect our lives



We want our community to trust Council.

We will



- Share information in ways that are clear and easy to understand



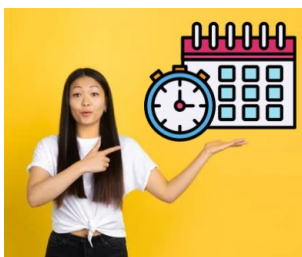
- Make sure it is easy for people to talk to us



- Listen to our community



- Spend money in smart ways



- Plan for our future.

Goal 5 - We live in a great place where everyone is healthy and included



We want people in our community to:

- Have good places to live



- Enjoy our shared public spaces.



- Be healthy and active



- Be able to take part and feel like they belong



- Be safe during the day and at night

Goal 6 - Transport is easy to use

We want our community to use different ways to get around like



- Walking



- Cycling



- Public transport.

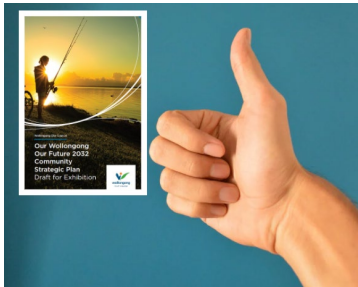


Different types of transport need to work well together.



Roads need to be safe to use.

Making sure this plan works



We need to make sure

- This plan is working well



- This plan works for our community



- We are reaching our goals



- We will review this plan every 4 years.

Contact us

For more information about this plan



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