Appendix 2 Summary of feedback from Community Consultation

## Settlement strategy update

- What we heard in the first round of consultation
- The take away lessons from that consultation
- The next steps in the process

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### Introduction

Waratah-Wynyard Council is committed to ensuring our towns and villages become (even) more thriving, sustainable and liveable places to live and work.

As part of this commitment we are preparing a planning strategy for Wynyard, Waratah, Somerset, Yolla, Sisters Beach and Boat Harbour Beach to guide the future of these settlements until 2040.

The scope of this strategy has been established primarily by the regional authority (the Cradle Coast Authority) through their Cradle Coast Regional Land Use Strategy (CCRLUS). This outlines what can and cannot be included in our strategy and the overall objectives it must pursue.

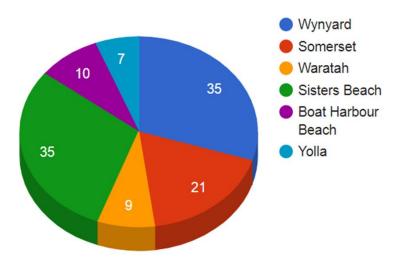
The scope was also informed by other existing regional and local plans such as the Sustainable Murchison Community Plan 2040, Council's Open Space, Sports and Recreation Plan and the Central Areas Development Plans for Wynyard and Somerset. Our strategy will weave these plans together to make sure all Council's planning policies point in the same direction and help meet the liveability, ecological and economic challenges we face now and in the future.

As part of this we undertook an online survey between 4-19<sup>th</sup> June to understand your insights and priorities as they relate to liveability and the character of your town or village.

Now we would like to report back to you what we heard in the first round of consultation to check we have interpreted your feedback correctly, to address some of the concerns you have raised and let you know how we will use the information to complete the strategy.

In the first round of consultation there were 107 respondents, broken down between the settlements as indicated in the pie chart below (note the total equals more than 107 because some people responded about more than one settlement).

#### Consultation Respondents



## The importance of your feedback

Respectfully weaving in the insights of the community is an essential part of a good planning strategy.

As with any survey of peoples values in a number of diverse communities with an engaged population there is always an element of interpretation needed in compiling the results and drawing conclusions. Consequently we would like to take this opportunity to check our understanding of what you said, ask "have we got it right?" and share with you what other people have said.

We also hope this update can reach people who did not have the opportunity to complete the survey first time. We would like to know do you also share the understanding of what the character of your town or village is? Do you agree about what would contribute to liveability there?

Given this is a planning strategy that has to operate within a scope set for us there are limits to our ability to act on your suggestions and ideas but with each submission, in support of the findings or offering a differing view we build up a clearer picture of how the people of Waratah-Wynyard see their towns and villages and their aspirations for the future of these places.

To this end please contact Jenny Donovan at jdonovan@warwyn.tas.gov.au with any comments you may have.

We appreciate the time taken to undertake the survey, read this update and contribute to the future planning of your town or village.

# What do the people in **Wynyard** value about their town and what are they concerned about?

In the Survey we asked people what they valued and what they were concerned about. We have summarised our interpretation of what we heard here. Have we got it right?

#### "We value...

- The beautiful landscape setting, in particular the beach, escarpment, bluff, Inglis River and riparian zone.
- The serenity, the closeness to nature, flora and fauna.
- High quality parks and open spaces including attractive and clean beaches and good
  walking tracks (although the view was also expressed that the roads without footpaths
  were also valued).
- Sense of community.
- The foreshore markets, small coastal town character rich heritage and fine old buildings.
- Good access to services, cafes, and amenities.
- The mix of small businesses, free parking, the dog beach".

#### "We are concerned about...

- Over development and loss of small town character.
- Too much traffic.
- Limited employment, and opportunities for youth.
- Crime and anti-social behaviour, particularly driving.
- Invasive vegetation, beach erosion and environmental degradation.
- Too much dog excrement and the need for better control of domestic animals."

What would improve liveability in Wynyard?

In the Survey we asked people "Although we may not be able to implement all ideas you have, we would be grateful for your thoughts on what would most improve the vitality and liveability of your settlement".

Our interpretation of your responses relating to planning and liveability are summarised here. Have we got it right?

#### "We think liveability would be enhanced by....

- Completing the coastal pathway, improving footpaths to Doctors Rock, Fossil Bluff, Somerset and Walkers Street.
- Bicycle lanes. Better signage for pedestrians and horse riders.
- · Better amenities at Fossil Bluff.
- Better roads and streetscapes were suggested. Ideas included improving Goldie Street (unspecified in what way), traffic calming measures like speed humps and a greater police presence.
- Better parking (particularly disabled parking).
- · Shops, a park and playground for Western Wynyard.
- Multi-purpose leisure reserves (including sport facilities), community gardens, grassed off leash area for dogs and more family friendly leisure options.
- Connecting Wynyard and Sisters Beach to Natural Gas.
- Making better use of historical assets like the reservoir and powerhouse, promote local shops and businesses.
- Improvements to riverside such as waterside cafes.
- Rejuvenating the local waterways and creeks to prevent flooding, preserve environmental and biological native diversity, addressing erosion and increasing the emphasis on the environment.
- Promoting the town through supporting a local music scene, encouraging shops to take on a
  theme to encourage visitation and free camping on the pony club grounds. Improving waste
  disposal, reform zoning and reduce planning fees for pensioners and provide a cohesive and
  consistent plan for the township."

## What features contribute to Wynyard's character?

We asked people what characteristics define Wynyard's *existing* character. This is what you said with the most frequently mentioned characteristics circled.

	Number of respondents who agreed the following characteristics defined Wynyard's character
Building heights	10
Building style (architecture/design/era)	13
Building materials or colours	7
Landscape	14
Streetscape	12
The mix and variety of uses	10
Consistent uses	6
Other features added by respondents	
Parks and gardens	1
Local flora and fauna	1
Consistent block size	1
Low density	1

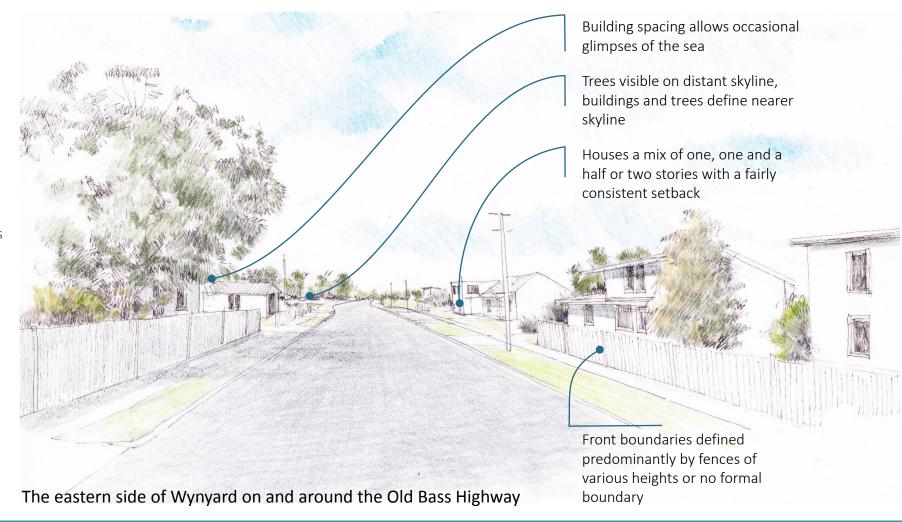
## What features contribute to Wynyard's character (2)?

We had a look at these characteristics identified on the previous page and prepared this sketch to express our understanding of how they combined to give Wynyard its distinct character.

This sketch shows the general character of the east of Wynyard along and around the Old Bass Highway. Please note this view is not a specific place or street, although it draws from real buildings and streets in this area.

We recognise that even if these characteristics are representative of this area this does not necessarily mean they all make a positive contribution to its character.

Consequently we would like to know have we interpreted you correctly. Are these the characteristics that you would like to see retained and enhanced?



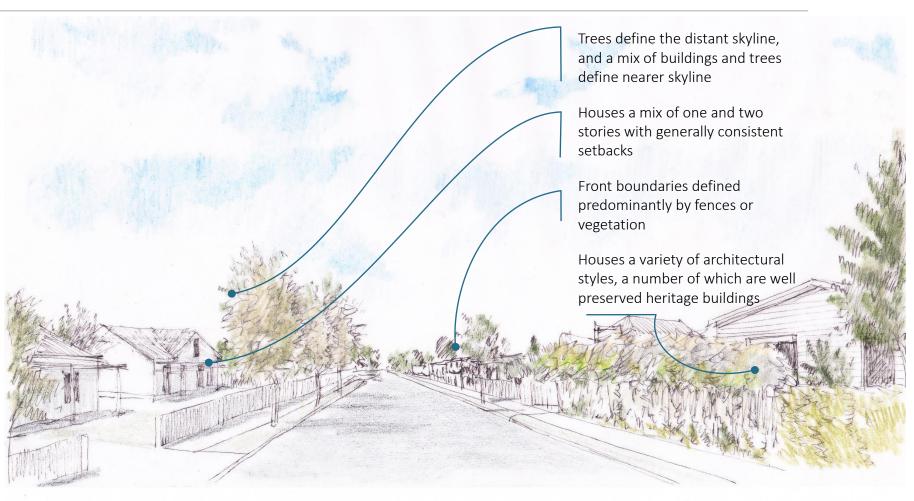
## What features contribute to Wynyard's character (3)?

We had a look at the characteristics identified on the previous page and prepared this sketch to express our understanding of how they combined to give Wynyard its distinct character.

This sketch shows the general character of Wynyard apart from the area outlined on the previous page . Please note this view is not a specific place or street, although it draws from real buildings and streets in this area.

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Consequently we would like to know have we interpreted you correctly. Are these the characteristics that you would like to see retained and enhanced?



The typical character in Wynyard other than illustrated in the previous page

## What do the people in **Waratah** value about their town and what are they concerned about?

In the Survey we asked people what they valued and what they were concerned about regarding the future of their town or village. We have summarised our interpretation of what we heard here. Have we got it right?

#### "We value...

- The Garden, wonderful open spaces, river, the natural beauty/scenery, dams,
- The old buildings and history
- The overall ambiance,
- Friendly community, quiet serenity,
- tourism potential

#### "We are concerned about...

- Crime,
- reckless driving,
- Loss of peace and tranquility.

## What would improve liveability in Waratah?

In the Survey we asked people "Although we may not be able to implement all ideas you have, we would be grateful for your thoughts on what would most improve the vitality and liveability of your settlement"

Our interpretation of your responses relating to planning and liveability are summarised here. Have we got it right?

## "We think liveability would be enhanced by....

- Improve the roads and introduce bicycle lanes.
- Rejuvenate the walking trails and more put in place.
- Put the bridge over the river to help complete the Power House walk.
- Improve caravan park amenities. Renovating Museum.
- Extending Tarkine interpretation hours.
- Parks need to be upgraded for all in the community.
- Improvement of historic area, Walker Street needs footpaths.
- Height restrictions on new buildings in or near town.
- Keep the green areas.
- Removal of damaged cars and tyres.
- Reducing red tape to develop.
- Promote the town as a tourist destination.
- Greater representation on town committee and greater fiscal commitment by Council"

## What features contribute to Waratah's character? (1)

We asked people what characteristics define Waratah's *existing* character. This is what you said with the most commonly mentioned characteristics circled.

Number of respondents who agreed the following characteristics defined Waratah's character  Building heights 4  Building style (architecture/design/era) 5  Building materials or colours 3  Landscape 7  Streetscape 5  The mix and variety of uses 2  Consistent uses -  Other features added by respondents Bushland 1 Water features 1 Heritage buildings 1				
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			1	
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## What features contribute to Waratah's character? (2)

We had a look at the characteristics you identified as important as outlined on the previous page and prepared this sketch to express our understanding of how they combined to give Waratah its distinct character. Please note the sketch just illustrates the general character and does not depict a specific place or street, although it draws from real places and buildings.

We recognise that even if these characteristics are representative of this area this does not necessarily mean they all make a positive contribution to its character.

Consequently we would like to know have we interpreted you correctly. Are these the characteristics that you would like to see retained and enhanced?

Irregular setbacks and building spacing allows occasional glimpses of distant trees between and over buildings

Trees visible on distant skyline, buildings or trees define nearer skyline

Houses predominantly single storey with interspersed with occasional two storey heritage buildings

Front boundaries defined by fences or no formal boundary

# What do the people in **Boat Harbour Beach** value about their town and what are they concerned about?

In the Survey we asked people what they valued and what they were concerned about regarding the future of their town or village. We have summarised our interpretation of what we heard here. Have we got it right?

#### "We value...

- The sense of community and 'a local place for locals'.
- The peaceful, relaxed small village atmosphere with no high rise buildings, low population density.
- The beautiful setting for the village with clean and beautiful beach, the trees and green hills backdrop to the village, clean water and environment.
- Cultural features.
- The walks and trails.
- Native vegetation on the point, Western Bay, park spaces and the aboriginal fish traps and rocky spaces which contrast with the white beach.
- The Cafe and surf club as a space for community gathering."

#### "We are concerned about...

- overdevelopment eroding the character of the village. In particular 'over large' buildings on beach which over shade and overlook beach.
- · Environmental issues and
- traffic and parking.."

## What would improve liveability in Boat Harbour Beach?

In the Survey we asked people "Although we may not be able to implement all ideas you have, we would be grateful for your thoughts on what would most improve the vitality and liveability of your settlement"

Our interpretation of your responses relating to planning and liveability are summarised here. Have we got it right?

#### "We think liveability would be enhanced by....

- · Improving sports and social facilities.
- Better roads generally and upgrade drainage of Port Road specifically.
- · Bike lanes.
- · Unspecified food services.
- · Better parking.
- Relocating the café and surf club.
- · Improving the playground.
- A no dog zone in summer.
- Access to free camping and a little more commercial services.
- Protect the shack feel of the village and promote building design sympathetic to the areas character.
- Implementing the Boat Harbour Master Plan.
- Include walking and riding access to broader communities of Sisters Beach and through to Wynyard".

# What features contribute to the character of Boat Harbour Beach (1)

We asked people what characteristics define Boat Harbour Beach's *existing* character. This is what you said with the most commonly mentioned characteristics circled.

	Number of respondents
	who agreed the following
	characteristics defined Boat
	Harbour Beach's character
Building heights	4
Building style (architecture/design/era)	4
Building materials or colours	3
Landscaping	5
Streetscape	3
The mix and variety of uses	4
Other features added by respondents	
Low density	1
Shack character	1

# What features contribute to the character of Boat Harbour Beach (2)

We had a look at these characteristics you identified as important as outlined on the previous page and prepared this sketch to express our understanding of how they combined to give Boat Harbour Beach its distinct character. Please note the sketch does not depict a specific place or street, although it draws from a number of real places, the sketch is just the general character.

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Consequently we would like to know have we interpreted you correctly. Are these the characteristics that you would like to see retained and enhanced?



Topography, building height and spacing allows extensive views of the beach and sea

Coastline, trees and sea visible on distant skyline, buildings, topography and trees define nearer skyline

Retaining walls vegetated

Houses a mix of one and two stories with a significant component of 'shack' style buildings with flat or mono-pitch roofs, decks or verandahs

No formal property boundaries

# What do the people in **Sisters Beach** value about their town and what are they concerned about?

In the Survey we asked people what they valued and what they were concerned about regarding the future of their town or village. We have summarised our interpretation of what we heard here. Have we got it right?

#### "We value...

- Living in a place with a strong sense of friendly and caring community.
- Diversity of this community, coming from all walks of life.
- Charm comes from it being 'safe, quiet, natural and small' offering a relaxed lifestyle and seclusion
- Opportunities for swimming, fishing, walking and beach and bush relaxing.
- That 'It is perfect as it is'.
- Low population density.
- Its natural beauty and habitat values.
- Access to clean and uncrowded beach, the connectedness to national park and range of environments offered there.
- The boat ramp, the fact that it is a holiday destination
- Safe roads for kids to play.
- That it is a pet friendly town.
- Being able to walk easily around Sisters Beach without footpaths. The single access road. The
  informal character that comes from houses having no boundary walls at the front of the
  property."

#### "We are concerned about...

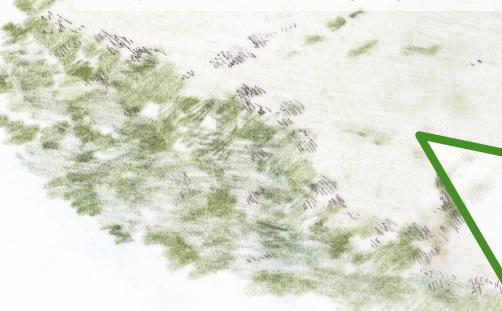
- Introduced invasive and damaging plants and animals adjacent to national park boundary and a lack of awareness about this issue.
- "Caravan park is not needed".
- Inappropriate development that threatens the integrity of the area.
- Inconsistent building styles and levels of maintenance. People raised concerns drainage/water problems, low lying areas.
- Pollution, coastal inundation and sand dune erosion.
- Traffic and safety.
- 'Too many noisy weekend parties'..."

## What would improve liveability in Sisters

Beach?

In the Survey we asked people "Although we may not be able to implement all ideas you have, we would be grateful for your thoughts on what would most improve the vitality and liveability of your settlement"

Our interpretation of your responses relating to planning and liveability are summarised here. Have we got it right?



#### We think liveability would be enhanced by....

- Better roads, footpaths and lighting, and basic public transport. Cleaning up sides of the roads.
- Improving the road down into Sisters Beach another road in and out was needed. Slowing down the traffic for human safety and to reduce road kill.
- A community led vision for the future of the settlement to raw the divergent ideas within the community together.
- Design guidelines for new residential development to cover building heights, design and favouring native vegetation, particularly adjacent to the national park.
- · The undergrounding of services.
- Improving street appeal, modernise the area and getting it looking neater.
- A community centre, community gardens and improved playground and beach/bbq facilities.
- More community events were needed.
- Additional local shops would create small business opportunities for young families to come and live here.
- Strengthening the connection to the landscaping and improve the areas natural values. Specifically the revegetation of sand dunes, more use of local flora to increase our birdlife and create more of a feature of liveability.
- Help the community to learn together about the unique flora of the area as well as enabling the indigenous
  history to be a more integrated into the Sisters Beach community. Eg providing more and better signage for both
  residents and tourists about the natural setting of Sisters Beach.
- Establish a set of rules for residents and tourists about use of the natural features of the township and the abutting National Park e.g. no dogs on the beach in the national park.
- "The right sort of progress. It needs progress but in a way that makes it a safe, fun and educational place for everyone".
- A ban on cats and greater animal control was also suggested.
- Place controls on tourism. eg "setting up or facilitating a system of booking for tourists of houses and cabins so that the existing asset of houses and cabins that are not in full-time occupancy can be utilized by tourists".
- improving walking access to beach, continuing Sisters Beach 'walkway' pathways in a way that made a feature of local plants for animal feeding.
- A 'big' attraction at the highway to draw people into the area.
- Connect Sisters Beach to Natural Gas.

### What features contribute to the character of Sisters Beach? (1)

We asked people what characteristics define Sisters Beach's *existing* character. This is what you said with the most commonly mentioned characteristics circled.

Number of respondents who agreed the following characteristics defined Sister's Beach character

Building heights	17	
Building style (architecture/design/era)	12	
Building materials or colours	2	
Landscaping	20	
Streetscape	16	
The mix and variety of uses	15	
Consistent uses	5	
Other features added by respondents		
Sand dunes	1	
Lack of formal street front boundaries	1	
Access to national park	1	
Local, high value flora and fauna	3	

### What features contribute to the character of Sisters Beach? (2)

We had a look at the characteristics you identified as important as outlined on the previous page and prepared this sketch to express our understanding of how they combined to give the western side of Sisters Beach its distinct character. Please note the sketch is just the general character and does not depict a specific place or street, although it draws from real places.

We recognise that even if these characteristics are representative of this area this does not necessarily mean they all make a positive contribution to that character.

Consequently we would like to know have we interpreted you correctly. Are these the characteristics that you would like to see retained and enhanced?

Topography, building height and spacing allows extensive views of distant hills Buildings and trees define neare skyline Houses a mix of one and two stories with gable ends. A significant component of 'shack' style buildings with flat or monopitch roofs, decks or verandahs No formal property boundaries or The western side of Sisters Beach property boundaries defined by vegetation

## What features contribute to the character of Sisters Beach? (3)

We had a look at the characteristics you identified as important as outlined on the previous page and prepared this sketch to express our understanding of how they combined to give the eastern side of Sisters Beach its distinct character. Please note the sketch does not depict a specific place or street, although it draws from real places, the sketch is just the general character.

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Consequently we would like to know have we interpreted you correctly. Are these the characteristics that you would like to see retained and enhanced?

Relatively small visual catchment defined predominantly by nearby trees and on secondarily by buildings

Variety of housing setbacks and alignments

Houses a mix of one and two stories with a significant component of 'shack' style buildings with flat or mono-pitch roofs, decks or verandahs

The eastern side of Sisters Beach

A mix of property boundaries, some open, some fences and some vegetation

## What do the people in **Somerset** value about their town and what are they concerned about?

In the Survey we asked people what they valued and what they were concerned about regarding the future of their town or village. We have summarised our interpretation of what we heard here. Have we got it right?

#### "We value..."

- The fact that it is a quiet and peaceful village.
- 'Native walking trails'.
- The sense of community, and its 'big heart'.
- Heritage buildings.
- Small businesses and good variety of shops and foreshore market.
- Easy access to a great beach with easy parking, fitness stations on coast walk.
- Convenience of facilities and shopping and closeness of important services.
- Cam River swimming reserve and an ability to walk dogs on beach and fish from local wharf.
- Parks and play equipment.
- Fresh air and beautiful scenery. 'Views to Bass Strait as well as the hills towards Camdale'.
- Sporting facilities for young and old.
- Close to both primary schools and high schools.
- Bus service that takes us to Wynyard or Burnie. The flatness makes it and easy to get to shops and river and beach.
- Being close to the North-West Regional Hospital ".

#### "We are concerned about...

- Lack of support for youth programs. Poor pedestrian access to beach across highway.
- "The intersection of Bass & Murchison is a traffic accident waiting to happen".
- The bridge over the Cam.
- Erosion on the foreshore.
- "The height of trees in and around houses as there is no need for trees to be above 2.5 metres they are dangerous and detract from neighbourhoods".
- Litter in the town."

## What would improve liveability in Somerset?

In the Survey we asked people "Although we may not be able to implement all ideas you have, we would be grateful for your thoughts on what would most improve the vitality and liveability of your settlement"

Our interpretation of your responses relating to planning and liveability are summarised here. Have we got it right?

#### We think liveability would be enhanced by...

Improving the green spaces with better roads and bike lanes.

A raft of sustainability measures such as 'food organic, garden organic (fogo) bins'. More businesses who allow customers to bring their containers /.Bags to collect ingredients / meat / fruit and vegetables. Council to make environmentally friendly decisions'.

A bridge over the Cam River.

Changes to Council's management and planning of their town such as 'improving zoning (not blanket zoning)', better recycling progams and greater fines for littering.

Better communication with the Council.

Ensuring there are no high rise buildings on the beachfront.

'More native trees and shelter belts, maybe a coast care group'.

Beautify the grassed area on the foreshore strip and Cam River swimming reserve.

Improve Somerset main street, including tables for families to sit, play equipment playground at Anzac Park.

Improve the playground.

Activities for all ages on the beach, beachside café.

Improving dilapidated house at high profile location.

Improve and extend footpaths, speed humps on the esplanade.

Pedestrian access linking north and south of highway.

A safe bike track off the roads.

## What features contribute to the character of Somerset? (1)

We asked people what characteristics define Somerset's *existing* character. This is what you said with the most commonly mentioned characteristics circled.

	Number of respondents who agreed the following characteristics defined Somerset's character
Building heights	5
Building style (architecture/design/era)	8
Building materials or colours	3
Landscaping	6
Streetscape	10
The mix and variety of uses	6
Consistent uses	3
Other features added by respondents	
Heritage buildings	1
There is no character/nothing cohesive	2

## What features contribute to the character of Somerset? (2)

We had a look at the characteristics you identified as important as outlined on the previous page and prepared this sketch to express our understanding of how they combined to give Somerset its distinct character. Please note the sketch is just the general character and does not depict a specific place or street, although it draws from real places.

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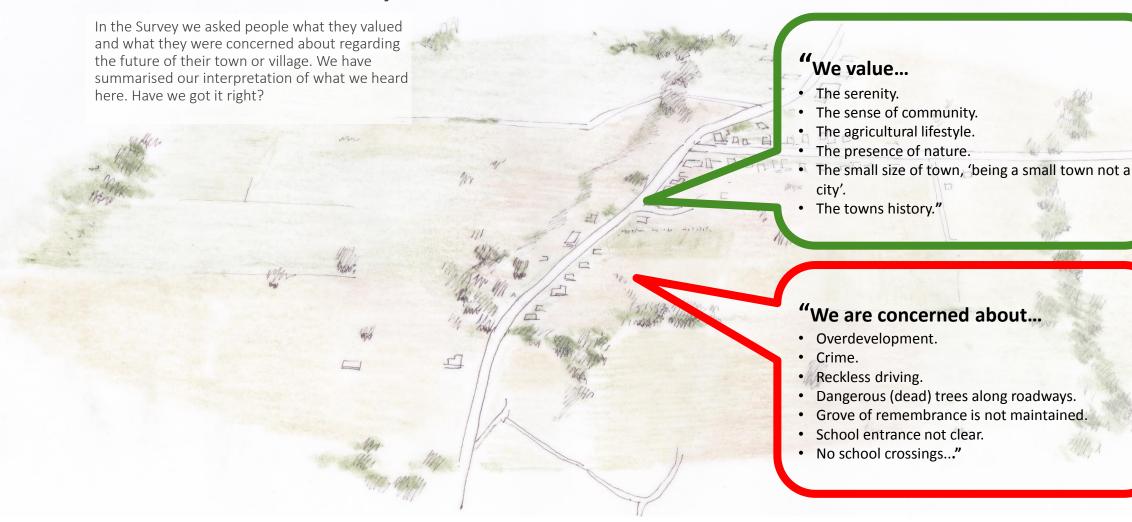
Please let us know if these are the characteristics that you would like to see retained and enhanced.

Topography, building height and spacing allows extensive views of the distant treed skyline

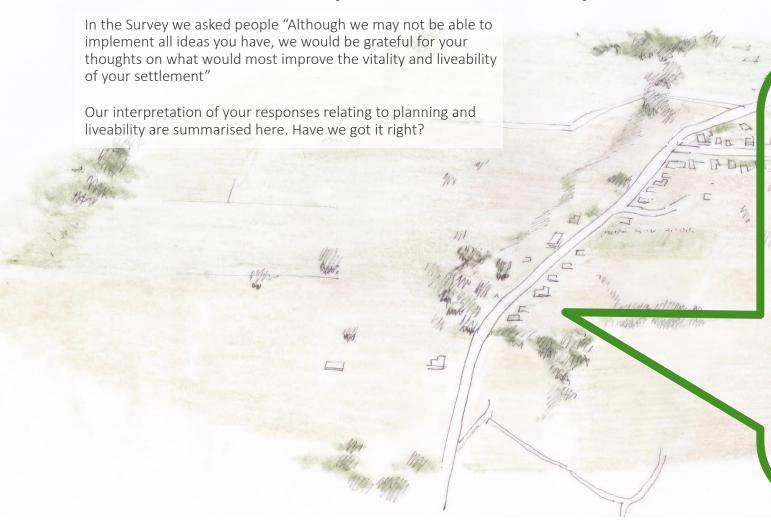
Houses predominantly with gable ended rooves, most are one storey but with a significant component of two storey buildings

Property boundaries defined by fences or no formal boundary

## What do the people in **Yolla** value about their town and what are they concerned about?



## What would improve liveability in Yolla?



## We think liveability would be enhanced by...

- Minimal tourist development 'so you do not spoil this otherwise pleasant place to live'.
   (although some also would like better tourism opportunities).
- Better traffic signage for horse riders and walkers as well as bike riders so all can remain safe and enjoy the area.
- More jobs, particularly for youth.
- No mining and less plantation forestry (no old growth forestry at all).
- Farming incentives for tree planting
- Sealed laneways.
- A library.
- Better recycling programs and greater litter fines.
- Better public transport.
- "Stop trying to be a city".
- Clean up the main street.
- · More focus on the environment

## What features contribute to the character of Yolla? (1)

We asked people what characteristics define Yolla's *existing* character. This is what you said with the most commonly mentioned characteristics circled.

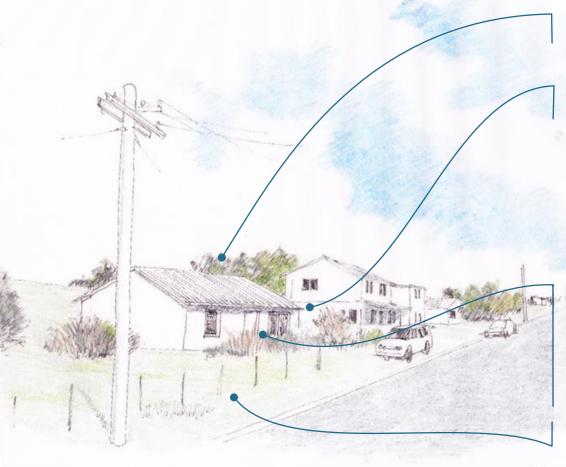
	Number of respondents who agreed the following characteristics defined Yolla's character	
Building heights	4	
Building style (architecture/design/era)	2	
 Building materials or colours	-	
Landscaping	4	
Streetscape	4	
The mix and variety of uses	2	
Consistent uses	1	
Other features added by respondents		
Low density	1	

## What features contribute to the character of Yolla? (2)

We had a look at the characteristics you identified as important as outlined on the previous page and prepared this sketch to express our understanding of how they combined to give Yolla its distinct character. Please note the sketch does not depict a specific place or street, although it draws from real places, the sketch is just the general character.

We understand that even if it does reflect the existing character this does not necessarily mean these characteristics all make a positive contribution to that character.

Please let us know if these are the characteristics that you would like to see retained and enhanced.



Topography, building height and spacing allows extensive views of distant paddocks, hills and trees

Building set back and spacing irregular

Houses a mix of one and two stories, often fronted by verandahs with a significant component of non residential buildings interspersed amongst the houses

Variety of property boundaries

### Other comments about the consultation and the strategy

As well as revealing a wealth of information about the towns covered in this study, the first round of consultation revealed a number of issues that members of the community invited us to address. These concerns relate both to the design of the survey and the scope of the project. This section outlines these concerns and provides our response.

### Lessons from the first round of consultation

These are the key 'take away' lessons from the first round of consultation:

- 1. Downplay the emphasis on the word settlement in the title of the strategy if possible as it is distressing for indigenous people and has another financial meaning that makes it confusing for others
- 2. Seek broader consultation
- 3. Explain terms and use written examples and illustrations to ensure it is more inclusive
- 4. Character comes significantly from intangible things like a sense of community
- 5. The results reveal a strong attachment to characteristics that typically might be described as small scale, small town or village character, with a strong emphasis on community, attachment to landscape, concerns about overdevelopment. The strategy should incorporate measures to meet the strategic and long term interests of the community, balance the realities of the market whilst protecting and enhancing this character

- 6. Overall landscape was the most commonly mentioned characteristic that most contributed to their settlements character (46 respondents) followed by streetscape (44 respondents). Building heights were next (38 respondents) and architecture/building design (36 respondents). The strategy should reflect these priorities
- 7. The strategy will benefit from incorporating promotional and character programs as well as physical improvements to support people to get more from their town or village
- 3. The strategy will benefit from identifying what can be done to make it easier to stay healthy as the average age of the community goes up.
- 9. The strategy will benefit from emphasising the role and value of the areas environment and protect and enhance it.

Please let us know if these are the lesson you think we should be taking from the consultation.

## The next steps

When we have confirmed our understanding of your views through this consultation we will prepare a strategy that seeks to reconcile your views and priorities with the requirements of the Cradle Coast Regional Land Use Strategy and other plans and strategies.

When we have prepared this draft strategy and consulted with Council officers, councillors, and external stakeholders we will put the draft strategy back to you together with a number of background papers to explain what we are trying to achieve and how it relates to your priorities to see what you think and give you another chance to have your say.

After careful consideration of your comments we will amend this strategy. If it finds support from the community and stakeholders Council may adopt the Strategy. At this point Council can make decisions based on the strategy and prepare other policies to implement it.

## Thank you

It is important to us that we understand the priorities and concerns of the communities of the municipality.

If you have any comments about this update either in support or to point out what can or should be different please contact <a href="mailto:jdonovan@warwyn.tas.gov.au">jdonovan@warwyn.tas.gov.au</a>.