



THEME FOUR **CLEAN AND SUSTAINABLE**

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Long-term community goal:

An attractive and sustainable environment for future generations.

Our City will be attractive and environmentally sustainable. We will protect the diversity of plants and animals, and provide for a healthy environment that supports our community to live healthy and happy lives. We will improve our own environmental sustainability and partner with our community to reduce our ecological footprint.

We will be a leader in providing access to high quality parks, open space and active recreation facilities, which are vibrant, and accessible. Our streets and built environment will be clean and inviting and we will continue to demonstrate leadership in our contemporary approaches to sustainability, waste management and recycling.

THE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES OF THIS LONG-TERM COMMUNITY GOAL ARE:

1. KEEP OUR CITY CLEAN AND ATTRACTIVE.

WE WILL:

- Continually improve our maintenance activities to keep the City clean, including looking for ways to incorporate new technologies such as mobile reporting and solar litter bin compaction.
- Progressively renew and revitalise our streetscapes.

2. PRESERVE AND DEVELOP OUR OPEN SPACE TO MEET CURRENT AND FUTURE NEEDS.

WE WILL:

- Improve and upgrade our open spaces for passive and active recreation through our capital works program.
- Continue to explore opportunities to increase the amount of open space for recreation purposes, including access to schools, as well as state and federal government owned land.
- Protect and enhance biodiversity on Council land.

3. INCREASE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND PREPARE FOR THE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

WE WILL:

- Help our community members to reduce their impact on the environment through education and support programs.
- Show leadership in sustainability in our waste, water and energy usage practices.
- Demonstrate a clear focus on energy sustainability in our capital projects, in design, construction and operations.
- Work towards zero net carbon emissions from Council operations by 2030 by reducing greenhouse gas emissions by a further 25 per cent from Council buildings, waste and outdoor lighting by 2021.
- Work towards zero net carbon emissions from the community by 2050 by supporting the Glen Eira community to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- We will consult the community on the implementation of a Classified Tree Register.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY, COUNCIL WILL ADVOCATE FOR:

- New generation waste disposal and recycling facilities for the future.
- The protection of vegetation in major development projects in the City, including level crossing removals and on state and federal government owned land.
- Better immediate community access to Caulfield Racecourse Reserve for sporting and recreation purposes and full implementation of the recommendations of the ministerially appointed Bi-Partisan Working Group within five years.
- Improved state and federal government policy on environmental sustainability initiatives.

HOW WILL WE KNOW IF WE HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL?

STRATEGIC INDICATOR	RESULT
We will see a five per cent increase in the recycling rate at Council buildings.	Improvements in recycling have been made at all Council buildings, including the provision of recycling bins at all sporting facilities, early learning centres, libraries and leisure facilities. A recycling audit will be undertaken in October 2018 at Council's two largest buildings — Town Hall and Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre.
Greenhouse gas emissions will be a further 25 per cent lower from Council buildings, waste and outdoor lighting by 2021.	Council's 2017–18 carbon footprint decreased by eight per cent to 9,961 tonnes CO ² equivalent compared to 10,837 tonnes in 2016–17. The biggest decreases in electricity use were achieved at Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (nine per cent), Glen Eira Town Hall (six per cent), and Council's nursing home — Spurway Community (three per cent). The decrease in electricity use is due to solar installations, energy efficiency upgrades and lighting upgrades at a range of Council sites. A project to replace street lights on major Council roads with energy efficient lighting will begin in 2018–19.
There will be an increase in open space in areas of the City identified in our <i>Open Space Strategy</i> as lacking green space.	Opportunities for the provision of new open space have been pursued, including the protection of Woorayl Street Reserve in Carnegie. Open space requirements formed part of the <i>Structure Plans</i> development for Council's major activity centres in Carnegie, Bentleigh and Elsternwick. The <i>Open Space Strategy</i> refresh has commenced.
The level of satisfaction with open space in the <i>Community Satisfaction Survey</i> , will be consistent with, or better than, industry benchmarks.	<p>In the 2018 <i>Local Government Community Satisfaction Survey</i>, Glen Eira residents identified the best aspects about Council as: parks and gardens — 28 per cent; and recreational/sporting facilities — 16 per cent.</p> <p>In 2017, the best aspects were also: parks and gardens — 25 per cent; and recreational/sporting facilities — 16 per cent.</p> <p>These are the top two responses to the question 'what is the one best thing about Glen Eira City Council?'</p>
Traders' associations will report an increased level of satisfaction with the cleanliness and amenity of our activity centres.	Council receives positive updates on the cleanliness and amenity of activity centres from traders' associations through regular consultation with Council's City Futures; Recycling and Waste; and Works Depot officers.
New generation garbage disposal facilities will be well progressed toward opening.	<p>In 2017–18 Council participated with a number of metropolitan councils to commence the development of a business case and procurement strategy for a proposed alternative waste resource recovery facility.</p> <p>This is a long term collaborative project. The development of the business case is led and managed by the Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group with the assistance of the participating councils.</p>
New buildings and facilities will be recognised as leading examples of highly efficient and sustainable design.	Five per cent of the project capital works budgets is allocated to sustainability measures for significant projects.

2017–18 COMMITMENT	PERFORMANCE MEASURE	RESULT
<p>We will continue to implement our <i>Open Space Strategy</i> priority actions, including improvements to Spring Road Reserve in Caulfield South; a new sensory garden at Rosanna Street Reserve in Carnegie; and commencing the implementation of the EE Gunn Reserve Masterplan in Ormond.</p>	<p>Delivery of improvements to Spring Road Reserve in Caulfield South</p>	<p>x</p>
<p>Comment: Community consultation, detailed design and documentation were completed. The construction program has been put on hold to enable a neighbourhood underground drain upgrade in close proximity to this Reserve.</p>		
	<p>Delivery of new sensory garden at Rosanna Street Reserve in Carnegie.</p>	<p>x</p>
<p>Comment: Community consultation, detailed design and documentation for delivery were been completed. The contract for construction was awarded in May, however due to contractor availability construction will not commence until July 2018.</p>		
	<p>Commencement of the implementation of the EE Gunn Reserve Masterplan in Ormond.</p>	<p>✓</p>
<p>Comment: As part of the endorsed Masterplan for EE Gunn Reserve, detailed design was completed and tender awarded for the construction of a new cricket and baseball practise training net facility.</p>		
<p>We will increase the amount of community open space in Joyce Park.</p>	<p>Construction of new open space area in Joyce Park.</p>	<p>x</p>
<p>Comment: Community consultation has been completed. This project is currently in the detailed design stage, with construction planned in early 2018–19.</p>		
<p>Five per cent of the capital budget for all new and large refurbishment building projects, will be allocated to sustainability measures, over and above the minimum required standards.</p>	<p>Five per cent allocation of capital works budgets to sustainability measures for new and large refurbishment building projects.</p>	<p>✓</p>
<p>Comment: This has been incorporated into major projects design and has been included as a separate cost item for tracking and monitoring.</p>		
<p>We will develop masterplans for Caulfield Park and the Lord Reserve; Carnegie Swim Centre; and Koornang Park precinct.</p>	<p>Masterplan developed for Caulfield Park and the Lord Reserve; Carnegie Swim Centre; and Koornang Park precinct.</p>	<p>x</p>
<p>Comment: Draft Masterplan options have been developed for Caulfield Park and will be presented to Councillors in July 2018. Concept Masterplan options were presented to Councillors on 27 March and 12 June 2018 for Lord Reserve/Koornang Park Masterplan in conjunction with Carnegie Swim Centre redevelopment options.</p>		