

Coldstream Structure Plan 2016: Actions

Update 2022

Land use and built form

Structure Plan Action		Responsible Council Department	Other agencies, groups	Priority
1.1	Facilitate ongoing liaison with Public Transport Victoria regarding the potential location of a train stabling yard at the site of the former Coldstream Train Station.	Strategic Planning (lead), Infrastructure Services	PTV, Victrack, land owner	Short term
1.2	Advocate to the State Government to relax the requirements of the Green Wedge Zone on land in the vicinity of commercial areas, relating to certain land uses being prohibited as a consequence of not meeting the relevant minimum subdivision sizes.	Strategic Planning	N/A	Short to medium term

Community and Economy

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2.1	Facilitate working group meeting with landowners, body corporate and tenants of commercial properties within the Lodge and Gateway shopping centres to encourage activity and development.	Economic Development	N/A	Medium
2.2	In coordination with Yarra Ranges Tourism, explore opportunities to expand the Coldstream trail experience to benefit the retail and tourist offer in Coldstream.	Economic Development	Yarra Ranges Tourism	Short term
2.3	Encourage landlords and traders to undertake aesthetic improvements and upgrades to existing shopfronts, including routine maintenance of facades (re-painting and material upgrades where required), creation of active and visibly open shopfront window displays, implementation of consistent signage and external display lighting, etc.	Economic Development (lead), Strategic Planning	Land owners, local businesses	Short term

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2.4	Investigate short-term initiatives in the Gateway shopping centre to improve economic functionality (including pop-up shops, artisan-based businesses, etc) to create activity in vacant shopfronts so as to increase business activity.	Economic Development (lead), Strategic Planning	Land owners, local businesses	Short term
2.5	Work collaboratively with Melbourne Water to identify methods for improving Coldstream's drainage issues.	Infrastructure Services	Melbourne Water	Short term
2.6	Investigate opportunities for community/commercial events in the public area in front of the Gateway shops, such as community markets, farmers' markets, car boot sales, etc.	Economic Development (lead), Strategic Planning	Local traders	Short-medium term

Public spaces and Recreation

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3.1	Undertake landscape masterplan/s to investigate design detail and implement upgrades to the public realm within the centre in line with the Coldstream Structure Plan, with a particular focus on the initiatives outlined in the Framework Plans for the Lodge, the Gateway & Halley Supple Reserve, Margaret Lewis Reserve, and Maroondah Highway (arrival elements, flags, etc). For the highway corridor, this may include: a) signage rationalisation strategy b) a planting scheme, and/or c) use of identification features to distinguish the town from surrounding rural areas.	Urban Design and Landscape Architecture (lead for public realm areas inside the activity centre), Recreation and Active Living (lead for public realm areas outside the activity centre), Infrastructure Services	Department of Transport (re the lodge and Maroondah Highway, Friends of Margaret Lewis Reserve (re Margaret Lewis Reserve, landowners, local businesses, local community	Short term
3.2	Support community led projects for pocket parks, with reference to Council's Community Garden Guidelines (under the Recreation and Open Space Strategy) and Asset Management Plans, in consultation with Coldstream Voice.	Place Recovery (lead), Urban Design and Landscape Architecture	Coldstream Voice	Medium

Movement and Transport

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<p>4.1 Engage with VicRoads to further discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An additional reduction of the speed limit through Coldstream • Road configuration changes that would slow traffic, increase safety for pedestrians, increase visibility of the town to passing traffic, improve connectivity, and contribute to a sense of entrance to the town • Short term uses of the currently vacant land within the Maroondah Highway road reserve, west of the Highway, including landscaping, flagpoles, public art, or other initiatives • Signalisation options for the intersections of Station Street and Killara Road with Maroondah Highway. • Alternatives to the current informal truck parking arrangement on the side of Maroondah Highway immediately south of Killara Road with consideration of road and pedestrian safety, visual impacts, and effects on existing businesses. 	<p>Infrastructure Services (lead), Urban Design and Landscape Architecture, Strategic Planning</p>	<p>Department of Transport</p>	<p>Short to medium term</p>
<p>4.2 Investigate options to link the Lodge precinct to the potential future Yarra Valley Trail link. This may include a shared bicycle and pedestrian link along Station Street.</p>	<p>Design and Place (lead) to advocate for the constructed Station Street path to connect into the Lodge precinct effectively, when DoT's proposal for intersection upgrade is known, Infrastructure Services</p>	<p>Department of Transport</p>	<p>Medium term</p>