

Coldstream Structure Plan 2016 Actions, Update on Progress 2022

1. Land use and built form

	Structure Plan Action	Status Notes	Recommended Update
1.1	Prepare a Planning Scheme Amendment to rezone commercial land west of Maroondah Highway and north of Station Street from a Commercial 2 Zone to a Commercial 1 Zone.	Part of approved PSA C178, action no longer needed.	Delete action
1.2	Investigate options for a site specific Design and Development Overlay to apply to the vacant Mixed Use Zone land, replacing the current DDO17. This may incorporate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Built form, movement and landscape strategies to integrate future development into the existing residential and commercial areas • Future vehicle and/or pedestrian connections linking the MUZ area to Killara Road, Maroondah Highway, Murac Street, Wheeler Street and/or Glenhurst Park • Future development to provide passive surveillance of Glenhurst Park and be oriented to face Glenhurst Park where practicable • Active frontages of future development to Killara Road and improved presentation to Maroondah Highway • A three storey (11m) height limit • Built form and landscape strategies to enhance the presentation of future development to Maroondah Highway. 	New DDO20 is part of approved PSA C178, action no longer needed.	Delete action
1.3	Investigate the benefit of including a local policy for Coldstream in the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme	Part of approved PSA C178, action no longer needed	Delete action
1.4	Review the Design and Development Overlay Schedule 5 in locations identified by the Structure Plan where subdivision potential exists, would contribute to improved public realm outcomes, and is acceptable to the community.	Part of approved PSA C178, action no longer needed	Delete action
1.5	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.	There was communication from PTV in 2015 about this. It is an ongoing action. There has been no recent correspondence.	Keep action
1.6	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.	Currently there is a State Government review of green wedge planning controls. Awaiting the outcome of the review as it relates to this issue.	Keep action. Review when DELWP's green wedge review is released.
1.7	Investigate alternatives to the current informal truck parking arrangement on the side of Maroondah Highway immediately	Infrastructure Services indicated that potential for action on this is very limited as a location near	Consolidate into action 4.1.

	south of Killara Road with consideration of road and pedestrian safety, visual impacts, and effects on existing businesses.	shops on the west side of the highway would need to be found for trucks to stop. This action may be achieved if/when the Highway is duplicated through the town. The Department of Transport are doing preliminary work in relation to this (see action 4.1).	
1.8	Investigate the potential to rezone some of the Commercial 1 Zoned land on the south corner of Killara Road and Maroondah Highway, east of the Lodge shopping centre building, to a Mixed Use Zone.	This was investigated as part of C178, however was not considered the optimal zoning for this land. The action is no longer required.	Delete action
1.9	Investigate the benefit of rezoning some Mixed Use Zoned land to General Residential Zone, or another suitable residential zone.	Part of approved PSA C178. The action is no longer required.	Delete action
1.10	Investigate the benefit of creating a specific Design and Development Overlay for the commercially zoned areas of Coldstream (i.e. the Lodge and the Gateway) to modify the generic Design and Development Overlay that currently applies	Part of approved PSA C178. The action is no longer required.	Delete action

2. 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 used business investment forums in 2016 to create relationships to investigate opportunities for this. No further action has occurred recently due to resourcing constraints.	Keep action. Nominate Economic Development as responsible Council Department.
2.2	Facilitate meeting with landowners of the Lodge shopping centre and vacant surrounding Mixed Use Zone land to promote the extent of development being promoted by the Coldstream Structure Plan.	Economic Development used business investment forums in 2016 to create relationships to investigate opportunities for this. No further action has occurred recently due to resourcing constraints. A subdivision permit has been granted for the Mixed Use Zone site at 638-640 Maroondah Highway for a 67 lot subdivision, showing interest by local land owners in the directions presented by the Structure Plan regarding the opportunities of this site.	Delete action

		This action was intended to stimulate development of the vacant land at 638-640 Maroondah Highway, Coldstream. This has been achieved via a planning permit application, so the action is no longer needed.	
2.3	Identify suitable locations for public arts initiatives and consider commissioning local artists for future art works.	As part of the Coldstream Trail, 8 nodes have been delivered, with public art included. This action is now considered complete.	Delete action
2.4	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 has not progressed this recently due to resourcing constraints.	Keep action
2.5	Explore signage rationalisation options along Maroondah Highway, including a single, consolidated signage board which can advertise each business in the Gateway, and at entry points to Margaret Lewis Reserve.	Not required as a stand-alone action.	Consolidate into action 3.1
2.6	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 has not progressed this recently due to resourcing constraints.	Keep action, nominate Economic Development as Council lead
2.7	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 intend to investigate this. However, there has been no recent action due to resourcing constraints.	Keep action, nominate Economic Development as Council lead
2.8	Work collaboratively with Melbourne Water to identify methods for improving Coldstream's drainage issues.	Council working with land owner north of Station Street to install a low flow pipe to improve drainage conditions. Council working with MW on an ongoing basis.	Keep action
2.9	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.	Yarra Valley Tourism were approached about the potential for food related market events in Coldstream, which revealed that there are already a number of food related market events in the Yarra Valley and demand for further events is limited.	Keep action, nominate Economic Development as Council lead

3. Public spaces and recreation

	Structure Plan Action	Status Notes	Recommended Update
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).	<p>The Lodge: No action has occurred pending anticipated State Government improvements to highway and intersection design (see Action 4.1)</p> <p>Gateway and Halley Supple Reserve: Masterplan scheduled for 2022-23.</p> <p>Margaret Lewis Reserve: Not currently scheduled for a masterplan, however improvements will occur as part of the 'Dogs and People in Parks Plan'.</p> <p>Maroondah Highway: No action has occurred pending anticipated State Government improvements to highway and intersection design (see Action 4.1)</p>	<p>Amend action to consolidate content in from Actions 2.5, 3.3, 3.4:</p> <p><i>“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, or c) use of identification features to distinguish the town from surrounding rural areas.”</i></p> <p>Nominate Urban Design and Landscape Architecture as lead Council department for public realm areas inside the activity centre, and Recreation and Active Living as lead for public realm areas outside the activity centre, with support from Infrastructure Services</p>
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.	Underway – Community Garden Guidelines to guide communications between Council and Coldstream Voice.	Place Recovery as Council lead department.
3.3	In conjunction with VicRoads, undertake a planting scheme along the Maroondah Highway through Coldstream township to distinguish it. Add banner poles, discrete signage or other features to distinguish the town.	Action consolidated into Action 3.1. Not needed as stand-alone action.	Consolidate into action 3.1
3.4	Should VicRoads undertake a duplication of the Highway in the future, use this opportunity to work with VicRoads to create some identification features to the highway in Coldstream. This could be through distinctive landscaping to differentiate Coldstream from surrounding areas.	Action consolidated into Action 3.1. Not needed as stand-alone action.	Consolidate into action 3.1

4. Movement and transport

	Structure Plan Action	Status Notes	Recommended Update
4.1	<p>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. 	<p>Department of Transport has done preliminary studies of the highway corridor to inform development of concept designs, including SIDRA traffic analysis, environmental, and cultural heritage studies, and is assessing cost estimates of various options for improvement to the highway corridor through the town.</p> <p>The Federal Government committed \$20 million for the upgrade of Maroondah Highway between Melba Highway and Ingram Road in the 2019-2020 Federal Budget, however the newly elected Federal Government is now reviewing projects in its investment program.</p>	<p>Amend action to consolidate in action 1.7: <i>“Engage with the Department of Transport to further discuss:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>An additional reduction of the speed limit through Coldstream</i> • <i>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</i> • <i>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</i> • <i>Signalisation options for the intersections of Station Street and Killara Road with Maroondah Highway.</i> • <i>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.”</i> <p>Nominate Infrastructure Services as Council lead department.</p>
4.2	<p>Undertake a Principal Pedestrian Network Plan for Coldstream that identifies priority strategic footpath links to key locations.</p> <p>Any upgrading of the footpath in Maroondah Highway to occur in coordination with Public Transport Victoria and Coldstream Voice.</p>	Principle pedestrian network completed.	Delete action
4.3	<p>Develop the Yarra Valley Trail Link connecting Lilydale to Yarra Glen to Healesville, and the Lilydale to Warburton Rail Trail. If the Coldstream train stabling project proceeds, the Yarra Valley trail would be relocated within the railway reserve.</p>	Stage 1A of the Yarra Valley Trail was opened in December 2019. Stage 1B from Yering to Yarra Glen is funded and is scheduled to be opened in early 2022.	Delete action
4.4	<p>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>	A shared use path has been delivered on the southern side of Station Street with funding from the Federal Local Roads and Infrastructure	Keep action. Nominate Design and Place as Council lead department to advocate for the path to connect into the Lodge precinct

		Program. The final part of the connection is yet to be finalised pending DoT works to the Highway.	effectively, when details of DoT's proposal for intersection upgrade are known.
4.5	Investigate the potential to improve the intersection of Killara Road and Maroondah Highway by adding a left turn slip lane to Killara Road.	See Action 4.1, re early design work for improvements to the highway and its intersections through Coldstream. This action may be addressed as part of this work.	Delete action