

## Summary of Council policy and strategies in regard to Social and Affordable Housing – January 2023

Strategic Document	Sections relevant to Social and Affordable Housing
<p><b>Guiding Principles of Housing and Homelessness 2020</b> (Endorsed at council 25 August 2020)</p>	<p>Council recognises the <b>urgency and extent of need and homelessness</b> across the municipality due to a shortfall in <b>affordable rental</b> accommodation, and the harms to the social and economic fabric of the community as a result of the shortfall in affordable housing options for people on <b>lower incomes</b>. There is a need for high quality, well managed <b>social housing</b> to ensure stable and secure homes for all.</p> <p>Council will address these issues through advocating to state government for mandatory inclusionary zoning to help met the gap in <b>social housing</b>, and advocate to state and federal government for an increase in funding for <b>social housing</b>, and systemic changes to meet the shortfall in <b>affordable rental</b> housing.</p> <p>Through Planning council will facilitate more diverse, high quality and liveable housing through negotiations with developers to include <b>social housing</b> as a component of larger developments and pursue negotiated agreements for the inclusion of affordable housing on appropriate development sites.</p>
<p><b>Lilydale Major Activity Centre Structure Plan 2022</b></p>	<p>The Lilydale Major Activity Centre Structure Plan is intended to become the document that will guide the progressive redevelopment of the Lilydale Major Activity Centre. Being a major activity centre, increasing <b>social housing</b> supply in close proximity to public transport, jobs, community services and daily needs is consistent with Plan Melbourne. Objectives HS 7.4 and HS 7.5 aim to maximise opportunities to develop <b>social housing</b>, and provide <b>Affordable Housing</b>, including <b>social housing</b>, at the Kinley Development. Nine actions are identified to support a growing township, including action A12 – to work collaboratively with relevant Housing Associations to deliver <b>affordable</b> and <b>social housing</b> in Lilydale.</p>
<p><b>Health and Wellbeing Plan 2021-2025</b></p>	<p>Council has many roles in influencing and addressing the social determinants of health as part of improving health and wellbeing in Yarra Ranges. <b>Principal among them is housing, particularly advocacy for social housing and to address homelessness.</b></p> <p>Council recognises the impacts of the gap in housing affordability, particularly for people in the <b>lowest income</b> bracket of our community, due to a shortfall in <b>social housing</b>.</p> <p>The Health and Wellbeing Plan also sets out four advocacy priorities which point to important systemic issues and are a longstanding focus for Council. Priority #2 is to <b>increase social housing and reduce homelessness</b>.</p>
<p><b>Housing strategy 2009</b> (Review underway 2022)</p>	<p><b>Housing Affordability</b> is listed as the first <i>Current and Emerging issue</i> of the strategy and is identified as one of the four principles to guide the implementation of the strategy. This principle states that <b>accessible</b> and well-located <b>affordable housing</b> will be encouraged. Suitable accommodation for people who are <b>unable to access the private housing market</b> will be provided. Additional <b>community and social housing</b> will be facilitated. Opportunities to provide diverse and <b>affordable housing</b> on public land will be identified.</p>