

Michelago Master Plan Consultation Outcomes Report

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1 The project

1.1 **Context**

Located within the Snowy Monaro Local Government Area, in close proximity to Canberra, Michelago is a small village town with a population of around 564 residents.

The residents of Michelago greatly value the town's low density and rural feel. Many choose to live in the town and commute to work and school in Canberra.

There is a desire not to become over reliant on Canberra's resources and, as such, Michelago is at a crossroads as to whether it remains a rural village or develops into a small, more self-sufficient town.

Whilst development in the village would contribute to improvement in infrastructure and facilities, there is a wish to preserve the inherent character of the town.



A large and crucial part of developing a Masterplan (the Plan) for the town has been community consultation, to ensure future needs are understood and considered, and the cherished, quintessential parts of Michelago are preserved.

1.2 Consultation objectives

Consultation activities were completed with the goal of understanding what residents and interested stakeholders would like to see protected and/or improved. More specifically, consultation aimed to:

- » Ensure the community has the opportunity to have a say in Michelago's future
- » Understand what people would like to see protected, improved upon or added in the town
- » Establish clear expectations with the community of what type of change is possible with this Masterplan communicate planning constraints
- » Communicate that Council is seeking a considered, researched Masterplan that aims to retain Michelago's village character.

1.3 **Consultation snapshot**



2 **Pre-exhibition consultation outcomes**

2.1 Website

A Michelago Masterplan page was established on Council's website. This page acted as a touchpoint for the project, including information about projects goals and timeline, key contacts and scheduled consultation activities.

2.2 Survey #1

A simple survey was published on Council's webpage to capture people's thoughts on what they would like to see in the Masterplan.

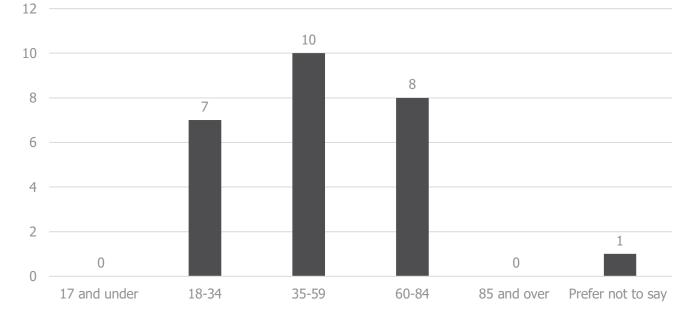
Questions were primarily open-ended and encouraged people to input as much or as little information as they thought necessary.

26 people completed the survey.

A copy of the survey questions can be found in Appendix A.

2.2.1 **Participant profile**

Of the 26 people who completed the survey, 77% identified as either living or working in Michelago.



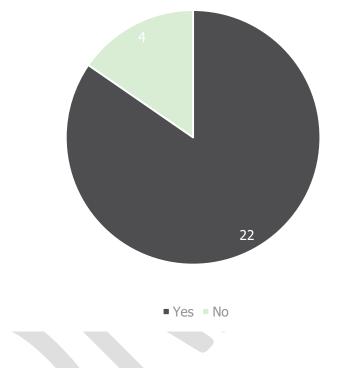
Q13 What is your age? (n=26)

2.2.2 **Findings**

Working from home

A crucial aspect of master planning for Michelago was gaining an understanding from residents on how COVID-19 has impacted their working conditions, and if working from home has introduced new needs that Council should consider in the masterplan development process.

As shown in the graph below, 85% of respondents were able to work from home during 2020. All of the remaining 15% noted in *Q2 If no, why not? (n=4)* they did not work from home due to their job and/or industry type.



Q1 Were you able to work from home this year? (n=26)

In answer to:

Q3 If yes, do you plan to continue working from home post COVID-19? (n=22)

77% said they planned to continue working from home, including if only part time. Only 9% of respondents said a definitive 'no' to this question. Remaining responses selected 'other'. All non-responses aligned with those who noted their job and/or industry type does not allow for working from home.

To understand if people who plan to continue working from home post COVID-19 need new services or facilities to assist with this change, survey participants were asked:

Q9 COVID-19 has seen huge changes to how we live and work. One part of the Masterplan could be to assist people with facilities to work from home, such as creating new spaces to network or meet clients. Do you think this is needed? (n=26).

Responses were fairly evenly divided, suggesting new working spaces and amenities may not be a significant priority for the community in the context of future development. A majority (54%) of responses said 'Yes,' whilst remaining answers were split between 'No' (35%) and 'Unsure' (12%).

The present

Questions 4-6 were all open questions and were designed to capture what people like about Michelago as it is now, including what they may want to see preserved but perhaps improved upon, or existing elements thought to exhibit the best qualities of Michelago. There were several common responses to *Q4 What places, buildings or services in Michelago would you like kept exactly the same as they are now? Why do you like them the way they are? (n=24)* The most popular responses are listed below:

- » General Store: 12 mentions
- » Railway station: 11 mentions
- » School: 8 mentions
- » Churches: 6 mentions
- » Oval: 4 mentions.

Other mentions included the police station, Hibernian Inn, bridges, fire station, natural landscape, core village area, and the community hall. Finally, two responses said 'none' and a further two noted that current sewerage and water system services that should remain unchanged.

Themes observed among questions 4-6 include:

Spaces for gatherings

Suggestions for improved or new social places and spaces were common among responses answering Q5 What places, buildings or services in Michelago would you like to see upgraded? Why do they need improvement? (n=25) and Q6 is there anything missing from the village of Michelago? What new places, buildings or services do you wish were there? (n=23).

There was a desire for improvements to *existing* social spaces, such as more seating and cooking facilities at the park, and repurposing the railway station as a café/wine bar or events venue. People were also in favour of introducing *new* facilities such as a working hub and more places to eat and drink.

Connection to area

A commonality in language was revealed among these responses when people described what they liked about Michelago, primarily in answer to *Q4 What places, buildings or service in Michelago would you like kept exactly the same as they are now? (n=24).*

A connection to and fondness for Michelago was regularly mentioned:

- » "rural village ambience"
- » "rural charm"
- » "village feel"
- » "community spirit."

Repurposing and enhancement

There was a clear preference for existing areas or facilities to be upgraded or repurposed, rather than removed or redesigned.

Many suggestions were for upgrades to infrastructure (e.g. park toilets), whilst others proposed repurposing some older, more redundant buildings such as the Hibernian Inn; people were fond of the idea of this becoming a restaurant, or museum space.

The future

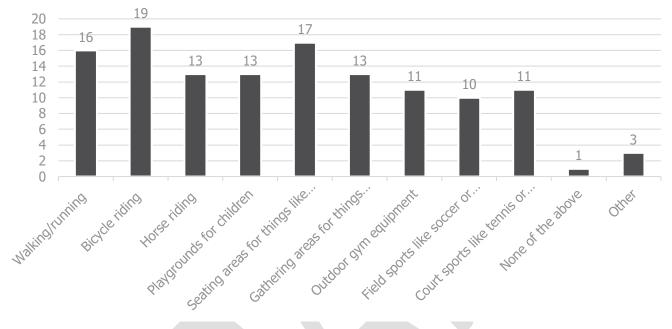
The survey particularly focused on asking participants what Michelago should look like in the future; for example, the type of facilities, buildings, open spaces that people may like to see introduced as a result of a Masterplan.

These questions were a mix of closed and open to help facilitate clear and constructive responses, as answers to these types of questions hold large significance in informing the final Masterplan designs.

People were largely in favour of creating new spaces for recreational use, with each proposed activity receiving several votes. Top three responses were:

- » Bicycle riding
- » Seating areas for things like family picnics
- » Walking/running.

Q8 One part of the masterplan could be to create new spaces for recreational use. Which of the following activities do you think need more outdoor space in Michelago? (Tick all that apply) (n=23)



Another question asked participants to select their most important design principle from a list of six options. The following lists each principle and the percentage of responses that listed it in the **top two** ranking:

- » Economic growth and efficiency: 44%
- » Environmental sustainability: 16%
- » Housing diversity: 28%
- » Transport connectivity: 28%
- » Preservation of local character: 44%
- » Heritage protection: 36%.

Q7 Michelago has many long-standing buildings and heritage sites that contribute to the suburb's village feel, such as the Railway Station and the Hibernian Inn. What could be some future uses for these sites? (n=23) revealed interesting ideas for potential future uses of these sites. The following ideas were common responses and suggest service gaps in that the Masterplan could address:

- » Events spaces e.g. wedding venues
- » Hospitality venues e.g. wine bar, café or restaurant
- » Museum or gallery space
- » Working hub space
- » Location for new small businesses e.g. arts and crafts store.

2.3 Visioning workshops

2.3.1 Councillor workshop

A visioning workshop was held via Zoom on 3 December with SMRC Councillors to gain their ideas on how Michelago could and should develop.

The workshop consisted of a short PowerPoint presentation followed by four discussion activities using the program Mural. Activities were simple and councillors were asked to nominate what they like about Michelago now, what they would like to see changed, and how this change could be implemented.

A copy of the presentation and mural can be found in the Appendix B and C.

A key observation from the discussion was no one was opposed to growth itself; all were in favour of growth and enhancement in a way that was considered and appropriate to the area. Suggestions included:

- » Infrastructure upgrades to support population growth
- » Creation of a town centre with more food/beverage services, arts and craft stores, tourist attractions, and a main street
- » Improve the entranceway to the town from the highway to attract people in transit
- Facilitate growth but retain character to avoid mass development; councillors often used the example of Googong as what they did not want to see in Michelago.

2.3.2 Community Workshop

A second visioning workshop was held at Michelago Hall on 15 December for community members and interested stakeholders. The activities and format were designed to mirror those of the councillor Workshop.

18 people attended the session.

The workshop setup in included table groups equipped with town maps and worksheets. The session was attended by two members of the Elton Consulting team, and a Council representative.

A copy of the worksheet can be found in the Appendix D.

Many comments and suggestions reflected those captured in the survey and the discussion with councillors, suggesting a level of consensus about Michelago's present and its future.

COVID-19 has introduced new challenges to community engagement, specifically concerning accessibility.

To help ensure accessible and inclusive engagement, efforts were made to provide both in-person and online options for engagement.

An online community information session was offered, however, only one community member expressed interest and noted they would also attend the in-person session. The online event was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Key discussion themes observed:

Character

Participants felt strongly about preserving the character and community feel of Michelago, with one person describing it as "having a personality." There was a strong desire to retain the area's existing character in any new development through flexible strategies, rather than being too prescriptive.

Inclusive services and amenities

Growth or improvement was often framed in terms of what new services or facilities would improve the liveability of Michelago.

Many suggestions centred on leisure or social spaces and included a rail trail, food/beverage facilities including restaurants and pubs, and play areas for children and families such as a pool. There were also several requests for more health services and aged care facilities.

Equity in development and design was deemed important to a number of attendees. Some comments noted the importance of considering the needs and wants of the community as a whole, rather than of only a few.

Similar but different

Many people stated that the lifestyle offered by the town is one of the main element to preserve, rather than the physical spaces themselves. Attendees asked that any new services or amenities improve rather than alter living standards, with many noting it's Michelago's sparseness and *lack* of services that have attracted people to move there in past.

Within similar discussions, people seemed to not be opposed to development, as long as it was seamlessly integrated into the town. Similar to concerns raised by Councillors, a number of attendees noted Googong as the type of developed they didn't want – "*we don't want Googong style development*" – as this seemed to be an example of stark and unintegrated development.

2.3.3 Council staff briefing

An informal briefing session was held with council staff on 15 December via Teams to present on and discuss the preliminary findings of studies completed into the potential opportunities and constraints in developing the Masterplan.

Findings were presented by a member of the Elton Consulting Planning Team, and WSP research report authors were on standby to answer technical questions of council staff.

A copy of the presentation can be found in the Appendix E.

This session allowed Council staff a 'first look' into how these studies were progressing and offered an opportunity for them to ask questions or submit requests for certain elements to be considered.

Key topics of discussion included:

- » Seeking information on community feedback heard so far
- » Asking how the Masterplan would fit into and/or affect other strategies and development underway in the area
- » Debating the feasibility of a rail vs rail trail
- » Promoting the inclusion of activation areas in the Masterplan and what these could look like.

2.4 External stakeholder meetings

Three meetings occurred in February to provide an update on feedback received from recent community consultation and discuss outcomes for scenarios.

DPIE Meeting 12 February 2021

Attendees:

- » From SMRC: Alexanda Adkins, Brooke Davey, Gina McConkey
- » From DPIE: Allison Treweek, Graham Towers, Nathan Foster, Ann Martin
- » From WSP: Nita Scott and Claire Adams

Key discussion points: Objectives for the future of Michelago including:

- » South East and Tablelands Regional Plan
- » land supply and subdivision for residential, small enterprise and employment generating land with questions on whether the land can carry the extra population
- » transport including creek crossing and upgrading local roads
- » water availability and its realistic expense
- » year-round tourism linked with Snowy Mountains Special Activation Precinct, markets and tourist accommodation such as campgrounds
- » biodiversity impacts which may limit infill; consideration of a standard bio certification.

ACT Government Meeting 23 February 2021

Attendees:

- » From SMRC: Alexanda Adkins, Jessica Dunston
- » From Act Government: David Clapham, Belinda McNeice
- » From WSP: Nita Scott and Claire Adams

Key discussion points:

- » Reference to the GHD Scoping study and the 2019 Discussion Paper
- » transport operations for access points and highway upgrades
- » environmental impacts from taking water from the Murrumbidgee and concern on its water quality
- » planning for bushfires
- » urban design aspects and lack of support for ribbon development.

Geocon Meeting 26 February 2021

Attendees:

- » From SMRC: Alexanda Adkins, Peter Bascomb, Gina McConkey
- » From Geocon/Carno: John Sutcliffe, Mike Cullen, Sophie Perry, Steven Thorne, Nick Georgalis
- » From WSP: Nita Scott and Claire Adams

Key discussion points: Next steps to confirm scenarios including discussion around:

- » rural and settlement strategy community feedback with a focus on more agricultural options both in the surrounding region and within the masterplan
- » industry trends towards larger productive farms
- » servicing and yield with densities that support basic retail and employment
- » retail and jobs so residents don't need to leave town.

3 Exhibition consultation outcomes

3.1 **Website**

The Michelago Masterplan page has provided regular updates throughout the project.

Key documents available on the website include the Draft Michelago Masterplan Scenarios for Exhibition, Kitchen Table Discussion Guide explaining the Masterplan, the Michelago Scenarios Summary Presentation and the highlevel postcard with consultation details. Additionally, visitors were encouraged to complete the Growth Scenarios Survey from the council website.

Since 1 January there have been 1,600 visits to the webpage including 1,100 aware visitors, 571 informed visitors and 149 engaged visitors.

3.2 **Survey #2**

A simple high-level Growth Scenarios Survey was published on the project webpage to capture people's thoughts and feedback on the Masterplan options. **The survey was completed by 130 people.**

There were seven questions within the survey, targeting the desired development, with appropriate amenities, services, infrastructure and facilities. The questions primarily encouraged respondents to select one option or rank in order of priority and a final question addressing further comments.

3.2.1 Findings

Overview

The Growth Scenarios Survey focused on the level of development and amenities the community desired and targeted specific preferences for infrastructure and facilities. Like the survey conducted at the end of 2020, respondents indicated the importance of maintaining Michelago's rural charm and upgrading outdoor recreational facilities. As the previous survey focused on early suggestions for the Masterplan, this survey was able to obtain more specific feedback about scenarios.

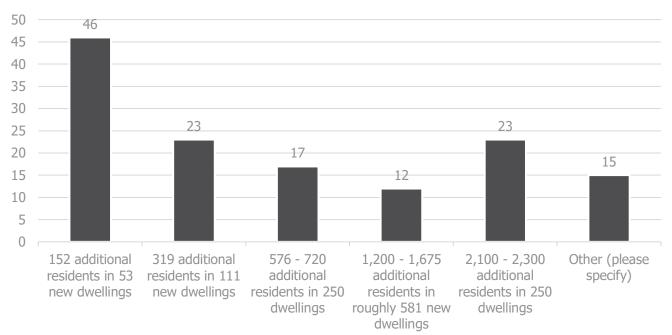
For each of the six closed questions the Growth Scenarios Survey highlighted:

- » preference for 152 additional residents in 53 new buildings,
- » preference for single detached dwellings,
- » less support for a fully sewered Michelago,
- » objection to an increase in fees and charges to expand water services
- » priority to upgrading local roads
- » priority to improving walking and running trails.

Details on each question are provided below.

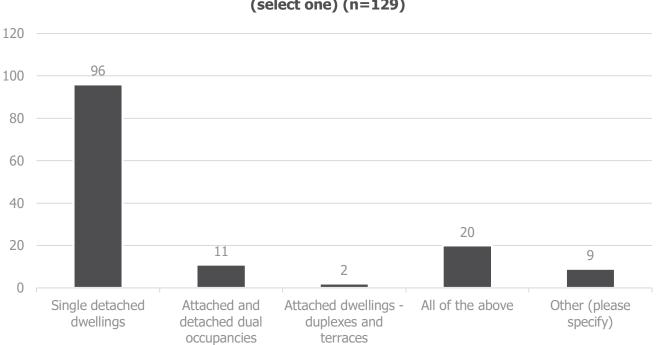
Development in Michelago

The first two questions of the survey addressed the desired growth and development for the future of Michelago. As demonstrated below, more respondents favoured the option with the lowest number of additional residents and for single detached dwellings.



Q1 How much development do you think should occur in Michelago? (select one) (n=130)

Of those who responded 'other', eight wanted no or very limited additional development, four mentioned it would depend on improvements to infrastructure and block size and three respondents favoured high growth between 5000 and 10000 additional residents.



Q2 How much development do you think should occur in Michelago? (select one) (n=129)

Water and sewerage services

Questions 3-4 were simple yes or no questions, designed to gather support towards water and sewerage services. In answer to *Q3 Do you support a fully sewered Michelago? Noting it would allow for significant growth in town.* (n=129) 57% of responses did not support a fully sewered Michelago and 43% were in support.

There was clearer disparity in responses to *Q4 If water services are expanded in Michelago, Council would require an increase in fees and changes, to partially fund the cost of the new infrastructure. As a resident would you be willing to accept a fees and charges increase to expand services?* with 70% unwilling to accept fees and charges. It should also be noted that several additional comments provided from question 7 emphasised water and sewerage fees should not be charged to property owners outside of the village.

Local infrastructure

Questions 5-6 asked respondents to rank a list of options to improve infrastructure and recreational facilities. For Q5 A critical aspect of planning for future development, is ensuring any growth is supported by the development of local infrastructure. What infrastructure upgrades should Council prioritise, to support future growth in Michelago? (n=129) respondents ranked the following:

- 1. Upgrades to local roads
- 2. Creek crossing over Michelago Creek
- 3. Upgrades to Micalago Rd entrance to Michelago from the Monaro
- 4. Creation of a loop Rd between Ryrie Street and Micalago Rd
- 5. Public transport links into town

In response to *Q6 Depending on what growth scenario is pursued, Council will look at opportunities* to upgrade and create new recreational facilities. What projects or facilities should council prioritise as part of future development? (n=129) the following priorities emerged:

- 1. Walking and running trails
- 2. Picnic and seated areas
- 3. Upgrade to existing amenity block
- 4. Bicycle path

Masterplan scenarios

The final question in the survey asked participants *Q7 Do you have any additional comments about the four Masterplan scenarios? (n=71)*

Only 13 short-answer responses directly referenced the scenarios. Of these there was a greater preference for Scenario A, with 10 responses in favour:

- » six responses indicated a preference for Scenario A
- » four responses indicated a preference for both Scenarios A and B
- » two responses did not like any scenarios stating they are unimaginative and do not consider developments on the outskirts of the village
- » one response favoured Scenario D and a bigger population base.

Additional themes observed from the short-answer responses are outlined below.

Maintain Michelago as a village

Emphasis towards maintaining the Michelago as a small country town:

- » "I moved to Michelago because I wanted to live in a small country town."
- » "We do not want another Googong"
- » "Any new development must be sympathetic to the existing village. Block sizes in the village must be consistent with existing block sizes.
- » No services! The charm of the village should stay the same and be at least larger than 1800 square metres.

Seal the local roads

Several comments referenced sealing the local roads before further development:

- » "Current infrastructure including roads cannot support a significant increase in population."
- » "Micalago road should be a sealed road given the ever-increasing population growth."
- » "Grading our dirt road is to be completed more regularly and to a better standard. Micalago road is dangerous and currently gets work completed not even every 18months."

No rate rises

Additional comments were made rejecting an increase to water and sewerage service fees. It should be noted that these comments came from those who responded 'no' to question 4, indicated they would not be willing to accept an increase to fees to expand service.

- » "No rate rises for people who don't receive the sewerage or town water."
- » "Water and sewerage fees should not be charged to property owners outside of the village. Our rates are already far too high. Paying for a service we don't/won't receive will anger a lot of land holders including us."
- » "The rural residents are being penalised via increasing rates and gentrification that has not been asked for."

3.3 Take-home collateral

The following material was available on the dedicated Michelago Masterplan page on the council website and at the Snowy Monaro Mobile Library and the General Store.

Draft Michelago Masterplan Scenarios for Exhibition

This 43-page briefing paper was prepared for Council to inform the selection of a Masterplan growth scenario. It provides extensive detail towards the future growth scenarios, explaining various aspects within each scenario such as cost estimates, zones, maps, service provisions etc.

Michelago Masterplan postcards

A brief overview, addressed to Michelago residents, explaining where and how they can provide feedback on the Masterplan scenarios.

Kitchen Table Discussion Guide

This eight-page document explains the purpose of the Masterplan, previous feedback and current plans. The four masterplan scenarios are summarised with high-level detail on their development, services and proposed improvements.

Michelago Scenarios Summary Presentation

A 31-slide presentation to provide an overview of the draft Masterplan with detailed maps and images.

3.4 **Community information and feedback session**

Two drop-in sessions were held for residents to view the development scenarios on exhibition and provided the opportunity for them to chat to a representative from Council, ask questions and provide feedback on the options.

The sessions were held on:

Monday 26 April (8am to 12pm)

» Approximately 50 attendees were present over the four hours

Saturday 1 May (9am to 12pm)

» Approximately 30 attendees were present over the three hours

A wide range of views were expressed during these sessions including:

- » Concern about future development being at a greater density than current
- » Appetite for growth from most people, with emphasis that any growth should be in keeping with the current lot sizes and character of Michelago
- » Wide opposition to reticulation of water and sewer
- » Specific concerns raised regard biodiversity impacts on the Murrumbidgee River.

3.5 Submissions received via email

In addition to completing the survey, residents and organisations were encouraged to provide feedback direct to Council. There were 32 email submissions received, 19 of these as an emailed text and the remaining 13 included an attached letter or report.

Submissions were received from 23 local residents and the remaining nine from organisations and corporate bodies including TfNSW, RFS, Smiths Road Landholders Group, the Net Zero Emissions Branch of DPIE, the Biodiversity and Conservation Division from the Office of Environment and Heritage, the ACT Government, Jemena, Cardno and Michelago Region Community Association.

Submissions were presented in a general manner, referencing various aspects of the Michelago Master Plan. The most common ideas extracted from submissions are highlighted below.

- » Overall agreement for Michelago to maintain its "rural charm".
- » Overall disagreement to medium and high-density development with a small number of submissions specifically mentioning retaining a minimum lot size of 1800m2.
- » Just over half of the submissions requested asphalting of Micalago Road, accommodating increasing traffic and improving the road condition and creek crossing from Ryrie Street.
- Almost half of the submissions referred to the necessity of assuring water supply covers any further development, with several indicating the water supply should be self-sufficient and not extracted from the Murrimbidgee river.
- » Reference to managing the risk of extreme weather conditions including bushfires.
- » Request to maintain Michelago's heritage aspects.

"If development plans can be cognisant of the wonderful country feel of this area that we all love and look to sympathetic dwelling styles on decent size blocks, it could result in a "best practice" rural development. It would be great to have more facilities close by."

3.5.1 Michelago's masterplan scenarios

Seven submissions directly referenced the Masterplan Scenarios. Of these, four were in support of Scenario A, with one submission in opposition and the remaining two providing neutral comments and improvements across all scenarios.

The submission against Scenario A emphasised without expansion to the village zone, new dwellings would not fit. Instead the submission was in support of Scenario C with the extension of the village zone. A small number of submissions highlighted that the expansion of the village is only north and questioned why there were no plans of development east or west.

Those in favour of Scenario A highlighted:

- » it appropriately allows for continued un-serviced infill development;
- » appreciation of the larger lot sizes at 1,800m2 per lot;
- » Michelago should not be built out or surrounded by high density housing;
- » the village is a rural community and should remain as such.

Throughout the submissions there was overall disagreement to medium and high-density development. There were several submissions that specifically referenced retaining a minimum lot size of 1800m2, as mentioned in Scenario A. This extended across comments towards Scenario B and C and that if any development was to occur on Lot 13 and 14 DP 11175, it should not be smaller than 1800m2.

Agency advice

Only two organisations directly commented on the scenarios by providing general feedback and recommendations. The Biodiversity and Conservation Division's primary comments on the scenarios encouraged consideration to the High Environmental Values (HEV) and the impacts caused by proposed infill. They showed support to the extension of the RU5 village zone, pending validation of HEV mapping.

The ACT Government presented a planning perspective acknowledging that the low growth scenarios would have the least potential sitting and visual impact. Regardless which scenario proceeds, they recommended careful considering to buffer and landscape treatment along the Monaro Highway, to minimise the visual impact of development.

3.5.2 Local infrastructure upgrades

In order to accommodate further development, a majority of submissions referenced both the importance of a sustainable water supply and improvements to road conditions, particularly asphalting Micalago Road and connecting it to Ryrie Street via a bridge over Michelago Creek. Comments and suggestions were also provided towards additional services such as recreational and community facilities, while maintaining Michelago's heritage.

Michelago water and sewerage services

There was clear agreement that the water strategy will ultimately determine any growth in Michelago. Submissions referred to the water and sewerage treatment plant, drawing water from the Murrumbidgee River, floodplain risk management and ensuring development is self-sufficient.

There was limited support towards drawing water from the Murrumbidgee River. Several submissions instead emphasised the importance of self-supporting residences containing their own water systems. It was recognised that drawing water from the River might be the most cost-effective solution, however, due to water being an ongoing issue for the Michelago area it is not a viable solution.

Agency advice

The Biodiversity and Conservation DPIE Division expressed concern towards the impacts on biodiversity from a water and sewerage treatment plant impacting the Murrumbidgee River and strongly encouraged an assessment

of biodiversity values to be carried out prior to consideration. Additionally, Cardno, on behalf of Geocon, requested greater research into how much water will be available before finalising the masterplan.

Local road upgrades

Any development in Michelago will create infrastructure pressure on road and traffic access. Many residents raised the issue that roads currently require upgrading and this should be resolved before any further development. With more traffic the current problem will only become a bigger issue.

Eleven submissions, including residents and the Michelago Region Community Association (MRCA) specifically mention the need to asphalt Micalago and Karinya Plains Road. It was noted that after rainfall numerous potholes form over the road creating hazards. The asphalting of Micalago and Karinya Plains Road should be treated as a priority.

Several submissions positively reacted to the single lane bridge across the creek to link Ryrie Street to Micalago Road. It was noted that this will improve safety and access to the village from Micalago Road.

"As further subdivisions are currently underway and the population is growing, the need for maintenance will increase and sealing would not only provide safer roads but also be more economical."

Community facilities

As Michelago expands there is general desire for enhanced community facilities and public space. There was clear emphasis to preserve community values, heritage features and Michelago's history.

Ten submissions referenced the need to enhance community facilities with the most consistent recommendation being community and outdoor space. Large public space can bring the community together and allow for local markets, picnics and recreational activities.

Agency advice

Two submissions, one from the Michelago Region Community Association (MRCA) and one from Cardno provided an extensive list of specific facilities that would benefit the town. These included: a sporting facility, another café, a medical facility, pubs and restaurants and recreational facilities including a showground, BBQ and picnic locations and travel facilities such as footpaths and walking trails to explore the surrounding landscape.

4 **Conclusion**

4.1 **Summary**

Across all feedback there is the desire to preserve the rural charm of Michelago. In doing this, there is preference towards low density and single-detached buildings. There were mixed comments on a fully sewered Michelago, with slight preference against this and clear opposition towards increasing the rates.

Regarding infrastructure, there is a clear desire to improve local roads, with specific reference to sealing Micalago and Karinya Plains Road. Additionally, residents would like improved outdoor recreational space including walking and running trails.

While there was no direct question on the preference of a growth scenarios, results indicate Scenario A as the preferred outcome.

4.2 Next steps

This consultation outcomes report summarises the feedback received from the survey results and written submissions made during the public consultation period for the draft Michelago Masterplan Scenarios for Exhibition.

Following this, a draft Masterplan will be developed and placed on public exhibition for 28 days.

Appendices

- A Survey 1 Questions
- B Councillor workshop presentation
- C Council workshop mural
- D Community Workshop worksheet
- E Council staff briefing presentation
- F Survey 2 Questions

A Survey 1 Questions



B Councillor workshop presentation

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F Survey 2 Questions

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