

Community Strategic Plan 2035

Community Vision

The Snowy Monaro Region is a friendly community where everyone can belong, participate, and work together. Our natural environment, Aboriginal and cultural heritage are preserved and enhanced for future generations.



Our Community



Health and wellbeing are recognised as important to our community and we desire services to support these, including aged care

Our Economy



We have a varied economy that includes agriculture, energy, timber, services and tourism. We support regional growth and innovation

Our Environment



Our natural environment and heritage is preserved and enhanced whilst balancing the needs for regional development and growth

Our Infrastructure



Our infrastructure supports our economy and way of life. We want to enhance our roads and regional services to support our varied community

Our Civic Leadership



We aspire to open and transparent leadership that is responsive to the local community

Strategic Objective 1

Our health allows us to live an enjoyable lifestyle

1.1 Have in place (and accessible to everyone) quality aged, disability and health services that support our population through all life stages.

1.2 Facilities are in place to encourage healthy lifestyles.

Strategic Objective 2

Our regions cultural identity is respected and embraced

2.1 Retain the region's Aboriginal and cultural history.

2.2 Preserve and protect historically significant sites, including museums.

2.3 Diverse cultures are embraced and shared across the community.

2.4 The arts community is supported across our region.

2.5 A wide range of community and cultural events are held.

Strategic Objective 3

We are a safe, caring and resilient community

3.1 Organisations are supported and encouraged to foster respect, inclusivity and safety.

3.2 Proactive crime preventions actions protect the community.

3.3 Volunteering programs are in place to help those in need in the community.

3.4 Providing employment, education, and social opportunities to encourage young people to stay or move to the region and make it their home.

3.5 Policing activities are undertaken that keep the community safe.

Strategic Objective 4

Have increased work opportunities available enhanced by innovation

4.1 Improve the value generated from tourism.

4.2 Identify actions to encourage increased manufacturing.

4.3 Support local business and industry to be resilient and successful.

4.4 Provide quality education options and vocational pathways.

Strategic Objective 5

Improve the affordability of living within the region

5.1 Stabilise and advance the regional economy by leveraging strengths and capitalising on opportunities.

5.2 Have in place strategic land use planning that encourages a mix of housing types to meet demand.

5.3 Develop high value employment opportunities.

Strategic Objective 6

Ensure the natural environment and the ability of the community to enjoy and use this environment is protected

6.1 Monitor environmental assets including our air, land, and waterways to ensure they are protected.

6.2 Implement programs to prevent degradation, remediate damaged areas, and manage impacts on vulnerable environments, including from invasive species to preserve biodiversity.

6.3 Foster community collaboration to care for the environment through shared stewardship and sustainable practices.

Strategic Objective 7

Have in place land use controls that protect the natural environment landscape including visual and scenic values

7.1 Develop land use plans so that development is sensitive to the region's natural environment and heritage.

7.2 Have plans in place so that open spaces and recreation areas minimise environmental impacts and maximises environmental sustainability.

7.3 Land use planning strategies are developed to support and enhance the town, village and rural lifestyle of the region through balanced development.

7.4 Ensure important agricultural and forestry land is identified and continues to be used for agricultural and forestry production.

Strategic Objective 8

Our health is supported by fit for purpose infrastructure

8.1 Ensure that our hospitals and medical centres are modern and equipped to meet the community's needs.

8.2 Our water and wastewater infrastructure is well maintained and has capacity to meet the growth across the region.

8.3 Facilities, services and programs efficiently manage community waste streams.

Strategic Objective 9

Transport infrastructure allows us to effectively move around the region and beyond as needed

9.1 Ensure our transport infrastructure is well-maintained and meets the needs for safe travel.

9.2 Plan for the future by aligning transport services with the growing needs of our region.

9.3 Invest in and enhance our current transport infrastructure to support sustainable growth and connectivity.

Strategic Objective 10

Digital communication networks allow us to be connected when and where needed

10.1 Ensure our digital communication network develops to meet our regions changing needs, growth and provides security through resilient infrastructure.

Strategic Objective 11

We have in place infrastructure that supports our lifestyles

11.1 Public buildings and facilities are set up to be accessible to all people.

11.2 Have in place planning that identifies the infrastructure needed to support the community.

11.3 Build a network of regional trails and accessible shared pathways.

11.4 Provide well maintained sporting and leisure facilities.

Strategic Objective 12

That the community has confidence in leadership

12.1 Leadership is visible and accessible to our community.

12.2 Clear agreed standards are in place and applied about how public services are provided.

12.3 Council resources, systems, processes are well-managed and governed.

Strategic Objective 13

Our community is informed and engaged to provide transparency in decision making

13.1 Community engagement strategies are put in place to effectively consult and engage with stakeholders.

13.2 A range of consultation mechanisms that facilitate input from the stakeholders are used.

13.3 Timely and relevant information is communicated to stakeholders on matters impacting on them.

Strategic Objective 14

That effective strategies are in place to achieve the Community Strategic Plan outcomes

14.1 Current strategies are in place to manage all major issues facing the community.

How we will achieve these strategic objectives

The *Snowy Monaro Delivery Program 2025-2029* describes projects and activities that have been identified as priorities for the current term of Council.

The annual *Operational Plan* describes the actions Council will undertake to achieve these projects and activities each year.

Tracking our progress

Our progress in delivering these projects and activities are reported to Council each month and annually in the *Annual Report*.

At the end of the term of Council we summarise our achievements in the *State of our Region Report*. Past reports are located on our website

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