



# AT A GLANCE MIDCOAST OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION STRATEGY 2023 - 2035



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## Acknowledgment of Country

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we work and live, the Gathang-speaking people and pay our respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who now reside in the MidCoast Council area. We extend our respect to elders past and present, and to all future cultural-knowledge holders.

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## About the strategy

The *MidCoast Open Space and Recreation Strategy 2023-2035* provides a framework for the sustainable use, improvement, maintenance and management of public open space and the activities that take place on it in the MidCoast. It seeks to balance the interests of all users of public open space.

The strategy covers open space owned by MidCoast Council and land owned by the State and managed by Council, referred to as Crown Land. The directions and actions in the strategy are based on analysis, research and experience, as well as consultation with the community.

The strategy provides direction and actions to achieve the community's vision on all public open space in the local government area. An important component of the strategy is the action plan. It provides operational direction for the improvement and management of all public open space in the MidCoast local government area for the period 2023 to 2035.

The purpose of the strategy is to:

[Deliver a comprehensive and prioritised plan for the sustainable management of the MidCoast public open space as well as for future development on those spaces, including recreation and sport facilities and programs in the MidCoast local government area to 2035.](#)

The strategy aims to:

[Provide a balanced response between sustainable management and meeting the existing and future community needs in the local government area.](#)

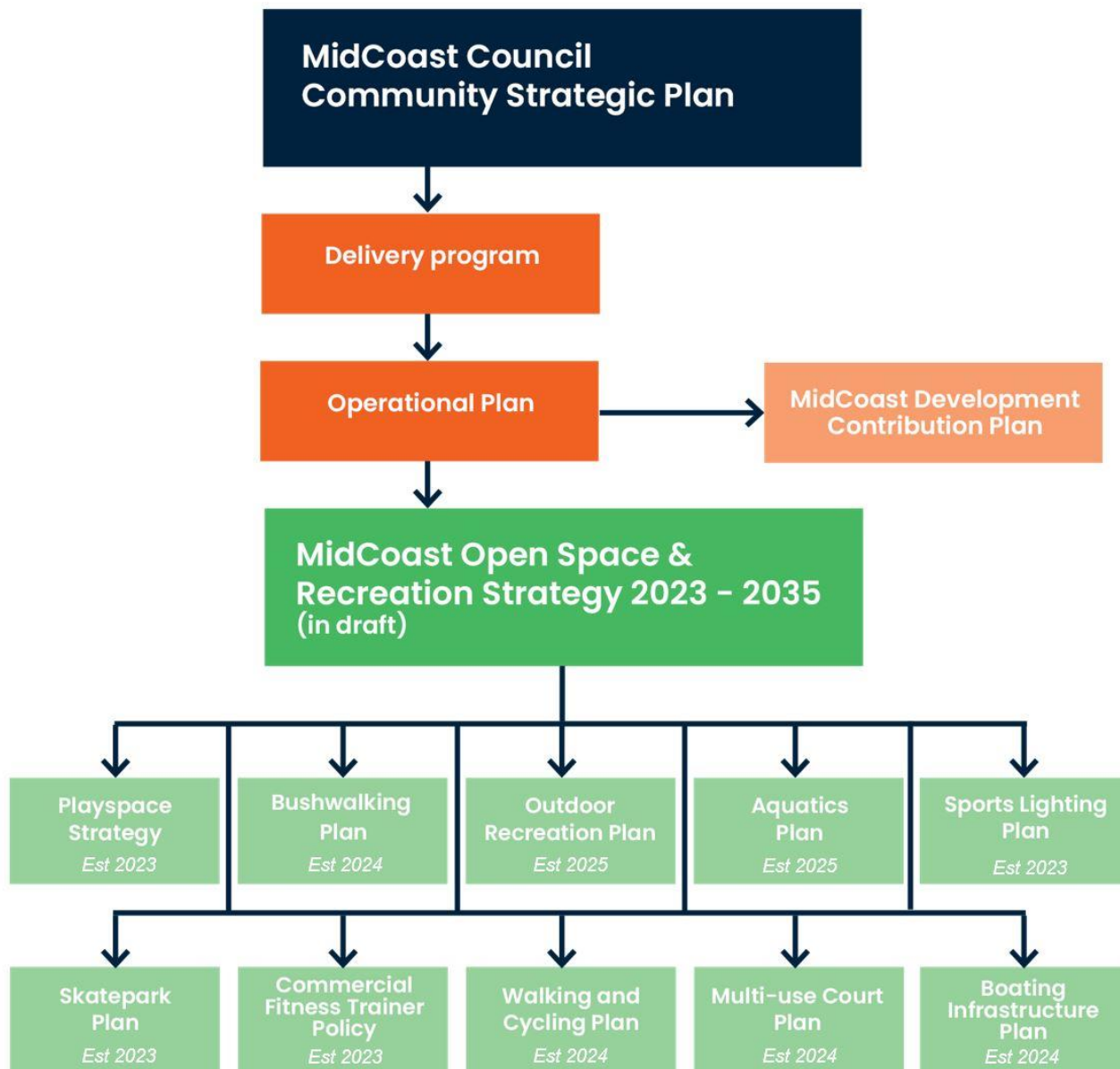
The *Draft Open Space and Recreation Strategy 2023 – 2035*:

- Considers the sustainable management of public open space in the MidCoast area
- Considers the future development and upgrade of existing recreation and sport facilities within the MidCoast local government area
- Covers active recreation and sport, structured sport, unstructured recreation activities, the provision of new facilities and upgrades to existing infrastructure
- Is supported by the *Draft Open Space and Recreation Needs Analysis 2022*, which provides detail on the research and analysis done to help develop the Strategy.

In addition to our research and analysis and input from the community, the *Draft MidCoast Open Space and Recreation Strategy 2023 – 2035* is shaped by our own strategies and policies, as well as NSW Government strategies, plans and policies.



The *Draft MidCoast Open Space and Recreation Strategy 2023 – 2035* is one of a number of open space, sport and recreation related strategies. The figure below shows these strategies, their relationships and current status.



## Vision, principles, and actions



Through our engagement with the community and our analysis of our current open space, we identified six key insights. From these, a vision, guiding principles and actions list have been developed. The vision reflects the value that our community places on our open space. The eight guiding principles have been developed to guide us in our management and delivery of open space in the MidCoast region. The actions reflect our understanding of the short, medium and long term needs and aspirations of our community.

These key components of the strategy are all connected.

- Key insights – from analysis and community engagement
- Vision
- Principles
- Actions – short, medium, long term and ongoing

## Managing open space in the MidCoast

While most of the parks and reserves that make up our public open space belong to MidCoast Council, some of it is Crown land that is owned by the State and managed by us. When managing public open space, we must comply with all relevant laws that apply to the use of the community land, including the Crown Land Management Act (2016), the Local Government Act (1993) and the Native Title Act (1993).

Open space planning fits within a larger hierarchy of strategic planning. Legislation, policies and strategies influence our open space planning at the local, state, national and international level. Our local approach is articulated through our open space strategy and management plans, as well as specific planning documents. We also take direction from planning and legislation from other government agencies.

This strategy is the premier source document for the management of all open space in the MidCoast region. It sets out the vision, goals and management philosophy for all open space. Along with state and national planning documents, the strategy directs our management plans and masterplans.

The strategy also highlights the importance of identifying and adaptively managing within the capacity of each individual open space. Our overarching approach to managing open space, combined with the limitations of the carrying capacity of each space, gives us the management approach for each open space.

### Open spaces we manage

There are 826 Council-managed open spaces in the MidCoast region. For a full list of facilities and their type refer to Appendix 3 of the *Draft Open Space and Recreation Strategy 2023-2035*.

Our public open space is made up of the following:

Category	Total Spaces	Total Area
Park	179	338ha
General Community Use	236	505ha
Natural Area Foreshore	96	420ha
Natural Area Wetland	21	733ha
Natural Area Bushland	152	1,474ha
Natural Area Watercourse	64	93ha
Natural Area Escarpment	1	25ha
Crown Land Reserves	247	1,895ha
Other (Road Reserves)	30	17ha
Area of Cultural Significance	2	2ha
Sports Ground	45	544ha
<b>Total</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>4,134ha</b>



## Why have an Open Space and Recreation Strategy?

Recognition of the value of public open space has increased significantly in government policy in recent years. The environment in which Australian recreation and sport operates is changing rapidly, placing pressure on councils to be adaptable and provide high-quality and diverse recreational spaces.

Most areas within MidCoast have sufficient public open space, although there are areas where there is a shortfall in both quality and quantity of particular types of open space (such as formal sports fields) or facilities. There are also significant opportunities for improvements to the accessibility, resilience and diversity of our public open space.

Feedback from the community and results from the *Draft MidCoast Open Space and Recreation Needs Analysis 2022* indicate that we have a significant number of recreation and public open space assets and facilities that require major upgrade. Historically, we relied on grant funding obtained by clubs and community groups to supplement a small capital renewals budget. This meant there was always a shortfall in funding for both the maintenance and renewal of facilities and assets.

The approved strategy provides the direction and strategic approach to managing the MidCoast open space portfolio over a 12-year time frame. With the adoption of this strategy, we are committing to the delivery, management, maintenance and funding of the public open space identified in the action plan.

### Trends in recreation and sport participation

Forecast changes in recreation and sport participation over the next decade mean we will need to keep adapting our recreation and sport facilities and services to meet our community's needs. Research into recreation and sport trends combined with information we have gained from listening to our community, give us the basis from which we can plan, provide, and maintain our open space.

While structured sport is decreasing in general in Australia, the big “winner” is recreation. Recreation includes all physical activities that do not occur within a structured sport environment. These often include fitness activities, such as Parkrun, trail running and mass physical activity events such as the Forster Running Festival.

This shift creates significant challenges. While much of our current sport infrastructure is at capacity, and in some cases, exceeding capacity, demand for its use is forecast to decline, while the infrastructure for less structured, recreation activities will quickly come under increasing pressure. Limited funds for infrastructure needs to be spent wisely and where the community is demanding it.



The individual trends in recreation and sport, outlined below, are a recent (2021) snapshot of what is impacting recreation and sport. The MidCoast region’s activity participation reflect these trends.

It’s vitally important that we plan now for future community participation, for example through this Strategy. These trends also highlight the importance of designing our open spaces in a way that makes them adaptable for a variety of activities to take place.

Trends influencing the provision and design of recreation and sport facilities and services include<sup>1</sup>:



Participation in physical activity has increased, however, the majority of the growth has been in unstructured activities, such as walking and cycling, and gym/ fitness.



New facilities should be developed within a multi-use hub precinct to ensure the maximum value of investment is achieved while also not duplicating facilities in neighbouring councils.



While nature and intensity of participation in sport may change over time in consideration of the type of sport, the need for suitable spaces to accommodate community demand will remain. Future facility provision and design needs to ensure spaces are adaptable in order to accommodate changing participation trends.



It will be critical that the development or improvements of facilities and grounds are multiuse, and are not putting unnecessary financial pressure on Council, and do not duplicate facilities with available capacity.



Sports parks need to incorporate opportunities for co-location of sport with recreational offerings, including providing opportunities for walk/ run paths and trails, as this is the highest participation physical activity done by the community.



The location of sport and recreation facilities need to be accessible to the majority of the community, in order to encourage maximised use.



Insights from the COVID-19 pandemic highlighted the importance of local recreation facilities, and the growing expectations from the community around the quality of their open spaces and sporting facilities.



The large growth in female participation within traditionally male oriented sports is increasing pressures on playing facilities and increasing the need to diversify amenities to be universally accessible.



Volunteering is declining and becoming more onerous. Exacerbating this issue is the impact by COVID-19 on operations and the financial position of the club.



Skill divide between children is becoming a main deterrent in whether a child will continue to do sport. Children have such low hand eye skills that when they come across someone with high skills they are intimidated.

*Sport Australia suggests the average Australian child of the 1980's would finish 250m in front of a modern equivalent over a distance of 1600m, a metric mile.*

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.otiumplanning.com.au/>

## Enhancing the environment

The MidCoast region is home to a rich variety of native plants and animals located in our wetlands, in the sea, on the beaches, in our coastal reserves and our inland parks. Our reserves provide important habitats and refuges for animal and plant species of local, national, and international significance. The moderate size and linear nature of a lot of our coastal reserves, and our larger inland reserves highlights the need for complementary management across the landscape. This strategy provides opportunity to better care for and showcase our natural biodiversity so that it may be healthy and valued into the future.

Along with the guiding principles, the following are considerations in our open space planning:

- Large areas of the natural environment in our region are managed for the primary objective of conservation.
- Native vegetation and priority habitats will be protected, and their condition improved by reducing disturbance, rehabilitating priority areas, managing weeds and pests, and put in place control measures to achieve appropriate and sustainable access to and use of our public open space
- The protection of vulnerable fauna will require reducing threats to these species through controls on the key impacting activities, such as introduced feral species, and human based activities, such as dog walking
- Collaboration with land and agency managers for estuary opening, shoreline erosion and responding to emergency events will further assist in addressing impacts on natural values.

## Benchmarking and provision of open space

In addition to considering research, trends, community and stakeholder feedback and our community profile, we've also applied benchmarks as a means of understanding how much open space is required, as well as what level of quality and access we need to achieve.

Having considered national and State recommended standards of provision, and applied appropriate benchmarks, we've developed standards to assist us to determine the infrastructure required at the local, district and regional level, to adequately support sport and recreation in the MidCoast. The table below shows the standards that we've applied while developing this strategy.

BENCHMARK	LOCAL	DISTRICT	REGIONAL
Accessibility	15 minutes travel time	20 minutes travel time	25 minutes travel time
Playing fields	1ha – 2ha providing for 2 senior rectangular fields/ 1 x oval overlay.	Quantity and design considerations are to be fit for purpose for the desired activity.	Meet requirements of district sport facilities and contain a higher level of fit-for-purpose embellishment.
Netball courts	Two to four court configurations with lighting to support localised training. Consideration to multi-use opportunities such as basketball configurations where appropriate.	A minimum of 12 courts for centralised competition.	Quantity and standards of courts to be determined in collaboration with Netball
Tennis courts	A minimum of four courts with lighting and electronic booking systems.	6 to 12 courts with supporting infrastructure including amenities with associated clubhouse.	12 to 16 high quality surface courts with at least 8 courts are required to be the same surface type.
Lighting	Lighting to recommended Australian Standards for training and some amateur competition acknowledging electrical supply may influence feasibility.	Lighting to recommended Australian Standards for amateur competition.	Lighting to recommended Australian Standards for standard of competition.
Amenities	Around 375sqm to 475sqm, located in a highly visible and central location with universally designed and flexible/ adaptable player and official change-rooms, spectator toilets, canteen and storage areas.	The size of district sports amenities is larger than local level facilities and are more than 500sqm. Additional and/ or larger change facilities, and a medical room is recommended.	As per district facilities with consideration to administration space, media capacity and potential co-location with grandstands. Often a number of Local sized amenity buildings are provided around the precinct to meet the need of individual clubs.

BENCHMARK	LOCAL	DISTRICT	REGIONAL
Fencing	Site fencing to prohibit illegal vehicle access. Fencing to separate spectators from player areas may be permitted where it does not limit flexible use of spaces. Fencing around Local sports fields can provide for off-leash dog walking.	Site fencing to prohibit illegal vehicle access. Fit for purpose fencing as required by the activity and level of competition.	Site fencing to prohibit illegal vehicle access. Fit for purpose fencing as required by the activity and level of competition.
Supporting infrastructure	Irrigation systems are highly desirable to enhance field carrying capacity and safety. Seated spectator areas. Car parking to accommodate the proposed use. Cricket nets, athletics throwing cases and long jump pits.	As per local facility. Show- court for tennis and/ or netball. Increased consideration to circulation and spectator areas are required, due to the nature of district level facilities. Drainage systems can be provided at this level.	As per district facility with additional spectator and broadcast infrastructure.
Maintenance	See maintenance section	See maintenance section	See maintenance section

## People who volunteer

As volunteering is critical to sports club sustainability the ability to attract and retain volunteers to Australia's thousands of grass-roots sports clubs is critical. In recognition of the importance of volunteers in recreation and sport in the MidCoast, we have included actions that confirm our involvement in and responsibility to assist volunteers in our local clubs.

## People who play

Play is one of several activities that can lead to positive health and development results, resulting in enhanced community outcomes, and not just for children. Because of this the traditional playspace is being considered as only one component of play. Other design elements introduced to encourage an array of learning and development opportunities include the use of the natural environment (nature play), creative landscaping, and additional features that promote a sense of belonging and connection.

As we have upgraded old playgrounds to contemporary playspaces a more considered approach has been taken, with play-value for our children being the foremost consideration. In the near future, a Playspace Plan will be developed, which will detail what we have, what we need, and where they should be. This plan will result in a play portfolio that is diverse, well located, and which aligns with our growing community.



## Recommendations

The Draft Open Space and Recreation Strategy 2023 – 2035 contains, as Appendix 1 an Action Plan. The Action Plan is a comprehensive list of actions that have been identified that we will seek to undertake during the lifecycle of the Strategy. The following recommendations are a selection of actions from the Action Plan of the strategy:

- Develop a Playspace Strategy to detail what we have, what we need and where the play spaces should be.
- Develop a MidCoast Multi-use Court Plan, including an audit of all Council-owned tennis courts, multi-use courts and recommendations on future provision.
- Assess opportunities for all ability access to beaches. Put in place beach accessibility improvements as per recommendations.
- Develop a Commercial Fitness Provider Policy.
- Connect open spaces and support remnant vegetation in numerous locations using vegetation planting.
- Support sports clubs seeking to achieve equality in their clubs through the long-term licence, lease, and hire process.
- Develop a MidCoast Sports Lighting Plan, including a full audit of existing sports lighting at sports facilities in MidCoast.
- Develop a cycling strategy for the MidCoast which will investigate providing more active transport links between towns and villages.
- Develop an aquatic facilities plan.
- Develop a Skatepark Plan to identify need, and make recommendations on existing and future skateparks.

## Review and monitoring

To ensure the strategy remains relevant, we have adopted the following review program:

- Annual: review progress and delivery of action plan
- Every two years: review management and administration structures, update priorities
- Every five years: review of all values. Review results against survey information, photographic record and register of correspondence.
- Every ten years: review the strategy

## Management and maintenance

All open space in the MidCoast local government area is maintained and managed by MidCoast Council. The high level of use means we need to carefully manage and maintain



our open space. In maintaining and managing our public open spaces, we've considered the following in the strategy:

- **Activities and Events:** The use and hire of open space, for example for one-off events, and its potential impact.
- **Waste Services:** The management and collection of waste from our open spaces.
- **Maintenance:** The management and funding of routine and emergency maintenance of our open space.
- **Playground Maintenance:** Maintenance of hard and soft surfaces of our playgrounds to ensure we meet safety requirements.
- **Building Maintenance:** Any buildings located in our open space need to be maintained and repaired by Council
- **Environmental Services:** Environmentally responsible management of energy, water and waste within our open spaces.
- **Safety and Regulations:** Monitoring and managing the use of our open space to ensure they are safe and pleasant to use.

## Appendix 1 – Action Plan

*Ideas without actions are worthless.*

The Action Plan provides individual actions for a number of our public open spaces. Should a specific action turn out to be impractical due to changing circumstances, the objectives and performance targets will guide any change to the action.

Each action has been tested through community feedback, analysis of community need, analysis of current activity trends and impact on the environment. Consideration has also been given to the impact on either the community or the environment if that project is not undertaken.

The actions in the Action Plan are not all the actions that we need to undertake. Other actions will be identified in the other planning documents, including the Playspace Strategy and the Sports Lighting Plan.

Not all actions will be completed during the life of the Open Space and Recreation Strategy.

The actions in the Action Plan relate directly to individual chapter headings in the Strategy:

- Design Actions
- Planning Actions
- Enhancing the Environment Actions
- People in Parks Actions
- Management and Maintenance

The actions in the Action Plan were determined using the following criteria:

Decision Driver	Rationale
Evidence	Each action was tested and ranked according to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community need</li><li>• Community feedback</li><li>• Current activity trends</li><li>• Impact on the environment.</li></ul>
Equity	An equity lens was applied, taking into account the level of funding applied in a particular locality, and how recently that funding was spent.
Condition	The condition of existing infrastructure and its projected life was a strong determinant in setting priority.
Financial sustainability	Consideration was given to how quickly actions are able to be delivered, and the long term asset management requirements.



The Action Plan is separated into two sections: LGA Wide Actions and Location Specific Actions. It shows the actions to be taken, how they will be achieved, who will be responsible, timeframe, availability of funding, desired results and monitoring and reporting requirements.

The table is broken down as follows:

**Action:** The statements provide the main reference point for each set of actions.

**Who:** There are many departments within Council involved in carrying out the actions of this strategy. The managers of these divisions are responsible for ensuring the actions are done. The responsible divisions are:

OSR	Open Spaces and Recreation
CA	Community Assets
SP	Strategy and Projects
Trades	Trades
Gov	Governance (Property and Legal teams)
SP (WHS)	Strategy and Performance (WHS team)
NS	Natural Systems
LUP	Land Use Planning
W	Waste
BE	Building and Environmental Health Services
MARS	Major Assessment and Regulatory Services
CE	Customer Experience
GEDT	Growth, Economic Development and Tourism
LCS	Libraries and Community Services
ECE	Engagement, Communication and Education
TA	Transport Assets

**Time:** The actions are prioritised and will be achieved in the following timeframes:

S	Short term (S): 0–3
M	Medium (M): 3-8
L	Long term (L): 8-13
O	Ongoing

## Funding implications (\$):

E	Existing funding is mainly associated with recurring park maintenance, planning and development works. These works must occur annually and include the maintenance and upgrades required in all MidCoast LGA parks.
LTFP	Other works are to be included in the Long-Term Financial Plan (LTFP). These LTFP projects will need to be prioritised by Council.
TBD	To-be-determined funding (TBD) involves an initial investigation and preparation of a business case to Council.
G	Opportunities to obtain grant funding (G) are also noted.

## Performance Targets

These value statements will guide the future development and management of our public open spaces to achieve the vision for all the reserves as a collective as well as individual reserves. The values have been tested and are responsive to site analysis, consultation feedback and best-practice principles outlined throughout this strategy.

CC	Character Conserved
DR	Design Review
DO	Design realises objectives
DM	Design reviewed at key milestones
IV	Increase in Visitation
VE	Visitor Experience
ED	Excellence through Design
PE	Participant Experience
IBP	Industry Best Practice
AI	Actions Implemented
SR	Strategic Review
FSI	Function and safety improved
OSM	On site monitoring
MNS	Maintenance of natural systems
AM	Adaptive Management
AI	Awareness Improved
RO	Review on Inspection
CF	Community Feedback
SP	Sustainability Performance Improved
PW	Potable Water Reduced
HZI	Habitat Zone Increased
%	Weed % Decreased

Actions		Short term (1-3yr)	Medium term (3-8yr)	Long term (8-13yr)	Ongoing	Who	Performance measures	Funding	Design Action	Planning Action	Enhancing the Environment Action	People in Parks Action	Management and Maintenance Action
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**LGA WIDE ACTIONS**

1	Ensure any future building and infrastructure design addresses community need, is visually unobtrusive, does not detract from the natural landscape character of our parks and reserves, and considers the heritage impact.					OSR, CA, SP	CC, DR	E					
2	Put in place a grant funding recreation infrastructure project management framework with local sports clubs and local community groups.					CA, SP	CC, DM	E					
3	Ensure landscape design: a) Maintains the natural topography b) Maintains and enhances coastal views through coastal reserves c) Maintains areas of exposed natural rock where practical d) Uses semi-formal and informal planting design in reserves e) Maintains the openness of parks and reserves f) Protects native remnant vegetation areas where applicable					OSR, CA, SP, NS	CC, DR	E					
4	Ensure character protection: Ensure future planting design is consistent with the character areas. a) Protect natural growth, including coastal heath b) Ensure that uses of parks and reserves comply with the Impact Assessment model by maintaining individual landscape character c) Biodiversity is protected in parks and reserves that reflect the landscapes character					OSR, CA, SP, NS	CC, DR	E					
5	Coastal views: a) Coastal views form a significant feature of our coastal reserves. Planning and future provision for both planting and infrastructure will seek to protect current views, in alignment with community expectations. b) Develop a planting schedule and materials palette that preserves the integrity of each site and considers significant view corridors.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	CC, DR	E LTFP					
6	Infrastructure a) Where infrastructure is to be provided ensure the selection of materials is appropriate to its setting. b) Consider materials that are graffiti resistant. c) Ensure materials are selected to withstand coastal environments to minimise corrosion or degradation					OSR, CA, SP, NS	CC, DR	E					
7	Ensure future building works are complimentary to their surroundings. Works to ensure: Compliance of new building works to building controls and which comply with Australian Standards.					CA, SP, NS	DO, DM	E					
8	Develop a lighting plan for those parks and reserves considered to require lighting that considers: a) Pole or bollard lighting to major pathways b) Lighting to the high visitation pathways and reserves c) Lighting to buildings and particularly amenities buildings.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	DO, DM, CC	LTFP					
9	Replace furniture and fixtures when they reach the end of their life with Council's preferred palette in keeping with heritage values and plans.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	DM, CC	E					
10	Review the alignment of pedestrian entrances into each reserve to ensure they are connected to pedestrian crossings, the Coastal Walk and thoroughfares.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	DO	LTFP					
11	Review and where necessary redesign entrances into the individual reserves to ensure they are welcoming and easily accessible.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	DR, DO	LTFP					
12	Develop a Playspace Strategy, that will include an audit of existing playgrounds and which provides a prioritised works schedule for upgrading and the provision of new playspaces in the MidCoast region. Include fitness equipment as part of strategy. Include fitness equipment as part of plan.					OSR, CA, SP ECE	VE, IV	LTFP					
13	Develop a Commercial Fitness Provider policy to manage commercial fitness companies and individuals.					OSR, CA, SP, ECE, TA	VI, IV	LTFP					
14	Develop a MidCoast Walking and Cycling Strategy, that will include a works schedule for pathway provision and upgrades.					OSR, CA, SP, MA&RS, ECE	CC, VE						
15	Develop a Bushwalking Plan					OSR, CA, SP, ECE, GEDT	CC, VE	LTFP					

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16	Develop a Skatepark Plan					OSR, CA, SP, ECE	CC, VE	LTFP					
17	Continue to develop individual and generic Plans of Management for large reserves and for collections of smaller parks with similar characteristics as per Council's current plans for plans of management.					OSR, CA, SP, ECE	ED, VE, IV	LTFP					
18	Develop a MidCoast Sports Lighting Plan.					Trades, CA, SP, ECE	EP, PE	LTFP					
19	Develop a Public Toilet Plan. Strategy to identify where public toilets should be provided, with a focus on providing public toilets in our parks.					OSR, CA, SP, ECE, TA	ED, VE, IV	LTFP					
20	Develop a MidCoast Multi-use Court Plan. The strategy will conduct an audit of all Council-owned tennis courts in the area, analyse the need for each facility, and make recommendations on their future provision.					OSR, CA, SP, ECE	ED, VE, IV	LTFP					
21	Develop master plans for all Regional level facilities. These master plans will detail future project and upgrades to be done.					OSR, CA, SP, ECE	ED, VE	LTFP					
22	Develop the Taree disused riverside rail corridor into a multi-purpose trail creating a link between the urban area and the river in accordance with design principles as outlined in this strategy.					OSR, CA, SP, ECE, LUP	ED, VE	TBD					
23	Develop boating infrastructure plan based on the Taree-Great Lakes Regional Boating Plan.					OSR, CA, SP, ECE	ED, VE	E					
24	Develop grant application policy					OS&R, CA, S&P	IBP	E					
25	Provide further opportunities to support habitat by increasing planting opportunities and using local native species throughout our reserves.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	HZI, %, DR	E					
26	Continue to support the environmental volunteer program to undertake the regeneration of remnant vegetation.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	AM	E					
27	Maintain trees and canopy within individual reserves in line with Council's tree management policies.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	AI	TBD					
28	Install interpretative signage to all reserves that have bushland remnants, and native buffer plantings, particularly in vandalism hotspots.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	AI	LTFP					
29	Design buildings and landscape works to consider environmental sustainability and adaptation to future climatic conditions.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	ED	TBD					
30	Put in place the Impact Assessment Model, Thresholds of Change, as a mechanism to manage up to the carrying capacity of each of our individual reserves					OSR, CA, SP, NS	RI, AM	TBD					
31	Explore options for the improvement and implement of environmental sustainability through such measures as site design, layout and building design. a) Consider the use of local materials in the construction of buildings and infrastructure b) Design buildings with the local climatic conditions in mind, with consideration of local heating and cooling requirements c) Minimise impact on the environment through appropriate footprint design and techniques.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	AM	TBD					
32	Support programs that provide environmental education on-site.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	AI, CC	E					
33	Incorporate environmental information on promotional materials and signs.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	AI, CF	TBD					
34	Beaches (where 4x4 access is allowed) a) Monitor condition of beach access by 4X4 for damage by vehicles or beach erosion.					OSR, CA, SP, NS, MA&RS	AI, CF	E					

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35	Assist local sports clubs in attracting and retaining volunteers.					OSR, CA, SP	VE, CC	N/A					
36	Create sustainable spaces in parks and reserves for events.					SP, GEDT	VE, CC	TBD					
37	Accessibility a) Assess opportunities for all ability access to beaches. b) Put in place beach accessibility improvements as per recommendations from the all abilities beach access assessment.					OSR, CA, SP, MA&RS	VE, CC	TBD					
38	Develop and put in place strategies to maximise the use of Council parks and reserves for events in line with Council's identified priorities.					OSR, CA, SP, Trades	ED, VE	G, LTFF					
39	Investigate the feasibility, location and construction of: a) a disk golf course in the area. b) ninja fitness facility					OSR, CA, SP, GEDT	VE, CC, IA	LTFP					
40	Investigate locations as part of the development of the Dog Management Strategy for the provision of Fenced Off-leash Dog Areas (FOLA) in the region					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP					
41	Investigate more cycling racks, especially in major centres, such as Taree, Wingham and Forster.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, CS, VE	E					
42	Put in place natural shade at all local playgrounds (includes succession planting where shade sails exist)					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, CS, VE	E					
43	Maintain the natural ecosystems within each of the reserves as a whole system, seeing each individual component, such as sports fields and flora and fauna as being part of the whole ecosystem services offered and understanding that all the reserves link together as part of a whole green system within the larger MidCoast local government area.					OSR, NS	ED, CS, VE	E					
44	Develop a standard "Desired Levels of Service" for maintenance and minor works for all parks and reserves.					OSR, NS	FSI, OSM	E					
45	Capacity Management strategies Management and mechanisms are based on the capacity of the ecosystems within each of the reserves. Identify the thresholds of change for each of the main ecosystems within the reserves, including: a) Natural sports fields b) Softfall where it is installed, such as on playspaces. c) Natural tactile surfaces where used on paths d) Flora ecosystems, such as plantings, trees, gardens e) Use these thresholds to manage each ecosystem within their individual thresholds to maintain the element at its optimum and to maintain community confidence in the overall space.					OSR, NS	MNS	TBD					
46	Manage and program activities to minimise conflict and ensure that each place can continue to function during events.					OSR, NS	FSI, OSM	E					
47	Shared use of common areas of parks. Maintain and promote awareness of the cooperative use of the common areas of reserves.					OSR, NS	FSI, OSM	TBD					
48	Ensure safety is considered in all design projects within the individual reserves and continue to work with relevant stakeholders (local Police) to address identified safety concerns.					OSR, NS	FSI, OSM	E					
49	Provide information on general beach, sun and surf safety.					OSR, NS, SP	FSI, OSM	E					
50	Improve passive surveillance into the individual reserves to manage antisocial behavior.					OSR, NS, CA	FSI, OSM	TBD					
51	Ensure a continual upgrade of lawn, paths and planting areas and other reserve assets in line with Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP).					OSR, NS	FSI, OSM	E					
52	Do reactive maintenance of the reserves such as graffiti removal.					OSR, NS, CA, Trades	FSI, OSM	E					

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53	Continue to monitor the use of dog off-leash areas. Do any necessary campaigns to educate dog-walkers about regulations and dog-owner responsibilities. Enforce regulations as required.					OSR, NS	FSI, OSM	E					
54	Integrate compliance signage with a signage and wayfinding strategy and update signs accordingly.					OSR, NS, Ca, MA&RS	FSI, OSM	TBD					
55	Ensure the relevant information to allow for practicable enforcement of regulations, such as timed dog off leash.					OSR, NS, CA, MA&RS	FSI, OSM	TBD					
56	Review driveways and turn-around areas for vehicle/pedestrian shareway and provide appropriate areas and signage.					OSR, NS, CA, TA	FSI, OSM	TBD					
57	Investigate the identification of prioritised irrigating systems for sports fields and open space during drought by selecting those sports facilities that are a high priority to maintain.					OSR, CA, SP	VE	N/A					
58	Develop a signage policy for all signage to be installed in parks and reserves.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	E					
59	Develop boating infrastructure strategy					OSR, CA, SP	VE, EP	E					
60	Develop grant application policy					OSR, CA, SP	IBP	E					

#### LOCATION SPECIFIC ACTIONS

1	Black Head - Black Head Sports Complex Investigate the following projects a) Upgrade sports lighting. Installation of 2 x base-hinge sports lighting poles to the existing 2 poles and 12 LED luminaries b) Upgrade existing natural turf surface at the croquet court to improve player experience c) Provide seating on the eastern berm to the main field					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFF					
2	Black Head - Wylie Breckenridge Black Head Skatepark Develop the following project a) Construct a new skatepark in Black Head					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFF					
3	Boomerang Beach Develop the following projects a) Provide a lifeguard tower for more effective surveillance of the beach for the lifeguards b) Investigate pedestrian pathway north to south c) Investigate development of existing viewing platforms					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFF					
4	Boomerang Beach - Pacific Palms Sports Complex Develop the following project a) Upgrade sports lighting.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFF					
5	Boomerang Beach - Pacific Palms Sports Complex Investigate the following projects a) Investigate the addition of new sports fields and infrastructure b) Upgrade sports lighting. c) Provide lighting to the multi-purpose court d) Install Local Playspace e) Provide pathway connection from housing development to the south to allow community access to sports fields					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFF					
6	Brimbin a) Finalise master planning for Brimbin					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP					
7	Bulahdelah Investigate the following project a) Investigate actions to improve the entry statements to the town.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFF					
8	Bulahdelah Investigate the following project a) Investigate walk from future highway service station to state forest					OSR, CA, SP, TA, GEDT	ED, VE	G, LTFF					

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9	Bulahdelah Investigate the following projects a) Create access by constructing a path from town to the Myall River b) Investigate creating linkages between existing spaces and mountains					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
10	Bulahdelah - Jack Ireland Sports Complex Investigate the following project a) Investigate the installation of a drainage system at sports fields					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
11	Bulahdelah - Showground Tennis Investigate the following projects a) Upgrade synthetic surface on the tennis courts when at end of life b) Replace 8 x wooden light poles at end of life with 18m base-hinge poles with LED luminaries at the tennis courts c) Investigate converting one tennis court to multi-purpose court d) Investigate upgrade of clubhouse and amenity to meet contemporary standards					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
12	Bulahdelah - Wade Park Develop the following project a) Upgrade playspace to Local level.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
13	Bulahdelah - Bulahdelah Showground a) Put in place all actions identified in the Bulahdelah Showgrounds Plan of Management.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP					
14	Coolonglook, Wang Wauk and Wallingat River Catchment Develop the following projects a) Investigate upgrading picnic facilities, the boat ramp and parking opportunities at Cedar Park to encourage local and visitor use access to services, attractions and activities. b) Upgrade amenity building at Coolonglook Park c) Lobby the State Government to re-open targeted existing facilities in forests, parks and reserves d) Develop an Oval master plan that includes landscaping, signage, amenities and better access from the western side of the highway					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
15	Coomba - Coomba Park Foreshore Park Develop the following project a) Installation of solar lighting to the carpark					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
16	Coomba - Coomba Park Develop the following project a) Investigate linkage between two urban village areas					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
17	Coomba - Town Wide Investigate the following projects a) linkage to join lakeside Walks b) interpretive signage highlighting our Aboriginal and European history; including the largest Aboriginal settlement on Wallis Lake. Known as "Wallamba" c) Make "all access"; disabled parking and entry to pool d) Provide safe access between the public toilets and the pool. e) Investigate provision of multi-use courts – Basketball, netball, cricket nets, 2nd Tennis Court f) an accessible boardwalk with educational signage; behind the mangroves g) Investigate the upgrade of the children's playground					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE, CC	G, LTFP					
18	Coopernook Develop the following project a) Investigate the construction of a toilet in the vicinity of the educational shelter in the Cattai Wetlands.					OSR, CA, SP, NS	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
19	Coopernook Investigate the following projects a) Investigate a Coopernook to Cattai Wetlands linkage in collaboration over private land b) Investigate developing a multi-use trail from town to Harrington over private land					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
20	Coopernook - Coopernook Park Develop the following project a) Upgrade playspace					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
21	Coopernook Investigate the following project a) Investigate pump track / skatepark in Coopernook					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
22	Croki Develop the following project a) Investigate options for the upgrade of the swimming enclosure b) Upgrade wharf					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
23	Crowdy Head Investigate the following projects a) Investigate the following projects b) Install a water refill station at the surf club c) Seal the existing non-formalised car park at surf club d) Provide pathway between beach and boat ramp					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP					



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24	Crowdy Head - Muir Park Investigate the following project a) Consider rationalising or diversifying usage opportunities of the tennis court in line with future Tennis Strategy recommendations					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
25	Cundletown Investigate the following project a) Construct cycleway from Cundletown to Taree					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
26	Cundletown Investigate the following project a) Investigate constructing a walk and cycle link to Brimbin					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
27	Diamond Beach - Diamond Beach Park Develop the following project a) Do minor works to include new footpath, new equipment storage, a new basketball backboard and the resurfacing of the basketball and pickleball court.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
28	Diamond Beach - Diamond Beach Sport Ground Develop the following project a) Install sports lighting to the senior sized sports field					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
29	Diamond Beach - Fantail Rise Reserve Develop the following project a) Investigate the need for a Local level playspace.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
30	Elands - Ellenborough Falls Investigate the following project a) Investigate the enhancement of Ellenborough Falls facilities to support activation opportunities					OSR, CA, SP, GEDT	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
31	Elizabeth Beach Develop the following projects a) Investigate boat ramp and pontoon upgrade at Wallis Lake Foreshore Reserve b) Linkages from the community to Elizabeth Beach – advocacy role					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
32	Forster - Belton Park Develop the following projects a) Remove car parks in riverside foreshore park and turn into green spaces (refer to ED Strategy) b) Linkage to civic precinct					OSR, CA, SP, GEDT	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
33	Forster Develop the following project a) Extend Little Street foreshore walkway to Forster Keys as part of the Lakes to Oceans Trail					OSR, CA, SP, GEDT	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
34	Forster Develop the following project a) Integration and liaise with National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) to develop linkages from the Forster township through to the PWS managed lands such as national parks.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
35	Forster Develop the following project a) Investigate developing pedestrian linkages through drainage reserves – Cape Hawke Drive to Lakes Estate to Lakes Drive					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
36	Forster Develop the following projects a) Investigate completing missing links and formalization of the Lakes to Ocean walking circuit. b) Investigate, design and construct improvements to Rotary Walk at One Mile Beach. Improvements to include extension to the walk, rectification of damaged existing walkway, additional signage and supporting amenity such as seating. Investigation to include identification of accessible access to some sections of the Walk. Investigation to include feasibility of a connection from Bennett's Walk to One Mile Beach.					OSR, CA, SP, GEDT, NS	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
37	Forster - Forster Main Beach Develop the following projects a) Provide a lifeguard tower for more effective surveillance of the beach for the lifeguards b) Investigate providing all abilities access in Forster Main Beach Master Plan					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
38	Forster - Gregory Reserve Develop the following project a) Extend the Pelican Boardwalk on the river foreshore in Forster					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
39	Forster - The Sanctuary Develop the following project a) Extend trails network throughout the park					OSR, CA, SP, NS	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
40	Gloucester - King George V Memorial Park a) Investigate the upgrade of the playspace to District level					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
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41	<p>Gloucester - All town</p> <p>Investigate the following projects</p> <p>a) Extend and connect cycleways and pathways within the CBD and to neighbouring villages, such as cycleway to Barrington</p> <p>b) Continue to advocate for the development of mountain bike and bushwalking trails within Barrington tops and surrounding areas</p> <p>c) Additional dog friendly spaces within central locations</p>					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
42	<p>Gloucester - Billabong Park</p> <p>Investigate the following projects</p> <p>a) Upgrade and extend existing skatepark to Regional level. Provide skate elements for all age groups</p> <p>b) Upgrade pedestrian bridge in Billabong Park</p> <p>c) Encourage beautification of Billabong Park through community projects such as fruit tree planting, edible gardens and public art/sculpture</p> <p>d) Continue use of the park for markets, festivals and community events</p> <p>e) Upgrade the existing playspace</p> <p>f) Upgrade rider training course</p> <p>g) Develop missing pathway linkages in park</p> <p>h) Provide accessible toilets</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
43	<p>Gloucester - Captain Cook Park</p> <p>Investigate the following projects</p> <p>a) Investigate the construction of a multipurpose synthetic hockey field, including a full-size field, rts lighting and support facilities</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
44	<p>Gloucester</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Complete missing pathway linkages from Gloucester township to Bucketts</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
45	<p>Gloucester</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Investigate the best use of community land adjoining southern side of Gloucester District Park</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
46	<p>Gloucester</p> <p>Develop the following projects</p> <p>a) Investigate upgrading the viewing point at Kia Ora and Morgrani</p> <p>b) Install interpretive signage</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
47	<p>Gloucester - Farley Gates</p> <p>Investigate the following project</p> <p>a) Investigate the rationalisation of the playground at Farley Gates</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	E							
48	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park - Minimbah Reserve</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Construct a Fenced Off-leash Dog Area (FOLA)</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
49	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park - Bert Gallagher Memorial Oval</p> <p>Develop the following projects</p> <p>a) Replace 4 X wooden light poles at end of life with base-hinge poles and provide LED luminaires</p> <p>b) Install irrigation</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
50	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Consider management options for the Recreation Centre</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
51	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Construct a new pump track.</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE, YA	G, LTFP							
52	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park – N e t b a l l facility</p> <p>Develop the following projects</p> <p>a) Replace 4 X wooden light poles at end of life. Install base-hinge poles with LED luminaries</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
53	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park - Number 1 Oval</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Investigate options for the upgrade of the heritage listed grandstand. New grandstand to include changerooms, officials' rooms, public accessible toilets.</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
54	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park - Number 1 Oval</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Replace 4 X wooden light poles at end of life. Install base-hinge poles with LED luminaries</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
55	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park - Southern Football Fields</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Install sports lighting to all fields</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
56	<p>Gloucester - Gloucester District Park - Tennis facility</p> <p>Develop the following project</p> <p>a) Replace 9 X wooden light poles at end of life. Install base-hinge poles with LED luminaries</p>					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
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57	Hallidays Point Develop the following projects a) Investigate the construction of new Hallidays Point Sporting Fields b) Coastal Path from Blackhead to Redhead village – continue through Seascape development to Diamond Beach and then through to Saltwater c) Investigate planting of trees/vegetation in fingers of land that will not impact amenity or views					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
58	Harrington a) Put in place Master Plan for Oxley Reserve					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP							
50	Harrington Consider the following project a) Construct cycleway between Harrington and Crowdy Head					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
60	Harrington Develop the following project a) Construct linkages from area near hotel waterways					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
61	Harrington Develop the following project a) Move cycleway at Wards Creek to other side of road into Oxley Reserve					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
62	Harrington - Dolphin Park Develop the following projects a) Improve the entry b) Improve way-finding signage to the park					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	E							
63	Harrington - Esmond Hogan Park Develop the following projects a) Investigate the installation of a drainage system at sports fields b) Construct new amenity building					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
64	Hawks Nest Develop the following project a) Construct Stage 2 of Amenities Building at Myall Park					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
65	Hawks Nest Develop the following projects a) Investigate bird viewing platform at Jimmys Beach b) Investigate fenced leashed free dog area at Providence Park c) Access to lookouts and vision of the water					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
66	Krambach Develop the following projects a) Replace wooden light poles at tennis courts at end of life and add LED luminaries to the existing 4 X metal poles b) Upgrade the existing playspace to a Local level facility					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
67	Lansdowne Develop the following projects a) Investigate opportunities for multi-use sports and recreation facilities b) Upgrade drainage on sports fields					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
68	Lansdowne - Lansdowne Nature Reserve Develop the following project a) Advocate on behalf of community for better access to Lansdowne Nature Reserve					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP							
69	Manning Point Develop the following projects a) Investigate the upgrade of swimming enclosure b) Investigate the upgrade of the public toilet					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
70	Nabiac - Nabiac Showground a) Put in place all actions identified in the Nabiac Showgrounds Plan of Management.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP							
71	Nabiac Develop the following projects a) Develop a village landscape plan incorporating appropriate native exotic and fruit trees to produce shade, atmosphere and community food b) Investigate the upgrading of the existing sport amenity to align with current and projected future use of the sport complex c) Investigate upgrade of existing skate park					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE, CC	G, LTFP							
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72	Nabiac - Nabiac Oval Investigate the following projects a) At the tennis courts replace 4 x wooden light poles at end of life with 18m base-hinge poles with LED luminaries b) Upgrade tennis court surface c) Incorporate additional sports markings to court to allow for other uses d) Investigate sports lighting for training at the oval. To include 4 x base-hinge poles with LED luminaries e) Investigate drainage of the sports field at Nabiac Oval					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE, CC	G, LTFP							
73	Nerong – Nerong Inlet a) Investigate potential development of facilities at Nerong Inlet as proposed in Nerong Boating Redevelopment Plan					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
74	North Arm Cove and Carrington - Town wide Develop the following projects a) Develop and put in place a plan for walking/exercise trails and exercise stations. b) Casuarina Park upgrades in line with approved plans c) Develop Medina Bay reserve landscaping plan d) Assess the need for skateboard and BMX facilities, and put in place if feasible e) Assess the need for children's play facilities, and put in place if feasible f) Determine the need and location for a protected swimming area, and if feasible, develop a plan to put in place g) Determine the most appropriate location for an Emergency Evacuation jetty, and if feasible, develop a plan to put in place h) Do a feasibility study to identify a suitable location for a community boat ramp outside of the NAC village i) Survey public waterfront access pathways and build paths for pedestrian access to the water. j) Do a feasibility study to identify a suitable location for a public boat ramp and jetty to service the Carrington and Tahlee communities, and if feasible, develop a plan to put in place					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
75	North Arm Cove Develop the following projects a) Investigate boat launching facility at Beauty Point b) Investigate enhancement opportunities at Heros Beach as per community developed Master Plan					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
76	Old Bar - EG Trads and Old Bar Reserve Investigate the following projects a) Improve drainage and irrigation b) Upgrade lighting to eastern field c) New storage facility d) Provision of new changerooms for female players					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
77	Old Bar - Mud Bishops Reserve Develop the following projects a) Investigate embellishment Mud Bishops Reserve b) Extend, rationalise and enhance trails in the area, to include wayfinding and interpreting signage.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
78	Old Bar - Old Bar Park a) Develop Master Plan for Old Bar Park					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	TBD							
79	Old Bar - Old Bar Park a) Develop the actions from the masterplan.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
80	Old Bar - Old Bar Park Investigate the following projects a) Provision of new changerooms for female players b) Solar panels on storage sheds c) Upgrade to sports light from metal halide to LED d) New lighting to the courts e) Ball catch fence to the courts					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
81	Pipers Bay Recreation Reserve Investigate the following projects a) Provide a Local playspace in the reserve b) Provide seating c) Provide bubblers and dog bag dispenser					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
82	Seal Rocks a) Develop plans for rehabilitation of the eastern reserve (as a passive recreation space), and addressing informal beach access points at Number 1 Beach, Seal Rocks					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP							
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83	Seal Rocks Develop the following project a) Consider provision of public access at eastern end of Number One Beach (consider aboriginal heritage)					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
84	Smiths Lake Investigate the following projects a) Investigate community walking trails and connectivity back to Paradise Reserve b) Consider implementation of the community's Paradise Reserve Master Plan					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
85	Smiths Lake a) Endorse the Paradise Point Master Plan					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP							
86	South Pindimar Investigate the following project a) Investigate the provision of a dump point at South Pindimar					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE, CC	LTFP							
87	Stratford Develop the following project a) Replacement of synthetic cricket wicket at oval and install bollards to secure it.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
88	Stratford a) Conduct feasibility analysis for Stratford reserve for future provision consideration					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP							
89	Stroud Develop the following project a) Consider providing pathway access to the water via Mammy Johnson Reserve					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
90	Stroud - Silo Hill Reserve a) Investigate the future provision and embellishment					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
91	Taree a) Conduct feasibility study for a potential cycleway to Wingham					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
92	Taree a) Plan for, scope location and deliver Regional level skate park in Taree					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
93	Taree Develop the following project a) Consider underpass for the shared cycleway between Browns Creek and Victoria St					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
94	Taree - Craiglea Place Reserve Develop the following project a) Investigate suitability for development into a Local park, including the potential installation of a multi-purpose court, or Local playspace					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
95	Taree a) Develop a feasibility study for the Taree Regional Sports Facility of Excellence					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP							
96	Taree - Edinburgh Park a) Investigate the need for the upgrade of the play space at Edinburgh Park					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
97	Taree - Hughes Street Reserve a) Investigate the construction of a small trail network through the reserves, for walking and mountain biking.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
98	Taree - Manning Waters Reserve a) Investigate the construction of a District level playspace.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
99	Taree - Taree Leagues a) Partner with the current owner and advocate for the upgrading of the sports lighting and the upgrade of the amenity building.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
100	Taree - Taree Recreation Grounds a) Investigate the feasibility of developing Taree Recreation Grounds into a regionally significant facility (including incorporating Jack Neal Oval into the precinct)					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
101	Taree - Taree Rugby Park a) Investigate upgrade of lighting and amenities at Urara Lane Park					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							
102	Taree - Telopea Drive Reserve a) Investigate the need for a playspace.					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP							

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117	Wingham - Cedar Party Creek Recreation Reserve a) Develop Master Plan for Cedar Party Creek Recreation Reserve					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	TBD					
118	Wingham - Cedar Party Creek Recreation Reserve a) Investigate linkages from Cedar Party Creek Recreation Reserve to town centre					OSR, CA, SP, TA	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
119	Wingham - Central Park a) Develop Master Plan Central Park					OSR, CA, SP	VE	TBD					
120	Wingham - Chrissy Gollan Reserve a) Develop master plan for Chrissy Gollan Reserve					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	LTFP					
121	Wingham a) Investigate the upgrading of the Wingham skatepark					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					
122	Wooton Develop the following project a) Investigate creating a walk through the bush area behind the hall, with interpretive signage					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE, CC	LTFP					
123	Tuncurry – North Tuncurry Sports Complex Peter Barclay Sports Fields a) Replace 8 X wooden sports light poles at end of life with 8 X base-hinge poles to increase capacity across both fields					OSR, CA, SP	ED, VE	G, LTFP					