Community Satisfaction in Local Government Survey Results 2015

Proposed Improvement Action Plan 2015 - 2016

Response Area		Our action plan for 2015
1.	Making decisions in the interest of the community	 Include a communication and engagement plan in all major projects. Build staff skills in effective community engagement. Develop clear Council reports which consider all available information and explain the rationale for recommendations.
2.	Community consultation and engagement	 Continue to improve Council's practices by implementing the Year 1 action plan of the Communications and Community Engagement Strategy, including: Greater use of video to explain Council services and initiatives Review Council's website Continue to build Council's use of social media Exploration of a general community consultative panel Development of a new online community engagement hub Develop and deliver training to staff to improve practices Develop an email contact database for part time residents. Implement audio recording of Council meetings.
3.	Lobbying on behalf of the Community	 Finalise key advocacy priorities and plans Action those plans including advocating to Federal Election candidates
4.	Town Planning Policy	 Undertaking rural hinterland project to develop stronger policy in rural areas to promote economic development opportunities. Undertaking economic and land use review of Torquay Town centre.
5.	Planning and building permits	 Completed customer focussed planning project and implementing more customer focussed structure and processes in Statutory Planning Unit. Undertaken staff workshops to agree on key aspects of a customer service approach Created new administration team responsible for customer interaction and improving process efficiencies Business requirements project to define IT system to support customer approach
6.	Planning for population growth	 Developing Spring Creek Precinct Structure Plan (PSP) to provide for responsive growth west of Torquay. Implementing adopted Growing Winchelsea project to provide alternative options for growth in rural hinterland.
7.	Environmental sustainability	Develop an Environmental Leadership Program to be approved by Council
8.	Maintenance of unsealed roads	 Implement road network plan to manage unsealed roads. Develop asset renewal funding strategy.
9.	Traffic management	 Investigate Long vehicle parking improvements at Winchelsea Visitor Information Centre. Investigate and consult with the community to improve pedestrian movements across the Great Ocean Road at Aireys Inlet bottom shops. Implement improvements to the pedestrian crossing of Great Ocean Road at Lorne Swing Bridge. Community consultation, in conjunction with VicRoads, to make traffic congestion improvements at Camp Road, Anglesea roundabout.

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	 Continue to progress traffic management solutions for Beach Road / Surf Coast Highway and South Beach Road / Surf Coast Highway. Work with Vic Roads to implement new roundabout works at the Great Ocean Road Forest Road intersection.
	 Work with Vic Roads to implement a pedestrian underpass at the Fairhaven Surf Life Saving Club.