



ACTIVE LIVINGSTONE STRATEGY

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ACTIVE LIVINGSTONE STRATEGY

In 2018, Livingstone Shire Council developed the *Active Livingstone Strategy* with the intention of producing a considered, evidence-based, planning document to direct construction of active recreation infrastructure throughout the Shire. The plan, which incorporates input from a range of stakeholders, outlines 21 recommendations in relation to future budget cycles and funding opportunities.

The emphasis of the *Active Livingstone Strategy* is on determining how physical infrastructure will help the Livingstone community get out and enjoy the great spaces and places of the Shire. The intention is to create a more walkable, active, and healthy community.

The *Active Livingstone Strategy* was prepared by Place Design Group on behalf of Council with the benefit of funding from the State Government under the Get Planning Spaces programme.



SNAPSHOT OF FINDINGS

The *Active Livingstone Strategy* presented the following key information:

HOW ACTIVE ARE LIVINGSTONE SHIRE RESIDENTS?

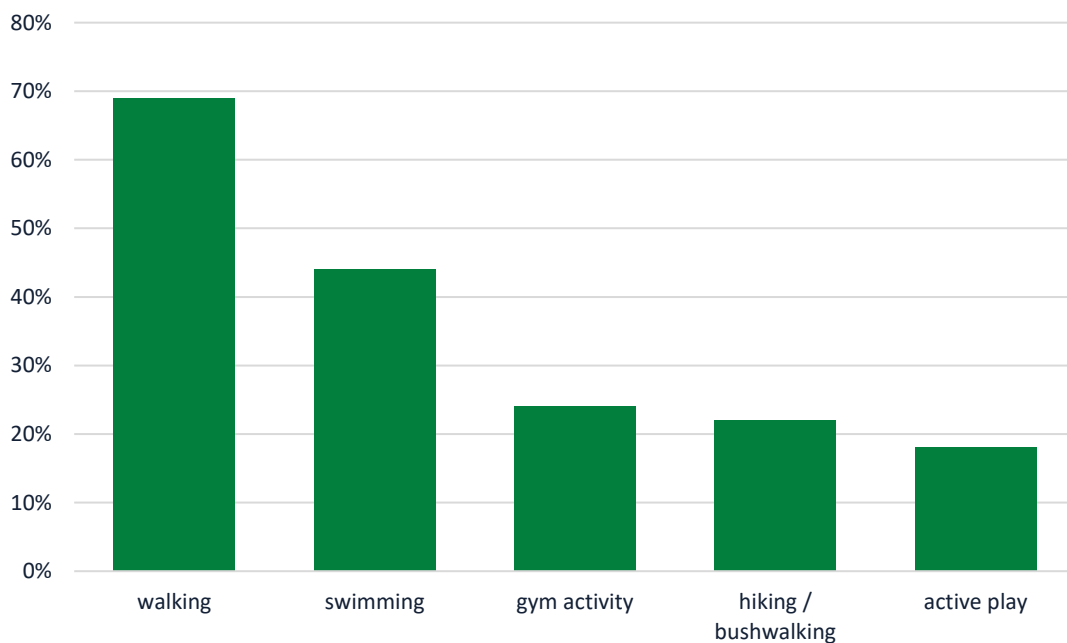


PARTICIPATED IN SOME FORM OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY OVER A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD



TOOK PART IN SOME FORM OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY ONCE A WEEK OR MORE

LIVINGSTONE'S FAVOURITE SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES



BARRIERS TO PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

1 Limited time and competing priorities

2 Physical conditions (illness and disabilities)

3 Limited or inadequate facilities

STAKEHOLDER SUGGESTIONS

Better and safer infrastructure

Online resources to support those with limited time

Beach activation

Amenities to support activity

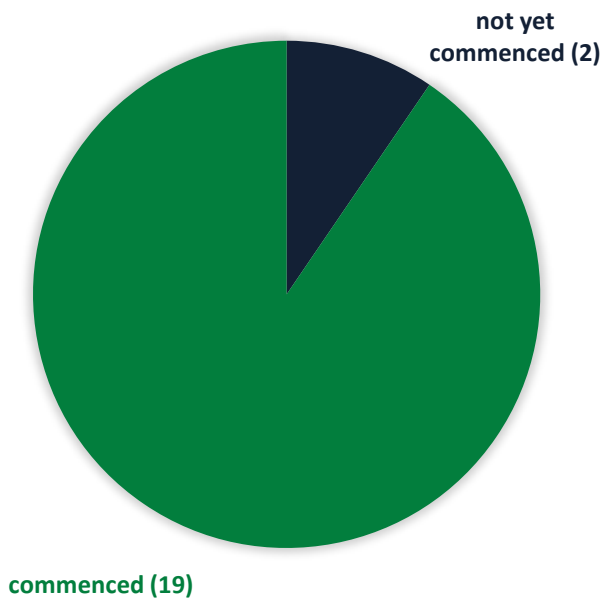
Greater connectivity between paths

Pineapple Rail Trail extension

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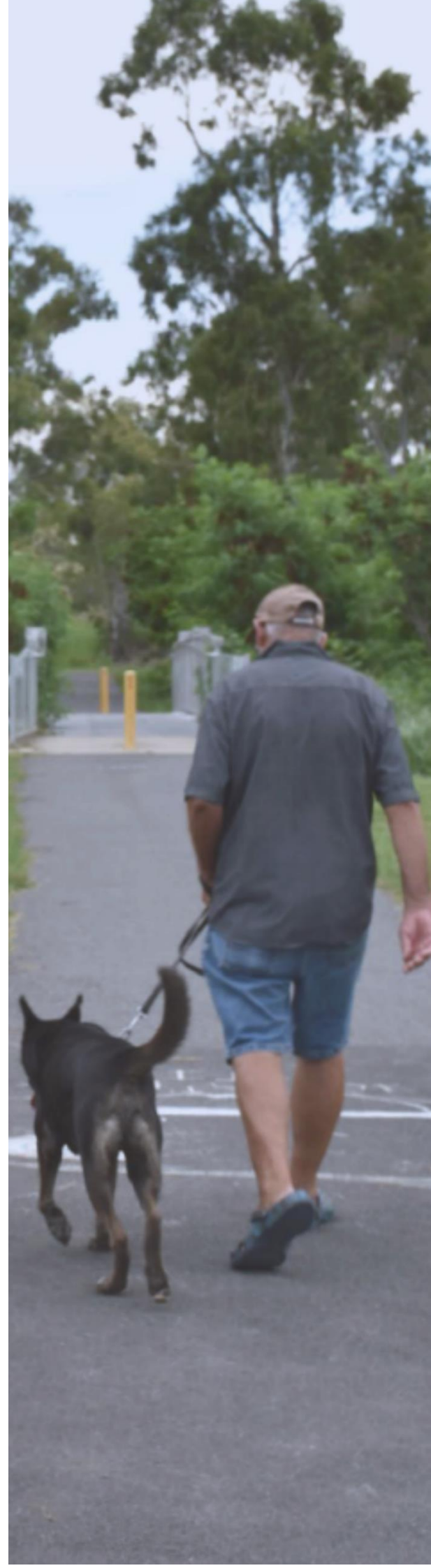
Since the *Active Livingstone Strategy* was developed in 2018, significant progress has been made on most of the twenty-one projects and activities recommended within the strategy.

As shown below, most of these recommendations have been progressed:



Of the nineteen recommendations that have been commenced, thirteen are ongoing projects and six have commenced but are still in progress.

The two recommendations which have not yet been commenced both relate to the implementation of the 'Yeppoon Summits' concept, a trail which links the scenic hills within the town and surrounds. This project would require significant funding and other resources and is a long-term recommendation.



Strategy one: Let's walk

Action		Status	Next steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
1.1	Complete the proposed pedestrian and cycle network. This network is not intended to be an on- road network, but a designated off-road network contained wholly within the verge.	Commenced The Pedestrian and Cycle network continues to be expanded. Network pathways completed since 2018 include: Cordingley St, Taylor St, Whitman St, Loaders Lane, Merv Anderson Park, Swordfish Ave, Byfield Rd, The Caves Park, and Bicentennial Park.	Continue expanding pedestrian and cycle networks according to dedicated funding programmes. The importance of tree retention and planting to create shade (for sun safety and temperature control) should be considered for all pedestrian and cycle networks.	Lead Engineering services Support CDSR Events and engagement Natural resource management	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1	2
1.2	Completion of the Coastal Path that connects Yeppoon to Emu Park. This fragmented route, in its current form, is popular with cyclists, walkers and runners.	Commenced Further sections of the Coastal Shared Pathway have been completed from the Marina to Mulambin.	Council will continue to work with stakeholders to complete remaining sections of the Coastal Shared Pathway (from the southern end of the bridge at Causeway Lake to Emu Park). The importance of tree retention and planting to create shade (for sun safety and temperature control) should be considered for all pedestrian and cycle networks.	Lead Engineering services Support CDSR Events and engagement Natural resource management	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1	1 Priority action

1.3	Where linkages align with the Pedestrian and Cycle Network funding should be sought under this mechanism. Future Local Government Infrastructure Plan updates should consider the proposed linkages.	<p>Ongoing Completion of the Shared Pedestrian and Cycle Pathways have largely been funded through Cycle Network Local Government Grants whilst James St West and Braithwaite St pathways were delivered within Development works expenditure.</p>	Council will continue to work with stakeholders to complete remaining sections of the Coastal Shared Pathway (from the southern end of the bridge at Causeway Lake to Emu Park). Council officers will consider proposed linkages as part of the Local Government Infrastructure Planning process. The importance of tree retention and planting to create shade (for sun safety and temperature control) should be considered for all pedestrian and cycle networks.	<p>Lead Engineering services</p> <p>Support CDSR Events and engagement Natural resource management</p>	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1	2
1.4	Upgrades to the pathway network should prioritise connecting Schools to localised activity nodes and residential areas, to encourage active recreation for school aged children.	<p>Ongoing Work on the Pathway Network has prioritised connecting schools to localized activity nodes with paths completed along Braithwaite St, James St, Taranganba Rd, Pacific heights, Barmaryee Rd and Hill St Emu Park.</p>	Council will work with schools and other stakeholders to enable this action. Council officers will consider proposed linkages as part of the Local Government Infrastructure Planning process. The importance of tree retention and planting to create shade (for sun safety and temperature control) should be considered for all pedestrian and cycle networks.	<p>Lead Engineering services</p> <p>Support CDSR Events and engagement Natural resource management</p>	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1	2

Strategy two: Safe to cycle

Action		Status	Next Steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
2.1	Complete the cycle network with designated pathways to be constructed off-road to provide safe travel routes for non-vehicular modes of transport. This will also promote active living and safer travel.	<p>Commenced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Pedestrian and Cycle network continues to be expanded. - Network pathways completed since 2018 include: Kemp Beach, Taranganba Rd North, Pacific Heights Rd, James St West, Braithwaite St, Yeppoon Precinct, Hill St Emu Park, Barmaryee Rd. - In 2021 a funding application was submitted for installation of approximately fifty-five (55) bike racks across the main business precincts in the shire. 	Continue to pursue funding applications for the installation of approximately fifty-five (55) bike racks across the main business precincts in the shire. The importance of tree retention and planting to create shade (for sun safety and temperature control) should be considered for all pedestrian and cycle networks.	<p>Lead</p> <p>Engineering services</p> <p>Support</p> <p>CDSR Events and engagement Natural resource management</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1 	1
2.2	Where linkages align with the Pedestrian and Cycle Network, funding should be sought under this mechanism. Future Local Government Infrastructure Plan updates should consider the proposed linkages.	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Completion of the Shared Pedestrian and Cycle Pathways have largely been funded through Cycle Network Local Government Grants whilst James St West and Braithwaite St pathways were delivered within Development works expenditure.</p>	Council will continue to work with stakeholders to complete remaining sections of the Coastal Shared Pathway (from the southern end of the bridge at Causeway Lake to Emu Park). Council officers will consider proposed linkages as part of the Local Government Infrastructure Planning process. The importance of tree retention and planting to create shade (for sun safety	<p>Lead</p> <p>Engineering services</p> <p>Support</p> <p>CDSR Events and engagement Natural resource management</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1 	2

			and temperature control) should be considered for all pedestrian and cycle networks.			
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Strategy three: Off road

Action		Status	Next Steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
3.1	Livingstone has a number of national parks and other areas of reserves and bushland where informal cycle trails have been developed. These trails are often through areas that are remote and of scenic interest, which are of particular interest to mountain bikers and bushwalkers. A master planning exercise with an experienced trail builder could create a significant active recreation resource for the surrounding locality.	<p>Commenced Council has worked to support stakeholders in developing trails and paths as required, including work with the Rotary Club at Mulambin. Council officers have also investigated the viability of a botanical trail to highlight areas of natural beauty.</p> <p>Council is also currently undertaking work on the Wreck Point Walking Trail with funding from the Queensland and Australian Governments under the Category D 2019 Queensland Bushfires Economic Recovery Program.</p>	Council will continue to work with stakeholders to plan for established trails in Council-owned or administered reserves and will continue looking for relevant funding opportunities.	<p>Lead Engineering services</p> <p>Support NRM CDSR Events and engagement</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 3.3.2 - 5.2.1</p>	3
3.2	Where linkages align with the Pedestrian and Cycle Network, funding should be sought under this mechanism. Future Local Government Infrastructure Plan updates should consider the proposed linkages.	<p>Ongoing Completion of the Shared Pedestrian and Cycle Pathways have largely been funded through Cycle Network Local Government Grants whilst James St West and Braithwaite St pathways were delivered within Development works expenditure.</p>	Council will continue to work with stakeholders to complete remaining sections of the Coastal Shared Pathway (from the southern end of the bridge at Causeway Lake to Emu Park). Council officers will consider proposed linkages as part of the Local Government Infrastructure Planning process.	<p>Lead Engineering services</p> <p>Support CDSR Events and engagement</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1</p>	2

Strategy four: Facilities

Action		Status	Next Steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
4.1	The construction of park equipment, toilet facilities, showers, and bubblers at key hotspots of recreational activities.	<p>Ongoing New equipment and facilities have been installed at a number of recreational facilities, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New soft fall for skate park at Appleton Park - New climbing block at Bell Park - Improved all-weather parking and accessible parking bays - Amenities converted to two accessible (people with disability and people with mobility aids including prams and wheelie walkers) amenities at Causeway Lake (south and west) - New accessible (people with disability) and ambulant toilet at Coorooman Creek - Space net, playground upgrade, new accessible (people with disability) shower and toilet and water station at Daniel Park - Upgrades to Sondra Lena Park 	<p>Planned future projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Water station planned for Bell Park (2023) - Change in place amenities and playground for Kerr Park (2023) - New accessible amenities at Lioness Park (2024) - New accessible amenities at Merv Anderson Park (2023) - Shade over picnic area at Olive Dory Park (2023) - New playground at Paramount Park (2023) - New accessible toilet on Rail Trail at Barmaryee Road (2023) - New accessible barbecue at Rotary Park (2023) 	<p>Lead Facilities</p> <p>Support CDSR Engineering services Open spaces</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.2.3 - 1.3.1 - 1.3.3 	2

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upgrades to the Sailability boat ramp at the Causeway Lake - Installation of beach matting and provision of beach wheelchairs at Emu Park Main Beach to support active living for people with disabilities and people using mobility aids - Updates to Glenlee Park - New playground, shade, shelters, picnic table, barbecue, bubblers, inclusive playground equipment, and accessible barbecue at Kerr Park - New accessible barbecue and shade structures at the Yeppoon Lagoon - New accessible barbecue and water station at Lioness Park at Lammermoor - New roof shade over playground at Marlborough Park - Playground upgrade at Merv Anderson Park - Barbecue installed by Rotary Club at Mulambin - New dog park at Olive Dory Park in Lammermoor - Amenities upgraded (accessible to people with disability) and new barbecue installed at Ogmoo 				
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	<p>Bicentennial Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upgrades to Paramount Park - New water station at Rail Trail Stage One - New roof shade to playground and 80% of playground equipment renewed at Rotary Park at Farnborough - New shade shelter and amenities upgraded (accessible to people with disability) and ambulant accessible barbecue at Schofield Park - New accessible (people with disability) and ambulant toilet at Stanage Bay - Expanded playground, shade structures over playground and skate park, and accessible barbecue at The Caves Park - New shade over playground and accessible (people with disability) and ambulant toilet at Widdowson Park - New accessible (people with disability) and ambulant toilet at Williamson Creek at southern end of Lammermoor - Playground and amenities upgraded at Yeppoon Foreshore 			
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4.2	Construction of outdoor gym equipment in selected locations.	Ongoing In 2019 outdoor exercise equipment was installed (by Lions) along Patterson St. Emu Park	Installation of push/pull exercise equipment is proposed along Stage 1 of the Rail Trail and for Paramount Park, Rocky View.	Lead Facilities Support CDSR Open spaces	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.2.3 - 1.3.1 - 1.3.3	2
4.3	Embellishment of existing pathways with signage and distance markers.	Ongoing Signs have been installed at various locations since 2018 as identified by pathway users and other stakeholders.	Continue working with stakeholders to identify priority areas for signage and distance markers.	Lead CDSR Support Facilities Engineering services Open spaces	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1	3

Strategy five: Activation

Action		Status	Next steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
5.1	<p>Consultation revealed support for increased activation on the foreshore such as 'how-to' classes to help locals start a new activity. Sunrise and sunset classes should be trialled on the foreshore.</p>	<p>Ongoing Social media evidence of small business and sole practitioners utilizing the Foreshore to hold yoga classes, boot camps, and other exercise classes.</p> <p>The Causeway Lake precinct master planning process is also underway to determine future use and development of the area.</p> <p>The Cooee Bay Masterplan and Transport Strategy is also continuing. This is a long-term plan to upgrade the road network and extend the pathway networks within Cooee Bay in order to connect the area with Lammermoor Beach and various sporting and recreational activities within Cooee Bay.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct online community survey to identify the extent of small group activities conducted by local business and community groups' use along the foreshore. - Continue to plan school holiday activities and community events that highlight existing recreational opportunities and provide 'come and try' experiences at the foreshore. 	<p>Lead Events and engagement</p> <p>Support CDSR Marketing and communications</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.3.1 - 2.3.3 	3

5.2	<p>Dedicated spaces along the foreshore should be provided for watercraft equipment hire – paddle boards, kayaks etc. to provide locals and tourists with access to such activities. These spaces should be separate from car parking areas and set aside to allow hire activities to ‘bump in and bump out’ during the course of the day.</p>	<p>Ongoing Many community groups utilise foreshore spaces, including: - Community organized sporting events such as the Yeppoon Triathlon and Running Festival, which are held each year along the foreshore - Dedicated spaces are leased to Clubs for Sailing and Surf Lifesaving activities - Keppel Bay Sailing Club hire out sailing dinghies, stand up paddleboards, and windsurfers to members and to the public where they are familiar with use of the craft (note this is not promoted to visitors as the Club does not supervise the water outside times of Club activities) - Keppel Bay Sailing Club hold four discover sailing days per year with skilled instructors offering free participation and instruction.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council to consider requirements at Yeppoon foreshore to cater for future growth of events, including parking and facility upgrades - Spaces for watercraft equipment hire from car park areas could be considered during these upgrades - Consider inclusion of watercraft hire and supervision in contract with Surf Life Saving Queensland for lifeguard patrol and rescue services. This could involve Keppel Bay Sailing Club in collaboration for use of their equipment, water and rescue craft. - Continue to plan school holiday activities that highlight existing recreational opportunities on the foreshore (e.g., Come and Try). 	<p>Lead Facilities</p> <p>Support CDSR Open spaces</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.3.1 - 2.3.3 	3
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5.3	The dedicated areas for hiring watercraft equipment can be used by food vans for further activation at night-time and extend the life of the foreshore area.	<p>Ongoing Council-run programming at the foreshore is focused on activating the space during peak tourism times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CQ Markets & Events – Beachside Twilight Markets & Movie (April, June, September, December) - Capricorn Film Festival – Projection Trail (July) - CQ Markets & Events – Fantasy Festival (September) - Tides & Tunes (Dec-Jan) - NYE Spectacular (Dec) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council conducts online community surveys to gather feedback on events and activities that took place over each school holiday period. Community feedback will continue to be incorporated into future programming. - A community survey should also be considered to identify the extent of equipment hire activities conducted by local business and community groups’ use along the foreshore. 	<p>Lead CDSR</p> <p>Support Events and engagement</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.3.1 - 2.3.3 	2
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Strategy six: Pineapple Rail Trail

	Action	Status	Next Steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
6.1	Complete the Pineapple Rail Trail from Yeppoon to Rockhampton.	<p>Commenced In 2020 Livingstone Shire Council completed the Capricorn Coast Pineapple Rail Trail (Stage 2-4) Planning, Design and Feasibility Study to establish the scope and costs of extending the Rail Trail to Mt Chalmers. Council officers are currently seeking funding to deliver this project. In 2021 a funding application was submitted to the Resources Community Infrastructure Fund to complete Stage 2 of the Rail Trail but the application was unsuccessful.</p> <p>The Rail Trail is identified in the Local Government Infrastructure Plan, with the next stage from Yeppoon Road to Mackays Road earmarked for delivery around 2031. Rail Trails are a Queensland Government initiative and will only proceed if the Queensland Government fully funds the projects.</p>	<p>Continue to pursue funding for completion of Stage 2 of the Rail Trail (detailed costings are required next, followed by phased construction). Focus on providing residents of the Pines Estate active links to the Yeppoon Town Centre. A detailed design has been undertaken for the Yeppoon to Mt Chalmers section, and Council will implement this work if and when funding is received.</p> <p>Given that the current and proposed future Pineapple Rail Trail travels through areas of endangered plants and Serpentine geology/vegetation which is unique to the area, appropriate development standards will need to be implemented to protect important environmental features. Community education and interpretative signage should also be included.</p>	<p>Lead Engineering services</p> <p>Support CDSR Facilities Infrastructure planning Natural resource management</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 5.2.1</p>	2

Strategy seven: Yeppoon Summits

Action		Status	Next steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
7.1	Implementation of 'Yeppoon Summits', which links the scenic hills within the town and surrounds to create an Urban Trail for locals and tourists.	No progress to report.	Prepare Project Initiation Request for consideration in future budget planning processes.	Lead CDSR Support Project management office NRM Engineering services Open spaces	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 3.3.2 - 5.2.1	3
7.2	Trail signage, step counters, historical information and lighting should be incorporated into the trail.	No progress to report.	Prepare Project Initiation Request for consideration in future budget planning processes.	Lead CDSR Support Project management office NRM Engineering services Open spaces	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1 - 3.3.2 - 5.2.1	3

Strategy eight: Smart steps

Action		Status	Next steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
8.1	New signage and lighting should contain monitors and data points that collect information. This data can be used to test projects, provide valuable information about intensity of use and influence future design of active recreational infrastructure.	<p>Commenced Council has commenced conversations with property developers about the potential to trial a subdivision with smart lighting, which would provide opportunities to include monitors and data points (sensors to include traffic and pathway users).</p> <p>Council is also investigating smart signs at pedestrian crossing facilities, which have sensors to detect people waiting to cross the road and the ability to trigger a warning to motorists to beware of pedestrians.</p>	To be considered during planning phase of new projects.	<p>Lead Construction and maintenance</p> <p>Support CDSR</p>	Livingstone 2050 - 1.3.1	2

Strategy nine: Online and out there

Action	Status	Next steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority	
9.1	<p>Implement a central resource where residents and tourists can find out about local facilities and recreational activities, such as information on where, when, who to contact and how to get involved. This one-stop activity hub will allow for marketing and promotion of current recreational activities offered in the region, to support tourists visiting the Shire.</p>	<p>Ongoing Various events calendars, tourism and social media pages exist, however, no central resource exists for local community level recreational activities.</p>	<p>To progress this action, Council should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expand the sport and recreation facilities listed on the “Places and Spaces” page on our website - Explore and prepare options paper for a Livingstone specific Sport and Recreation central resource of information. 	<p>Lead CDSR</p> <p>Support Marketing and communications</p>	<p>Sporting needs analysis 2022</p> <p>Livingstone 2050</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.2.3 - 1.3.1 - 2.4.1 	<p>1 Priority action</p>

Strategy ten: Good Moves Officer

Action		Status	Next steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
10.1	Implementation of this type of programme will require a dedicated and fully funded person (or persons) within Livingstone Shire Council to provide direction and resources.	Ongoing This role is currently partially resourced within the Community Development team.	To progress this action, Council should: - Prepare a position description and business case aligned to the Active Livingstone Strategy, Sporting Needs Analysis, and Community Plan for consideration and funding submissions as they arise - Seek relevant funding opportunities to support this position.	Lead CDSR	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.2.3 - 1.3.1 - 2.4.1	1 Priority action

Strategy eleven: Placemaking strategy

Action		Status	Next steps	Responsible for next steps	Strategic alignment	Priority
11.1	The Placemaking Strategy should be consulted in the course of developing active recreation infrastructure initiatives.	Ongoing The Placemaking Strategy (2017) has been used to guide a number of developments, including: - 10,000 steps signage - Park facilities - Playgrounds	Council will continue to use the Placemaking Strategy to guide development of recreation infrastructure initiatives	Lead CDSR Engineering services Open spaces Construction and maintenance Facilities Economic development	Sporting needs analysis 2022 Livingstone 2050 - 1.2.3 - 1.3.1 - 2.4.1	2