

Cornwall Township Plan 2022 - 2025



Version 1 – October 2022

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Introduction

Township Plans are developed with community and provide Council with an understanding of the needs of each community, as well as how community and Council can work together to achieve them.

The idea to develop township plans came from conversations Council staff had with communities when we consulted on the development of the Strategic Plan in 2017.

The first Township Plans were developed in March, 2019.

This second edition of the Cornwall Township Plan will guide activities over the next three years, from 2022 – 2025.

To develop this plan we consulted the Cornwall community through a "drop in session" and an online survey process. Further detail on the information from the community engagement process forms Appendix 1 to this Plan.

This Township Plan will replace the 2019-2021 Cornwall Township Plan, you can find a copy of this plan and a report of how we went achieving these activities on our website under My Community /Township Plans.

The themes from the previous plan compared to this plan have not changed a great deal with the community still focusing on community infrastructure, tourism and weed maintenance

Some notable achievements from the previous plan include:

- Redesign of swale drain Alexander Street completed
- Sealing of Lennox and Campbell Streets completed
- Council assisted with the erection of signage at Soldiers Walk Park.

Cornwall – Our Town

An important part in developing the Township Plan is to understanding what residents love about their community and how they would like their community to look in 10 years' time.

Based on residents answers to these survey questions we developed the below statements.

Community Vision: The Cornwall Community most values their peaceful and quiet family lifestyle that is free of development.



Community Legacy: The community of Cornwall would like to see general improvements to the town's infrastructure that would also foster better tourism.

You can find a full report of all community consultation including how these statements were developed, on our website under **My Community / Community Consultation.**

Community Engagement and Plan Focus

A common theme of the Cornwall community engagement activities was the need for maintenance works to be done on street infrastructure.

Themes include:

- Maintenance issues regarding drainage and roads
- Connecting members of the community to services; and
- Working with the community to explore what events could be held within the township of Cornwall.

Some other matters raised were considered by Council as 'business as usual' and will be dealt with through existing Council activities.

To ensure all feedback was recorded and not lost we have included a copy of this in Appendix 2 along with items considered outside the scope of the Township Plan.

The 2022-2025 Cornwall Township Plan will focus on:

- Emergency event preparedness of the community
- Community infrastructure upgrades and maintenance; and
- Supporting tourism



Action List

Action		Who
1.	 Emergency Event Preparedness 1.1. Work with landowners adjoining the township to ensure that fire breaks are appropriate and maintained 1.2. Ensure community members have the opportunity to engage with TFS through community briefings which will provide community with ways to protect their properties 	Council/TFS/ Landowners/
2.	 Community infrastructure 2.1. Soldiers Walk – continue work in defining walking track and attend to drainage issues 2.2. Cornwall Community Hall – review drainage in front of hall 2.3. Develop scope works to undertake reseal and deformation corrections of Alexander Street – external funding will be required – listed in 4 year capital plan 2.4. Tennis Court upgrade – work with community to see what the use of the facility currently is and seek input from all community if tennis court will required 	Council/ Community Council Council/ Community
3.	Supporting Tourism 3.1. Work with the community to look at what activities and events can be held at Cornwall to encourage people to visit their town	Council/Community

Reporting back to the Community:

We will report back to you on how we are progressing with these actions twice a year. An updated action list will be posted on Council's website and forwarded to those that are on Council's Cornwall Township Email Database. (If you would like to join this database, please email, admin@bodc.tas.gov.au.)

Any feedback on these plans can be sent to admin@bodc.tas.gov.au

The Cornwall Township Plan has a term of three (3) years – after this period, the action list will be reviewed.

Adopted by Council on XX



Appendix 1

Community Engagement

On Wednesday 6 April, 2022, Council held a "drop in session" at Cornwall where Council officers met with community members seeking their feedback on the following issues:

- Infrastructure; and
- Other issues

Four community members attended this session.

During the Drop-in session period (11 March - 2 June 2022) a survey was available for community members unable to attend the Drop-in session. The survey received 244 responses from the Break O'Day Municipality - 8 of these were from Cornwall.

Council heard from a total of 12 Cornwall residents.

According to the 2021 Census, Cornwall has a population of 82 people.

While developing township plans we also asked residents to share with us what they loved about their community and how they would like their community to look in 10 years' time.

The answers to these questions were used to develop a vision and legacy statement for each township and we would appreciate your feedback on these as well as the plan itself.

These statements will help Council to make decisions about your township based on whether they fit with the vision and legacy of each community.

The Community Vision and Legacy Statements for Cornwall are:

Community Vision: The Cornwall Community most values their peaceful and quiet family lifestyle that is free of development.

Community Legacy: The community of Cornwall would like to see general improvements to the town's infrastructure that would also foster better tourism.

The above statements were developed from Community feedback as shown over:

Grouped answers to Question 5.



What do you most love about your community?

Community	0%	0
Environment	0%	0
heritage	0%	0
Infrastructure	0%	0
Lack of development	33.33%	1
Lifestyle	66.67%	2
Untagged	0%	0

Grouped answers from Question 7.

How would you like your community to look in 10 years' time?

Arts and Culture	0%	0
Commercial Development	0%	0
Community Facilities	33.33%	1
Environmental protection	0%	0
Events	0%	0
General Infrastructure	66.67%	2
No - Minimal change	0%	0
Tourism Infrastructure	33.33%	1
Untagged	0%	0

"More tourists coming through. All roads paved and well kept. Neat and tidy surrounds. Maybe a bit more of a touristy thing near the waterfall." Comment direct from community member.

You can find a full report of all community consultation on our website under **My Community / Community Consultation.**



Appendix 2

Business as Usual Activities

Comment	Action
 Repair walking track around Soldiers Walk and Kerb & Guttering – need to look at drainage around the town – top side of the Soldiers Walk Park Plant out Soldiers Walk – ground covers 	Item listed in 2022-2023 capital budget
Re- look at pipe work undertaken outside 69 Alexander Street – as now causing flooding to property	Monitor. Unable to validate at this point in time.
Drain work undertaken in Edward Street, Cornwall – now does not allow home owner to mow his nature strip	Will review
Compliance issue – top side of 11 Alexander Street – water flow onto neighbouring block	EHO and Building Services – Compliance issue - active matter
Value networking Council and Neighbourhood Houses	Council staff work closely with both St Helens and Fingal Valley Neighbourhood Houses and share information from both houses on Council's social media page
Keeping the grass and gardens tidy	Review the maintenance schedules — Nature strips and council gardens

Activities Outside Township Plan Scope

Comment	Action
 Mobile reception – Telstra & NBN – signal strength is not good – people need to travel to the entrance to Cornwall to use mobile phones 	Council staff to advise Telcos of this issue and if not addressed by them – will earmark for future black spot funding
 Transport Community Transport available and affordable 	Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House provide transport options for people living in the valley or CTST provide transport services for those people needing to travel to Launceston and Hobart for medical appointments