

Fingal Township Plan report as at April, 2021

	Fingal Township Plan	Reporting Against Actions
1.	Release of land for building	
	1.1. A review to be undertaken to assess the supply and demand re residential sites	Some consideration has occurred through the development of the Local Provisions schedules. This action will form part of the strategic planning processes that Council will be undertaking in the current financial year.
		Opportunity for community comment will be made available.
2.	Unsightly buildings 2.1. To assess each building as identified and assess building in accordance with current Legislation	Council has addressed safety concerns with buildings on Talbot Road, Fingal. Council requests specific information be provided in relation to any other properties of concern
3.	 Vegetation issues 3.1. In recognition of limited resources Council has adopted "green zone" maps which show the nature strips that are mown regularly. The back streets of Fingal (referred to as Fingal rural living blocks) may be slashed a maximum of twice per year according to Policy. 3.2. Identify properties that may need to be abated within the town centre 	 3.1 Vegetation slashing is undertaken according to policy. The exception is when a total fire ban is imposed that prohibits roadside slashing. 3.2 An ongoing item - Council issues abatement notices to property owners
	 3.3. Council does not have a tree replacement program at present however Council has expressed a desire for the development of such a program and it is hoped this can be prepared in 2018/2019. The specific Fingal Recreation Ground trees have also not yet been considered but there replacement can be reviewed by management in the coming months. 	3.3 Appropriate street trees can be planted in the winter of 2021. Possible species are to be assessed prior to any purchase being made.
4.	Council owned infrastructure	

	4.1.	Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House – re-paint – project to be costed and programmed to be undertaken	4.1 – Complete June 2020
	4.2.	Construct handrails at front steps of building – project to costed - Heritage Tasmania to be consulted in design of same	4.2 – Compliant accessible path and steps now installed – July 2020.
	4.3.	There is an overall Masterplan for this building and works are being budgeted for in future budgets	4.3 – Stage 2 (lift, accessible toilet and accessible carpark) pending grant application funding.
	4.4.	Consult with the community prior to any demolition of the existing toilet block at the Fingal Recreation Ground	4.4 Completed
5.	Rike	e track – Fingal to St Marys	
	5.1.	To develop conceptual plan and cost same	Council was successful in receiving a grant to undertake a Recreational Trails Strategy – this project will form of that project
6.	Stre	etscape	
	6.1.	Council to investigate the need to upgrade street lighting and cost same if required	Street lighting conversion to LED lighting completed by TasNetworks.
	6.2.	Work with the community in relation to design of township signage and cost same once agreed upon	
	6.3.	Stage 2 Streetscape in front of Fingal Park to be budgeted for in 2018-2019 Capital Budget	6.3 Stage 2 and Stage 3 works completed and funded by the Australian Governments Drought Community Fund Programs.
	6.4.	Investigate the need and location for parking of large vehicles	6.4 Item has been assessed. Talbot Street currently has sufficient space available for the parking of large vehicles.
	6.5.	Consult with State Growth re installation of medium strips to slow traffic through main street and beautify same as well as providing safety measures for pedestrians	6.5 The proposal to install a medium strip along Talbot Street was not supported by the Department of State Growth.
	6.6.	Work with TasWater to repair water pipes so that footpath in Talbot Street can be repaired	6.6 Taswater installed new water main infrastructure as part of the Stage 2 and Stage 3 streetscape works. Old footpath was removed and replaced with decorative concrete.

	6.7. Council to renew line marking identifying Stop and Give Way Signs	6.7 Road line marking and signage is addressed on a needs basis. Line marking has been renewed at many road junctions at Fingal and condition regularly monitored.
7.	 Signage 7.1. Update signage at Fingal Park including the Tourism mushroom & local cemeteries 	7.1 Project funding has been secured under the Australian Governments Local Roads and Community infrastructure Program for the Tourism mushroom for completion by 30 June 2021. Other signage will be replaced over time when needed.
	7.2. Develop a historic walk and install plaques which "tell the story"	7.2 This project has been undertaken by the community of Fingal
8.	Tourism 8.1. Work with Greater Esk Tourism and Community to organise a steam engine trip to Fingal	
	8.2. Work with PWS to ensure that roads and trails under their control are to a standard suitable for visitors all year round	8.2 Trails at Mathinna Falls and Evercreech were repaired under PWS guidance in 2019 and 2020 that were funded by the Australian Governments Drought Community Fund.