

St Marys Township Plan reporting as at May, 2021

| | St Marys Township Plan | Reporting Against Actions |
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| 1. | Township Beautification | . 5 5 |
| | 1.1 Planter boxes outside businesses – Council to develop a planter box guideline including responsibility for maintenance and care. | 1.1 and 1.2 Guideline yet to be developed. |
| | 1.2 Public art/sculpture project developed in Main Street, include review of People Poles concept | |
| | 1.3 Recycle bins in Main Street – look at feasibility | 1.3 Not feasible at the present. Item may be reconsidered at a future time, given the current high cost to collect and transport to Launceston for materials recovery. |
| | 1.4 Review Town Entry portals concept from St Marys Streetscape Project Arboretum project – examine an approach for St Marys including potential locations and species | Refer to Councillors as to whether they wish to progress with the old design previously submitted or work with the community to design new entry portal |
| 2. | River Works | |
| | 2.1. Clean out the river at St Marys - investigate as an NRM project (removal of gorse and wattles) | 2.1 River segment between The Flats Road and Storey Street road bridge addressed in the early part of 2020. Any additional work is subject to funding availability. |
| | Landscape St Marys Rivulet with endemic natives – investigate as an NRM project. | 2.2 Council continues to monitor funding opportunity. |
| | 2.3. Resurrect and maintain the Wombat Walk along the St Marys Rivulet | 2.3 Works completed |
| 3. | Walking track – St Marys to Fingal 3.1. Council to work with Crown Land Services in relation to progressing this project | Council was successful in receiving grant funding to undertake a Recreational Trails Strategy – community engagement will occur as part of this project |
| | 3.2. Seek external funding to develop this trail subject to lease and environmental issues that may arise | |
| 4. | Tourism | |
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- 4.1. Information/history plaques to be located around St Marys
- 4.2. RV Parking spaces Main Street, St Marys – under review as part of the St Marys Parking Strategy Development

4.3. Improved access to St Patricks Head, Meadstone Falls, South Sister

4.4. Improved tourism signage

Covid has impacted on a community group undertaking this project as many groups did not meet during the period.

Limited space exists in Main Street between the eastern town entry point and the Caltex station. Space however exists beyond this point up to The Flat road bridge and at the Recreational Ground. RV parking is under investigation as part of developing the St Marys Parking Strategy.

Some work has been undertaken during 2019 on the walking track to St Patricks Head as part of the Drought Communities Fund- Round 1. Improved access to Meadstone Falls was investigated by the Council in 2019 and determined to be cost prohibitive to upgrade the road access and to replace a washed out bridge. Project was not progressed. Access improvements to South Sister are also cost prohibitive and have not been considered further.

Ongoing activity of the Council. Tourism signage is in the process of being updated for the St Marys information site and funded under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program – Round 1.

5. Events & Celebrations

5.1. Community to explore and develop concepts for further consideration by the community and Council including:
 Annual/bi-annual music festival
 Clean up Australia Day
 Christmas Decorations
 The Passes Bike Race (St Marys & Elephant)

Covid has unfortunately impacted on the event ideas progressing.
Council has requested additional funding for Christmas decorations for St Marys in the 2021-2022 budget

6. Additional Services for St Marys

6.1. Counselling services, more trauma orientated, youth mental health and elderly mental health and more allied services for the hospital – Council to work with external services and map what services are presently servicing St Marys

Council continue to work with the Royal Flying Doctors service to ensure that services are delivered locally within the Municipality. The Mental Health Directory which is updated every 2 months by the Suicide Trial site program – provides an update as to what services are delivered throughout our municipality.

6.2. Work with Hub4Health to promote the services they offer in St Marys including gym membership

Council leases a facility to Hub4Health which houses the Gym at St Marys Recreation Ground.