

BADDAGINNIE TOWNSHIP PLAN

Please Note: This document is a draft version of the Township Plan. The information contained within has been collated from various sources and may be outdated. The Community Development Team from Benalla Rural City Council want to work together with the Baddaginnie community to develop and update this document so that it accurately reflects the current plans and priorities of the town and its community members. Your feedback on this document will help shape consultations and the future of Baddaginnie.

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Executive Summary

This document details a community led action plan that showcases a vision for the progressive development of Baddaginnie. The document also outlines the plan to both maintain and enhance the future prosperity of the township through ongoing planning and development of the town and its community members, including infrastructure, maintenance, community inclusion & promotion and events to increase tourism.

Vision Statement

To improve Baddaginnie for residents to reside and work, visitors to stay, and for the future prosperity of Baddaginnie from a social, economic, recreational and environmental perspective; whilst maintaining the character intrinsic to the community.

To engender good-will, build partnerships between local groups and the residents of Baddaginnie, and promote a spirit of co-operation. To ensure initiatives have a greater likelihood of being supported, by how they are perceived by the community and for volunteers to support projects.

Purpose of the Township Plan

The Baddaginnie Township Plan is based on the ideas, hopes and aspirations of the Baddaginnie community together with the Benalla Rural City Council (BRCC). The Township Plan aspires to guide the future development of the town by developing a list of projects and priorities to inform council strategic planning and to support the community to apply for grants when funding is available.

The plan:

- Articulates the issues that are important to Baddaginnie residents
- Provides a clear blueprint for the future development of the Baddaginnie township and surrounding region
- Assists the Baddaginnie community to attract local and state funding to help achieve identified priorities and projects
- Provides a coordinated approach for the social, cultural and economic development of the township and surrounding enterprises
- Aspires to promote Baddaginnie as a tourism destination & as a great place to live

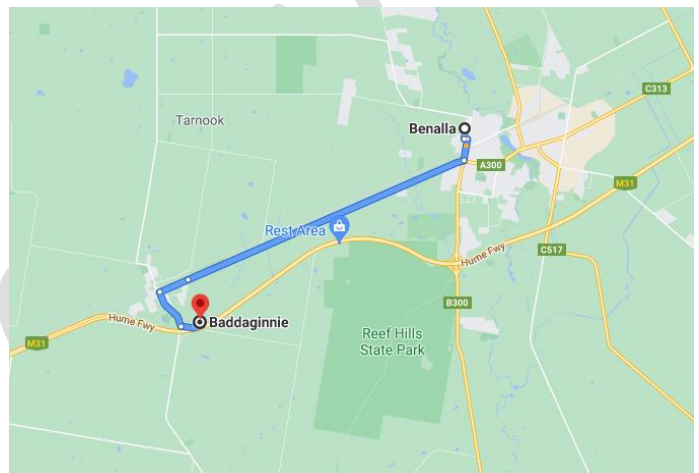
Alignment to BRCC Community Plan & Vision 2036

The Baddaginnie Township Plan aligns with the BRCC Community Plan and Vision 2036 documents respectively as together they seek to provide a pathway to the development of individual towns and the rural area of Benalla as a whole.

The information in this document has been collated from a number of sources including the Benalla Rural City Council website, previous community consultations and grant applications, previous town action plans, various other council documents and google and Facebook searches. Information may be updated, changed and further developed by the Baddaginnie community to specifically reflect the communities' actions, plans and priorities.

Location

Baddaginnie is a small township situated 10km southwest of Benalla on the former Hume Highway. The township is located 1.5km north of the Hume Freeway and is best described as a dormitory suburb of Benalla. Baddaginnie is situated 12 kilometres south of Benalla on the Benalla-Baddaginnie Road.



History of Baddaginnie

Baddaginnie was the name given to the local township by Sri Lankan railway workers building the Melbourne-Sydney rail line in the 1860s. According to local legend, when provisions failed to arrive at the settlement, the Sri Lankan men named their camp 'baddaginnie' meaning 'empty belly'.

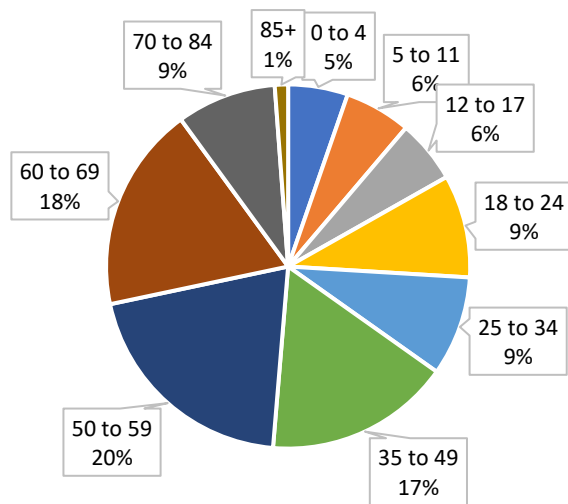
The town was surveyed in 1857, but settlement was slow, a Post Office finally opening on 16 September 1879. A railway station was open and served passengers until July 1978. A Primary school was opened in Baddaginnie in 1875 and has been running since.

Baddaginnie Today*

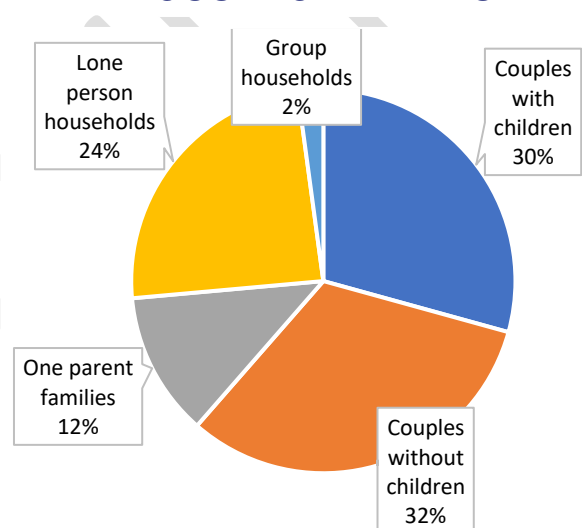
Baddaginnie is serviced by an active CFA Brigade, retains a primary school and has a daily mail delivery service. The town is provided with an unpotable reticulated water system operated by Baddaginnie Water Co-operative Limited. The Baddaginnie Community Hall is regularly used for various functions, as is the George Palmer Recreation Reserve for tennis and other public occasions. The town has an op-shop which opens every second Saturday.

At the 2016 census, Baddaginnie and the surrounding area had a population of 343; 179 males and 164 females. Of these, 20 residents were born overseas and 23 require assistance due to age or disability. Education statistics show 15 children attend pre - school or primary school, 17 attend secondary school and 8 attend TAFE. According to housing statistics, 57 residents own their homes, 52 are purchasing and 18 are renting.

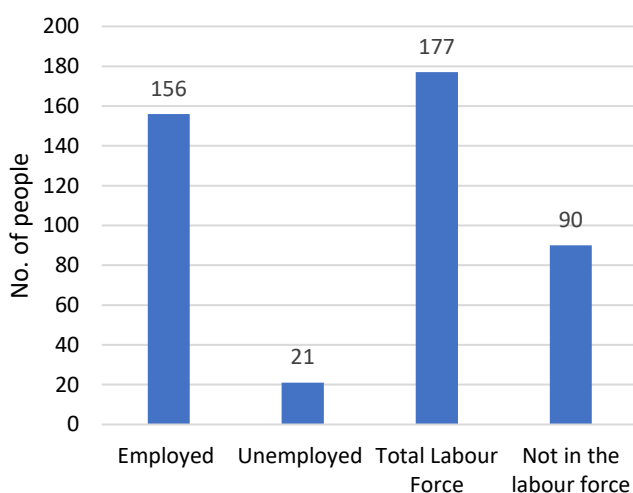
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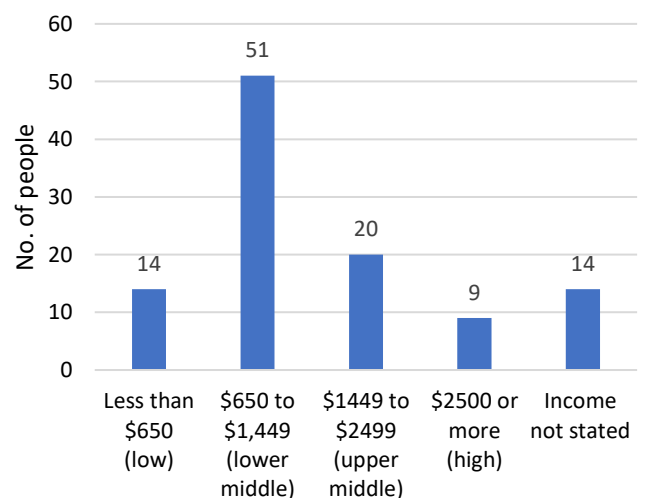
HOUSEHOLD TYPES



LABOUR FORCE



HOUSEHOLD INCOME



*The information represented in the above graphs has been taken from the 2016 Census from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and therefore may not be an accurate reflection of the township in 2021.

What makes Baddaginnie unique

The Baddaginnie community is optimistic with strong initiative to drive local projects that build capacity and skills in the wider community. Baddaginnie offers an attractive small-town lifestyle to residents, with the advantage and convenience of being within close proximity to a major regional centre. It offers serenity, community cooperation, the beauty of the bush and a peaceful and harmonious co-existence with nature.

Products & Services

- Op shop
- Mechanical & Radiator Service

Community Groups

- Baddaginnie water Cooperative
- CFA
- Baddaginnie Book Club

Sport & Recreation

- Baddaginnie Community Hall
- George Palmer Recreation Reserve
- Tennis



Education

- Baddaginnie Campus (Peranbin College) Primary School

Attractions

- Baddaginnie Reflections (historical display)
- War Memorial?

Marketing and Promotions

- Baddaginnie Babblar Newsletter (Circulation numbers?)
- Baddaginnie Fire Brigade Facebook - 574 followers, active
<https://www.facebook.com/BaddaginnieCFA/>
- Facebook – Baddaginnie op-shop - 226 followers, active
<https://www.facebook.com/Baddaginnieopportunitystore/>

Desired Town improvements:

- Utilities – Gas, Sewerage & water
- Bike path
- Zoning & Planning review – Increase population
- Baddaginnie Shop
- Playground and or skatepark
- Social/Community events – dances/tennis comps/school holiday activities/markets
- Community Garden & Pizza oven
- Youth Group
- A mural on Baddaginnie Hall
- Memorial Garden
- Statues
- Annual sheep dog trials
- Historical walk



Past & Recent Funding Grants

Year	Project	Amount	Source	Group
2021	Baddaginnie Hall Revitalization - Purchase a new hot water service for the kitchen and paint and gap filler for the exterior walls			Baddaginnie Community Inc
2017	Christmas BBQ	\$500	CG	Baddaginnie Fire Brigade
2017	Australia Day event	\$200	CG	Baddaginnie Community Inc.
2017	Primary school – sandpit & shade sail	\$2000	CG	Baddaginnie Community Inc.
2016	Purchase of defibrillators (CFA)	\$500	CSP	Baddaginnie Fire Brigade
2016	Aerodrome kits for 'The Sky's the Limit' Festival	\$1500	ME	Baddaginnie Community Inc.
2016	Christmas Event	\$500	CSP	Baddaginnie Fire Brigade
2015	Rewired Baddaginnie Op-shop	\$2500	CG	Baddaginnie Community Inc
2015	Re-stump/Refloor Baddaginnie Jubilee Hall	\$2500	CG	Baddaginnie Community Inc
2015	Fun Club	\$993	CSP	Baddaginnie Community Inc
2014	Baddaginnie Op-shop	\$2500	CG	Baddaginnie Community Inc
2013	CFA BBQ	\$500	CSP	Baddaginnie Fire Brigade
2013	Fun Club	\$654	CSP	Baddaginnie Community Inc
2012/2013	King Kong Children's Adventure Playground	\$2500	CG	Baddaginnie Community Inc

Funding Source Legend

CG = Community Grant

ME = Major Event

CSP = Community Sponsorship

Infrastructure Projects

Year	Project	BRCC Funding	State Gov Funding	Project Total
2015	New town entry sign			

Baddaginnie Projects & Priorities:

Priority - Time Line: **A** = SHORT TERM (1- 2 years) **B**= MEDIUM TERM (3-4 years) **C**= MED -LONG TERM (5-8 years) **D**= LONG TERM (9+ years)

ASSESTS & INFRASTRUCTURE

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments
	Gas, Sewerage & water			
	Zoning & planning alterations to grow population			
	Bike Path to reserve, school, Benalla			
	Road Maintenance/sealing			
	Skate Park or similar for young people			
	Repairs to Hall & surrounds			
	Open Baddaginnie Store (community co-op)			
	Historical Walkway with signage			
	Intersection improvements			

CHARACTER & APPEARANCE OF BADDAGINNIE

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments
	Mural			
	Something to draw tourists to town			
	Memorial Garden			
	Statues			
	Maintenance of public Toilets			
	Hard Rubbish collection			

BADAGINNIE CELEBRATIONS & EVENTS

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments
	Annual Sheep Dog Trial			
	Bush/Monthly Dance/Pizza nights etc			
	Markets			
	Events for kids			
	Australia Day Celebrations			

BADAGINNIE COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments
	Increase community use and participation of George Palmer Reserve			

BADAGINNIE SOCIAL MEDIA, ADVERTISING & PROMOTION

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments
	Baddaginnie Babbler Online			
	Promote Baddaginnie Book Club			

ONGOING ASSOCIATED PROJECTS

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments

LONG TERM GOALS & ASPIRATIONS

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments

Key Community Contacts

Name	Landline	Mobile	Email	Group	Title



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