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WARRENBAYNE
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 The information contained within has been collated from various sources and may be outdated.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 Warrenbayne 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 Warrenbayne.

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Executive Summary

This document details a community led action plan that showcases a vision for the progressive development of Warrenbayne. 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 Warrenbayne for residents to reside and work, visitors to stay, and for the future prosperity of Winton 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 Warrenbayne, 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 Warrenbayne Township Plan is based on the ideas, hopes and aspirations of the Warrenbayne 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 Warrenbayne residents
- Provides a clear blueprint for the future development of the Swanpool township and surrounding region
- Assists the Warrenbayne 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 Warrenbayne as a tourism destination & as a great place to live

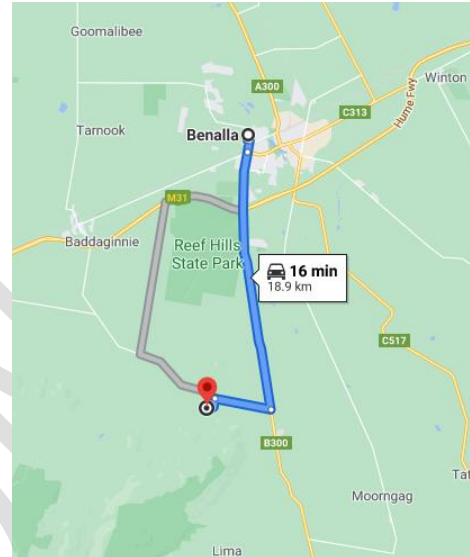
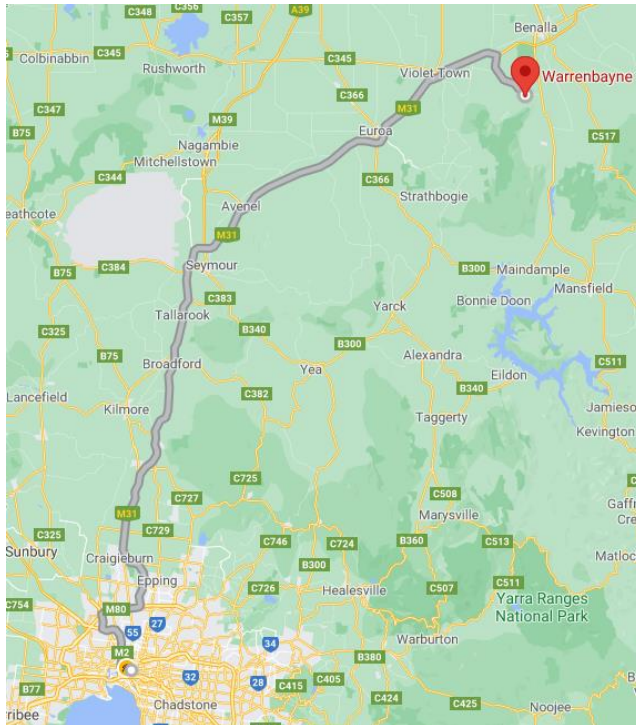
Alignment to BRCC Community Plan & Vision 2036

The Warrenbayne 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, google and Facebook searches and various other council documents. Information may be updated, changed and further developed by the Warrenbayne community to specifically reflect the communities' actions, plans and priorities.

Location

Warrenbayne is a small Victorian Rural Location within the local government area of Benalla, 19 km south from the township. It is located approximately 211 kms northeast of Melbourne.



History of Warrenbayne

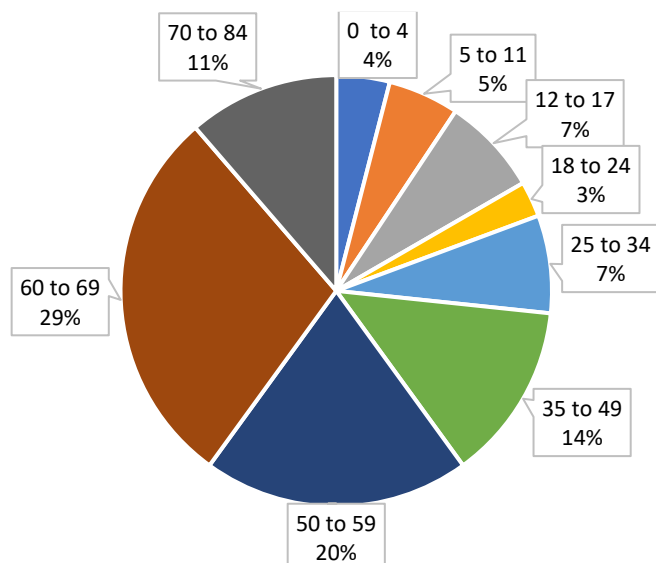
The area was first gazetted in 1849 with European squatters sharing the area as early as 1839 with the local Aborigines. The first permanent white settlers arrived in 1867. The main rural industries were and remain cattle farming, dairy and sheep farming.

Warrenbayne Today*

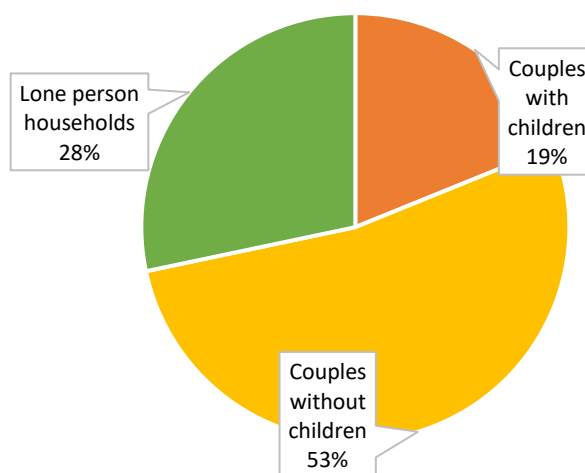
Warrenbayne has a strong role with, and commitment to Landcare and conservation. Community life centres around involvement in the CFA and activities run by the Hall Committee. The CFA is a much-valued group of energetic and committed volunteers. The active Hall Committee organises a Midwinter feast of food and music each year, usually in July. The community also celebrates Australia Day with a large community breakfast at the Hall and surrounds. ANZAC Day is also honoured with a small ceremony at the cenotaph followed by afternoon tea at the hall. The community prides itself on the role of the hall and its excellent facilities that can be hired for private functions.

Warrenbayne and the surrounding district had a population of 144 in 2016, with 78 males and 61 females. Of these, 8 were born overseas and 0 require assistance due to age or disability. Education statistics show 7 children attend pre - school or primary school, 6 attend secondary school and 3 attend TAFE. There are 76 dwellings, 36 residents own their own homes, 19 are purchasing and 9 are renting.

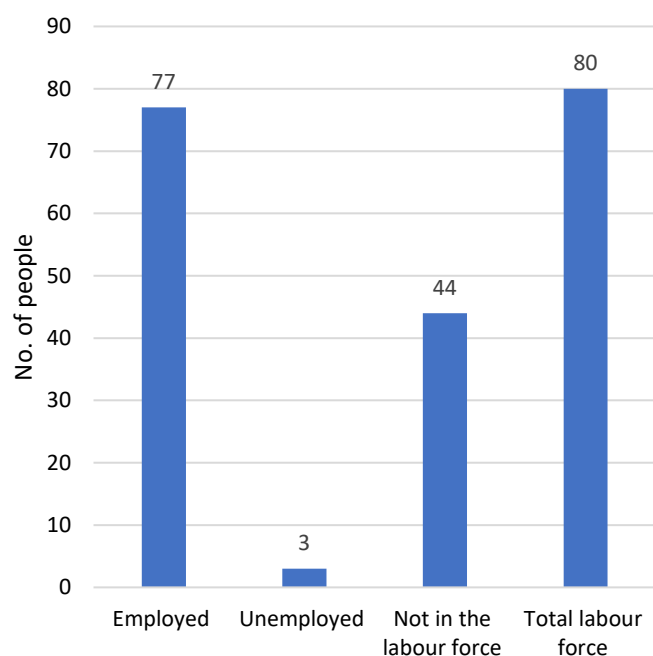
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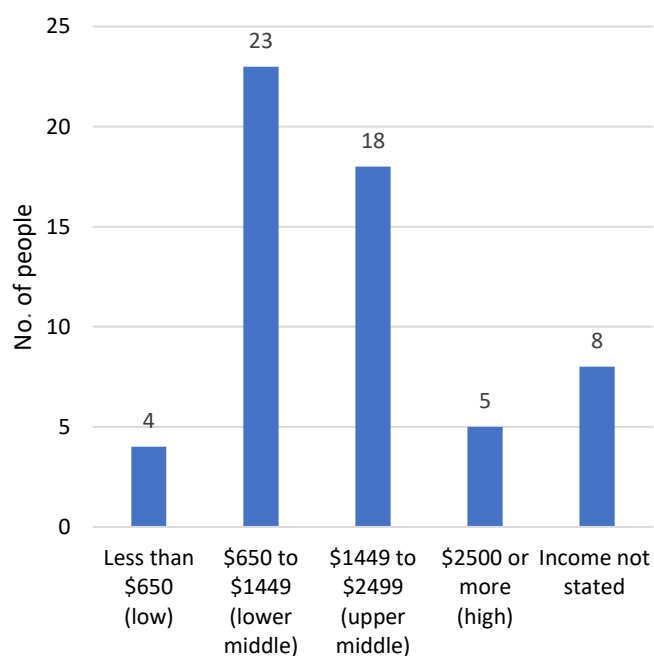
HOUSEHOLD TYPES



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 Warrenbayne Unique

Warrenbayne is a vibrant and supportive community nestled in the foothills of the Strathbogie ranges. Residents enjoy a rural lifestyle among picturesque views.

Products & Services

- Aumann's Cherries Warrenbayne Since 1974
- Prime Angus Stud

Community Groups

- Warrenbayne CFA
- Warrenbayne Playgroup
- Warrenbayne Hall Committee
- Warrenbayne Farm Collective

Sport & Recreation

- Recreation Reserve
- Warrenbayne Cricket Club
- Warrenbayne Mountain Bike Park

Education

- Primary School (closed 2008)
- Playgroup

Attractions

- War Memorial

Marketing & Promotion

- Warrenbayne Community Notice Board Facebook (91 Members)
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/341259950068989/>
- Warrenbayne Farm Collective Facebook (245 followers)
<https://www.facebook.com/warrenbaynefarmcollective/>
- Aumann's Cherries Warrenbayne Since 1974 Facebook (149 followers)
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Advertising-Marketing/Aumanns-Cherries-Warrenbayne-Since-1974-542222116210205/>
- Prime Angus Stud Facebook (983 followers)
<https://www.facebook.com/primeangusstud/>
- Warrenbayne Mountain Bike Path
<https://www.facebook.com/warrenbayneDHEnduro/>

Desired Town improvements:

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Past & Recent Funding Grants

Year	Project	Amount	Source	Group
2020	Upgrade to hall kitchen	\$2500	CSP	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2019	Establishment of Playgroup & equipment	\$1500	CG	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2018	Upgrade to Hall	\$1078	CG	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2017	Upgrade to Hall & surrounds	\$1252	CG	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2017	Australia Day Breakfast	\$200	CG	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2016	Australia Day Breakfast	\$200	CG	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2015	Australia Day Breakfast	\$200	CG	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2015	Hall	\$500	CSP	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2014	Hall	\$500	CSP	Warrenbayne Hall Committee
2014	Hall	\$1500	CG	Warrenbayne Hall Committee

Funding Source Legend **CG** = Community Grant **ME** = Major Event **CSP** = Community Sponsorship **YPG** = Youth Participation

Infrastructure Projects

Year	Project	BRCC Funding	State Gov Funding	Project Total

Warrenbayne 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

CHARACTER & APPEARANCE

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments

CELEBRATIONS & EVENTS

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments

SOCIAL MEDIA, ADVERTISING & PROMOTION

Priority	Project	Working Groups	Proposed Costs	Other Comments

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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